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combining them to defend and praise Mary's conception without sin. Individual chapters assess how they depicted Mary's prefiguration in the Old Testament by the Woman who defeated the serpent, the young bride of the Song of Songs, or the semi-deity, Wisdom, how they

portray her as the mystic rose and as the new Eve.