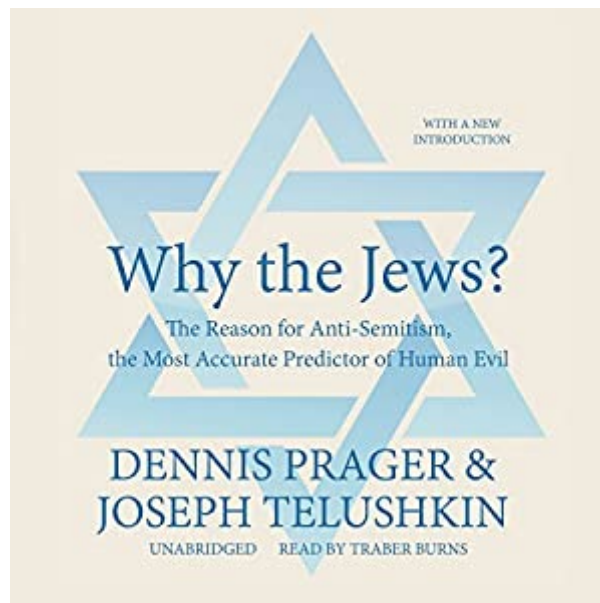




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# Why The Jews?: The Reason For Anti-Semitism, The Most Accurate Predictor Of Human Evil



## Synopsis

In this seminal work that has spent more than 30 years in print, Dennis Prager and Joseph Telushkin explain the reasons behind anti-Semitism, the world's preoccupation with the Jews and Israel, and why now more than ever the world needs to confront anti-Jewish sentiment. Why have Jews been the object of the most enduring and universal hatred in history? Why is the Jewish state the most hated country in the world today? Drawing on extensive historical research, Dennis Prager and Joseph Telushkin reveal how Judaism's distinctive conceptions of God, law, and peoplehood have rendered the Jews and the Jewish state outsiders and labeled them as threatening. But as Prager and Telushkin are quick to point out, anti-Semitism is not just another ethnic or racial prejudice and is not caused, as so many people falsely believe, by Jewish economic success or the need for scapegoats. Rather, anti-Semitism today, as in the past, is a reaction to Judaism and its distinctive values. Prager and Telushkin examine in detail how anti-Semitism is a unique hatred - no other prejudice has been as universal, deep, or permanent - and how the concept of the "chosen people" spawned that hatred. They also explore the role of non-Jewish Jews, such as Karl Marx and Noam Chomsky, in provoking anti-Jewish animosity. In *Why the Jews?*, Prager and Telushkin identify the seven major forms of anti-Semitism - pagan, Christian, Muslim, enlightenment, leftist, Nazi, and anti-Zionist - and explain why it is impossible in today's world to be an anti-Zionist without being an anti-Semite. With an eye on the larger picture, Prager and Telushkin express why anti-Semitism threatens more than just Jews and what kind of changes are necessary to achieve a world without hatred.

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## Customer Reviews

This book is the most thorough and convincing explanation of the ugly phenomenon of antisemitism, which as the author points out is actually a euphemism for Jew hatred. It is the best explanation of this social disease that I have ever read. When my granddaughter asked me "Why the Jews?" after the recent murders of Jews in Europe, I gave her this book to read.

The authors travel through time - to today - can be a discouraging note on humanity - but, if one does not understand history, one cannot benefit from what it teaches us all. A concise, well-written discussion about prejudice and stereotyping - using Jews and Judaism as the primary example. Hopefully, we learn not to repeat the past.

I'm in the process of reading this book. I respect the authors of this book and I want to understand why the Jews are victimized around the world.

Excellent, No Problem, So Satisfied, Good Luck to the seller

This is not an entertaining read. It wasn't meant to be. There are some pertinent parts (to me) as a convert.

Very interesting! Thank you Renee (Rivki) Silverberg Author of Understanding Children and Families with Autism Spectrum Disorders

The plain and simple truth about antisemitism is recorded and analyzed in the simplest, yet most scholarly work to date. Prager should be read, listened to on radio and considered the expert on what constitutes Jew Hatred. If you thought it was only the Nazis, you'll think again after digesting the contents of "Why the Jews". It started with Abraham and is still a top priority in the world today: Antisemitism is outright Jew-Hatred. This is the most provocative, thought provoking book I have ever read.

This book explains why over hundreds of years, Jews have been discriminated and hated. Like many other things in life, it is necessary to identify the problems in order to find a solution and this book does a great job in explaining it.

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