Record Nr. UNINA9910476775103321 Autore Southwood Katherine <1982-> Titolo Job's body and the dramatised comedy of moralising / / Katherine E. Southwood Pubbl/distr/stampa 2020 London;; New York:,: Routledge,, 2021 **ISBN** 9781003029489 1003029485 9781000163414 1000163415 Descrizione fisica 1 online resource (xi, 190 pages) Collana Routledge Studies in the Biblical World EDU029050HIS002000BIB001080 Classificazione Disciplina 220.86392 223.1066 Soggetti Metaphor in the Bible Suffering in the Bible Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Includes index. Nota di contenuto Introduction and methods -- Methinks the Job he doth Protest too Much -- The Tyranny of Tradition -- Pride comes before a Fool: Job's loss of Social Status -- Is the answer for Job blowin' in the Wind? Sommario/riassunto "This book focuses on the expressions used to describe Job's body in pain and on the reactions of his friends to explore the moral and social world reflected in the language and the values that their speeches betray. A key contribution of this monograph is to highlight how the perspective of illness as retribution is powerfully refuted in Job's speeches and, in particular, to show how this is achieved through comedy. Comedy in Job is a powerful weapon used to expose and ridicule the idea of retribution. Rejecting the approach of retrospective diagnosis, this monograph carefully analyses the expression of pain in

> Job focusing specifically on somatic language used in the deity attack metaphors, in the deity surveillance metaphors and in the language connected to the body and social status. These metaphors are analysed

in a comparative way using research from medical anthropology and sociology which focuses on illness narratives and expressions of pain. Job's Body and the Dramatised Comedy of Moralising will be of interest to anyone working on the Book of Job, as well as those with an interest in suffering and pain in the Hebrew Bible more broadly."