



The Samaritan Update
"Mount Gerizim,
All the Days of Our Lives"



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January 2024, the Samaritan Community number about 900.

Future Events

The First Month of the Hebrew Year 3663 –

Friday evening, 28 March 2025

Passover Sacrifice 3663 Friday evening April 11, 2025

Festival of Passover 12 - 18 April 2025

The Sabbath of Unleavened Bread April 19, 2025

THE SEVEN DAYS OF THE FESTIVAL OF UNLEAVENED BREAD, Sunday 13 April 2025

THE FIRST DAY OF COUNTING THE OMER, ending on Sunday 13 APRIL 2025

1st Sabbath of the Seven weeks of counting the Omer April 19, 2025

Second Month of the Hebrew Year 3663 – Tuesday evening, 26 April 2025

10 May 2025 – Saturday, The Second Passover for those impure on the first Passover

Third Month of the Hebrew Year 3662 – Thursday Evening, 26 May 2025

The Seven Days of Shavuot (festival of Weeks June 1- June 7, 2025

Eve of the Memorial Day of the Sinai Assembly Monday June 2, 2025

Memorial Day of the Sinai Assembly June 3, 2025

Special Sabbath of the ten Commandments June 6, 2025

The festival of Weeks (Shavuot, The Harvest Festival June 7, 2025

3663 is the number of year since the Israelites entered the land of Canaan

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**Samaritan Passover Articles**

**Samaritans mark Passover in West Bank, hoping for 'peace'**

<https://www.arabnews.com/node/2596734/middle-east>

**Members of Samaritan sect participate in traditional Passover sacrifice in West Bank**

<https://english.news.cn/20250412/a24006114d9848f88f4bb01635d9083f/c.html>

**Ori Orhof Photos of the 2025 Passover Sacrifice**

<https://www.flickr.com/photos/oriorhof/albums/>



### **A new pair in the Hargarzim,**

The beautiful Ina from Ukraine (28) married to choice Lava Lior = Monir [38] son of the late Yaffa = Zayn and priest Yosef Ben Tzadka in Hargarzim.

Sunday evening, Kg 5 for the new ten years 23.3.2025

A NEW COUPL IN Mt. Elazar Gerizim

The pretty Inna from Ukraine and Lior b. the peiest Yosef b. Tsedaka in 23.3.2025

Tonight their wedding ceremony took place, which was held mostly with in the hall, and among brothers and uncles, sisters and aunts of the happy couple. The couple moves to the new apartment in Hargarzim tonight.



The priest Abd-Yehova sang well the letter of the pairing of the establishment of a new family in the midst of the House of the priests and the entire Israeli community-Samaritan

The marriage of Yana from Ukraine with Lior Ben HaCohen Yosef from the Hargarzim

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=60WO-aJUK7E>

### **Passings**

With great sorrow... On Friday, April 4, 2025, the late, honorable, wise old man Honey Ben Avraham Danafi 78 died in his death... You were a man of prayer, a righteous man, may your memory be blessed forever!

Mr. Hani Khalil Al-Tayef (Abu Ibrahim) passed away this morning at the age of (78 years) he spent in obedience to Allah.

Our warm condolences to his brother, Mr. Samir Al-Tif, his sons Ibrahim, Khalil, Fadi, Bandar, his wife and all his relatives



Hani b. Abraham b. Zebulan Altif  
Hadinf [1947-2025]  
Mt. Gerizim.

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With great sorrow, the honorable man Joseph Ben Mazliach Yehshua 80 in his death has left us... May his memory be a blessing forever.

Yosef Ben Yochabad and successful Ben Tzfar Yehoshua Maharhibi [1943-2025], have mercy on the Lord.

Kiryat Luza, the Hargarzim, Sunday, 8th of the first new.  
6.4.2025

Joseph b. Matzllich b. Zafar Yehusua Hamahibi [1943-2025]  
He was 82 years old when he died.

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Haseeb Shehadeh's Two Articles

من أجل إستير الملكة

For the Sake of the Queen Esther

بقلم: صبري إسماعيل إسرائيل السراويّ الدنفيّ (1994-1898)

ترجمة ب. حسيب شحادة

جامعة هلسنكي

בנימים צדקה (כתב וערך), אוצר הסיפורים העממיים של הישראלים השומרונים. מכון א.
ב. ללימודי השומרוניות, הרגזים-חולון, 2021, כרך ג' עמ' 708-712.

الكهنة الكبار في حياتي

رأيت وعاشْتُ الكثير جدًّا في هذه الدنيا، وما زلتُ ظمآن للمزيد، بالرغم من سنواتي التسعين، إذ أنَّ الإنسان يموت ونصف شهوته بيده.
طالما أنَّ الله يُوقِفُنَا على رِجْلَيْنَا ويرسُم لنا السبيلَ السويَّ لنسلُكَه بإخلاصٍ ومحبةٍ، فما علينا إلَّا أن نباركَه ونُثْنِي عليه على منحه لنا الحياة في هذه الدنيا وعلى الحقِّ في التمتع بما خلق من ثمار.
أنا، أكثرُ من أيِّ سامريٍّ آخرَ اليوم، حظيتُ بالتعرُّف على جميع أبناء طائفتي، منذ أن كان عددهم أقلَّ من مائة وخمسين نسمةً وحتى هذه الأيام التي بارَكْنَا فيها الله فتضاعف تعدادُنا بل أكثر من ذلك فبلغ نحو الخمسمائة وخمسين نسمة. تعرَّفتُ على كهنة كُبار أكثر من أيِّ سامريٍّ آخر.

Continue reading at: <https://shomron0.tripod.com/2025/forthesakeofthequeen.pdf>

قِصصُ أبي جلال، خضوعٌ وأجرُه بجانبه

Abū Galāl's Stories, a Surrender and its Wage is Beside it

بقلم: راضي الأمين صالح صدقة الصباحي (1990-1922)

ترجمة حسيب شحادة

جامعة هلسنكي

בנימים צדקה (כתב וערך), אוצר הסיפורים העממיים של הישראלים השומרונים. מכון א.
ב. ללימודי השומרוניות, הרגזים-חולון, 2021, כרך ג' עמ' 724-727.

نَهْبُ فِي الظهيرة

كنت قد سمعت قصتين عن عمنا أبي جلال، وهي تشهد حقًا على فطنته الرحبة التي كانت في المرة الأولى وراء خلاص نفسه من يد الذين نَوَّوا ضربه، وفي المرة الثانية إنقاذ ماله من أيدي سارقين جشعين. الفطنة لا تُجدي نفعًا كقول ذلك الحكيم - غبيُّ يُلقي حجرًا في النهر وسبعة حُكماء لا يستطيعون نشله. نعم، يجب أحيانًا أن يكون المرء ببساطة ورعًا، مؤديًا فروضه نصًّا وروحًا لتحدث الأعجوبة أو غير المتوقع لخلاص نفسك، كما تشهد عليه القصة الثالثة عن أبي جلال، يوسف حبيب صدقة، عم أبي الأمين.

قد قيل لك إنَّ العمَّ أبو جلال اكتسب رزقه من بيع القماش، حرامات الصوف وريش الطيور، التي كان يُحمِّلها على حمار أو اثنين وهو ركب على الحمار الثالث الذي رُبط بها الحماران الآخران أو عدد أكبر من الحمير.
كما قيل لك، كان العمَّ أبو جلال يقضي معظم أيام الأسبوع راكبًا من قرية لأخرى في مناطق نابلس وجنين وطولكرم.

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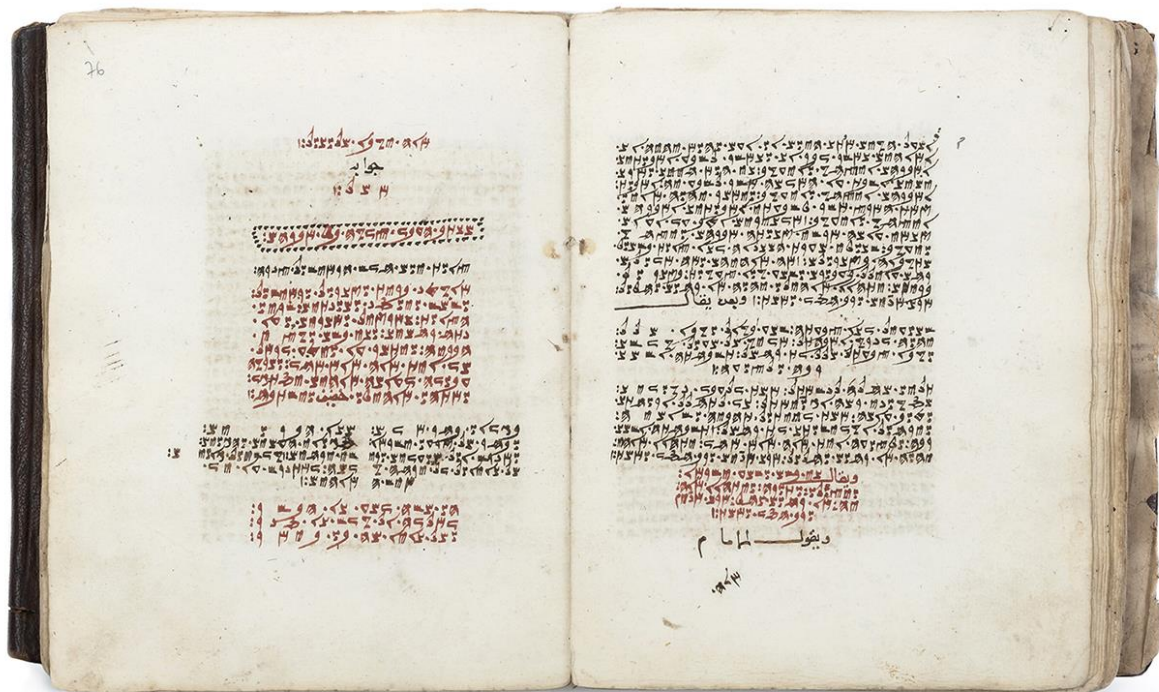
Auctions

Auction 102 Part 1 Hebrew Manuscripts and Books from the Victor (Avigdor) Klagsbald Collection

By Kedem

Tuesday, May 6, 12:00 8 Ramban St, Jerusalem., Israel

Lot 48, Manuscript, Samaritan Machzor for Nisan – Shechem, 1730 – Decorated Leather Binding



Manuscript, Samaritan machzor with prayers for the first month before Pesach. [Shechem (Nablus)], 1730. Hebrew (in Samaritan script) and some Arabic. Black and red ink on paper.

The volume comprises various prayers for the first month of the Samaritan calendar, before the festival of Pesach.

The manuscript was produced by the copyist Tzedakah son of Ibrahim son of Tzedakah son of Ibrahim HaDanafi, but several parts of the machzor are the work of Abd al-Rahman Abd al-Ghani (several sections may have been written by others). The manuscript includes several colophons. At end of manuscript, on pp. 160b-161a, colophon dated 1731.

Fine decorated leather binding, characteristic of Samaritan holy books.

[164] leaves (the marginal foliation, [161] leaves, is misnumbered). 21 cm. Fair-good condition. Stains, including dampstains, and dark ink stains in several places. Wear. Leaves and gatherings loose and partly detached. Original leather binding, with minor defects, detached.

<https://il.bidspirit.com/ui/lotPage/kedem/source/search/auction/58286/lot/173477/Manuscript-Samaritan-Machzor-for?lang=en>

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**Auction 78 Part 1 ANCIENT COINS, WEIGHTS, SEALS AND JEWELRY**

By Archaeological Center Ltd

Tuesday, Apr 15, 11:00 (your local time)

Tel-Aviv Dan Hotel, 99 Hayarkon Street. Israel 6343266

**LOT 312:** An Inscribed Samaritan Octagonal Bronze Ring.

5th – 6th century CE. 23.5 mm in diam, 19.1 inside diam. The central register depicts a Greek monogram flanked by two palm branches. The Samaritan inscription reads:

קומה יהוה / יהוה יבור(ך) / אין באל / ישרון / יהוה אל / יהוה אחד / יהוה שמו

"Rise Yhwh, Yhwh be Blessed, there is no God as the God of Yeshurun, Yhwh El, Yhwh is One, Yhwh is his Name". In very good condition. Ex Shlomo Moussaieff collection, London.

<https://il.bidspirit.com/ui/lotPage/deutsch/source/search/auction/54522/lot/92604/An-Inscribed-Samaritan-Octagonal?lang=en>

**Sold for \$550.00**

**Auction 78 Part 1 ANCIENT COINS, WEIGHTS, SEALS AND JEWELRY**

By Archaeological Center Ltd; Tuesday, Apr 15, 2025

**LOT 313:** A Lot of 2 Bronze Ring Fragments.

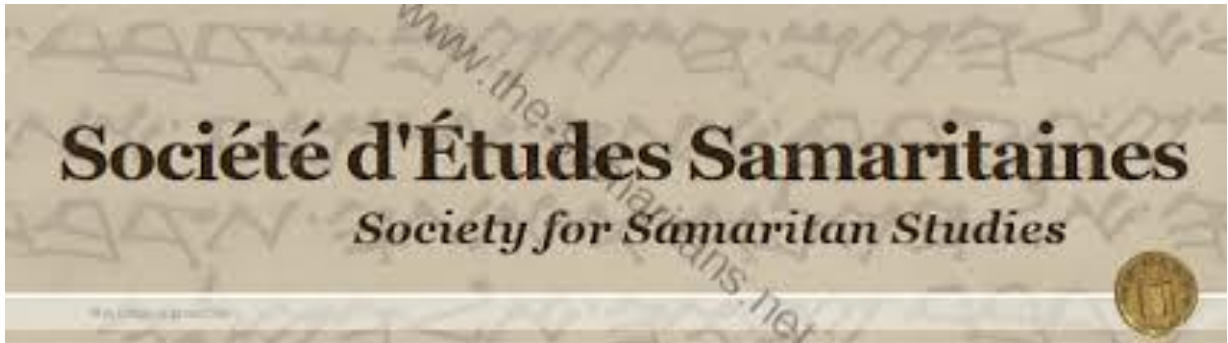
4th - 5th century CE. One inscribed in Palaeo-Hebrew Samaritan text "There is no like the God of Yeshurun" and one decorated with the mountain of Gerizim. In good conditions. Ex Judge Steve Adler coll.,



**Sold \$160.00**

Jerusalem. <https://il.bidspirit.com/ui/lotPage/deutsch/source/search/auction/54522/lot/92129/A-Lot-of-2-Bronze-Ring-Fragments-4t?lang=en>

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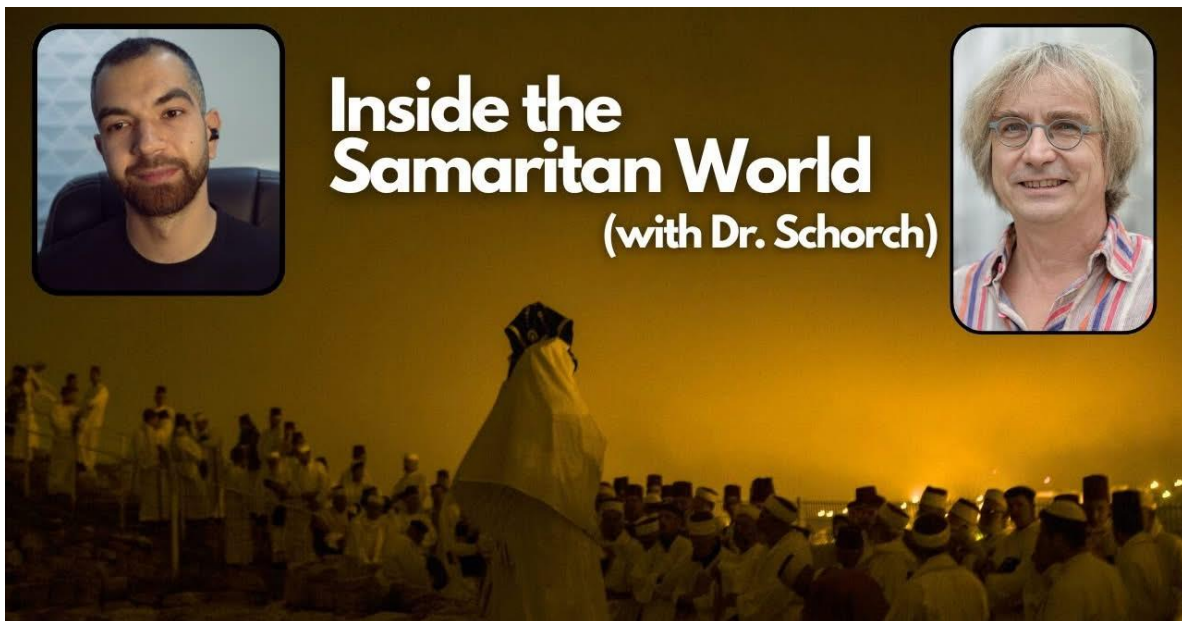
11th Congress of the Société d'Études Samaritaines

Call for Papers

11th Congress of the Société d'Études Samaritaines Call for Papers,
Hamburg, 21-25 July 2025.

https://www.academia.edu/127484675/11th_Congress_of_the_Soci%C3%A9t%C3%A9_d_%C3%89tudes_Samaritaines_Call_for_Papers?email_work_card=title

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**Inside the Samaritan World – A Conversation with Dr. Stefan Schorch**

**Aboud Cohen**

I interview Dr. Stefan Schorch, a leading Hebrew Bible scholar, to discuss the Samaritan Torah, its key differences from the Jewish version, the wisdom of the sage Marqah, and the importance of the Samaritan Congress—an insightful and eye-opening conversation.

Curious about the Samaritans? Explore my other videos—I've got plenty more on the way. If you'd like to fuel this mission of sharing our story, you can pitch in here:

<https://paypal.me/aboodcohen>

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In case you missed it!

Live from Israel... Abood Cohen this Thursday at 10am est. Sharp!!!!

Mar 4, 2024

Interviewing Aboud Cohen, the Grandson of the Samaritan Cohen Gadol (HighPriest) live from Israel on the REAL History of the Samaritan people and the Samaritan Torah.

<https://www.patreon.com/posts/live-from-israel-99715035>

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**Coming Talk**

**The Samaritan Pentateuch and Samaritan Hebrew Manuscript Culture**

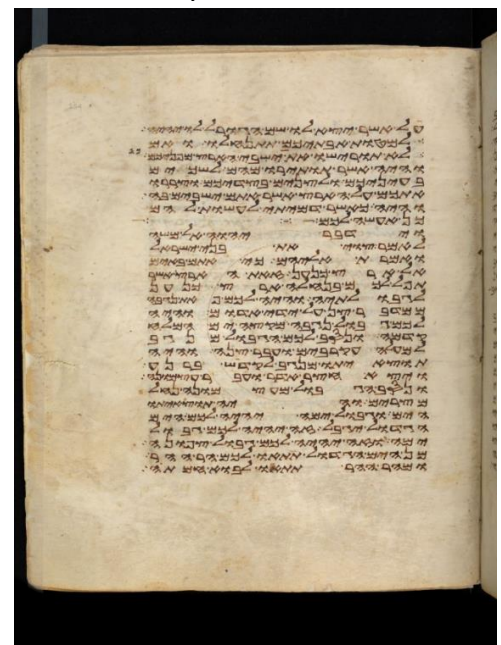
**Chester Beatty: 18 February 2026 - 6:00pm**

**Professor Stefan Schorch**, Professor of Biblical Studies, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

FREE Talk: Location of this talk is to be confirmed. No booking required for onsite talk, please register for online viewing via [Zoom HERE](#).

About the Speaker:

Prof Stefan Schorch is Professor of Hebrew Bible at Martin Luther University Halle–Wittenberg, Faculty of Theology, since 2009, and Director of the Research Institute for Hebrew Studies at Leucorea Foundation, Wittenberg. He currently serves as Professor of Biblical Studies at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. His research interests include Hebrew Bible, Jewish literature of the Hellenistic and Roman period, and the literary heritage of the Samaritans.



The Front Page of the Magazine:  
**"AB - The Samaritan News"** - no. 1388-1389 of the year  
 2023 in its 54Th year  
 3.5.2023-152 pages  
 Bi-Weekly Magazine - 25 issues a year  
 First appeared in December 1, 1969  
 The Editors: The Brothers Benyamim and Yefet  
 Tsedaka,  
 Holon, Israel and Mount Gerizim, Samaria

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 exhibition at the
 Museum of the Bible!
 So many great
 memories!



<https://my.matterport.com/show/?m=7arRPEUgNRA>

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## Nir Sasoni Video Posts

The Samaritan community Bringing in a Torah book Eran Altif

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hWscf3B5KLM>

The Samaritan community Liel and Maor Banquet - son-in-law verse; 19 8 24

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qeLHsSScRzg>

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Samaritan Cookbook

<https://www.1sem.org/>

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Online: Israelite Samaritan Torah By [Tsedaka, Yisrael ben Gamliel](#)

<https://archive.org/details/IsraeliteSamaritanTorah/mode/2up>

Table of the weekly Parashot (Portions of the week)

[The-samaritans.net](http://The-samaritans.net)

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Books online

Samaritan liturgy. Publication date 1850

https://archive.org/details/lewis_o_150/page/n5/mode/2up

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Do you Want Photos of Mount Gerizim?

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Instagram. [Tomer\\_altef\\_photography](#)

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<https://www.the-samaritans.net/>

Visit the Facebook page of Samaritan restaurants & bar

<https://www.facebook.com/Samaritanrestaurants-bar-226015214117547/>

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Samaritan Museum

Priest Hosny Wasif, the director of the Samaritan Museum, gives an introductory lecture on the history of the Samaritans and their origins, to a number of visitors who came today to enjoy a cultural and educational tour. June 2, 2024.

Also visit the website of The Samaritan Museum <https://samaritanmuseum.com/>

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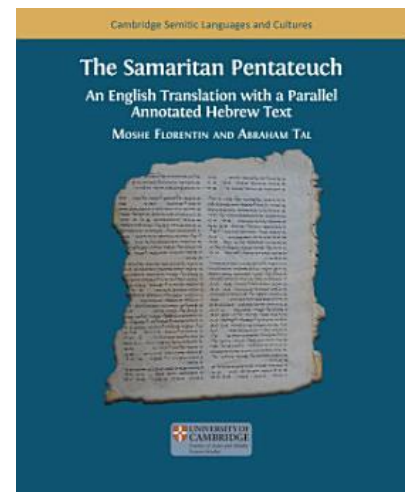
### Publications

**The Samaritan Pentateuch: An English Translation with a  
Parallel Annotated Hebrew Text**

**Moshe Florentin · Abraham Tal**

Jan 2025 · Open Book Publishers

1124 Pages



<https://www.openbookpublishers.com/books/10.11647/obp.0415>

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Series: [Elements in Religion in Late Antiquity](#)

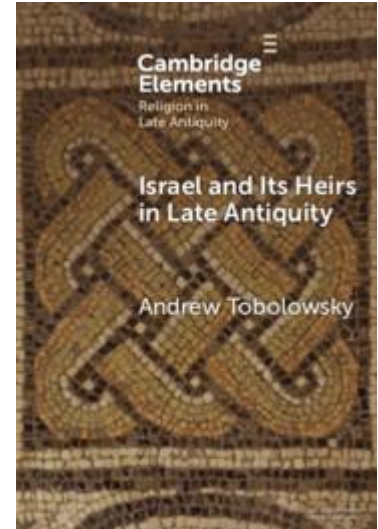
Israel and its Heirs in Late Antiquity

Published online by Cambridge University Press: **08 April 2025**

[Andrew Tobolowsky](#)

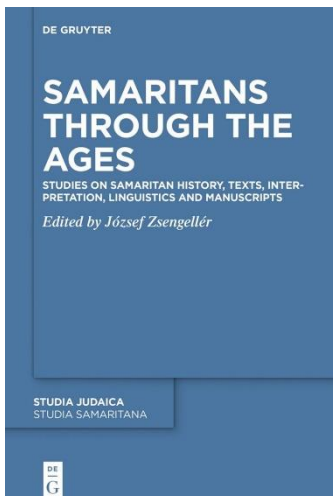
Summary

This Element explores constructions of Israelite identity among Jewish, Samaritan Israelites, and Christian authors in Late Antiquity, especially early Late Antiquity. It identifies three major strategies for claiming an Israelite identity between these three groups: a 'biological' strategy, a 'biology plus' strategy, and an 'abiological' strategy, referring to the difference between Jewish claims to Israel premised on exclusive biological descent, Samaritan Israelite acknowledgments of shared descent, and the 'Verus Israel' tradition in Christianity, which disavows the importance of descent. Using this framework, it makes various general conclusions about the construction of ethnic identity itself, including the inadequacy of treating descent claims as the sine qua non of ethnicity and role played in any given vision of ethnic identity by the individual creativity of a given author.



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### Samaritans Through the Ages



#### **Studies on Samaritan History, Texts, Interpretation, Linguistics and Manuscripts**

Edited by: **József Zsengellér**

Volume 14 in the series [Studia Samaritana](#)

#### **About this book**

The volume contains the edited papers presented at the 10th international conference of the Société d'Études Samaritaines held in Budapest in 2022. It is dedicated to the famous Hungarian rabbi and scholar Samuel Kohn (1841–1920) whose relevance in Samaritan studies was commemorated by Abraham Tal.

The articles discuss the most recent questions of Samaritan research in five different fields. Historical topics and Samaritan synagogue mosaics are investigated by Ingrid Hjelm, Innocent Himbaza and Reinhard Pummer. Greek inscriptions and Aramaic documents are studied by Magnar Kartveit, Andreas Lehnardt, and József Zsengellér. Arabic Torah interpretations, and historical documents are dealt with by Jasper Bernhofer, Leonhard Becker and Daniel Boušek. Analyses of Samaritan Hebrew and Aramaic linguistic issues and of

Samaritan translation techniques are presented by Moshe Florentin, Christian Stadel, Nehemia Gordon, David Hammidovič, Patrick Pouchelle and Phil Reid. Studies on Samaritan manuscript writings and collections are presented by Evelyn Burkhardt, Stefan Schorch, Mariia Boichun and Golda Akhiezer.

Leading scholars and young new colleagues enrich the various fields of Samaritan studies with new findings, insights and implications.

<https://www.degruyter.com/document/doi/10.1515/9783111435732/html?lang=en>

### **Who Really Wrote the Bible, The Story of the Scribes**

by **William M. Schniedewind**

See chapter 11, Working with the Samaritans. William mentions Scholar **Gary Knoppers**.

Schniedewind, William M.. *Who Really Wrote the Bible: The Story of the Scribes*, Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2024. <https://doi.org/10.1515/9780691233666>

### **The Formation of Biblical Texts : Chronicling the Legacy of Gary N. Knoppers**

2024 - Mohr Siebeck

<https://www.mohrsiebeck.com/en/book/the-formation-of-biblical-texts-9783161627569/>

### **Samaritans and Jews in History and Tradition**

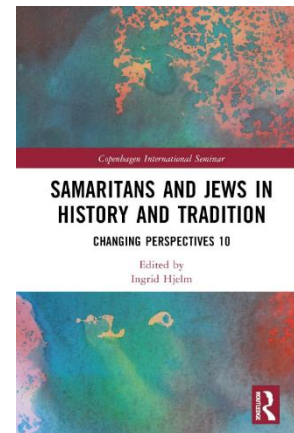
Changing Perspectives 10 By [Ingrid Hjelm](#)

First Published 2024

#### **ABSTRACT**

This volume presents an anthology of 19 seminal studies, some for the first time in English, which explore the history tradition of the ancient relationship between Samaritans and Jews.

The book is arranged into three parts: Methods, Traditions, and History; Samaritan and Jewish Pentateuchs; and Studies in Bible and Tradition, each of which is chronologically ordered. It represents a collection of the author's previous publications on the relationship between Samaritans and Jews, expanding and supplementing the conclusions of her published books. Recent archaeological developments on Mount Gerizim have demonstrated that our paradigms for writing the ancient histories of the kingdoms and provinces of Samaria and Judah in the Iron II, Persian, and Hellenistic periods must change. These developments also affect how we evaluate and read ancient literary traditions, and



and

several chapters offer challenging new perspectives on well-known themes, narratives, and compositions in this subject area.

*Samaritans and Jews in History and Tradition: Changing Perspectives 10* will be of interest to students and scholars of biblical studies, theology, comparative religion, the ancient Near East, and in particular Samaritan and Jewish studies.

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Introduction - Niels Peter Lemche; **Part I: Methods, Traditions and History**; 1. Cult Centralization as a Device of Cult Control?; 2. History of Palestine with and without the Bible; 3. Brothers Fighting Brothers: Jewish and Samaritan Ethnocentrism in Tradition and History; 4. Changing Paradigms: Judaeans and Samaritan Histories in Light of Recent Research; 5. Yahweh's Chosen Place: Temple Ideology and Historical (Re)construction; 6. Tribes, Genealogies and the Composition of the Hebrew Bible; 7. From History's non-Jewish Israel to Tradition's and Scholarship's "the Ancient, the New and the Newest Israel"; **Part II: Samaritan and Jewish Pentateuchs**; 8. Portraits of Moses in the Samaritan Pentateuch and the fourth century Samaritan Midrash *Memar or Tibat Marqah*; 9. "The Pentateuch that the Samaritans Chose". Modern Fallacies Regarding Origins and Characteristics of the Samaritan Pentateuch; 10. Northern Perspectives in Deuteronomy and Its Relation to the Samaritan Pentateuch; 11. So-called Deuteronomistic Addenda in the Samaritan Pentateuch Numbers 10-14 and 20-27. Where Do They Belong?; **Part III: Studies in Bible and Tradition**; 12. "Whose Bible Is It Anyway?" Ancient Authors, Medieval Manuscripts and Modern Perceptions; 13. Samaria, Samaritans and the Composition of the Hebrew Bible; 14. "Who Is My Neighbor?" Implicit Use of Old Testament Stories and Motifs in Luke's Gospel; 15. Simon Magus in Patristic and Samaritan Sources. The Growth of a Tradition; 16. "Coming from Harran". The Role of Harran in Near Eastern, Biblical and Samaritan Literature; 17. Josephus in the Tents of Shem and Japhet. The Status of Ancient Authors in Josephus' Treatise *Against Apion* 1.1-218; 18. Exile as Pilgrimage?; 19. The Coming of "a Prophet like You" in Ancient Literature.

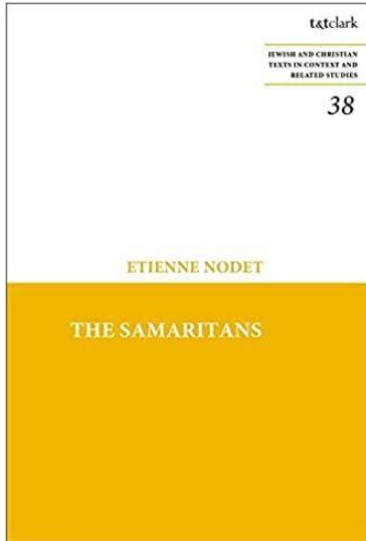
## IN MEMORIAM ÉTIENNE NODET, OP, (1944-2024)

Brother Étienne Nodet, OP, who died on February 4, 2024 in Jerusalem.

<https://www.ebaf.edu/2024/02/in-memoriam-etienne-nodet-op-1944-2024-2/>

Etienne Nodet examines the Samaritans and their religion, using Jewish and Christian sources, including rabbinic literature and the latest archaeology. Nodet tells the story of the Samaritans and their religion, showing how they were faithful to a classical form of monotheism.

Nodet traces the Samaritan story from more recent to more ancient times. He begins by looking at the importance of the Samaritans in the time of Josephus and the New



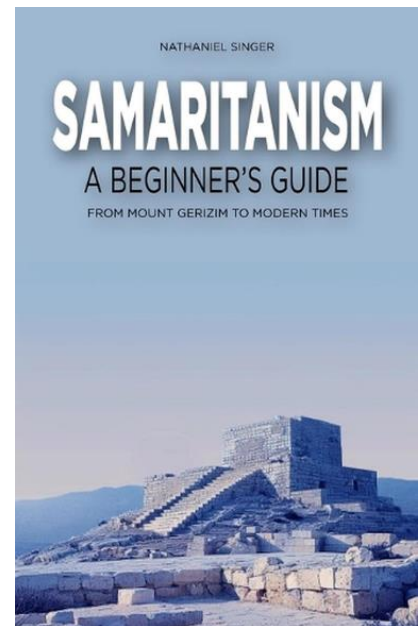
Testament, taking in the area formed by Galilee, Samaria, and Judea and recognizing how this corresponds approximately to Canaan at the time of Joshua, between the Jordan and the Mediterranean. He then examines the account of 2 Kings 17, which shows the Samaritans as descendants of the settlers sent by the Assyrians, who were initiated to a certain Yahwism after the fall of the kingdom of Israel (North) in 721 BC. Next Nodet looks at the time of the Maccabean crisis, when the Samaritans separated from the Jews, showing how before then there was a peaceful coexistence.

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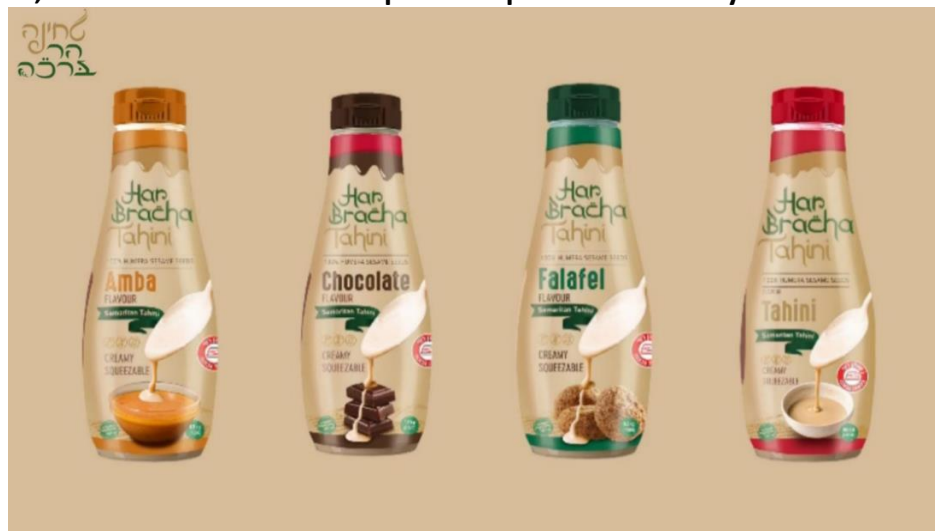
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Abstract

The heritage of the Samaritan sect is one of the important cultural records in the history of ancient civilizations, containing a linguistic legacy that began with the Samaritan Torah texts, which differ from the Jewish Torah. The Samaritans still preserve the oldest Torah manuscript in the world, written in their language, the Samaritan language, which is the ancient Hebrew language, a language of signs and imagery. Each letter resembles a part of the human body and its essential needs. Some scholars confuse it with Hebrew on the one hand, and Aramaic on the other, as it has unique characteristics that distinguish it from other Semitic languages. Therefore, it is necessary to shed light on the linguistic heritage of the Samaritans, which is spread across international libraries and requires rigorous scientific research to guide scholars to the value of the Samaritan language. This language has been influenced by Arabic and Islamic culture, and its active role in all the countries it ruled has led to the intellectual output of those regions under its cultural influence being imbued with an Arabic character in various forms. The Arabic influence is large and clearly evident in the Samaritan and Jewish heritage. From this perspective, the pages of this booklet aim to introduce the grammar of the Samaritan language, as it has not received adequate attention from many Arab researchers specializing in Semitic languages. When discussing the grammar of the Samaritan Hebrew language, it is important to highlight the most important Arabic terms used by Samaritan grammarians to describe the grammar of the Samaritan Hebrew language. The field of terminology extends beyond individual words to the concepts they convey, encompassing the expression of these concepts, their definitions, and the use of the Arabic language by the Samaritans, as well as the influence of Islamic culture on the grammar of the Hebrew language in the Middle Ages. The first person to provide a precise and systematic description of the Samaritan Hebrew language was "Shams al-Hukama" Abu Ishaq Ibrahim ibn Faraj ibn Maruth, author of "Al-Tawtiyah," which is considered the first organized work in the field of Samaritan Hebrew grammar (12th century AD). He was well-versed in the efforts of his predecessors in Arabic and Hebrew grammar, and this study relies on a collection of references, sources, and manuscripts that address the heritage and culture of the Samaritan sect, including: The Samaritan Torah written in the ancient Samaritan Canaanite script. Arabic translations of the Samaritan Torah. Direct information about the Samaritan language from some members of the Samaritan sect. One of the primary sources used in this study is the book "Al-Tawtiyah" on the grammar of the Samaritan Hebrew language, authored by Abu Ishaq Ibrahim ibn Faraj ibn Maruth al-Samiri in the 12th century.

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Abstract

The Samaritan doctrine was influenced by Islam, as the Samaritan creed was reformulated. From this perspective, the research idea emerged to elucidate the Islamic influence (particularly the Mu'tazilite sect) on the Samaritan sect, and how they coincide in using doctrinal terminologies regarding the divinity. The aim of this research is to clarify the concept of divinity at the level of terminologies used in the interpretation of the Holy Scriptures by both the Mu'tazilites and the Samaritans. It seeks to explore the doctrinal values that influenced the Samaritans regarding divinity, while highlighting points of disagreement and the fundamental principles of being a prophet within the Samaritan sect. This will be evidenced through samples from the heritage and sacred texts, showcasing their influence on the concept of monotheism, the use of textual and rational inference in proving the existence of God, the categories of monotheism, and the attributes and types thereof. This will be examined in light of Islamic theology's methodology.

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