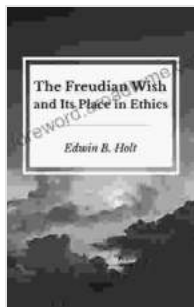


# The Freudian Wish and Its Place in Ethics

By Slavoj Žižek

In *The Freudian Wish and Its Place in Ethics*, Slavoj Žižek explores the relationship between the Freudian unconscious and ethics. Žižek argues that the Freudian unconscious is not simply a repository of repressed desires, but rather a site of ethical struggle. He contends that the unconscious is the source of both our ethical ideals and our transgressions, and that it is only through understanding the unconscious that we can hope to live an ethical life.



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Žižek begins by arguing that the Freudian unconscious is not a realm of irrationality, but rather a site of reason. He argues that the unconscious is structured like a language, and that it is through the analysis of unconscious discourse that we can gain access to the ethical dimension of the human psyche.

Žižek then goes on to argue that the Freudian unconscious is the source of our ethical ideals. He contends that our ethical ideals are not simply abstract principles that we learn from our parents or teachers, but rather desires that are rooted in the unconscious. These desires are not always conscious, but they nonetheless shape our behavior and our understanding of the world.

However, Žižek also argues that the Freudian unconscious is the source of our transgressions. He contends that our unconscious desires are often in conflict with our ethical ideals, and that this conflict can lead to transgressions. These transgressions can be either minor or major, but they all have the potential to disrupt our lives and relationships.

Žižek concludes by arguing that the only way to live an ethical life is to understand the unconscious. He contends that we must become aware of our unconscious desires and their ethical implications. Only then can we hope to control our transgressions and live in accordance with our ethical ideals.

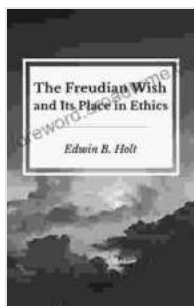
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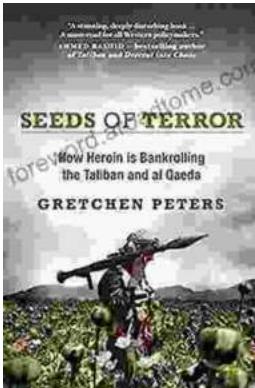
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