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A Festschrift in Honor of Irving Greenberg's 75th Birthday

I AM: A Journey in Jewish Faith
Larry R. Helyer provides an introduction and historical context for the wealth of Jewish literature outside the Hebrew Bible, and he explores the pressures, realities, questions and dreams that nurtured and provoked these written works.

Jewish Faith and Modern Science
Jessica Kingsley Publishers
This collection of essays was created as a tribute to Dr. Irving Greenberg, a truly major figure in the American Jewish community for the past forty years. The authors who have contributed to this volume are a testimony to Dr. Greenberg's repercussive presence and theological contribution.

What Would You Do If You Weren't Afraid?
Rowman & Littlefield Publishers
Twenty-one writers document the diverse representations and roles of Jewish women in American literature and culture.
Using the principles in this book, the individual investor, the small business man, corporate executives and those developing careers, have a unique opportunity to prepare a strategy for the sea changes in investment choices, consumer demand, business opportunities and social changes forthcoming. Not doing so will ensure failure. At the turn of the 20th Century approximately one out of every three people on earth were of Caucasian or "white" ancestry. By the year 2000 that number stood at one out of seven. By the end of this century, demography experts predict that number to plunge to one out of twenty. Likewise in the United States, in 1900, approximately nine-tenths of the population was white. By 2000 that number had dropped to seven-tenths. Demographers project that number to be less than one half by 2053 and a little more than a third by the end of the century. The reason? If you were to ask the layman on the street he might respond "It's because Africans, Asians, Indians or Middle Easterners are reproducing in large numbers." However, in actuality, the birth rates of these "developing" populations—though still at a high level—have themselves declined over 50 percent in recent years. The core reason for this disproportionate Caucasian decline is their own extraordinarily low birth rates—the subject of this book. From the days of early Rome, throughout the reign of the Titans, into the development of constitutional law and the cultural and technological breakthroughs of the 20th Century, indisputably, Caucasians have led the charge and reaped the concomitant high living standards, asset, status, and wealth benefits. This will begin to change by mid century. Many celebrated authors in the demographics field have written books on this birth decline phenomenon. Some of the more prominent include: Fewer: How the New Demography Will Shape Our Future, by Ben Wattenberg; The Empty Cradle: How Failing Birth Rates Threaten World Prosperity and What to Do About It, by Paul Longman; A Question of Numbers: High Migration, Low Fertility, and the Politics of National Identity by Jay Winters and Michael Teitelbaum; Global Aging and its Economic Consequences by Robert Lee. All of these books delineate clearly the problems associated with birth decline. All note the dramatic consequences particularly amongst Western societies. This book, however, stands alone in giving the philosophical/ideological underlying causes (The 7 basic principles) for these dramatic changes in birth rates since the mid '60s in the United States and the rest of the world. In addition, these publications miss the opportunity to prepare the reader to capitalize on the investment, business and employment effects of this phenomenon. It prepares the reader to adjust his thinking to an age of population decline before the effects leave him behind the curve of change.

**Jewish Faith in a Changing World**

AuthorHouse

Using the Hebrew Book of Josippon as a prism, this study analyzes the dialogue surrounding Jewish history among Renaissance humanists. Notwithstanding its focus on the Renaissance, the author’s analysis extends to the consumption of Josippon in the High Middle Ages and into interpretations by Renaissance, the author’s analysis extends to the consumption of Josippon in the High Middle Ages and into interpretations by Renaissance humanists. With a focus on both Christian and Jewish discourse, the author examines the mythical and historical narratives that developed from Josippon.

**An Attempt to remove prejudices concerning the Jewish Nation. By way of dialogue**

University Press of America

Establishment of independent Messianic Jewish communities. She recounts their upbringing, everyday life of the community and the struggle for legitimacy in the eyes of Christians and Jews alike.

**Jewish Peoplehood**

KTAV Publishing House, Inc.

This book is the first in-depth ethnography to investigate why some Charismatic Evangelical groups are gradually embracing Orthodox Jewish rituals and lifestyles while still preserving Christian symbols and practices. Drawing upon extensive fieldwork in Brazil, the book theorizes the reasons behind this emerging Judaizing trend in World Christianity. The book also considers broader questions regarding contemporary women's attraction to gender-traditional religions.

**A Spiritual/Theological Reflection on the Shema**

ISD LLC

"Magisterial. . . . A learned, brilliant and enjoyable study."—Géza Vermès, Times Literary Supplement In this exciting book, Paula Fredriksen explains the variety of New Testament images of Jesus by exploring the ways that the new Christian communities interpreted his mission and message in light of the delay of the Kingdom he had preached. This edition includes an introduction reviews the most recent scholarship on Jesus and its implications for both history and theology. "Brilliant and lucidly written, full of original and fascinating insights."—Reginald H. Fuller, Journal of the American Academy of Religion "This is a first-rate work of a first-rate historian."—James D. Tabor, Journal of Religion Fredriksen confronts her documents—principally the writings of the New Testament—as an archaeologist would an especially rich complex site. With great care she distinguishes the literary images from historical fact. As she does so, she explains the images of Jesus in terms of the strategies and purposes of the writers Paul, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John."—Thomas D’Evelyn, Christian Science Monitor

**The Jewish-Chinese Nexus**

Infobase Publishing

Winner of the 2017 American Jewish Historical Society’s Saul Viener Book Prize

Although fewer American Jews today describe themselves as religious, they overwhelmingly report a strong sense of belonging to the Jewish people. Indeed, Jewish peoplehood has eclipsed religion—as well as ethnicity and nationality—as the essence of what binds Jews around the globe to one another. In Jewish Peoplehood, Noam Pianko highlights the current significance and future relevance of “peoplehood” by tracing the rise, transformation, and return of this novel term. The book tells the surprising story of peoplehood. Though it evokes a sense of timelessness, the term actually emerged in the United States in the 1930s, where it was introduced by American Jewish leaders, most notably Rabbi Stephen Wise and Rabbi Mordecai Kaplan, with close ties to the Zionist movement. It engendered a sense of unity that transcended religious differences, cultural practices, geographic distance, economic disparity, and political divides, fostering solidarity with other Jews facing common existential threats, including the Holocaust, and establishing a closer connection to the Jewish homeland. But today, Pianko points out, as globalization erodes the dominance of nationalism in shaping collective identity, Jewish peoplehood risks becoming an outdated paradigm. He explains why popular models of peoplehood fail to address emerging conceptions of ethnicity, nationalism, and race, and he concludes with a much-needed roadmap for a radical reconfiguration of Jewish collectivity in an increasingly global era. Innovative and provocative, Jewish Peoplehood provides fascinating insight into a term that assumes an increasingly important position at the heart of American Jewish and Israeli life. For additional information go to: http://www.noampianko.net

**On the Death and Rebirth of Jewish Philosophy**

University of Toronto Press

One of the best-kept religious secrets has been the revolution that has been quietly taking place within Judaism over the last two decades, as it has sought to grapple with contemporary issues. These include mixed-faith marriages, gay relationships, women's empowerment, declining numbers, atheism and being trans. It has involved a willingness to abandon biblical laws that conflict with modern values. Most ground-breaking of all, it has
meant re-defining what it means to be Jewish in the 21st century. Inclusive Judaism not only uncovers this religion revolution, but presents a challenge to all people of faith on how best to marry tradition and modernity. The book also reflects the soul-searching that has prompted rabbis to chart a new course, both out of principle and as a practical way of rescuing British Jewry from possible collapse if it did not adapt to the new social trends that affect us all.

Changing the World from the Inside Out BRILL
From the seventeenth century until the Holocaust, Germany’s Jews lurched between progress and setback, between fortune and terrible misfortune. German society shunned Jews in the eighteenth century and opened unequally to them in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, only to turn murderous in the Nazi era. By examining the everyday lives of ordinary Jews, this book portrays the drama of German-Jewish history -- the gradual ascent of Jews from impoverished outcasts to comfortable bourgeois citizens and then their dramatic descent into genocidal torment during the Nazi years. Building on social, economic, religious, and political history, it focuses on the qualitative aspects of ordinary life -- emotions, subjective impressions, and quotidian perceptions. How did ordinary Jews and their families make sense of their world? How did they construe changes brought about by industrialization? How did they make decisions to enter new professions or stick with the old, juggle traditional mores with contemporary ways? The Jewish adoption of secular, modern European culture and the struggle for legal equality exacted profound costs, both material and psychological. Even in the heady years of progress, a basic insecurity informed German-Jewish life. Jewish successes existed alongside an antisemitism that persisted as a frightful leitmotif throughout German-Jewish history. And yet the history that emerges from these pages belies simplistic interpretations that German antisemitism followed a straight path from Luther to Hitler. Neither Germans nor Jews can be typecast in their roles vis-à-vis one another. Non-Jews were not uniformly antisemitic but exhibited a wide range of attitudes towards Jews. Jewish daily life thus provides another vantage point from which to study the social life of Germany. Focusing on both internal Jewish life -- family, religion, culture and Jewish community -- and the external world of German culture and society provides a uniquely well-rounded portrait of a world defined by the shifting sands of inclusion and exclusion.

Breakthrough Findings from a Leading Neuroscientist NYU Press
God is great—for your mental, physical, and spiritual health. Based on new evidence culled from brain-scan studies, a wide-reaching survey of people’s religious and spiritual experiences, and the authors’ analyses of adult drawings of God, neuroscientist Andrew Newberg and therapist Mark Robert Waldman offer the following breakthrough discoveries: • Not only do prayer and spiritual practice reduce stress, but just twelve minutes of meditation per day may slow down the aging process. • Contemplating a loving God rather than a punitive God reduces anxiety and depression and increases feelings of security, compassion, and love. • Fundamentalism, in and of itself, can be personally beneficial, but the prejudice generated by extreme beliefs can permanently damage your brain. • Intense prayer and meditation permanently change numerous structures and functions in the brain, altering your values and the way you perceive reality. Both a revelatory work of modern science and a practical guide for readers to enhance their physical and emotional health, How God Changes Your Brain is a first-of-a-kind book about faith that is as credible as it is inspiring.

Jewish Daily Life in Germany, 1618-1945 NYU Press
Fackenheim’s Jewish Philosophy explores the most important themes of Fackenheim’s philosophical and religious thought and how these remained central, if not always in immutable ways, over his entire career.

A Jewish Approach to Personal and Social Change Fairleigh Dickinson Univ Press
All the fundamental tenets of Judaism as expressed in the Thirteen Principles of Faith laid down by Maimonides are subjected to a brilliant, courageous interpretation—a major work.

Jewish Faith in America Mohr Siebeck
In this ebook download of Walking in the Dust of Rabbi Jesus, Lois Tverberg challenges readers to follow their Rabbi more closely by re-examining his words in the light of their Jewish context. Doing so will provide a richer, deeper understanding of his ministry, compelling us to live differently, to become more Christ-like. We’ll begin to understand why his first Jewish disciples abandoned everything to follow him, to live out his commands. Our modern society, with its individualism and materialism, is very different than the tight-knit, family-oriented setting Jesus lived and taught in. What wisdom can we glean from his Eastern, biblical attitude toward life? How can knowing Jesus within this context shed light on his teachings for us today? In Walking in the Dust of Rabbi Jesus we’ll journey back in time to eavesdrop on the conversations that arose among the rabbis of Jesus’ day, and consider how hearing Rabbi Jesus with the ears of a first-century disciple can bring new meaning to our faith. And we’ll listen to Jewish thinkers through the ages, discovering how ideas that germinated in Jesus’ time have borne fruit over time. Do so will yield fresh, practical insights for following our Rabbi’s teachings from a Jewish point of view.

Beyond the Synagogue Wipf and Stock Publishers
I AM. A Journey in Jewish Faith is a spiritual/theological meditation on the Shema, the biblical statement of God’s oneness that rests in the heart of the Jewish people. Through poetry and prose, Rabbi Eron uses the words of the Shema—“Listen carefully all you people of Israel, the Eternal is our God, the Eternal alone!”—and the three biblical passages that follow it in the Jewish worship service to explore and express a contemporary understanding of the ties that bind each of us and God together. The two fundamental themes of the Shema—declaration of the oneness of God and proclamation that people and God are in a relationship—anchor Eron’s presentation of a deeply spiritual expression of monotheistic faith from a modern Jewish perspective. As we discover ourselves as unique individuals, we open our hearts and minds to the God who, like ourselves, is unique. This powerful symmetry provides the foundation upon which we can build the lasting and sustaining relationships that connect us not only to God but also to each other and to all creation.

A History of Modern Jewish Religious Philosophy Oxford University Press, USA
Shuchat presents some of the main and timeless issues of Jewish philosophy over the ages and updates them to 21st-century thinking, making each issue relevant for the modern reader. This book offers a fresh intellectual outlook on the Jewish faith and contains a timely message for all religionists and thinkers.

Jewish Nostalgia as Religious Practice InterVarsity Press
A comprehensive, interdisciplinary account of the major thinkers and movements in modern Jewish thought, in the context of general philosophy and Jewish social-political historical developments. Volume 1 (of 5) covers the period from Spinoza through the Enlightenment.

The Vanishing American Jew Magid
Jewish society in the Ottoman Empire has not been the subject of systematic research. The seventeenth century is the main object of this study, since it was a formative era. For Ottoman Jews, the
'Ottoman century' constituted an era of gradual acculturation to changing reality, parallel to the changing character of the Ottoman state. Continuous changes and developments shaped anew the character of this Jewry, the core of what would later become known as 'Sephardi Jewry'. Yaron Ben-Naeh draws from primary and secondary Hebrew, Ottoman, and European sources, the image of Jewish society in the Ottoman Empire. In the chapters he leads the reader from the overall urban framework to individual aspects. Beginning with the physical environment, he moves on to discuss their relationships with the majority society, followed by a description and analysis of the congregation, its organization and structure, and from there to the character of Ottoman Jewish society and its nuclear cell - the family. Special emphasis is placed throughout the work on the interaction with Muslim society and the resulting acculturation that affected all aspects and all levels of Jewish life in the Empire. In this, the author challenges the widespread view that sees this community as being stagnant and self-segregated, as well as the accepted concept of a traditional Jewish society under Islam.