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Case, Edmund. *Radical Inclusion: Engaging Interfaith Families for a Thriving Jewish Future*. Newtonville, MA: Center for Radically Inclusive Judaism, 2019. 265 pp. \$19.99 (9781732938809).

With 72% of non-Orthodox Jews marrying someone who is not Jewish, it is vitally important to engage these couples and families. While in the past, the focus has been on convincing the non-Jew to convert, Case shows three ways to “invite” or engage both partners in the community. The first is for both partners to “find meaning and spiritual connection to Jewish life.” Whether or not a person accepts all Jewish precepts, Judaism has much to enrich someone’s spiritual life. The second invitation is to “find belonging in Jewish community.” There are many opportunities for people of any faith to

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engage in Jewish practices and participate in the congregational life. The last invitation is to “raise children with Judaism.” Since each couple is different, there are many challenges in supporting them in raising children in a Jewish-only home, or some kind of mixed home. Most importantly, congregations and organizations need to have an attitude which promotes inclusion and the policies which back it up. Highly recommended.

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