

Lecture Summaries

“Rabbi Jehiel Jacob Weinberg & the Challenge of Halakhah and Modernity”

R. Jehiel Jacob Weinberg was the most unusual and creative halakhic authority of the twentieth century. His life is the story of twentieth century Jewry and how one man struggled to ensure that halakhah remain relevant to Orthodox Jews.

“Rabbi Isaac Herzog & the Challenge of Halakhah in Building a State”

Rabbi Isaac Herzog, whose passing fifty years ago we are now commemorating, was forced to deal with issues Jews hadn't thought about in 2000 years. The creation of a State of Israel meant that all sorts of halakhic problems needed to be solved. Was it possible to run an army and police force according to halakhah? How can Shabbat be observed in a completely Jewish settlement when halakhah always assumed that there would be a non-Jew available to perform certain required actions? How does one bring the Shulhan Arukh up to date, and apply it to a society that was never contemplated by earlier halakhists. That was R. Herzog's mission and legacy.

“Rabbi Shlomo Goren- Building the Halakhah in the Modern State of Israel”

Rabbi Shlomo Goren had a vision of Judaism in the reborn state of Israel. A new era had begun and Judaism must respond accordingly.

This meant that the halakhah of the galut must come to terms with the new reality and the halakhists are called upon to create a Land of Israel halakhah. If it sounds radical, it was, and we will examine the views and controversies of R. Shlomo Goren, the brilliant Chief Rabbi of Israel.

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invites you to
A Shabbat/Chanukah Weekend
December 11 - 12, 2009

Featuring Scholar-in-Residence,
Professor Marc Shapiro

Speaking on
“Orthodoxy: Facing the Challenges of the Modern World”



With a Family Friday Night Dinner
& Children's Activities

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Friday Night Chanukah Dinner

Enjoy a wonderful meal with your family & shul friends in celebration of the first night of Chanukah!

A delicious menu of latkes, grilled chopped steak, spinach & broccoli kugel & more!

A children's menu of latkes, hamburger steak, pasta & more

Followed by a Special Oneg with sufganiyot!

The cost is \$20 per adult and \$12 per child (ages 5-12) children 4 and under are free

Your payment is your reservation

If you have special dietary needs please tell us when making your reservation

Shabbat Schedule

Friday Night, December 11th

Mincha/Kabbalat Shabbat4:35PM
 Family Friday Night Dinner5:45PM
 Lecture7:15PM
“Rabbi Jehiel Jacob Weinberg & the Challenge of Halakhah and Modernity”
 Special Youth Program7:15PM
 Oneg8:00PM

Shabbat, December 12th

Shacharit 8:30AM
 Lecture11:00AM
“Rabbi Isaac Herzog & the Challenge of Halakhah in Building a State”
 Special Youth Program11:00AM
 Anniversary Kiddush.....11:30AM
Sponsored by our members who are celebrating wedding anniversaries in December
 Lecture3:30PM
“Rabbi Shlomo Goren – Building the Halakhah in the Modern State of Israel”
 Mincha4:25PM
 Seudah Shlishit.....4:40PM
Question and Answer Session

Make your Friday Night Dinner Reservations now!

\$20 per adult \$12 per child (ages 5-12)

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Professor Marc B. Shapiro

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