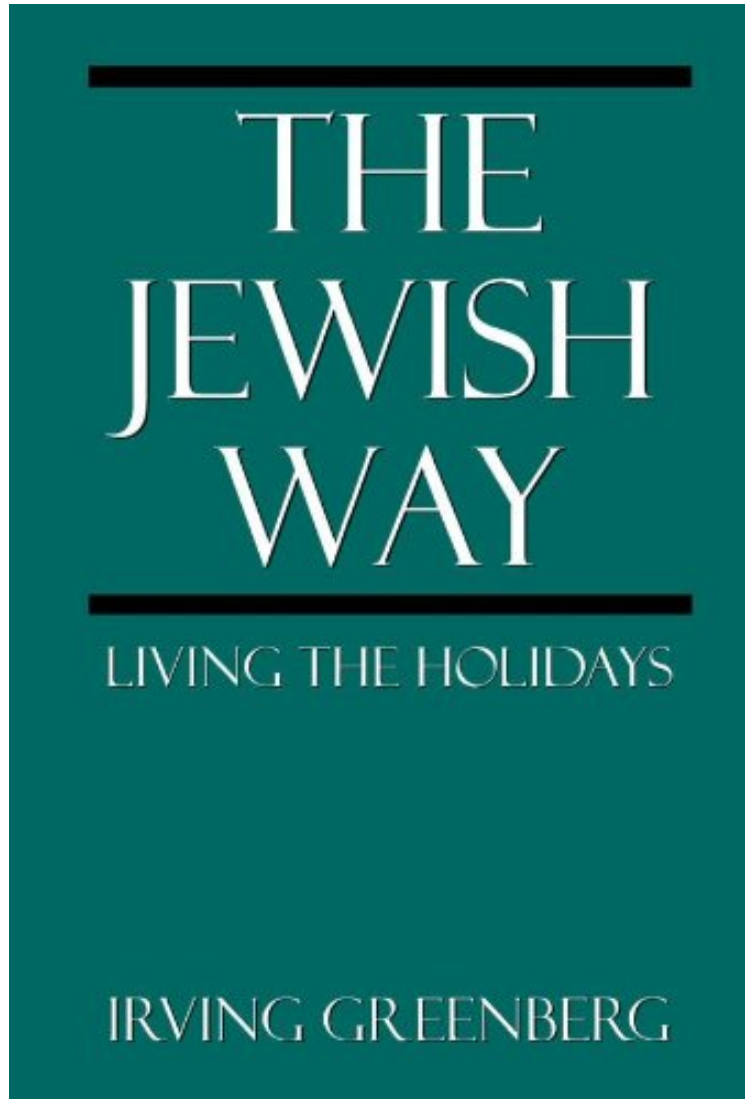


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Kippur, Purim, Hanukkah, Holocaust Remembrance Day and Israeli Independence Day. Giving detailed instructions for observance - the rituals, prayers, foods, and songs - he shows how celebrating the holy days of the Jewish calendar not only relives Jewish history but puts one in touch with the basic ideals of Judaism and the fundamental experience of life. Insightful, original, and engrossing, *The Jewish Way* is an essential volume that should be in every Jewish home, library, and synagogue. "An important book, one that should be read, discussed, critiqued, and then read over again." -- *The Jewish Review*

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Entering into the holidays with this understanding widens the range of emotion and brings a whole new set of roles and personae into even the most conventional life. Living the Jewish way calls for a highly developed capacity for fantasy and playacting. If you will, one must be a bit of a ham to be a kosher Jew. I hope that by pointing out the roles we are summoned to play, this book will help release the creative imagination for religious living present in every person."This is not to suggest that practice of the Jewish faith is all play, all fun and games. There have been times when this religion has brought painful memories, moral problematic conflicts with others, oppressive minutiae, and obligations so great I felt guilty no matter what I accomplished. Yet on balance the overwhelming effect has been to fill my life with a sense of Divine Presence and human continuity, bondedness, joy, textured living experiences full of love that make everything worthwhile. 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Through this book, I hope to show others why it is worth living for this faith."This book is written for different types of readers: nonobservant Jews who seek new experiences to deepen their Jewish identity; observant Jews who wish to avoid the pitfall of practicing the details while missing the overarching goal; those lacking Jewish education who search for more information; learned Jews who search for new insights; and non-Jews who wish to understand the underlying visions of Judaism and who may find that it resonates in their own religious living."Pressestimmen"Perceptive, enriching, profoundly moving this volume by Irving Greenberg will further inspire his many followers who wish to understand and receive the joy and anguish of the Jewish tradition."--Elie Wiesel""Perceptive, enriching, profoundly moving--this volume by Irving Greenberg will further inspire his many followers who wish to understand and receive the joy and anguish of the Jewish tradition."--Elie Wiesel"The Jewish Way confirms and makes even more widely accessible what Rabbi Greenberg's enchanted following already knows: That he is one of the great teachers of our generation."--Cynthia Ozick, author of *The Pagan Rabbi and Other Stories***Kurzbeschreibung**The author writes:"The focus of this book is on Judaism as it expresses itself in the Jewish holidays. 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