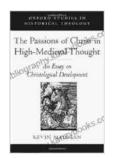
### The Passions of Christ in High Medieval Thought: An Illuminating Journey into the **Depths of Medieval Theology**

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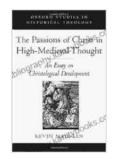
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