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Marvin R. Wilson : Our Father Abraham: Jewish Roots of the Christian Faith before purchasing it in order to gauge whether or not it would be worth my time, and all praised Our Father Abraham: Jewish Roots of the Christian Faith:

77 of 81 people found the following review helpful. Our Father Abraham By Tom Holeman When people stop by our

website and ask us "where do we start? What book do we read first?" this is the book that we start them off with when they start exploring the Hebrew roots of the Christian Faith. We call this book "THE PRIMER"! A must read for every Christian to understand the first century church. 0 of 0 people found the following review helpful. A Judaic Messianic Review By Walter H. Bracamonte This book was assigned as course work towards my rabbinical training in 2012. Clearly, I valued the author's contrasts between the Judaic and Goyim assemblies in the 1st century (33 CE thru 100 CE). However, his conclusions that described the cultural frictions between both camps are deficient in substantiated references. His citations provide parallel re-enforcement's, but none from the Judaic library. At the least, the author titled the major points and progressively developed the book's theme through each succeeding chapter. Kudos!! Admittedly, the author failed to properly leverage Hebrew terms and tint within the contexts for each chapter, which is a common result among those who have limited Judaic training and/or exposure to rabbinical academics. Howbeit, I respected the author's academic investments in this book. I, now, utilize this book, along with my personal rabbinical annotations, to teach my students. I especially note for my students my de-ciphers that identify the author's common cultural biases and the few academic short-comings. The author phrased the complexities between Judaic and the Goyim Beloved in Messiah "... Jerusalem vs Athens ...". 8 of 8 people found the following review helpful. Take it in small bites and get ready for a ride By D. A. J. Its hard to describe just how eye opening this book is. It covers so many historical events that the church would not dare mention today and helps to understand the absolute tension between Jew and Christians today. It answers foundational questions I had (like why we went from the Sabbath to the Lord's Day) and so many other things you would think every Christian would be taught early and often. At times I wanted to cry over the history and the things uncovered in this book (with plenty of references for further study). If some parts of your church experience made you kind of scratch your head because they were so out of line with the Old and even New Testament - this book is for you. But be cautioned - its not for a new believer. This is definitely a "meat" and not "milk" type of book and one must be strong in their faith. Not because it tries to take you away from Christianity (it doesn't at all) or try to bind you with legalism (again, it doesn't at all) its just reading about things like the intentional changing of names (people in the Bible, names of books in the Bible, etc.) that you don't want to start to chew on too early in your walk. A really really good book though, especially if you want a good historical basis for your Christian walk.

Although the roots of Christianity run deep into Hebrew soil, many Christians are regrettably uninformed about the rich Hebrew heritage of the church. This volume delineates the link between Judaism and Christianity, between the Old and the New Testament, and calls Christians to reexamine their Hebrew roots so as to effect a more authentically biblical lifestyle. As an introduction to the world of Hebrew thought, Our Father Abraham is biblical, historical, and cultural in nature. At the same time, the writing is personal and passionate, reflecting Marvin Wilson's own spiritual pilgrimage and his extensive dialogue with Jews. The book (1) develops a historical perspective on the Jewish origins of the church, (2) sets forth the importance and nature of Hebrew thought, (3) discusses how the church can become more attuned to the Hebraic mind-set of Scripture, and (4) offers practical suggestions for interaction between Jews and Christians. The study questions at the end of each chapter enhance the book's usefulness as a text and also make it suitable for Bible-study and discussion groups. All Christians--and Jews too--will profit from Wilson's sensible treatments of biblical texts, his thorough understanding of both the Christian and the Jewish faith, and his honest historical analysis of the general failure of the Christian church to acknowledge and understand its relation to Judaism.

Christian Scholars "A magnificent achievement in calling the entire body of Gentile Christianity to reassess the great religion to which it is permanently indebted."