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Ancient Jewish Magic: A History [Gideon Bohak] on Amazon.com. *FREE* shipping on qualifying offers. Gideon Bohak gives a pioneering account of the broad history of ancient Jewish magic, from the Second Temple to the rabbinic period. It is based both on ancient magicians' own compositions and products in Aramaic. The original nine Knights Templar were either born into or related to the Rex Deus families, as was Godfrey de Boullion, the French general who led them against the Saracens during the First Crusade. The word 'wizard' is derived from the Middle English word 'wys' (meaning wise) and the suffix '-ard'. Therefore, a wizard was basically a wise man, up until around the middle of the 16th century AD. "Magic has often been dismissed as either primitive and irrational and therefore alien to modern society, as inherently opposed to the Judeo-Christian traditions of the West, or as incompatible with religion in general.