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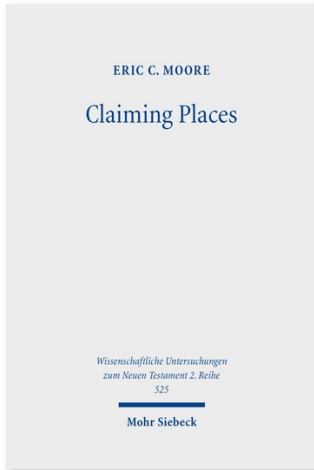
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How is Acts of the Apostles – its form and features – to be understood in light of the work's ancient Mediterranean cultural context? In the present study, Eric C. Moore offers a fresh response to this much-debated question, arguing for the utility of ancient colonization as an analytic lens for reading Acts, a story about the origins and replication of early Christianity. He explores how in narrating his account, Luke draws on a common stock of »foundation« motifs employed by ancient sources, textual and material alike, to glorify community beginnings.

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