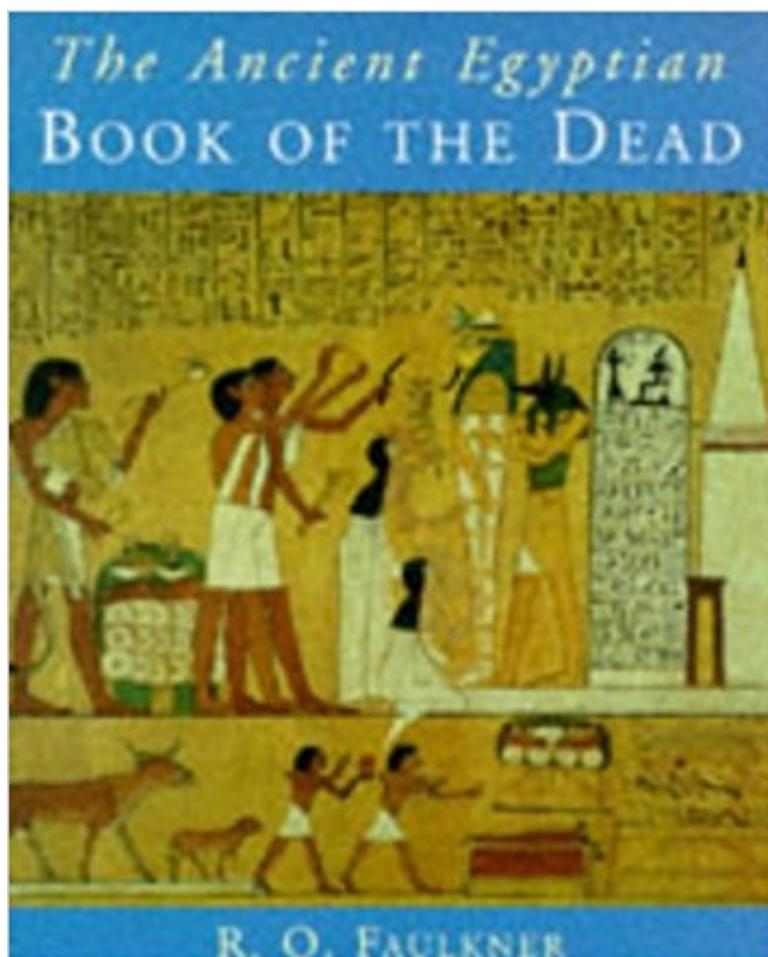


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Carol Andrews took Falkner's work and Americanized it. She also toned down the heavy Christian analysis. I find this version much easier to read. It has beautiful photographs and follows the tail of Ani as he descends into the underworld...

its basically the worlds oldest prayer book

Beautiful pictures!

good book to read

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