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community, women who intermarried later in the century were more likely to raise their children with strong ties to Judaism than women

who intermarried earlier in the century. Bringing perennially controversial questions of Jewish identity, continuity, and survival to the forefront of the discussion, Still Jewish addresses topics of great resonance in the modern Jewish community and beyond.