Noah and His Books

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In a collection of original essays, this book offers new insights on the question of the lost “book of Noah,” as well as studies of Noah's figure in postbiblical literature. It focuses on ancient Jewish literature, including the Septuagint, the Apocrypha and Pseudepigrapha, the Dead Sea Scrolls, Philo, Josephus, and rabbinic literature, but Christian sources, especially Christian iconography, gnostic literature, and Syriac material, as well as later sources such as the Qur'an and Jewish medieval traditions, are also consulted.

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