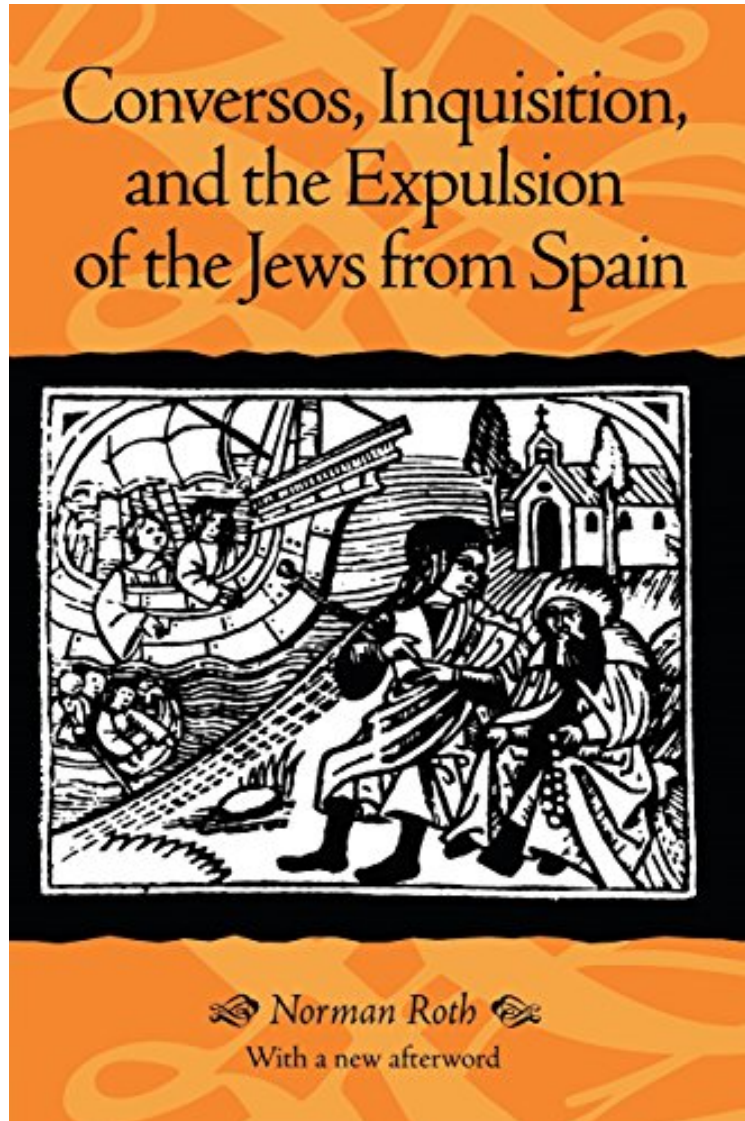


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This detailed study examines the long history of the Jews in Spain, focusing in particular on their fortunes during the dangerous years between the 13th and 15th centuries. Sections examine the early phases of conversion, the Converso service of the church and state and Converso authors and chroniclers. Finally, Roth considers the Inquisition and the expulsion of the Jews. Useful information about literature, the 15th-century Jewish and Converso population and major Converso families is presented in appendices.

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