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agency. The book demonstrates Plotinus' serious engagement with the central issues of ancient ethics, and his original way of tackling them.