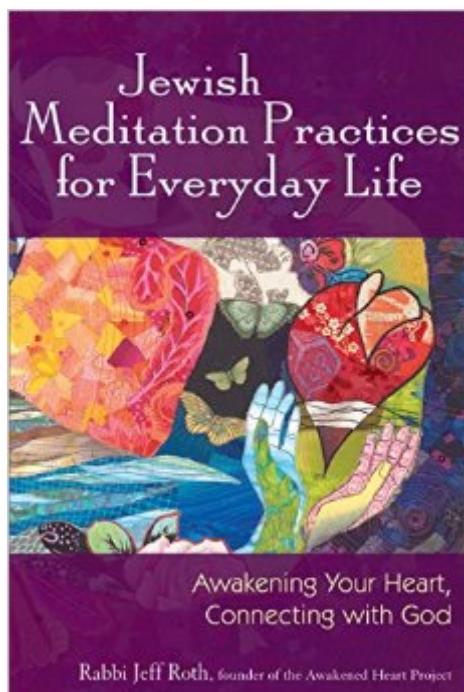


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# Jewish Meditation Practices For Everyday Life: Awakening Your Heart, Connecting With God



## Synopsis

Awaken your heart and mind to see your own capacity for wisdom, compassion and kindness."When we awaken to our own light, it becomes possible to develop real wisdom about our life. As wisdom allows us to see clearly, our hearts break open with compassion for the struggles of our own lives and the lives of all beings. Awakened with wisdom and compassion, we are impelled to live our lives with kindness, and we are led to do whatever we can to repair the brokenness of our world."â •from the IntroductionAt last, a fresh take on meditation that draws on life experience and living life with greater clarity rather than the traditional method of rigorous study.Based on twenty-five years of bringing meaningful spiritual practice to the Jewish community, well-known meditation teacher and practitioner Rabbi Jeff Roth presents Jewish contemplative techniques that foster the development of a heart of wisdom and compassion. This contemporary approach to meditationâ •accessible to both beginners and experts alikeâ •focuses on using the distilled wisdom of Buddhism and Judaism as a way to learn from life experience. By combining these two traditions, he presents a model that allows westernersâ •both Jews and non-Jewsâ •to embrace timeless Eastern teachings without sacrificing their birth traditions.

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There is certainly no absence of ideas about Jewish meditation in Rabbi Jeff Roth's book Jewish Meditation Practices for Everyday Life. This shouldn't come as a surprise, as the author has been leading Jewish mediation retreats and workshops for decades. As such, the book can switch gears rather suddenly. Many techniques are provided; so in the end, this book is not only to be read, but

re-read. The reader must do the work of pulling out what is salient in the many practices presented.

I have read several books on Jewish meditation and have been an on and off practitioner for years. This book is the first that helped me understand the different types of meditation and their goals. This book came to me exactly at the point when I needed it and was ready to understand what Rabbi Roth was writing about. As a result of reading the book and other recommendations from people I trust, I went on a three week meditation retreat with Rabbi Roth and it was worth every minute of it. Rabbi Roth is a living treasure for the Jewish people and the world.

A little bit of meditation does you well, no matter what your faith. "Jewish Meditation Practices for Everyday Life: Awakening Your Heart, Connecting with God" blends the traditions of meditation from Buddhism with the western Abrahamic religious faith. There is a focus on Judaism, but Jewish Meditation Practices for Everyday life is meant to benefit readers of all faiths and backgrounds, be they Jew, non-Jew, or even non-religious. A guide to enlightening one's soul without abandoning one's traditions, "Jewish Meditation Practices for Everyday Life" is a strong choice.

I recommend this as part of a meditation library. It is clear, easy to read, and practical for a spiritual meditator.

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