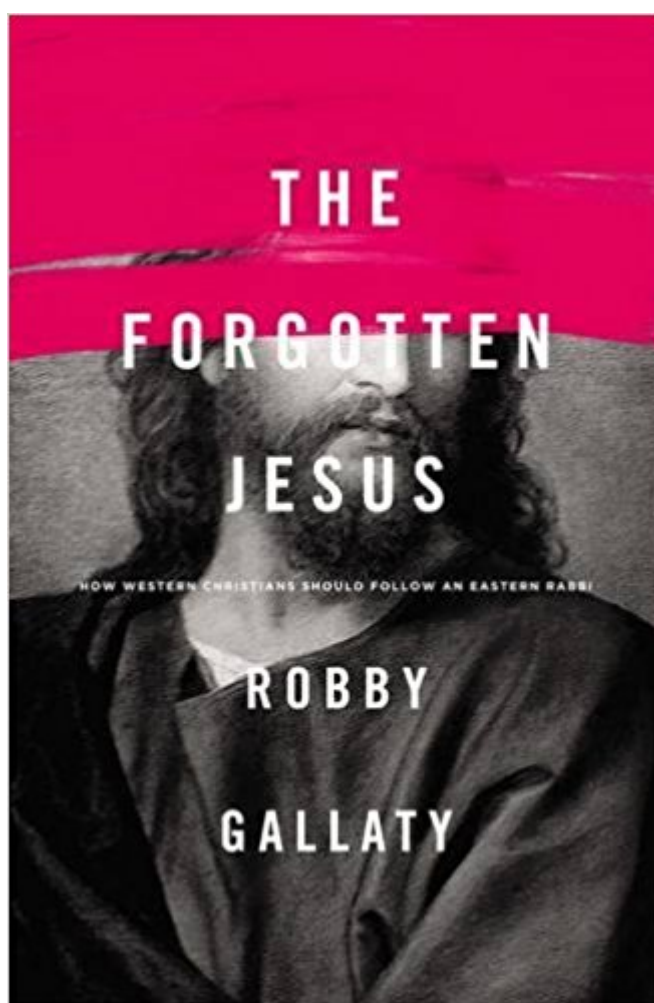


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# The Forgotten Jesus: How Western Christians Should Follow An Eastern Rabbi



## Synopsis

Through the years, our understanding of Jesus has been shaped by different cultural influences, and many Christians have forgotten that Jesus was a Jewish man living in a Jewish land, observing Jewish customs, and investing his life into Jewish men and women. Trading the popular, but inaccurate Western perspective of the Bible for the context in which Jesus actually ministered in 2000 years ago, author Robby Gallaty reveals the fascinating Hebraic culture, customs, and nuances many Christians have never experienced or learned about. He works from the premise that we can't truly appreciate the New Testament unless we understand the Old Testament. By uncovering the teaching of the first and second century rabbis and Christian theologians, and highlighting little-known Jewish idioms and traditions, Gallaty takes Christians on a biblical journey to rediscover a forgotten Jesus from a biblical perspective, deepening your relationship with God.

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"This book will help you understand and appreciate the Jewish-ness of Jesus and the larger biblical narrative. I highly recommend this book!"Matt Carter, Pastor, Austin Stone Community Church

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Robby Gallaty has impressed me again. I have very much enjoyed this book. It has made me think and question. I appreciate his deep research and desire to teach us, so we can try to understand where Jesus came from. As a person who loves learning about history I found this book full of wonderful facts I was never taught growing up in Church. I love how he brings us back to the Old Testament over and over. I highly recommend this book and I will be giving it out as gifts to friends and family.

A must read! Robby has done a great job in looking at the Jewishness of Jesus. He does a good job in showing how the Old Testament and Jewish culture can shed light on the New Testament. The Jewish "use of both hands" in talking about Scripture is what we need to understand in our American Christianity. I highly recommend this book.

Don't hesitate to grab this book! There are several reasons why, but here are my top two. 1. Something Old Is Something New Robby states: "one out of every twenty-two verses in the New Testament contains quotations from the Old Testament." Knowing this reality the 21st century church must admit we are

guilty of thinking of the New Testament as inferior to the Old Testament, assuming that 1st century Jewish culture is similar to our own, etc. Robby helps us by running back to the "Jewishness of our faith" by getting a hold off this truth: Something old is something new. You can't separate the Old Testament from the New Testament. Robby's hope for this book is stated well in his own words: "By placing Jesus back into the context from which he came, we are able to see more clearly the miracles he performed, the lessons he taught, and the mission he fulfilled." Robby has accomplished this vision quite well. Many stories from the Gospels that I have known for years came alive in fresh, challenging, and transforming ways after reading *The Forgotten Jesus*.<sup>2</sup> Information To Imitation

We have bought into the fallacy that we can grow by the introduction of new information alone according to Gallaty. Robby notes that Jews devoted time to studying God in order to imitate him. This should be the end goal in mind when we read the Bible. Gallaty provides an excellent case for why we read Scripture, and what spiritual growth looks like:

"The more you know Him, the more you love Him. The more you love Him, the more you obey Him. The more you obey Him, the more He manifests Himself to you." So true! By the end of Gallaty's book my hunger to read God's word and be obedient to Him increased immensely. Eric George Discipleship Pastor

very little in this book that I didn't agree with. It is a wonderful book that will make you grow in your love for our King Jesus. He brings you back into the culture and gives Jewish perspectives on WHY the events are in the Gospels. He does a wonderful job of giving Jewish perspective without being a "Jewish culture" worshiper. Once I started this book I finished it. I certainly don't finish all books that I start :)

I am thankful to Robby Gallaty for writing this book to give its readers a proper understanding of the "Jewishness of Jesus". In doing so, it has allowed me to better understand intended messages rather than misunderstanding because of my Western perspective. My goal is to learn Biblical truth. While I am blessed to have the Holy Spirit as my helper in understanding Scripture, this is a valuable addition in my quest for truth through a proper understanding. I liked this book so much, I bought a second copy as a gift for a Christian colleague who holds a teaching role within the Church. I would highly recommend this book to anyone who is seeking a more accurate understanding of Scripture.

Outstanding. Robby Gallaty does it again. He thoroughly walk through Jesus' life and cultural context, yet explains it in an accessible way. Christians will be informed and inspired to live like Jesus and be a disciple that makes disciples.

I have thoroughly enjoyed *The Forgotten Jesus*. There is a great balance between both accessibility and depth throughout the book and it is an overall easy and engaging read. Not only is there deep content regarding the life and times of Jesus from a Hebraic standpoint, but it is extremely applicable to our current timeframe. Quite frankly, as a pastor, there was a TON of information that I didn't know about the Jewish culture and how that impacted the life and times of Christ. Reading what Robby presents from a contextual standpoint brought great clarity to the New Testament passages. Every believer, whether a pastor, teacher, or lay leader, should read through this lens that Robby challenges them to see through in the New Testament. You'll read this book in one hand with the Bible in the other. This book will not only deepen your faith, but also help you clearly teach and communicate and new light on God's word. I cannot recommend this book more for anyone that wants to grow not only in their knowledge of Christ, but for those that want to grow in their faith and love for Jesus. "The more you know about Jesus, the more you'll love Jesus."

Gallaty is such a wonderful author. He has made the real Jesus come so alive so that everyone can truly understand so much more about His life here on earth. He lived according to and in compliance with the teachings found throughout the Old Testament. It reminds us of how the Old Testament is still so relevant and necessary for our understanding of how God wants us to live today. But most of all, it helps us to better understand Jesus.

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