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Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, Sukkot & Simchat Torah

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Join over fifty Jewish spiritual leaders from all denominations in a candid conversation about the why and how of prayer: how prayer changes us and how to discern a response from God.

Rosh Hashanah Readings edited by Dov Peretz Elkins (240.2)
A selection of readings, prayers, and insights renews the meaning of the High Holy Day themes, drawn from a variety of Jewish and non-Jewish sources. See also Yom Kippur Readings.

Entering the High Holy Days by Reuven Hammer (240.2)
Provides historical background and interpretation of the ideas, practices, and liturgy and lends them contemporary relevance to today’s Jews.

All These Vows: Kol Nidre edited by Lawrence A. Hoffman (240.2)
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This guide to the Days of Awe draws on multiple sources to explain the purpose of the traditions.

Reclaiming Judaism as a Spiritual Practice by Goldie Milgram (150)
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Repentance: The Meaning and Practice of Teshuvah by Louis E. Newman (201)
Combining personal reflections with profound scholarship, Dr. Louis E. Newman examines the way our society deals with moral failings and illustrates how the Jewish principles of teshuvah - truthfulness, responsibility and humility - are the key to rehabilitation and reconciliation, both divine and human.

Preparing Your Heart for the High Holy Days by Kerry M. Olitzky (240.2)
This spiritual guided journal will help you prepare your heart and soul for the Jewish New Year.

High Holiday Stories by Nancy Rips (240.2)
Presents a collection of remembrances, by a variety of people of all ages and professions, of their varied Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur experiences.

The Koren Sacks Rosh HaShana Mahzor with commentary by Rabbi Jonathan Sacks (217.1)
This is a new prayer book with translation and commentary by Rabbi Jonathan Sacks. An invaluable introduction guides you through the themes of the day, a brilliant commentary blends insights from Tanakh and classical sources, an eloquent, contemporary translation makes the prayers accessible and meaningful, and a sophisticated design brings out the power and poetry of the text.

Celebrating the Jewish Year: The Fall Holidays by Paul Steinberg (240)
Offers prayers, sources, rituals, and stories to help understand and celebrate Rosh Hashanah, Yom Kippur, and Sukkot.

Change & Renewal: The Essence of the Jewish Holidays, Festivals and Days of Remembrance by Adin Steinsaltz (240)
With a unique combination of intellectual brilliance and accessibility, Rabbi Steinsaltz probes the meaning of Rosh HaShanah, Yom Kippur, and the other Jewish holidays. His insights provide whole new ways of understanding the holidays, appreciating their depth, and experiencing them to their fullest.

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