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### **The Aryeh Kaplan Reader**

An integral and important work for every rabbi and community leader. This book puts the essential elements of rabbinic counseling

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into the hands of those who need it most. Rabbis and leaders often find themselves doing formal and informal counseling--but with little or no experience, opportunities can be lost and damage can be done. Here are practical tools to facilitate better communication and assistance, user-friendly and eminently practical. Dr. Levitz is a clinical psychologist, former pulpit rabbi, and Professor Emeritus of Yeshiva University's Wurzweiler School of Social Work. Rabbi Dr. Twerski is a noted psychiatrist and former pulpit rabbi who has published close to fifty self-help books and specializes in addictions and rehabilitation. This book will be of interest and of essence to every rabbi, rebbe, and spiritual or community leader.

### **The Everything Torah Book**

The Book of Job has held a central role in defining the project of modernity from the age of Enlightenment until today. The Book of Job: Aesthetics, Ethics and Hermeneutics offers new perspectives on the ways in which Job's response to disaster has become an aesthetic and ethical touchstone for modern reflections on catastrophic events. This volume begins with an exploration of questions such as the tragic and ironic bent of the Book of Job, Job as mourner, and the Joban body in pain, and ends with a consideration of Joban works by notable

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writers - from Melville and Kafka, through Joseph Roth, Zach, Levin, and Philip Roth.

## **Traditions of the Bible**

Gateway to Judaism is an insider's engaging look at the mindset, values, and practices of Judaism in the 21st century. As a senior lecturer and outreach expert with Gateways Seminars, Rabbi Mordechai Becher has helped thousands of people reconnect with the beauty, wisdom and relevance of their Jewish heritage. Often asked to recommend "just one book" that would explain the essentials of Jewish life and thought, he decided to write it himself! Delving beneath common perceptions of Jewish tradition, Rabbi Becher presents fresh and meaningful perspectives that will educate and inspire you. Among the many intriguing topics he addresses are: Is there spirituality in Judaism? In our age of labor-saving devices, do we still need a Sabbath? What is Judaism's view on death and the afterlife? Why is Judaism so full of laws? Why should I pray? Does God really want to hear my complaints? Can Judaism enhance my marriage? Isn't circumcision just an ancient rite of initiation? Is it still relevant? Why is Israel so central to Judaism? Does a religion need a land? Why does a mourner say Kaddish? Wasn't keeping kosher a health measure? Does it still have a purpose today? How can I add meaning to my Passover Seder?

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Gateway to Judaism reveals Judaism's power to elevate your life. Whether you are new to Jewish tradition, familiar with its practice, or simply curious, you will find this book an illuminating guide to a joyous and fulfilling lifestyle. -- from dust cover.

## **Living Emunah**

From the Pentateuch and Nevi'im to the Ketuvim and the oral Torah, this straightforward reference walks you through God's instructions to His people and explains how these teachings are incorporated into Jewish life. The Everything Torah Book presents the tenets of the Jewish faith in an easy-to-understand reference. Fascinating insights into the history, stories, parables, and personalities that are featured in this sacred scripture will bring teachings to life. Regardless of your faith, The Everything Torah Book offers a wonderful insight into Jewish culture. Learn about: Jewish history and heritage What constitutes the Torah The importance of the Torah in the Jewish community How to expand your learning Incorporating teachings into your life Written by a rabbi, The Everything Torah Book presents the tenets of Jewish faith, tradition, and culture in one all-inclusive resource.

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From the National Book Award-winning author of *The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian*, the tale of a troubled boy's trip through history. Half Native American and half Irish, fifteen-year-old "Zits" has spent much of his short life alternately abused and ignored as an orphan and ward of the foster care system. Ever since his mother died, he's felt alienated from everyone, but, thanks to the alcoholic father whom he's never met, especially disconnected from other Indians. After he runs away from his latest foster home, he makes a new friend. Handsome, charismatic, and eloquent, Justice soon persuades Zits to unleash his pain and anger on the uncaring world. But picking up a gun leads Zits on an unexpected time-traveling journey through several violent moments in American history, experiencing life as an FBI agent during the civil rights movement, a mute Indian boy during the Battle of Little Bighorn, a nineteenth-century Indian tracker, and a modern-day airplane pilot. When Zits finally returns to his own body, "he begins to understand what it means to be the hero, the villain and the victim. . . . Mr. Alexie succeeds yet again with his ability to pierce to the heart of matters, leaving this reader with tears in her eyes" (*The New York Times Book Review*). Sherman Alexie's acclaimed novels have turned a spotlight on the unique experiences of modern-day Native Americans, and here, the *New York Times*-bestselling

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author of The Lone Ranger and Tonto Fistfight in Heaven and The Absolutely True Diary of a Part-Time Indian takes a bold new turn, combining magical realism with his singular humor and insight. This ebook features an illustrated biography of Sherman Alexie including rare photos from the author's personal collection.

## **Flight**

An astoundingly clear adaptation of Tanya, one of the most influential works of Jewish spiritual thought ever written, penned by Chasidic Rebbe, Rabbi Shneur Zalman of Liadi (1745-1812).

## **Rabbi Nachman's Wisdom**

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### **The Practical Tanya - Part One - The Book for Inbetweeners**

"This is only complete English translation available of the classic Jewish text known as Ein Yaakov." "Ein Yaakov is a collection of all the agaddah material of the Talmud, compiled by Rabbi Yaakov ibn Chaviv, the fifteenth century talmudist." "Aggadah is the non-legal part of the Talmud. Scattered among the more than 2,700 pages of the Talmud, the majority of which deal with the legal intricacies of halachah (Jewish law), aggadah focuses on the ethical and inspirational aspects of the Torah way of life. While halachah appeals to the intellect, aggadah touches the heart and rouses emotions. It is a vast reservoir of Torah thought, logic, and wisdom. Through a wealth of homilies, anecdotes, allegories, pithy sayings, and

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## **The Baal Teshuva Survival Guide**

A first attempt to bring scholars and rabbis together around the question of how religious belief in the divine revelation at Sinai can be combined with critical Bible study. The volume contains twenty-one essays by contemporary Jewish academics and thinkers on the relationship between faith and the source-critical study of the Bible.

## **The Land of Truth**

## **Understanding Judaism**

This is the only complete English translation of the classic Jewish text known as Ein Yaakov. Ein Yaakov is a collection of all the aggadah (the non-legal) material of the Talmud, compiled by Rabbi Yaakov ibn Chaviv, the fifteenth century talmudist. Scattered among the more than 2,700 pages of the Talmud, aggadah focuses on the ethical and inspirational aspects of the Torah way of life. Through a wealth of homilies, anecdotes, allegories, pithy sayings, and

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## **The Talmud for Beginners**

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Over 250 questions and answers culled from responsa literature.

## **Choice**

Each of the five discourses and letters offered in the present volume is a celebrated treatise of timeless relevance. Taken together they comprise, in capsule form, the full range of the Rambam's views on God, Torah, man, and the world. In addition to answering questions on crucial issues relating to our faith, they provide an insight into the mindset of Maimonides, the prodigious genius and compassionate leader of the Jewish people.

## **The Merit of the Righteous Women**

Making the rich narrative world of Talmud tales fully accessible to modern readers, renowned Talmud scholar Jeffrey L. Rubenstein turns his spotlight on both famous and little-

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known stories, analyzing the tales in their original contexts, exploring their cultural meanings and literary artistry, and illuminating their relevance. Delving into both rabbinic life (the academy, master-disciple relationships) and Jewish life under Roman and Persian rule (persecution, taxation, marketplaces), Rubenstein explains how storytellers used irony, wordplay, figurative language, and other art forms to communicate their intended messages. Each close reading demonstrates the story's continuing relevance through the generations into modernity. For example, the story "Showdown in Court," a confrontation between King Yannai and the Rabbinic judges, provides insights into controversial struggles in U.S. history to balance governmental power; the story of Honi's seventy-year sleep becomes a window into the indignities of aging. Through the prism of Talmud tales, Rubenstein also offers timeless insights into suffering, beauty, disgust, heroism, humor, love, sex, truth, and falsehood. By connecting twenty-first-century readers to past generations, *The Land of Truth* helps to bridge the divide between modern Jews and the traditional narrative worlds of their ancestors.

**Rav Yaakov Weinberg Talks about Chinuch**

**The Responsa Anthology**

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Written by Rabbi Yehudah HeChasid in the late twelfth century, *Sefer Chasidim* is a unique and engaging ethical work that addresses the concerns of everyday life. In this first-ever translation into English, Avraham Yaakov Finkel has reorganized the work topically for clarity and easy reference, at last making this important text available to a wider audience. Although written more than seven-hundred years ago, the author's observations on the world are strikingly relevant to the contemporary scene. The work addresses subjects ranging from love of God, Torah study, and the after-life, to choosing a mate, financial matters, and anger. Scattered throughout the book, Rabbi Yehudah HeChasid includes examples of actual life experiences to illustrate moral lessons. The original work has been a favorite of both scholars and laypeople for its straightforward style, in contrast to other medieval writings on ethics that are largely theoretical and reflective. Rabbi Yehudah HeChasid was born in Speyer, Germany, ca. 1150, about fifty years after the Jews of the region were massacred in the First Crusade of 1096, and only three years after the mobs of the Second Crusade killed thousands of Jews throughout Germany. He is the most prominent of the chasidei Ashkenaz, the German pietists (not to be confused with the chasidic movement founded by the Baal Shem Tov) who stressed strong and simple faith. He is also one of the Rishonim, the

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early Talmudic sages who expounded on the Talmud and halachah - other Rishonim include Rashi, Maimonides, and Nachmanides. Remarkably, the Jewish people of Rabbi Yehudah HeChasid's time were concerned with the same philosophical questions asked by Jews today: While society around us is in constant flux, how can we find inner space? How can we manage to live in harmony with ourselves, our families, and our neighbors? What does God want from us? The challenge brought by Rabbi Yehudah HeChasid in his stories and teachings is to practice self-exam

## **Lament in Jewish Thought**

Examines the origins of the En Yaaqov in the tumultuous medieval period and the motivations of its creator, exiled Spanish rabbi Jacob ibn Habib.

## **Gateway to Judaism**

What does the Torah say that makes it relevant to today? How can we understand the mitzvos? Why should I believe? Why be Jewish? What does a Jew have to do? Is science an enemy of Judaism? JEP has answers. For decades, the Jewish Education Prog

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The Talmud is filled with knowledge, inspiration, and insights that enrich all facets of Jewish life. Yet many are intimidated by the thought of studying its text, and their hesitancy prevents them from experiencing the wisdom of its words. In this new volume, Rabbi Judith Abrams takes readers with her on a journey through one volume of the Talmud, offering reassuring guidance and making it meaningful and accessible to all. The Talmud for Beginners-Volume 1: Prayer is the first book in a series by Rabbi Abrams. For lay readers who are unfamiliar with Talmud, this work serves as an introduction to talmudic thought. For those who are familiar with talmudic methodology, this volume will serve as a convenient overview of one book of the Talmud, Berachot (literally, "blessings").

### **En Jacob - Scholar's Choice Edition**

#### **Ein Yaakov**

Despite its deceptively simple title, this book ponders the thorny issue of the place of the Bible in Jewish religion and culture. By thoroughly examining the complex link that the Jews have formed with the Bible, Jewish scholar Jean-Christophe Attias raises the uncomfortable question of whether it is still relevant for them. Jews and the Bible reveals

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how the Jews define themselves in various times and places with the Bible, without the Bible, and against the Bible. Is it divine revelation or national myth? Literature or legislative code? One book or a disparate library? Text or object? For the Jews, over the past two thousand years or more, the Bible has been all that and much more. In fact, Attias argues that the Bible is nothing in and of itself. Like the Koran, the Bible has never been anything other than what its readers make of it. But what they've made of it tells a fascinating story and raises provocative philosophical and ethical questions. The Bible is indeed an elusive book, and so Attias explores the fundamental discrepancy between what we think the Bible tells us about Judaism and what Judaism actually tells us about the Bible. With passion and intellect, Attias informs and enlightens the reader, never shying away from the difficult questions, ultimately asking: In our post-genocide and post-Zionist culture, can the Bible be saved?

## **Ain Yaakov**

For the first time, we are privileged to present an English translation of Mevaser Tov, one of the works of the Biala Rebbe, Shlita. This insightful, enriching volume presents a Chassidic discourse on the essential role of women in the preservation

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of the Jewish people. With wisdom and sensitivity, the Rebbe highlights topics such as positive nurturing, expressing joy, the psychological need for independence, and the power of a woman to help her husband, among many others. This is an uplifting book for every Jewish woman.

### **The Believer and the Modern Study of the Bible**

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### **Sabbath**

### **The Aleph-bet Book**

### **Faith and Folly**

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One of the greatest geonim of modern times was also a master spinner of tales. This selection will entertain, illuminate and inspire.

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## **Women and Mitzvot**

James Kugel's *The Bible As It Was* (1997) has been welcomed with universal praise. Here now is the full scholarly edition of this wonderfully rich and illuminating work, expanding the author's findings into an incomparable reference work. Focusing on two dozen core stories in the Pentateuch--from the Creation and Tree of Knowledge through the Exodus from Egypt and journey to the Promised Land--James Kugel shows us how the earliest interpreters of the scriptures radically transformed the Bible and made it into the book that has come down to us today. Kugel explains how and why the writers of this formative age of interpretation--roughly 200 B.C.E. to 150 C.E.--assumed such a significant role. Mining their writings--including the Dead Sea Scrolls, works of Philo and Josephus and letters of the Apostle Paul, and writings of the Apostolic Fathers and the rabbinic Sages--he quotes for us the seminal passages that uncover this crucial interpretive process. For this full-scale reference work Kugel has added a substantial treasury of sources and passages for each of the 24 Bible stories. It will serve as a unique guide and sourcebook for biblical interpretation.

## **Codex Judaica**

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A study of Rabbinic and midrashic sources.

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"Today is a very special day because a new Sefer Torah is almost finished" Join two young children as they attend the ceremony for the completion of a brand new Torah and march in the Torah Parade. Every detail of the experience is lovingly described through a child's eyes: the festive music, flags and torches, the silver crown atop the Torah, the singing, dancing and rejoicing. Even the very youngest child will realize that the Torah is our greatest treasure while reading and enjoying The Sefer Torah Parade.

### **The Essential Maimonides**

Lament, mourning, and the transmissibility of a tradition in the aftermath of destruction are prominent themes in Jewish thought. The corpus of lament literature, building upon and transforming the biblical Book of Lamentations, provides a unique lens for thinking about the relationships between destruction and renewal, mourning and remembrance, loss and redemption, expression and the inexpressible. This anthology features four texts by Gershom Scholem on

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lament, translated here for the first time into English. The volume also includes original essays by leading scholars, which interpret Scholem's texts and situate them in relation to other Weimar-era Jewish thinkers, including Walter Benjamin, Franz Rosenzweig, Franz Kafka, and Paul Celan, who drew on the textual traditions of lament to respond to the destruction and upheavals of the early twentieth century. Also included are studies on the textual tradition of lament in Judaism, from biblical, rabbinic, and medieval lamentations to contemporary Yemenite women's laments. This collection, unified by its strong thematic focus on lament, shows the fruitfulness of studying contemporary and modern texts alongside the traditional textual sources that informed them.

### **The Book of Job**

### **The Torah Revealed**

Throughout his life Rebbe Nachman penned succinct, powerful and challenging epigrams containing the distilled wisdom of the Torah on all areas of life, spiritual and physical. Calling his collection "My dearly beloved friend, " he used it to inspire himself along the path that led him to greatness. Also available in the original Hebrew with

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expanded source references.

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