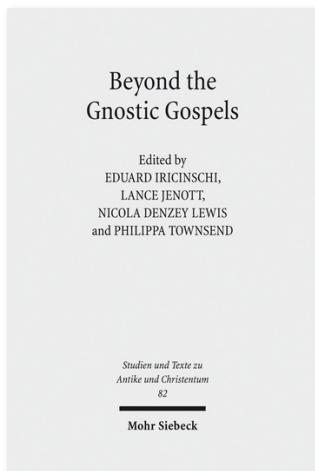


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Studies Building on the Work of Elaine Pagels

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