

Table of Contents

Introduction	1
--------------------	---

Part One: Jewish Identity

1. Jewish Descent: Mothers and Mothercities	17
2. The Egyptians as Ultimate Other	45
3. Jewish Values: Religion and Self-Restraint	75
4. Roman Benefactors and Friends	111
5. Greeks and Greek Culture	137

Part Two: Jewish Culture

6. Transforming New-Born Children into Jewish Adults	161
7. The Textuality of Jewish Culture	187
8. Parables as Translators of Culture	210
9. Inscribing Jewish Customs into Nature	247

Bibliography	267
Indices	295