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as a chapter by chapter introduction to the torah the pentateuch or the first five books of the bible this work provides an excellent source for interfaith study of the five books of moses it provides a wealth of representative examples of the torah in the christian scriptures and in the rabbinic teachings of the midrash and the talmud there are sections on the torah as a source of inspiration its place in the ritual and prayer life of the synagogue the term old testament and how the divisions of the hebrew bible compare to standard christian editions of the bible in addition major chapters are devoted to genesis exodus leviticus numbers and deuteronomy each of these chapters is subdivided into the following sections an introductory overview including diverse highlights of the particular

book a literal chapter by chapter description of the book representative quotations of that particular book within the christian scriptures representative quotations of that particular book within the rich teachings of rabbinic literature and finally a special section of text study with notes for suggested readings other topics include a brief historical overview of the biblical period the place of women in the bible who wrote the torah the development of jewish law the torah in jewish life the torah in christian life and what the torah says about life today book jacket

a sound piece of work its holistic final form approach reflects the major trend in biblical criticism it is perceptive sensitive thoughtful and stimulation david gunn professor of old testament columbia theological seminary

an easy to understand introduction to judaism s most sacred text the foundation of hebrew and jewish religion thought law and society is the torah the parchment scroll containing the text of the five books of moses that is located in every synagogue this accessible guide explains the torah in clear language even to those who were not raised in the jewish religious tradition christians who want to know more about the jewish roots of christianity need to understand the torah as do followers of islamic tradition and those interested in the roots of abrahamic faiths the torah for dummies explains the history of the torah its structure and major principles and how the torah affects the daily lives of people who follow the jewish way of life

whether you are studying the bible for the first time or you re simply curious about its history and contents you will find everything you need in this accessible well written handbook to jewish belief as set forth in the torah the jerusalem post george robinson author of the acclaimed essential judaism begins by recounting the various theories of the origins of the torah and goes on to explain its importance as the core element in jewish belief and practice he discusses the basics of jewish theology and jewish history as they are derived from the torah and he outlines how the dead sea scrolls and other archaeological discoveries have enhanced our understanding of the bible he introduces us to the vast literature of biblical commentary chronicles the evolution of the torah s place in the synagogue service offers an illuminating discussion of women and the bible and provides a study guide as a companion for individual or group bible study in the book s centerpiece robinson summarizes all fifty four portions that make up the torah and gives us a brilliant distillation of two thousand years of biblical commentaries from the rabbis of the mishnah and the talmud to medieval commentators such as rashi maimonides and ibn ezra to contemporary scholars such as nahum sarna nechama leibowitz robert alter and everett fox this extraordinary volume which includes a listing of the torah reading cycles a bible time line glossaries of terms and

biblical commentators and a bibliography will stand as the essential sourcebook on the torah for years to come

the first five books of the bible contain many of its most famous stories populated by vivid characters altogether human in their triumphs and failings and an equally complicated deity many works of western art and literature appeal to these stories from michelangelo's painting of adam and eve to a novel like william faulkner's the three great abrahamic religions judaism christianity and islam are rooted here so is much of western political theory and constitutional polity for a good half of these books contains legislation torah of various kinds as indicated by the ancient title the book of the torah law and narrative together render the character of the ancient covenant community known as israel as well as the god who rules over that community in this revised and expanded version of his popular book of 1988 mann engages literary criticism and theology in attending both to the composite nature of the torah or pentateuch and to its final canonical shape mann's study provides a lucid introduction to the heart of the hebrew bible suitable for students and general readers but also of interest to biblical scholars

most people understand judaism to be the torah and the torah to be judaism however in the invention of judaism john j collins persuasively argues this was not always the case the torah became the touchstone for most of judaism's adherents only in the hands of the rabbis of late antiquity for 600 years prior from the babylonian exile to the roman destruction of the second temple there was enormous variation in the way the torah was understood collins provides a comprehensive account of the role of the torah in ancient judaism exploring key moments in its history beginning with the formation of deuteronomy and continuing through the maccabean revolt and the rise of jewish sectarianism and early christianity

there is no question that the torah is one of the most influential documents in western civilization it is the source of widely known characters like joseph moses and noah and timeless stories such as the garden of eden and the exodus jointly authored by professors of judaism and christianity the torah a beginner's guide takes a unique approach exploring the interplay and dynamics of how these two religions share this common scripture drawing on both scholarly and popular sources kaminsky and lohr examine the key debates while simultaneously illustrating the importance of the torah in western jurisprudence ethics and contemporary conceptions of the family morality and even politics

the torah is judaism's most important text it contains the first five books of the hebrew bible the tanakh which are also the first five

books of the christian bible the tanakh is essentially the same as what christians call the old testament with slight differences in the order and structure of the included books the torah begins with the creation of the world and ends with the death of moses the first full draft of the torah is believed to have been completed in the 6th or 7th century b c and has been revised numerous times over subsequent centuries jewish tradition teaches that the torah is the revelation of god given to moses and written down by moses it is the document that contains all the rules by which the jewish people structure their spiritual lives the word torah means to teach and it can mean different things in different contexts in its most common usage the torah refers to the five books of moses genesis exodus leviticus numbers and deuteronomy but the word torah is also sometimes used to refer to the entire hebrew bible the tanakh or written torah and sometimes even the entire body of jewish law and teachings traditionally each synagogue has a copy of the torah written on a scroll that is wound around two wooden poles this is known as a sefer torah and it is handwritten by a sofer scribe who must copy the text perfectly in modern printed form as in this volume the torah is usually called a chumash which comes from the hebrew word for the number five this book the torah the five books of moses is excerpted from a larger work in progress the holy bible king james readers version as you will see it is formatted like an epic poem which it is and feels like you are reading the king james bible which you are but more smoothly and with more immediate understanding it also contains details and names missing from the king james version that turn up in other versions of the bible needless to say i hope it increases your enjoyment and comprehension of this keystone document whose influence on western civilization and culture is without equal no education is complete without reading it twice

working knowledge of the torah is essential for every serious student of the scriptures written in an engaging and accessible voice even while digging into difficult and complicated matters at a sophisticated level the torah story emphasizes the content of the text itself moving beyond debating dates and theories of authorship into understanding how these five key books of the bible help us understand the story of salvation providing flexible options for further study each chapter includes the following tips and tools for getting started questions that focus on key issues key terms to look for outlines and summaries of the material an interactive workshop designed for students individuals or study groups challenge questions drawn from the chapter and biblical text advanced questions for those who want deeper exploration of biblical contexts language and exegetical or theological issues research project suggestions discussion activities using films to engage the biblical narrative selected chapters a refreshingly new approach to the torah neither an introduction nor a commentary the torah story provides a model of how to read scripture intertextually it leaves no doubt as to the overarching unity of the message and composition of the pentateuch

too long restricted to children's storybooks and cinematic extravaganzas the torah comprising the first five books of the bible is an underappreciated mother lode of divine instruction vitally important for christians and the church convinced that both those who take the torah too literally and those who neglect it are guilty of a naïve simplicity johanna van wijk bos presents guidelines to help ordinary christians recover this treasure in their faith and practice having lived in the netherlands during the nazi occupation van wijk bos recognizes that after the attempted annihilation of the jews from christian europe it cannot be business as usual for christianity in light of the holocaust christians must commit themselves to the restoration of just relations between christians and jews this commitment to address all that fractures human relations undergirds van wijk bos's call for christians to reengage the torah making wise the simple points out how god's care for and engagement with the whole world in the torah set the tone for the entire biblical story the book pays special attention to how our treatment of strangers lies at the heart of the torah's teaching without attempting a purely jewish reading of the torah van wijk bos reclaims the torah as a vibrant word for the christian community in covenant with god written in a personal style conversant with current scholarship but sprinkled with anecdotes this book is for everyone who has a hunger and enthusiasm for what the biblical text may convey the courage to ask disturbing questions of the text and an openness to old words that may bring forth new things perhaps even making one wise

celebrate one of the world's greatest collections of pure literature in hebrew the word torah means instruction and throughout thousands of years this collection of writing has offered just that instruction in the central beliefs of three world religions judaism christianity and islam but by observing the torah or the hebrew bible as a collected work of multiple authors spanning generations the modern reader can look beyond its fundamental instruction the wisdom of the torah concentrates on the hebrew bible as a book of philosophy and literature and offers some of its most powerful and poetic passages including the poems of king david the parables of king solomon and the love songs of king solomon in these works readers find many lyrical and timeless reflections on what it means to have faith and to be a member of the human race this ebook features a new introduction image gallery timeline of the torah and judaic history and index of the books of the torah

to modern eyes what we call the biblical law or torah seems either odd beyond comprehension not eating lobster or positively reprehensible executing children using a consistent methodology to look at the torah through the lens of the ancient near east walton and walton offer a restorative understanding that will have dramatic effects in interpreting the text and in discerning the significance of the torah for today

john j collins s introduction to the hebrew bible is one of the most popular introductory textbooks in colleges and seminary classrooms enriched by decades of classroom teaching it is aimed explicitly at motivated students regardless of their previous exposure to the bible or faith commitments the third edition is presented in a new and engaging format with new maps and images an index has been added to the volume for the first time in order to enhance classroom use collins s major text has now been divided into four volumes one for each major part of the hebrew bible this volume focuses on the torah pentateuch here collins explores the near eastern context and the nature of the pentateuchal narrative and provides helpful insights into genesis through deuteronomy the volume also contains the introduction to collins s major text and is now available with even more student friendly features including charts maps photographs chapter summaries and bibliographies for further reading collins presents the current state of historical archaeological and literary understandings of the biblical text and engages the student in questions of significance and interpretation for the contemporary world

the torah judaism s most important text consists of the first five books of the tanakh also known as the pentateuch or the five books of moses the hebrew bible the word torah means to teach in traditional teaching the torah is said to be the revelation of god given to moses and written down by him it is the document that contains all of the rules by which the jewish people structure their spiritual lives this book is a unique collection of insights into the first weekly public readings of the torah jewish bible based on talks given by the author who has taught thousands of women in person and on the internet over the past two decades from each bible reading a central idea emerges with practical implications for the here and now whether it is lessons in how to give to others based on noah s life or how we are to survive as jews in exile the author gives us daily inspiration something to take along on our personal journey through life her sources range from classic commentators to contemporary writers from chassidic masters to famous non chassidic scholars jewish law and jewish lore all are woven into this rich tapestry of jewish thought deeply imbued with the love of god and his torah in one book you can take advantage of thousands of hours of work and toil involved in creating this work of biblical artistry

a complement to the author s earlier overtures to biblical theology study on prayer this volume addresses the topic of worship as articulated in the first five books of the bible rather than a history of israelite religion balentine s volume examines the vision of worship expounded in the torah in relation to priesthood creation liturgy and covenant he concludes by discussing the contemporary situation of experiencing god s hiddenness and a world caught in despair balentine proposes that a fresh look at the torah offers possibilities of counter imagination and hope

this volume contains the papers presented at the 2017 meeting of the sbl program unit on deuterocanonical and cognate literature in boston ma the theme of the sessions was the interpretation of torah in deuterocanonical literature the contributions cover a variety of concepts and themes related to torah and trace these through the hebrew bible into the septuagintal deuterocanonical books and other relevant and cognate literature

in this groundbreaking and insightful new commentary one of the world s leading biblical scholars unveils the unity and continuity of the torah for the modern reader richard elliott friedman the bestselling author of who wrote the bible integrates the most recent discoveries in biblical archaeology and research with the fruits of years of experience studying and teaching the bible to illuminate the straightforward meaning of the text to shed new light on the torah and more important to open windows through which it sheds its light on us while other commentaries are generally collections of comments by a number of scholars this is a unified commentary on the torah by a single scholar the most unified by a jewish scholar in centuries it includes the original hebrew text a new translation and an authoritative accessibly written interpretation and analysis of each passage that remains focused on the meaning of the torah as a whole showing how its separate books are united into one cohesive all encompassing sacred literary masterpiece this landmark work is destined to take its place as a classic in the libraries of lay readers and scholars alike as we seek to understand the significance of the scriptural texts for our lives today and for years to come

the torah is a sacred text of the jewish people who follow the religion of judaism it is made up of five books which are also called the five books of moses these are other books which jews also consider to be sacred called the prophets and the writings together they are known as the tenakh back cover

a major contribution to old testament research this book is the first history of old testament law from its elusive beginnings in the premonarchical period up to the conclusion and canonization of the pentateuch the emphasis is on a new interpretation of the most important texts of old testament law in the social historical matrix of that time

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