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Hidden lives, concealed history, and hidden manuscripts. This is a spellbinding and controversial story that offers a fresh perspective on the origins and history of conversos, who didn't publicly identify themselves as Jews, and who continued to exhibit within their influential writings a covert allegiance and desiring a Jewish recent. The terms converso and judaizante tend to be used for descendants of Spanish Jews (the Sephardi, or Sefarditas because they are sometimes called), who converted under duress to Christianity in the fourteenth and fifteenth centuries. There are few, if any, archival files that prove the existence of judaizantes after the Spanish expulsion of the Jews in 1492 and the Portuguese expulsion in 1497, since it is unlikely a secret Jew in sixteenth-century Spain would have documented his allegiance to the Law of Moses, thereby providing evidence for the Inquisition. On a Da Vinci Code - style quest, Hernández persisted in hunting for a trove of forgotten manuscripts in the New York Open public Library. These files, once unearthed, describe the Jewish/Christian religious beliefs of an early on nineteenth-century Catholic priest in Mexico City, focusing on the relationship between the Virgin of Guadalupe and Judaism. With this discovery in hand, the writer traces the cult of Guadalupe backwards to its fourteenth-century Spanish origins. She describes key players who were in some way immune to the dangers of the Inquisition and who had been allowed the freedom to show, albeit in a camouflaged manner, vestiges of their family's Jewish identification. The trail from that point forward may then be adopted to its user interface with early contemporary conversos and their descendants at the best degrees of the Church and the monarchy in Spain and Colonial Mexico. By exploring the narratives made by them, Hernández reveals the existence of these conversos and judaizantes who didn't go back to the "nudez unmasks the trick lives of conversos and judaizantes and their likely influence on the Catholic Church in the brand new World. In *The Virgin of Guadalupe and the Conversos*, Marie-Theresa Herná



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I highly recommend this informative book. The authors' in-depth knowledge makes this a fantastic informative and significant addition to converso research. Professor Hernandez brings her penetrating insight to a fascinating topic, reinforcing her part among the seminal experts/writers in neuro-scientific converso studies. I recommend this informative book! Her work is vital reading and opens up essential lines of inquiry that lengthen significantly beyond her scholarly field. She is the Jewish Virgin, after that, now and forever. Many thanks Professor Hernandez brings her penetrating insight to a remarkable topic... The Virgin of "Guadalupe" account in the Nican Mopohua is . The Virgin of "Guadalupe" account in the Nican Mopohua may be the story of Mary (Mom of Christ) visiting, in the flesh, one Juan Diego in Tepeyec, Mexico 1531. Five Stars A fascinating read!

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