The Lost Princess and other Kabbalistic Tales of Rebbe Nachman of Breslov. Translation by Rabbi Aryeh Kaplan. Preface by Rabbi Chaim Kramer. Jewish lights Publishing 2005.

Over the last few years, Jewish Lights Publishing has done much sterling work bringing the writings, thoughts and prayers of Nachman of Breslov to a wide audience, and with the Lost Princess they have surpassed themselves.

This volume contains 12 stories by the Master, each with a detailed and informative commentary by Aryeh Kaplan, a giant of scholarship. As students of the life of Nachman will know he was a multi-faceted human being of great complexity, and much of his inner self is reflected in his stories, as well as his faith and his relationship with God.

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