

**Topics in the Torah (*Parasha*) Men’s Level 1**

**סוגיות בתורה**

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COURSE DESCRIPTION

NAME OF COURSE: Topics in the Torah (*Parasha*) Men’s Level 1

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**Syllabus 2021 Spring Semester**

**2 credits**

1. **מטרות הקורס:**

**The Course Objectives:**

An overview of the Torah portion from *Parashat Terumah* until *Parashat Shelah*. The primary objective of this course is to introduce students to the key events/statements that occur in each week’s portion. The secondary objective of the course is to examine how different commentators from the early commentators (*Rishonim)* to the later commentators (*Ahronim)* understand the narrative, with extra emphasis on Rashi’s approach.

1. **תוכן הקורס:**

**Course Description:**

Class will be taught in discussion form, working through the topics in each parasha. The primary focus is a clear understanding of the narrative through the different approaches of the commentators.

**מהלך השיעורים:**

**תכנית הוראה מפורטת לכל השיעורים:**

**Detailed Lesson Plan:**

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**Topic:** *Parashat Terumah-Tezaveh*

**Primary source**: Exodus 25:1-30:10

**Additional readings:**

Selected readings from Midrash Rabba, Talmud Bavli Menachot, Rashi, Ramban, Rabeinu Behaye, Sefer Hachinuch, Mishkan Hashem, Kelei Hakodesh, Otzar Hamishkan, Rabbi Meidan, and Rabbi Kahn.

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**Topic**: *Parashat Ki Tisa*

**Primary source**: Exodus 30:11-34:35

**Additional readings:**

Selected readings from Midrash Rabba, Midrash Tanchuma, Rashi, Ramban, Kuzari, and Rabbi Kahn.

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**Topic**: *Parashat Vayakhel-Pekudei*

**Primary source**: Exodus 35:1-40:38

**Additional readings:**

Selected readings from Midrash Rabba, Rashi, Mishkan Hashem, Kelei Hakodesh, and Otzar Hamishkan.

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**Topic**: *Parashat Vayikra*

**Primary source:** Leviticus 1:1-5:26

**Additional readings:**

Selected readings from Midrash Rabba, Rashi, Ramban, Rambam Guide to the Perplexed, Baal Haturim, Rav Shimshon Refael Hirsch, Abarbanel, Avodat Hamikdash, and Rabbi Kahn.

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**Topic**: *Parashat Tzav*

**Primary source**: Leviticus 6:1-8:36

**Additional readings:**

Selected readings from Midrash Rabba, Rashi, Ramban, and Avodat Hamikdash.

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**Topic**: *Parashat Shemini*

**Primary source**: Leviticus 9:1-11:47

**Additional readings**:

Selected readings from Midrash Rabba, Rashi, Avodat Hamikdash, and Rabbi Kahn.

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**Topic**: *Parashat Tazria-Metzora*

**Primary source:** Leviticus 12:1-15:33

**Additional readings:**

Selected readings from Midrash Rabba, Rashi, Ramban, Radak, Guide to the Perplexed, Sephorno, Badad Yeshev, and Parashat Nigei Ohr Adam.

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**Topic**: *Parashat Aharei Mot-Kedoshim*

**Primary source**: Leviticus 16:1-20:27

**Additional readings:**

Selected readings from Rashi, Ramban, and Alshich.

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**Topic**: *Parashat Emor*

**Primary source**: Leviticus 21:1-24:23

**Additional readings:**

Selected readings from Midrash Rabba, Midrash Tanchuma, Rashi, Ramban, and Sefer Haparshiyot.

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**Topic**: *Parashat Behar-Behukotai*

**Primary source:** Leviticus 25:1-27:34

**Additional readings:**

Selected readings from Midrash Rabba, Rashi, Ramban, Ibn Ezra, Rabeinu Behaye, and Sephorno.

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**Topic**: *Parashat Bemidbar-Naso*

**Primary source**: Numbers 1:1-7:89

**Additional readings:**

Selected readings from Midrash Rabba, Rashi, Ramban, Abarbanel, and Rav Nebentzal.

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**Topic**: *Parashat Behaalotecha-Shelah*

**Primary source**: Numbers 8:1-15:41

**Additional readings:**

Selected readings from Midrash Rabba, Rashi, Ramban, Sephorno, and Rabbi Kahn.

**ג. חובות הקורס:**

**Course requirements:**

**מרכיבי הציון הסופי**:

**Grade Components:**

**Grade will be given in numbers**

**30% of grade will be based on attendance**

**70% of grade will be based on the final exam**

**ד. ביבליוגרפיה:** (חובה/רשות)

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**חומר מחייב למבחנים:**

**Required material for the exam:**

Everything covered in the lectures.