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This anthology not only presents illuminating excerpts from the most important mystical texts, but also delves into the very meaning of mysticism itself. The author takes readers through the historical development of Jewish mysticism, from late antiquity to the modern period.
