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Changed Imagination, Changed Obedience: Social Change, Social Imagination, and the Bent-over Woman in the Gospel of Luke (Paperback)

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