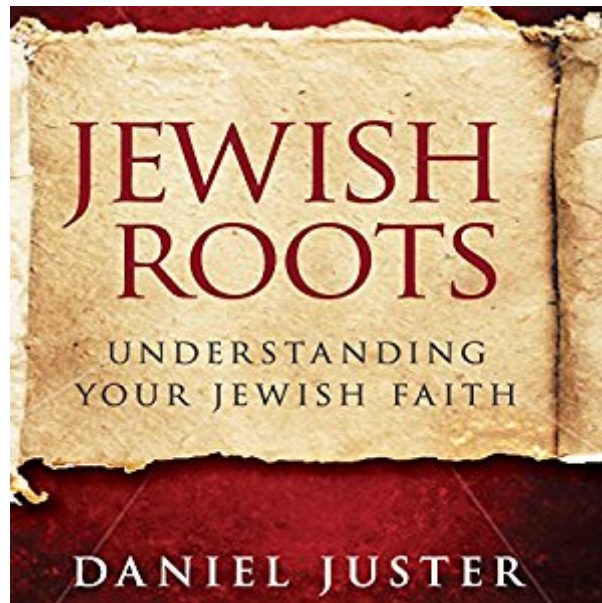




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# Jewish Roots: Understanding Your Jewish Faith (Revised Edition)



## Synopsis

Are your roots firmly grounded in scripture? The destiny of Israel and the Christian church is bound together, evident in the scriptures. Learning this truth is essential for survival. Jewish Roots: Understanding Your Jewish Faith is an introduction to biblical theology from a Jewish contextual point of view, plus practical evaluation and council for the Messianic Jewish communities and the Christian church. Jewish Roots presents the fundamentals regarding biblical theology, Israel and the church, the Jewish people, the Messianic Jewish community, and much more. Important matters are discussed such as the relationship of law and grace, the role of the spirit, and an approach to Judaism. This new edition considers recent biblical scholarship and evaluates the progress of the Messianic Jewish community - a pulsating grass roots movement among Jewish and non-Jewish followers of Jesus of Nazareth who recognize and identify with their Jewishness. Messianic Judaism and Messianic Jewish biblical theology are significant not only to those who are part of Messianic Jewish congregations - indeed, because the destiny of Israel and the Church is bound together, Messianic Jewish theology has implications of great importance for all people worldwide.

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Very informative and detailed explanations

Another must read

This book is foundational to Christianity. If I were a pastor, I would have a class on it and/or I would make people read it as part of church membership or what have you. As I was reading the first chapter, there was already so much information I decided to go back and read it again and start underlining and highlighting. Then I did the same thing as I got to chapter 4. I'm actually going to start over again and this time type out notes of my underlinings, etc. You will want to follow along in your Bible as you read this book to get a good grasp of everything. 2 things that make this book cool is it's thick, so there is a lot to read. Second, it answers all the difficult passages you may have questions about like with Paul, doing away with the law, kosher laws, shabbat, etc. Sheds light on everything. Get this book!

Jewish Roots is an excellent book to catapult oneself into a deeper and more meaningful understanding of the relationship between gentile Christians and Messianic Jewish people. I appreciated the integrity of the book through detailed explanations of differing perspectives and how those perspectives evolved over time. The author's own journey and discovery over the past 30+ years of increased understanding and subsequent revisions of this book is a testimony to his humble approach to the topic.

Highly recommended. This book will provide you all (well, a lot of) the information you need to know in relationship to Jewish heritage, faith in Yeshua and the Messianic movement. Also the author shares valuable personal and institutional experiences that are a big blessing. This is one of those books that you have to read several times to get a grip of all the treasures written in the pages. Enjoy it!

This book changed my life and perspective. God is doing something for His people. Jews are finding Yeshua as Messiah But staying fully Jewish. Gentiles are leaving the church that teaches the law of God no longer applies, which is like saying the bible in totality no longer applies. So my experience after this book is to find an entire movement dedicated to understanding the bible through its original Hebrew mindset, getting to the real understanding and intent. Leading to a deeper walk with God in repentance and holiness.

This is a very informative book. Although it does have very good information about the Jewish Roots of the new thing (Church) that Jesus started, it focuses more on the roots and modern development of the Messianic Jewish movement which the author has been intimately involved in. This latest

edition incorporates both a spectrum of opinions of those in the movement and the views of the author as they have formed to date.

Without a hint of exaggeration, Daniel Juster has written a superb revision of Jewish Roots that needs a very wide hearing in the Church. It needs a hearing both globally and nationally among the most influential church leaders in the world. It needs a wide hearing amongst Seminaries and Bible Colleges. It needs a hearing across denominational lines and networks. Those from Reformed, Baptist, Wesleyan, Anglican, Anabaptist, Charismatic, Pentecostal, Lutheran, Vineyard, or any stream different from these need to consider the perspective of this book. It is an important perspective for every church and believer to fulfill their destiny on the earth. In my opinion this is one of the most important books written in church history. Isn't that saying a little much? I don't think so. I say this as someone who greatly appreciates the good and beautiful of the Christian heritage through the centuries and one who actively learns much from many denominations and streams in the Body today. Very simply, in order for the church of Jewish and Gentile believers to come into the loving unity Jesus prayed for in John 17, the perspective of this book must be substantially embraced. In order for the Gentile churches in our cities to cooperate together as one Body in provoking Israel to jealousy, the perspective of this book must be significantly received and acted upon. I cannot tell you just how much I appreciate Daniel's character exhibited through the pages of this writing. It reveals a man who truly loves his people Israel, the Nations and the spiritual family of Jew and Gentile in the Body of Messiah. The tone of the book is warm, exuding genuine care, compassion, understanding, and tolerance while at the same time being rigorously firm in his biblically rooted convictions. It's apologetic thrust for Jewish followers of Jesus walking out a Spirit-led, Gospel of grace believing, Messiah worshipping- Jewish life and calling in Torah, is brilliantly argued and defended. Messianic Jews and Gentile Christians could all greatly benefit from his teaching on Jewish calling, as they could likewise on his passion for Gentile freedom from Jewish calling. In these regards and more, I believe Dan J. is a true Pauline disciple, and therefore provides in this work a perspective that can be unifying thrust for Jewish and Gentile believers in Jesus. His articulation of the biblical covenants and their relationship to one another could clear the air of confusion in many streams of the Body who limit the Law of God to the Mosaic order in doctrinally and morally depleting ways. It could also free those who do not yet see that the New covenant order is truly superior to the Mosaic order and that the New Covenant is truly the most fitting order for the fulfillment of the righteous requirements of Torah in love, under the effective leadership of the Holy Spirit. This is true of the New Covenant for both Universal law applying to all

believers and Jewish aspects of life and calling in Messiah Jesus. If you do not have clarity and mature understanding of the relationship between Jewish life and calling and the Abrahamic covenant in the New Covenant order, please read this book! It will be of great help to the disciple of Jesus! His overall theological and apologetical thrust should be convincing to any open mind who reads this book with a serious ear towards the authorial intent of the Scriptures. In his arguments Dan consistently displays open mindedness without compromising moral richness and spiritual depth. It is doctrinally full of truth and wisdom and practically nourishing, life-giving and healthy. It is sensitive and generously fair to opposing or alternative views, often integrating defensible views together into a holistic view. It majors on majors and minors on minors. Read and learn!

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