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                    discussions of the marginalization of and social justice for individuals
                    with disabilities. However, what of disability in the past? The Medieval
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                    have to say about disability, both in their own time and for the present.
                    This interdisciplinary volume on medieval Europe combines historical
                    records, medical texts, and religious accounts of saints' lives and
                    miracles, as well as poetry, prose, drama, and manuscript images to
                    demonstrate the varied and complicated attitudes medieval societies
                    had about disability. Far from recording any monolithic understanding
                    of disability in the Middle Ages, these contributions present a striking
                    range of voices--to, from, and about those with disabilities--and such
                    diversity only confirms how disability permeated (and permeates) every
                    aspect of life.The Medieval Disability Sourcebook is designed for use
                    inside the undergraduate or graduate classroom or by scholars
                    interested in learning more about medieval Europe as it intersects with
                    the field of disability studies. Most texts are presented in modern
                    English, though some are preserved in Middle English and many are
                    given in side-by-side translations for greater study. Each entry is
                    prefaced with an academic introduction to disability within the text as

well as a bibliography for further study. This sourcebook is the first in a proposed series focusing on disability in a wide range of premodern cultures, histories, and geographies.