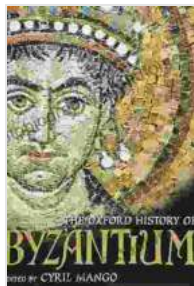


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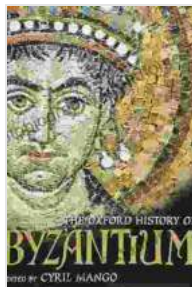
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Image Descriptions:

- **Image 1:** A stunning mosaic depicting the Emperor Justinian and his entourage in the Hagia Sophia, showcasing the intricate artistry of Byzantine mosaics.
- **Image 2:** A panoramic view of the sprawling city of Constantinople, revealing the imperial palaces, churches, and bustling streets that defined the Byzantine capital.
- **Image 3:** A portrait of Theodora, the powerful and enigmatic empress of the Byzantine Empire, capturing her intelligence and influence.
- **Image 4:** An illuminated manuscript page from the Codex Purpureus Rossanensis, demonstrating the exquisite craftsmanship of Byzantine religious art.



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