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8. Maimonides II	<i>The Epistles of Maimonides</i> (Abraham Halkin)
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4. *The Book of Tradition: Sefer ha-Qabbalah* (Gershom Cohen)
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