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inconceivable before the rise of Romanticism but the Ophite Gnostics of the second century AD appear to