According to these writers, emotional communities that felt Jewish would maintain their Jewish identity, and achieve redemption. An important empire, and other groups of Jews—which threatened Jews’ sense of agency. were both shaped by and responses to networks of power—God, the foreign simple allegiance to God and performance of the commandments but also both Palestine and the diaspora contended that Jewish identity entails not in the Sixth Century BCE. In this book, Ari Mermelstein examines the mutually-reinforcing relationship.