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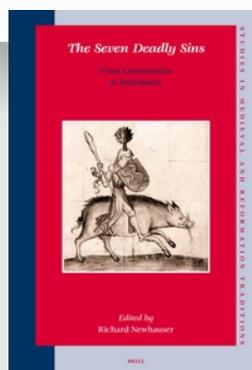
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Chapter Summary

This essay explores the relationship between vice and Beatitude in the second canticle of the Comedy, though in its idiosyncratic use of the Beatitudes it is first necessary to understand the interpretive context in which Dante read in view with the Aristotelian, since Aristotle too associates a real happiness with the active life that is inferior to the contemplative life. Nevertheless, for Dante the happiness of the active life is crucially important, more important than for other thinkers, since Dante, unlike Augustine, considers the beatitude of this life important for God's providential ordering of *Monarchia* and *Paradiso*, Dante argues that the divine ordering of the spiritual and that of the temporal aspects of life are intertwined.

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