

# The Triumph of Eve

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## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- \* Which stories give you a different perspective on the Bible? Has this different perspective enriched your understanding of the biblical text or helped you gain new insight? How so?
- \* Explore any common threads that can be found throughout the stories.
- \* In “The Triumph of Eve,” Eve is portrayed as the heroine rather than villain. How has this change added or detracted from your understanding of the original biblical account?
- \* The character of God is portrayed with both a human personality and human foibles. By God’s own account, God is not omnipotent but “a little rough around the edges.” What do you think of the character God? If you were to create such a character, what would be God’s chief character traits?
- \* About half of the stories have a comic element to them. In what ways does this humor help or hinder the attempt to tackle the substantial issues inherent in the Bible stories? How has the use of humor altered your understanding or interpretation of a particular story or stories?
- \* “Reasonable Faith” posits that a balance of reason and faith is better than either pure faith or pure reason. What do you think?
- \* Which stories from this book would you render differently? Are there any biblical tales not included in this book that you would like to write a midrash about? If yes, then write it! Share your story with your group and ask them their thoughts on it.