



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

3664 is a leap year of 13 months
 The Eighth Month Oct. 20, 2025 Monday evening
 The Ninth Month November 19, 2025 Wednesday evening
 The Tenth Month December 19, 2025 Friday evening
 The Eleventh Month January 18, 2026 Sunday evening
 The Twelfth Month February 16, 2026 Monday evening
 The Thirteenth Month March 18, 2025 Wednesday evening
 The First Month April 16. 2026 Thursday evening
 Passover Sacrifice 3664 April 30, 2026 Thursday evening
 3664 is the number of year since the Israelites entered the land of Canaan
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**Facebook post from *Mazen Samri***



The beginning / the beginning / the end / the end



**Facebook post from Itamar Cohen**



### A new couple in Holon:

Rachel the beautiful (25) daughter of Noga daughter of the late Malka and Joseph Yehoshua and Yair Ben Yaffa and the late Joseph Tzadka married to the choice of Leva Omar[31] son of Ruchla and her servants son Yaffa and deceased Joseph Tzadaka in Holon.

Tuesday evening, Sunday of the eighth day 18.10.2025

A NEW COUPL IN Holon

The pretty Rachel and Omer b. Racheli and Ovadia Tsedaka in Holon 1810.2025



[Video](#) by Nir Sasoni

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Births

A beautiful daughter was born in the Hargarzim.

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Sixth day, according to the seventh news.

17.10.2025

Beautiful daughter Lamram daughter of Linda daughter of Shlomit and Osher = Said Tzedka and Levi Ben Friel and the priest Moshia Ben Eanya and the great priest Levi Haptai in Hargarzim

New baby daughter has born in Mt. Gerizim, to Maram and Libi b. Friel and the priest Mushe Haptai- 17.10.2025

A beautiful daughter was born on Mt Gerizim.

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Beautiful daughter to the daughter of Naama and Cohen Dan Dan and Jacob Ben Maeas and Cohen Pinchas Ben -Tzadik in the olive region of regges.

New Baby DAUGHTER HAS BEEN BORN IN MT. GERIZIM, to KINERET and IKBON B. Mayas and the Prison Phinhas -11.10.2025

A beautiful son was born in Holon.

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- Thursday, the seventh new unit -9.10.2025

A beautiful son was born to Klaranit Bat Einat and the priest Dan Ben Laharot and Pinhas Habtai and to Amit Ben Malki and Nathaniel Shoni Danafi in Holon.

New baby boy has born in Holon, to Calamit and Amit Sassoni Hadinfi -9.10. 2025

A beautiful daughter was born in Holon.

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- Monday, pot for the sixth news - 15.9.2025

A beautiful daughter was born to Yael daughter of Limor and Eitan Yehoshua the Marachibi and Matan Ben Noga and Yair Tzadka Hzafrin in Holon

New baby daughter has born in Holon, to Yael and Matan Tsedaka Hasafari -15.9. 2025

A beautiful son was born in Holon.

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- Sunday, Yad to the seventh news - 5.10.2025

A beautiful son was born to Revital daughter of Malki and Nathaniel Shashoni and Elad son of Mira and the late Abraham Shashoni Danafi may God have mercy on Holon.

New baby boy has born in Holon, to Ravital and Elad Sassoni Hadinfi -5.10. 2025

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**Haseeb Shehadeh's Two Articles**

**مَخَافٌ فِي الْمَنْفَى فِي تَرْكِيَا**  
**Anxieties in the Turkish Exile**  
**بقلم: راضي الأمين صالح صدقة الصباحي (1990-1922)**  
 ترجمة ب. حسيب شحادة  
 جامعة هلسنكي

بنيמים צדקה (כתב וערך), אוצר הסיפורים העממיים של הישראלים השומרונים. מכון א.  
 ב. ללימודי השומרונות, הרגרזים-חולון, 2021, כרך ג' עמ' 820-823.

**مُجَنَّدُونَ قَسْرًا لِلجَيْشِ التُّرْكِيِّ**

أَيَّةُ حَيَاةٍ هَذِهِ؟ إِنَّهَا صَعْبَةٌ، مَا النَّهَايَةُ؟ نَحْنُ نَسْأَلُ أَنْفُسَنَا الْآنَ. مَتَى سَيَسُودُ الْهَدُوءُ ثَانِيَةً فِي هَذَا الْعَالَمِ الْمَقْلُوبِ؟  
 حَقًّا قَالَتِ التَّوْرَةُ: غَرِيْزَةُ قَلْبِ الْإِنْسَانِ سَيِّئَةٌ مِّنْذُ طُفُولَتِهِ. هَذَا الْمَوْضِعُ يُقْلِقُنَا كُلَّنَا. وَلَكِنْ بِالرَّغْمِ مِنْ صَعُوبَةِ الْحَيَاةِ  
 لِلطَّائِفَةِ الْيَوْمَ بِخُصُوصٍ مَا يَحْدُثُ، إِلَّا أَنَّهَا لَا شَيْءٍ مُّقَارَنَةً بِمَا كَانَ قَبْلَ سَبْعِينَ أَوْ ثَمَانِينَ عَامًا تَحْتَ حُكْمِ الْأَتْرَاكِ  
 فِي فِلَسْطِينَ [فِي الْأَصْلِ: أَرْضِ إِسْرَائِيلِ] أَوْ حَتَّى قَبْلَ ذَلِكَ. لَقَدْ عَانَيْنَا دَائِمًا وَلَكِنْ يَبْدُو أَنَّ مَا عَانَتْهُ الطَّائِفَةُ فِي  
 آخِرِ الْحُكْمِ التُّرْكِيِّ، وَبِالْتَّحْدِيدِ زَمَنِ الْحَرْبِ الْعَالَمِيَّةِ الْأُولَى، لَمْ تَجْرُبْ مِثْلَهُ قَطً.  
 Continue reading at: <http://shomron0.tripod.com/2025/anxietiesintheturkishexile.pdf>

**قِيَمَةُ الصَّلَاةِ النَّقِيَّةِ**  
**The Value of a Pure Prayer**  
**بقلم: الأمين راضي صدقة (1944 - )**  
 ترجمة ب. حسيب شحادة  
 جامعة هلسنكي

בנימים צדקה (כתב וערך), אוצר הסיפורים העממיים של הישראלים השומרונים. מכון א.  
 ב. ללימודי השומרונות, הרגרזים-חולון, 2021, כרך ג' עמ' 811-812.

لَقَدْ أَيْقَنَّا بِأَنَّ تَحْضِيرَ التَّمَائِمِ يُسَبِّبُ الْكَثِيرَ مِنَ الْمَصَائِبِ لِمَتَلَفِّيْهَا وَلِكَاتِبِيْهَا عَلَى حَدِّ سَوَاءٍ، لَكِنْ يَبْدُو لَنَا أَنَّ قُوَّةَ  
 صَلَاةِ الْكَاهِنِ الْأَكْبَرِ النَّقِيَّةِ لَا جِدَالَ فِيْهَا. عِنْدَمَا يَخْفَى عَلَى الْمَرْءِ شَيْءٌ مَا يُضَيِّفُ الْكَاتِبُ أَوْ الشَّاعِرُ السَّامِرِيُّ: وَاللَّهِ  
 هُوَ الْعَالِمُ؛ وَالْمُسْلِمُونَ تَرَجَمُوا ذَلِكَ بِـ "اللَّهُ أَعْلَمُ". عَلَى كُلِّ حَالٍ، عَلَيَّ أَنْ أَقْصَرَ عَنْ حَدِثٍ حَدَثَ لِي.  
 جَاءَنِي صَدِيقٌ فِي الْعَمَلِ يَذِفُ الدَّمُوعَ وَنَفْسِيَّتَهُ مَتْرَعَزَةً. أَخْبَرَنِي بِصَوْتٍ مَّتَقَطِّعٍ بِأَنَّهُ تَسَلَّمَ بِرَقِيَّةٍ مِنْ ابْنِهِ فِي لُوسِ  
 أَنْجَلُوسِ فِي كَلِيفُورْنِيَا، أَمْرِيْكََا، يُعَلِّمُهُ فِيْهَا بِأَنَّهُ مُصَابٌ بِالسَّرْطَانِ وَهُوَ يَرْقُدُ بِحَالَةٍ خَطَرَةٍ فِي الْمُسْتَشْفَى، وَهُوَ قَدْ  
 سَمِعَ عَمَّا فَعَلَتْ صَلَاةُ الْكَاهِنِ الْأَكْبَرِ، تَقِي تَوْفِيْقٍ، رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ، وَأَنَّهُ قَبْلَ سَفَرِهِ إِلَى لُوسِ أَنْجَلُوسِ لَزِيَارَةِ ابْنِهِ الْوَحِيدِ  
 يَطْلُبُ مِنَ الْكَاهِنِ الْأَكْبَرِ أَنْ يَصَلِّيَ مِنْ أَجْلِ ابْنِهِ.  
 طَوِيْبِي لِلْمُؤْمَنِ. اتَّصَلْتُ هَاتِفِيًّا بِالْكَاهِنِ الْأَكْبَرِ، يَعْقُوبُ شَفِيْقٍ، ابْنُ الْخَمْسَةِ وَالثَّمَانِينَ عَامًا أَوْنَتْهَا، رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ.  
 زَوَّدْتُهُ بِاسْمِ الرَّجُلِ الْمَرِيضِ وَاسْمِ وَالِدَتِهِ وَطَلَبْتُ مِنْهُ أَنْ يَذْكُرَ هَذَيْنِ الْأَسْمَاءِ فِي صَلَاةِ الْمَسَاءِ مُلْتَمِسًا شِفَاءَ  
 الْمَرِيضِ. اسْتَجَابَ الْكَاهِنُ الْأَكْبَرُ لِهَذَا الْاِلْتِمَاسِ.

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Post on Facebook 9/18/2025 from Shuki Marchiv

Dear members of the community, we are honored to invite you to the entry of a Torah book donated in the name of our dear sister Miriam Zel, and the other contributors of the book the family members, the Issachar family is expanding, the entrance of the book will take place tomorrow day and power for the sixth month 19.9.25 at 16.30

We'll gather in the house of the deceased and go to the synagogue in the procession of priests and with a saint!!

On the book bag

On the book are written tribal names israel And in the order of their travel and parking in the desert, around a tent. In the background center, the tent area and the utensils of the covenant, the testimony closet, the inside bread table and the lamp of the incense altar, the rising altar and the sink.

On both sides shaped like two branches of leaves are written the following blessings: on the right "Yehovah has captured many thousands of people israel , and on the left: "What good is the people of Jacob, and your neighbors israel

In the upper part: "According to Jehovah they will travel" and in the lower part "According to Yahweh we will travel"

As excellent at the front of each camp his order of travel first, second, third, and last"

At the tent door. And to the excellent parking of Moshe Aaron and his sons.

On the grenades of the book three in a number of background words from the song of the sea "The deed of the Lord is the temple of the Lord, guide us your hand"

The Seminary (the book of the Torah written in it)

It was written about the "the most respected man in all of science" Haftz Ben Shelah Ben Marahiv the Marahiv may his mercy be:

We will pray to God to receive from us and reward us with health and good life.

Amen



Today, Sept 19, 2025, we donated a book of Torah to a synagogue in Holon on behalf of our dear family may it be happy holiday and a good year

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The Hargarzim - the name of the Holy Mount

Written in one word with seven letters

By: Benim Charity

"HARGARIZEM" - הרגרזים - The name of our sacred mountain, written in one word of seven characters

By: Benyamem Tsedaka

One of the not-few reasons, that we were motivated not to recommend the Tel-Florentine edition of the comparative formula of the Jewish-Samaritan Torah formula [Tel Aviv 2010], is the fact that they trusted an ancient manuscript of the Torah, probably from 1204 AD, which brings the name of the Garrazim separately and not in one word: Har. Grizim, in the four times the name of the Holy Mountain is mentioned in the Torah, two. What is in the tenth commandment on building the first altar to the Lord of the people of Israel in his land, the third in Deuteronomy 11 and the fourth in Deuteronomy like that. Not to buy, the hastiers preferred to call the manuscript by the nickname given by the Hebrew University in 1968, "Shemum 6", and dismissed the users in their failed edition for reasons reported in a separate article, knowing the fact that the manuscript originated in Damascus. The "Tshekil" = the signature of the copy in the damaged handwriting even though it was supposedly written by the author's chief Finhas Ben Elazar, whose name was delivered there as "Pines" even though he had the option to incorporate the "H" in his name into the author's signature in the correct place.

I think it is necessary to note that I have seen this separation of the name of the mountain in another Damascus manuscript. It seems to us that even is suspicious, due to the proximity to the residence and activities of the two communities, yeast in front of Jews, which were spread in the neighborhoods of Damascus, until the Israeli-Samaritan community died there at the beginning of the 17th-1624 centuries. But we'll get back to our business - originally, as we saw in a section from Comran from the first century BC, the name of the mountain is written in a seven-letter word: the Hargarzim. In most of the Samaritan manuscripts the name is written in eight letters: the Hargarzim; In three ancient manuscript the name was written like in the section of Comran in seven letters: the Hargerzim. He is the only mountain whose name is written in Hebrew in one word: the Hargarzim. There is another mountain, Mount Megido, whose name is written in Luazite in one word: Armageddon, which is part of the end-time vision of Christian classes.

But 300-250 years before Kumran, in two writings on a stone from the island of Delos in the Greek Aegean Sea; writings of the Samaritan community that was there, the name of the mountain was written in one word in Greek writing: the Hargarzin.

There is no doubt that the original name was written in one seven letter word. The fuller form: The Hargrizim has been influenced by using reading words for many centuries as the original point to assist with the correct pronunciation of the malaria. The punctuation below the letters [Taverni] and above the letters [Shemari] in Hebrew, combines in handwriting only in the late period of the end of the first millennium A.D.

To write the name of our holy mountain in one seven-letter word: the Hargarzim, there was a trend of addition of holiness involved in the number seven marking seven things of holiness in the Torah: seven days, week, seventh day, seventh month, seven days of the Three Habits, seven Sabbaths counting the Omar, seven periods, bed in the seventh year, seven beds in the jubilee, lamp of the seven nests, menin Seven pairs of pure animals that entered Noah's Ark - Seven Seven Days of Purification, Noah's Ark rested in the seventh month.

The Hargarzim was blessed in addition to being the Mount of Blessing, the mountain on which the blessing was given, in seven times no less.

The blessing was given on him by seven tribes: Shimon, Levi, Judah, Issachar, Menashe, Ephraim and Benjamin. Each of the tribes said one blessing from the seven blessings, from "Blessed are you in the city" to "May the Lord open to you his good treasure in the heavens."

On the pilgrimage we make stops at seven stations;

The location of the mountain is mentioned three times in the seven landmarks, in which twice in the Tenth Commandment, which is not in the formula of the Torah in the hands of Judaism, and once in Deuteronomy 11: 30-29 [according to the formula of the parallel Torah by the guarding Israelis]:

- That mountain [the hell what];
- In the past of the Jordan
- After the path of the introduction of the sun
- In the land of the Canaanite, sit on the prairie.
- In front of the wheel
- At Alon Mora

In front of you

At the end of the Pilgrimage, the High Priest blesses the pilgrims with seven blessings [including priest's blessings].

The road to Givat Olam in the ancient days of Luza, as it rises from the archaeological excavations, went through three systems of seven stairs, which are now visible prominently.

Therefore, it is recommended for the members of the congregation, to pay special attention to this union of writing the name of the Lord's chosen place in seven letters in one word, which distinguishes it from all the mountains: the Hergers.

Not "Hargrizim", not "Har. Grizim", not "Har Grizim", nor "Grizim" and not "Grazim" but in his special name in the seven letters: Hargrizim.

Each member of the community who writes the name of the rascals in one of the above disruptive forms should be given the credit that this disturbance was written by him out of ignorance or inattention.

Back in the day charity

Pictured: The Hergers

## Auction Results

### **Auction 79 Part 1 Ancient Coins, Modern Gold Coins, Ancient Weights, Seals & Jewelry**

By Archaeological Center Ltd

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

Oct 8, 2025

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**An Inscribed Samaritan Octagonal Bronze Ring**



<https://il.bidspirit.com/ui/lotPage/source/search/auction/61569/lot/92984/zoom/2?lang=en>

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Holon, Israel and Mount Gerizim, Samaria

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Nir Sasoni Video Posts

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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*

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ועד הקהילה השומרונית בחולון

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

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

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### **Books online**

**Samaritan liturgy.** Publication date 1850

[https://archive.org/details/lewis\\_o\\_150/page/n5/mode/2up](https://archive.org/details/lewis_o_150/page/n5/mode/2up)

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### [Samaritan Museum](https://samaritanmuseum.com/)

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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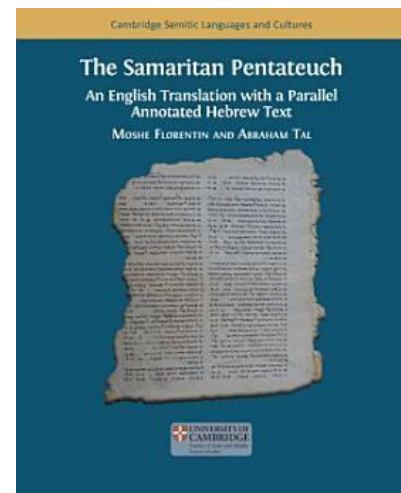
Publications

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Moshe Florentin · Abraham Tal

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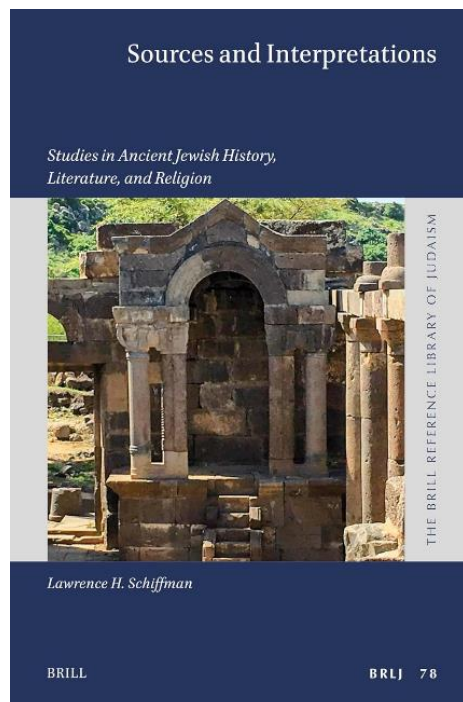


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By **Lawrence H. Schiffman**

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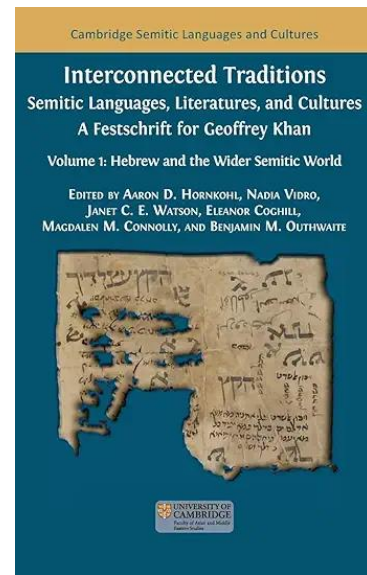
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[Interconnected Traditions: Volume 1: Hebrew and the Wider Semitic World \(Semitic Languages and Cultures\)](#) Hardcover – March 7, 2025

by [Aaron D Hornkohl](#) (Editor), [Magdalen M Connolly](#) (Editor), [Nadia Vidro](#) (Editor)

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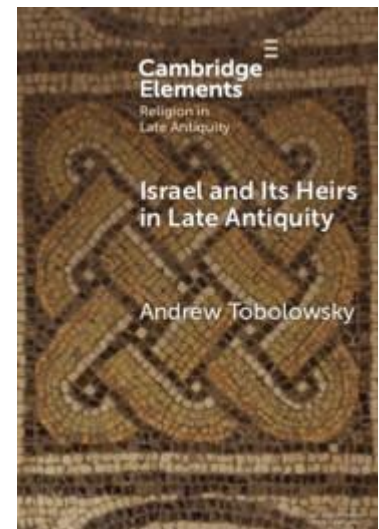
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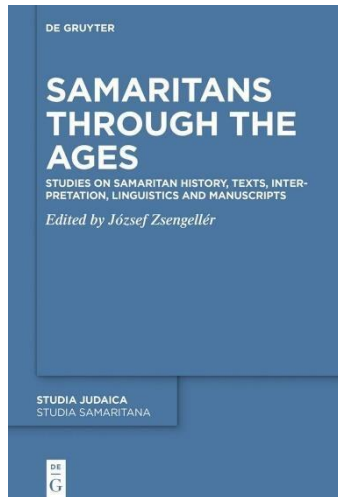
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Summary

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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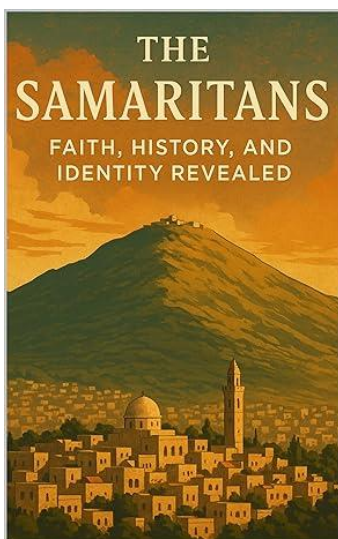
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