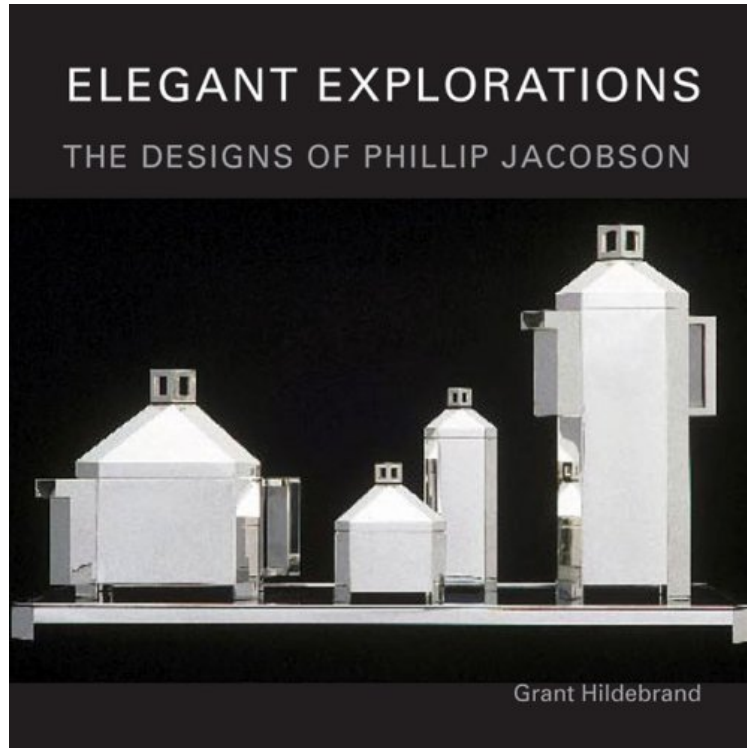


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"[His work] belies the years of effort that [go] into its creation. . . *Elegant Explorations* [is] a book about the more

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