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Guide to the

Ethiopian scroll commissioned by Wolde Selassie

18--?

Summary

Creator: Selassie, Wolde

Title: Ethiopian scroll commissioned by Wolde Selassie

Date: 18--?

Size: 1 scroll, col. ill, 180 x 11 cm; 1 scroll, col. ill, 180 x 11 cm

Source: Huda Khouri, 1998

Abstract: This talisman was prepared as a healing prayer for a man called Wolde Selassie against demons and the evil eye that cause disease. Prayers are made to St. Mary, St. Michael, St. Gabriel, St. Raphael, and the apostles. The name of an Ethiopian saint Bishop Petros is also invoked. The prayer begins "In the name of the Father, the Son, Holy Spirit, One God." It ends with a prayer "In the name of Jesus Christ to protect and heal your servant Wolde Selassi...".

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Language of the Material: Text in Geez

Scope and Content Note

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