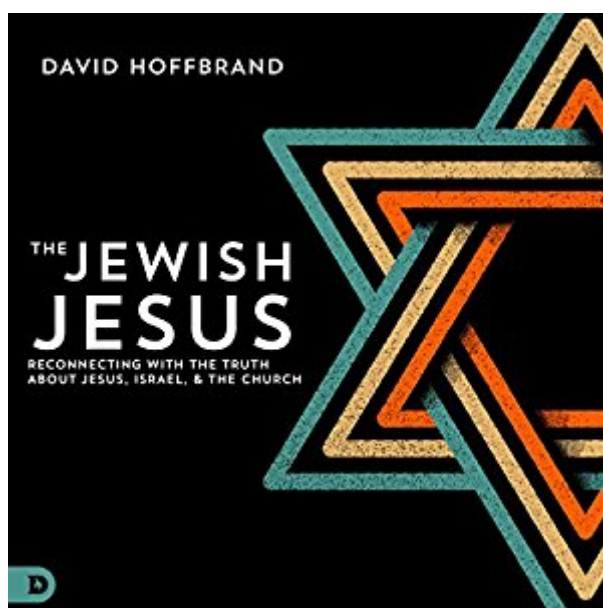


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# The Jewish Jesus: Reconnecting With The Truth About Jesus, Israel, And The Church



## Synopsis

Discover the Jewish Jesus! What relevance does it have for us that Jesus is Jewish and what difference should it make to our faith? In *The Jewish Jesus*, David Hoffbrand explores the answers to these and related questions in a way that is accessible to everyone. As you see how Jesus lived, thought, and taught as a Jewish man, you will come to know Him like never before, and find that His teachings come alive in their original context. This book will also help you: Appreciate the Jewish context of the whole Bible, reconnecting the Old and New Testaments. Rediscover God's heart and purposes for the Jewish people and Israel. Engage with God's blueprint for the church as a unified but diverse community of believers. Learn principles that will help you restore the Jewish lens in a way that enriches your faith. It's time to discover the Jewish Jesus!

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David Hoffbrand in *The Jewish Jesus* helps the reader reconnect with Jesus, who he is; as a man, as a Jew, his ministry with his early disciples, and how the church lost its Jewish roots. He introduces the reader to the truth about Israel, why God chose them as a people, his love for Israel, his covenant with Israel, his plan for Israel, and the restoration of Israel. Hoffbrand challenges the reader to get a clearer understanding of the New Testament, to carefully read it within the context in which the Jews were living at the time Jesus walked on earth. He goes on to ask the reader to consider a profound question: "How much are Gentiles supposed to live as Jews, and how much are Jews supposed to live like

Gentiles? He concludes the book with five principles from Paul's letter to the Romans for application to our lives and in the church today as Jewish and Gentile believers. David's writing has "a richness of detail" that encourages Christians to follow Jesus more correctly as individuals and as a church. This also enables more Jewish people to "discover and reexamine Jesus' claim to be their Messiah." David Hoffbrand grew up in a Jewish family in England. He is an associate pastor of the City Coast Church. David is passionate about his desire help the church today get a better understand the Bible by reconnecting with Jesus within the framework of his Jewish background. David "The Jewish Jesus" is timely, important, and relevant, enabling the reader to get a new perspective on Jesus, his Jewish roots, and God's plan for Israel and the Church today. David writes with clarity, conviction, and certainty. This is "must reading" for Christians today, Gentile and Jewish alike. Highly Recommended. A complimentary copy of this book was provided for review purposes. The opinions express are my own.

Although this book was simple enough to read that it would serve well as an introduction for people unfamiliar with the ideas, it was also meaty enough to make me look at scriptures I've read hundreds of times with new eyes and a new understanding - in fact, it gave me a perspective on most of the New Testament that I'd never even considered, obvious though it now seems! I honestly think it's a book everyone in the church should read.

This is a great read! David sets great context and is not concerned with elevating Jewish context over existing church context. He layers on the Jewish lens to help us understand why Jesus did what He did and said what He said. He unpacks the nation and people of Israel on multiple levels (a nation, a people, the apostles, and so on). He leaves us practical and biblical means to coexist as Gentiles and Jews serving Jesus. I picked it up and kept reading! Great work! It's reframed many things I just didn't know!!

The Jewish Jesus is an excellent explanation of the Jewish roots of the Christian faith as well as biblical support for Israel. Hoffbrand writes with such freshness the information is enlightening even to someone already familiar with Jesus' Jewish identity. Christians interested in supporting Israel or skeptical of God's love for BOTH the Jewish people and gentiles- read this.

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