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the polytheistic cults of the Near East as a whole by bringing out the variety between the different local and regional forms of worship in this part of the world.