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This book provides a comprehensive examination of the evidence for
the economy of the later Roman province of Third Palestine, which
roughly corresponds to southern Jordan, the Negev desert in Israel, and
the Sinai Peninsula.
