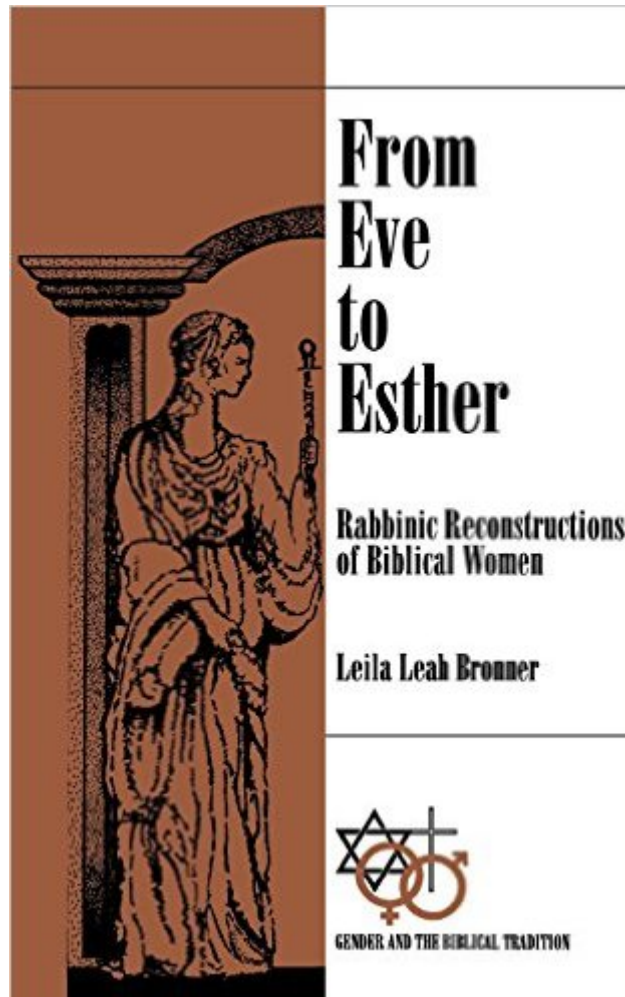


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are used as well, such as Ginzberg's Legends of the Jews, his monumental collection of Midrash, hellenistic sources outside the Jewish canon, like Philo and the apocryphal Ben Sira. The book is well footnoted. The citations are almost invariably to readily available English translations of the rabbinic materials. The book is respectful of tradition and factual, rather than launching into polemic on the evils of patriarchy and setting out a revolutionary program to relegate traditional rabbinic Judaism to the dustbin of history in favor of a feminist revolutionary program. Instead, the information is presented in a way that allows the reader to come to their own conclusions.

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