

1. Record Nr.	UNINA9910972424903321
Autore	Mein Andrew
Titolo	Ezekiel and the ethics of exile / / Andrew Mein
Pubbl/distr/stampa	Oxford ; ; New York, : Oxford University Press, c2001
ISBN	0-19-152302-X 0-19-151625-2 1-282-36582-7 9786610819621 0-19-929139-X 9786612365829 1-280-81962-6
Edizione	[1st ed.]
Descrizione fisica	1 online resource (298 pages)
Collana	Oxford theological monographs
Disciplina	224/.406
Soggetti	Jews - History - Babylonian captivity, 598-515 B.C
Lingua di pubblicazione	Inglese
Formato	Materiale a stampa
Livello bibliografico	Monografia
Note generali	Description based upon print version of record.
Nota di bibliografia	Includes bibliographical references and indexes.
Nota di contenuto	Contents; List of Abbreviations; Introduction; 1. Moral Worlds: Ancient Israelite Ethics in a Social Context; 2. Ezekiel and the Exiles; 3. The World of Politics; 4. The Politics of Cult; 5. Ritual and Ethics; 6. The 'Domestication' of Ethics; 7. From Responsibility to Passivity; Conclusion: Ezekiel and the Ethics of Exile; Bibliography; Index of Authors; A; B; C; D; E; F; G; H; J; K; L; M; N; O; P; R; S; T; U; V; W; Z; Index of Biblical References
Sommario/riassunto	The two 'moral worlds' of Jerusalem and exile provide the key to Ezekiel's ethics. The prophet both offers an explanation of the disaster in terms familiar to his hearers' past experience, and provides ethical strategies for coping with the far more limited possibilities of life in Babylonia. - ;Whereas much recent work on the ethics of the Hebrew Bible addresses the theological task of using the Bible as a moral resource for today, this book aims to set Ezekiel's ethics firmly in the social and historical context of the Babylonian Exile. The two 'moral worlds' of Jerusalem and Babylonia provide the key. Ezekiel explains the disaster in terms familiar to his audience's past experience as members of Judah's political elite. He also provides ethical strategies for coping

with. the more limited possibilities of life in Babylonia, which include the ritualization of ethics, an increasing emphasis on the domestic and personal sphere of action, and a shift towards human passivity in the face of restoration. Thus the prophet's moral concerns and priorities are substantially. shaped by the social experience of deportation and resettlement. They also represent a creative response to the crisis, providing significant impetus for social cohesion and the maintenance of a distinctively Jewish community.
