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TITLE: Hylomorphism, natural science, mind and God.

ABSTRACT: I argue that the early moderns were right to think that Aristotelian or scholastic hylomorphism was inconsistent with modern science. An emphasis on the teleological component in hylomorphism can, together with an appeal to Divine design, restore a kind of hylomorphism - and also help to articulate the doctrine of transubstantiation. None of this makes any serious contribution to solving the mind-body problem.