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In this volume, Alexander Drews studies the use, semantics and ethical significance of the lexical field *Ergon* in John's Gospel. He discusses all the relevant instances and compares their meaning with Aristotle's famous *Ergon* ('task', 'function') argument and an antique corpus. The heart of the work is a detailed exegetical section evaluating the lexical field's ethical effect. Central to this is John 3, 18–21, which opens up a perspective from the 'area of light', the 'area of darkness' and an 'ambivalent action area' and so offers the reader incentives for action. The author methodically covers new territory in semantics by testing corpus linguistics, and in ethics by applying Ruben Zimmermann's methodology on 'implicit ethics'.

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