Record Nr. UNINA9910463657303321 Autore Gudme Anne Katrine de Hemmer <1980-> **Titolo** Before the God in this place for good remembrance [[electronic resource]]: a comparative analysis of the Aramaic votive inscriptions from Mount Gerizim / / Anne Katrine de Hemmer Gudme Boston,: De Gruyter, 2013 Pubbl/distr/stampa **ISBN** 3-11-030187-3 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (196 p.) Beihefte zur Zeitschrift fur die alttestamentliche Wissenschaft, , 0934-Collana 2575 ; ; v. 441 Disciplina 296.4/92 Soggetti Vows in the Bible Inscriptions, Aramaic - West Bank - Gerizim, Mount Aramaic literature - Relation to the Old Testament Judaism - History - Post-exilic period, 586 B.C.-210 A.D. Electronic books. Gerizim, Mount (West Bank) Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Nota di bibliografia Includes bibliographical references and indexes. Nota di contenuto Front matter -- Acknowledgements -- Contents -- List of Abbreviations -- Introduction -- 1. Votive Practice: A Methodological Framework -- 2. Votive Practice in Biblical Literature -- 3. The Votive Inscriptions from Mount Gerizim -- 4. Votive Inscriptions with a Version of a Remembrance Formula -- 5. Ritual and Remembrance in Biblical Literature -- 6. Conclusion -- Bibliography -- Index of Authors -- Index of Biblical References -- Index of Names and Subjects This monograph is an investigation of Yahwistic votive practice during Sommario/riassunto the Hellenistic period. The dedicatory inscriptions from the Yahweh temple on Mount Gerizim are analyzed in light of votive practice in Biblical literature and in general on the basis of a thorough terminological and theoretical discussion. A special focus is laid on remembrance formulae, which request the deity to remember the worshipper in return for a gift. These formulae cannot only be found at Gerizim, but also in other Semitic dedicatory inscriptions. Therefore

these texts are interpreted in their broader cultural context, placed

within a broad religious practice of dedicating gifts to the gods and leaving inscriptions in sanctuaries. Finally, the aspect of divine remembrance in the Hebrew Bible is explored and related to the materiality of the votive inscription. The research concludes that there is a perception of the divine behind this practice on Mount Gerizim that ties together the aspects of gift, remembrance and material presence. This 'theology' is echoed both in similar Semitic dedicatory inscriptions and in the Hebrew Bible.