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Daniel Gordis is Koret Distinguished Fellow at [Shalem College](#). He is the author of thirteen books and the widely read blog/podcast, “[Israel from the Inside](#).”

Gordis’ [Israel: A Concise History of a Nation Reborn](#) was named the 2016 National Jewish Book Award’s “Book of the Year.” Ambassador Dennis Ross, reflecting on the book, wrote, “When I am asked ‘Is there one book to read about Israel?’ I now have an answer.”

Gordis’ writing has appeared in magazines and newspapers including the *New York Times*, *The New Republic*, the *New York Times Magazine*, *Azure*, *Commentary Magazine*, *TIME*, *The Atlantic* and *Foreign Affairs*.

In 2014, the *Jerusalem Post* listed him as one of the world’s 50 most influential Jews, while Jeffrey Goldberg of *The Atlantic* [has written](#), “If you asked me, ‘of all the people you know, who cares the most about the physical, moral and spiritual health of Israel?’ I would put the commentator and scholar Daniel Gordis at the top of the list.”

Gordis’ most recent book, *Impossible Takes Longer: 75 Years After its Creation, Has Israel Fulfilled Its Founders’ Dreams?*, was awarded Yeshiva University’s Rabbi Sacks Book Prize for 2023.

Gordis and his wife live in Jerusalem. They have three married children and several grandchildren.