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Nota di contenuto	Need for an alternative theory of conversion -- A constructive overview of theories regarding religious conversion -- Story and the making of the self -- Reading conversion through a narrative lens -- Hermeneutics and the ethical implications of a narrative approach to conversion -- Appendix A : Original research project, its methodology, and goals -- Appendix B : Interview form for conversion narratives research project.
Sommario/riassunto	This book argues that thick, embodied faith uniquely sustains moral transformation among those whom society deems "hopeless." It insists that by applying a narrative lens to religious conversion, we can better understand the dynamics of personal transformation in ways that make sense of psychological and social factors without ignoring so-called "spiritual" ones. It also helps us comprehend why religion often refuses to remain tamed or contained in the personal or private sphere many Americans wish.