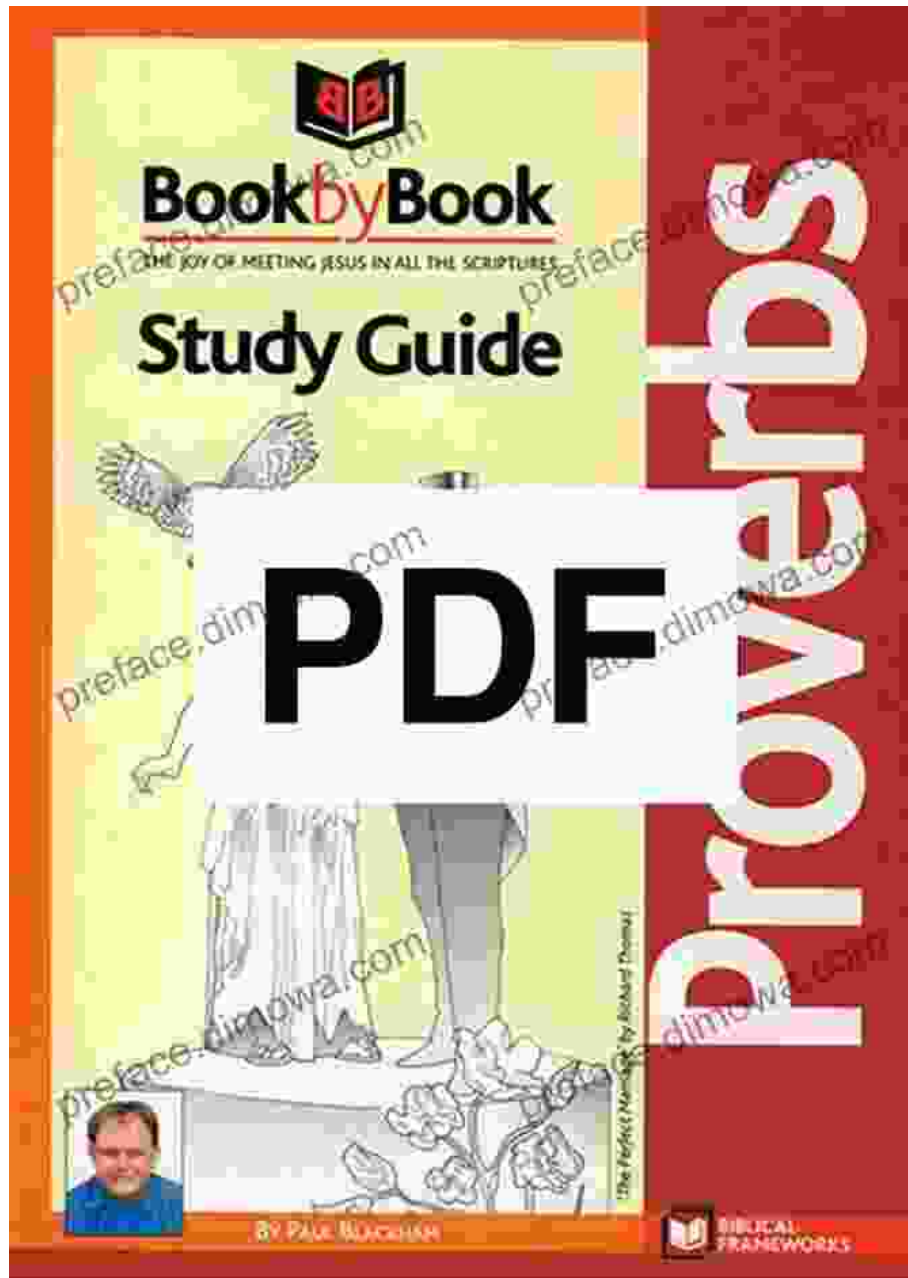


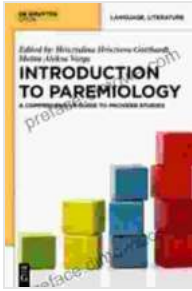
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## **Origins and Evolution of Proverbs**

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The study of proverbs, known as paremiography, employs a variety of methodologies. Ethnographic approaches immerse researchers in cultural contexts to document and analyze proverbs within their natural settings. Comparative studies examine similarities and differences between proverbs across cultures, revealing shared human experiences and universal truths. Historical research traces the evolution of proverbs over time, shedding light on their changing meanings and adaptations.

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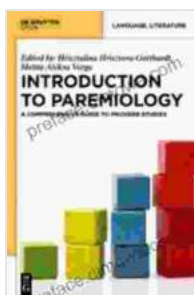
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