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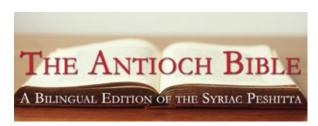
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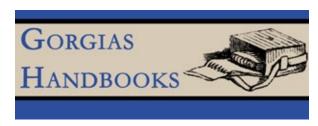
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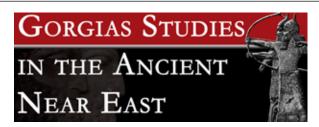
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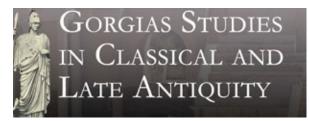
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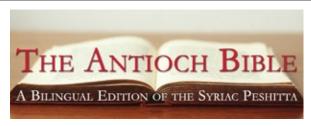
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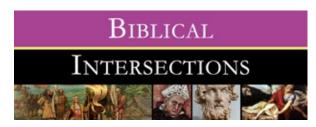
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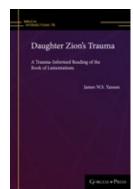
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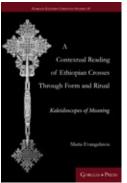
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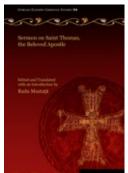
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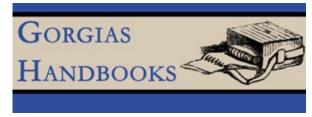


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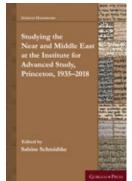
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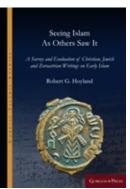
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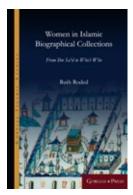
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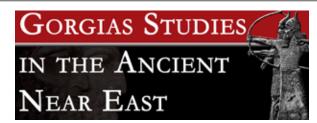
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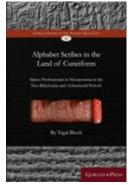
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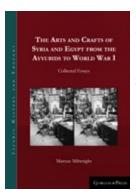
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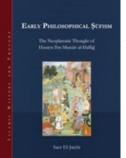
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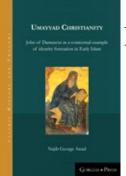
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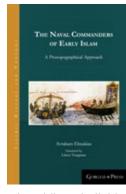
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she would remain for a few historic days, challenging the wickedness of the Islamic leadership, defending the actions of her brother, initiating the commemorative rituals, protecting and nurturing the new Imâm, al-Ḥusayn's son 'Alî b. al-Ḥusayn b. 'Alî b. Abî Tâlib, until he could take his rightful place. This is her story.

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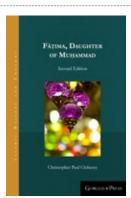
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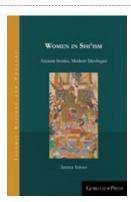
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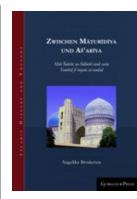
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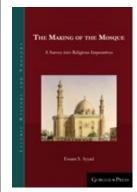
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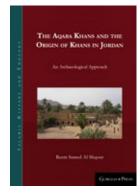
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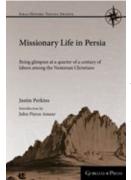
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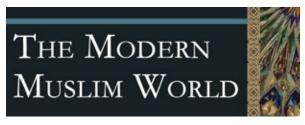


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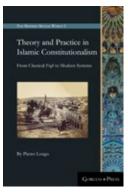
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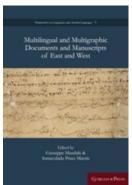
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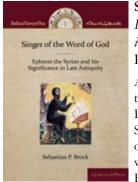
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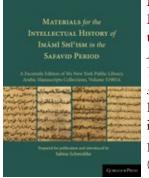


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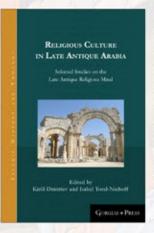
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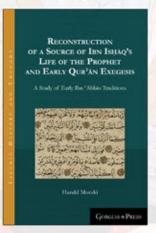


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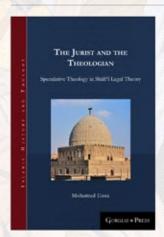


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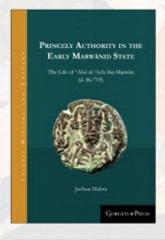


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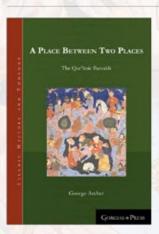


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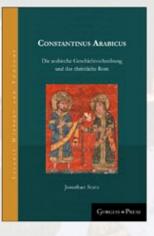


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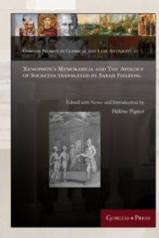
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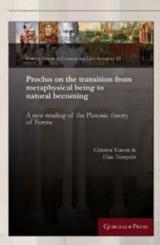


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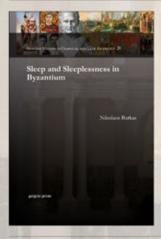


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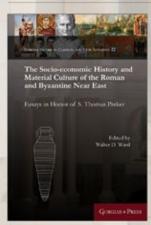


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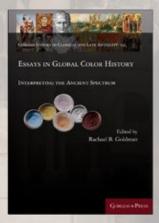


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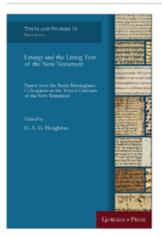
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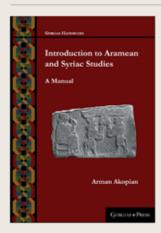
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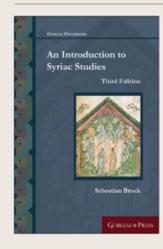


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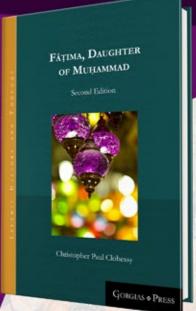
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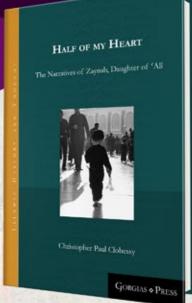
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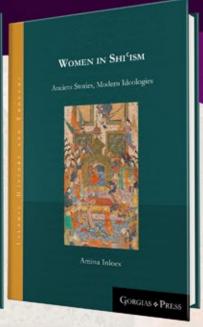
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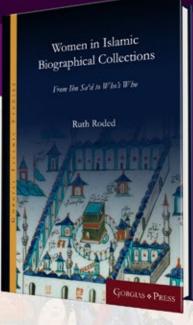
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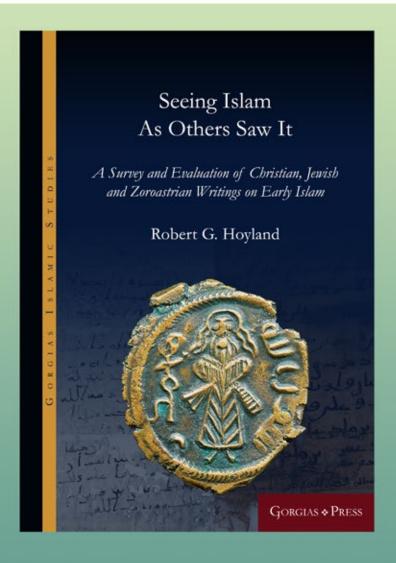
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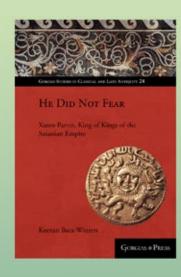
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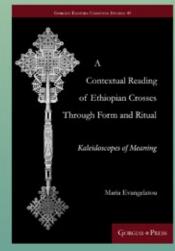
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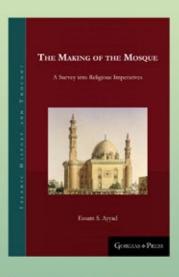
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