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readers to approach the complex questions of ethics and moral philosophy through one of the most popular canons in comic book history"--
