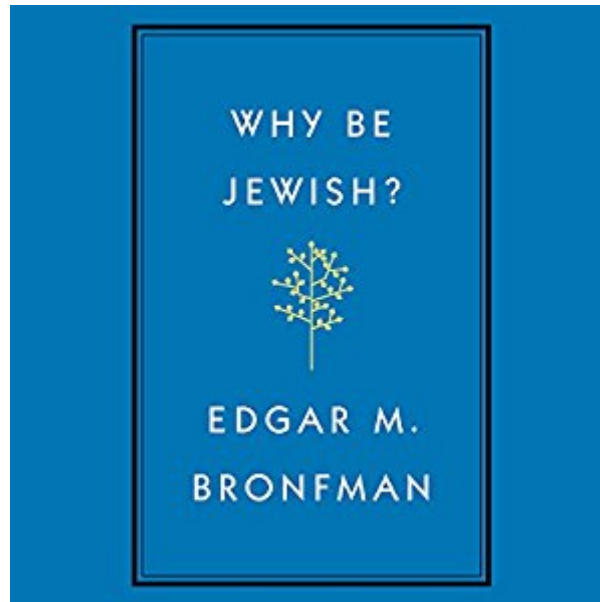




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The theme of the book is powerful. He presents a wonderful lesson on the beauty of the Jewish religion.

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I really enjoyed this book and could relate to author's view of Judaism.

Edgar Bronfman makes the case for a rich ritually Jewish life for those like him. He believes that God is not required in order to make the case for a rich Jewish life. His only regret is that realization came too late for his own children. It is not however too late for the thousands like him in the next generations. This book is his gift to them. Edgar loved to learn Jewish texts, and if he found their message compelling, many others could too. They just needed to be convinced by an older, and wiser fellow traveler. This book is accessible, but also learned. One can't help but be impressed with the amount of time he spent engaging with the Torah, Talmud through books and their teachers. This act of generosity to give what took him hours to learn is now made available in a pithy volume which can be digested in just a few hours. It was worth it to Edgar, he bets it will be worth it to you. I believe it will challenge anyone who chooses to read this book.

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