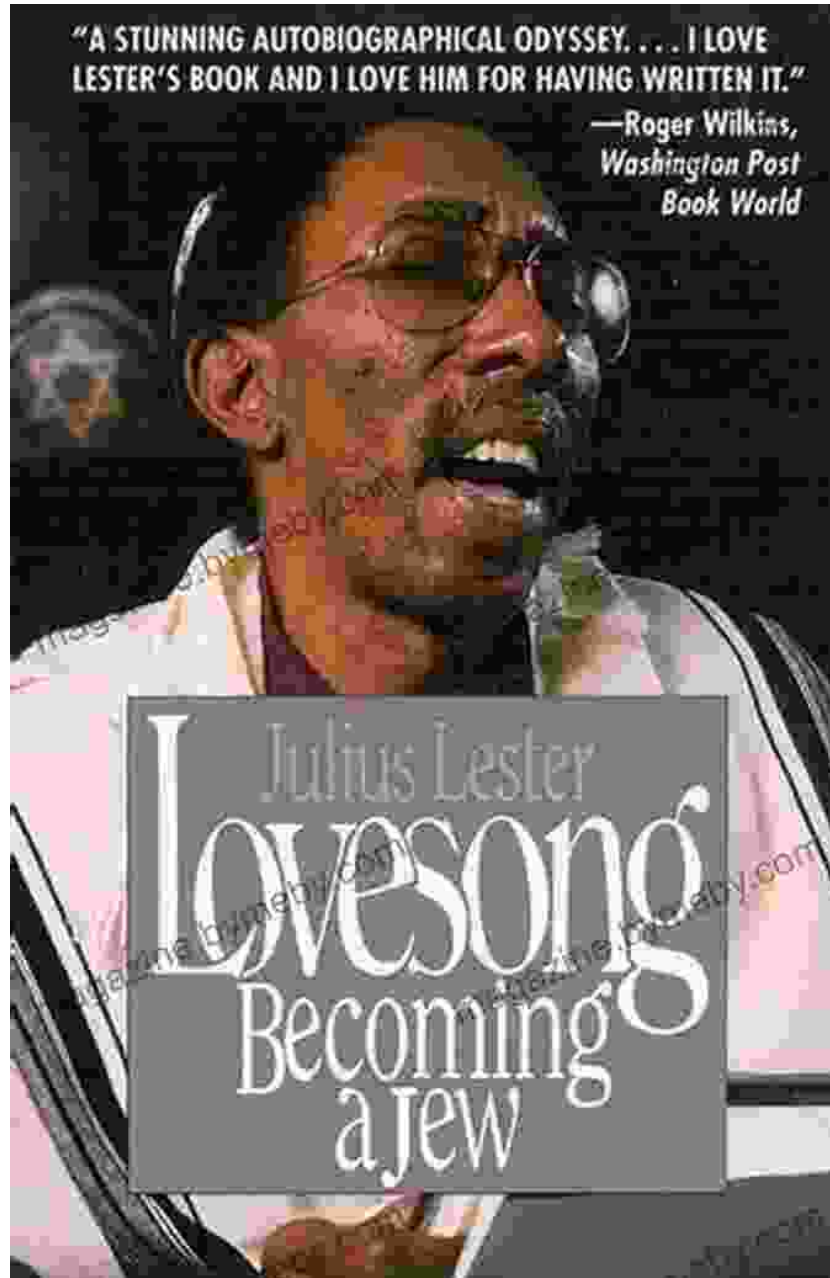


# Lovesong: Becoming Jew by Julius Lester: A Journey of Faith and Identity



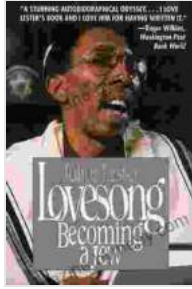
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In his deeply personal and moving memoir, *Lovesong: Becoming Jew*, Julius Lester explores the complex relationship between race, religion, and identity. Lester, a renowned author and activist, recounts his own journey to Judaism, weaving together his own experiences with the history of the Jewish people.

Lester was born into a Christian family in the segregated South. As a child, he witnessed the racism and discrimination that was rampant in his community. He began to question his own faith, and eventually came to the realization that there was no God who could condone such injustice.

As a young man, Lester became involved in the civil rights movement. He worked alongside Martin Luther King, Jr., and other leaders to fight for equality and justice. Through his work in the movement, Lester came into contact with Jews for the first time. He was impressed by their commitment to social justice, and began to learn more about their religion.

In 1982, Lester converted to Judaism. He was drawn to the Jewish faith's emphasis on social justice, its commitment to education, and its strong sense of community. Lester's conversion was a controversial decision, but

he has never regretted it. He believes that Judaism has given him a new understanding of himself and the world around him.

*Lovesong: Becoming Jew* is a must-read for anyone interested in the intersection of faith and culture. Lester's journey is a deeply personal one, but it also speaks to the broader question of how we can find meaning and purpose in our lives.

### **Praise for *Lovesong: Becoming Jew***

"A powerful and moving memoir that explores the complex relationship between race, religion, and identity. Lester's journey is a testament to the power of faith and the human spirit." - *Publishers Weekly*

"A beautifully written and deeply personal memoir that will resonate with readers of all backgrounds." - *Kirkus Reviews*

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### **About the Author**

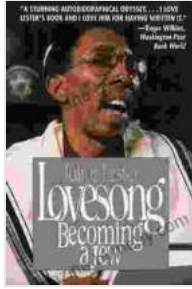
Julius Lester is a renowned author and activist. He has written over 40 books, including fiction, non-fiction, and children's literature. Lester is a recipient of the National Book Award, the Newbery Medal, and the Coretta Scott King Award. He is a professor of English at the University of Massachusetts Amherst.

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