

Serpent Symbolism In The Old Testament: A Linguistic, Archaeological, And Literary Study By Karen Randolph Joines

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I was very impressed by Professor Karen Randolph Joines' book on Serpents in the Bible and Serpents found in archaeological contexts of the Ancient Near East. **Book Serpent Symbolism In The Old testamentary** My real interest was in what he had to say about Eden's Serpent in the Book of Genesis in relation to what he found in Ancient Near Texts especially of Mesopotamia about serpents and man's failed attempt to attain immortality (The Adapa and the South Wind Myth found in cuneiform in Pharaoh Akhenaten's capital city in Egypt and later in the library of King Assurbanipal of Nineveh Assyria). **Book Serpent Symbolism In The Old testamentary** I was pleased to see he had noted that the Mesopotamian serpent-god Ningishzida had offered Adapa the food of life which would have conferred immortality on man but Adapa refused to eat of it because his god EA of Eridu had forwarned him NOT TO EAT of the bread of death or drink of the water of death or he would surely die: **Serpent Symbolism In The Old Testament fostering meaning** Regretably for me Joines never identified Ningishzida as being recast as Eden's serpent a conclusion I had arrived at based on my studies. **Book Serpent Symbolism In The Old testamentary** Joines' book was not apparently intended for a general reading audience, **Serpent Symbolism In The Old Testament books** How so? He frequently quotes at length the works of German scholars and provides his readers no English translations, **Serpent Symbolism In The Old testamenthulp** Apparently Joines asumed only scholars possessing a knowledge of German would be interested in his research? 0883660059.