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forward. Ultimately, Whittle demonstrates how Catholic theology can offer a unique and much needed theory of education."--
