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## Jewish Destiny

“Those who can’t remember the past are destined to repeat it.”  
George Santyana

### About Destiny.



DESTINY IS A 501(C)(3) EDUCATIONAL MEDIA FOUNDATION DEDICATED TO BRINGING JEWISH HISTORY TO LIFE IN AN EXCITING AND INTERACTIVE WAY.

Our multi-media programming is designed to educate, inspire, inform, and instill a sense of pride and purpose in being Jewish - to demonstrate how each and every Jew fits into the big picture of Jewish history.

Through innovative initiatives such as audio lectures on Jewish history introduced over 25 years ago, to multi-media Jewish history courses and informative and engaging history books, Destiny has expanded its educational offerings to include the “Faith and Fate” documentary film series and the “Heralds of Destiny” animated film series, each of which is coupled with comprehensive educators’ guides. The Destiny Foundation is changing the way history is experienced and learned.

Destiny’s multi-media tools gives today’s new generation of Jews, innovative ways to explore and define their Jewish identity and history.

To support educational outreach in order to strengthen and reinforce Jewish identity and commitment to Jewish continuity and Israel.

To produce effective and ongoing films and multi-media educational materials and programming for use in the home, classroom, and in Jewish communities.

To offer training & ongoing support to teachers and educators for each of Destiny’s projects.

### DESTINY’S Goals

### Destiny’s BACKGROUND

It all started with a few audio cassettes on Jewish history, recorded by Berel Wein, way back in the 1980’s. The lectures were unique in several ways. Firstly, they were the first series on Jewish history available on tape. Secondly, Berel Wein, in his inimitable style, put Jewish history into perspective. He gave us an informed overview on how Jewish history related to world history – and how it relates to our lives today. Thirdly, he did it in an engaging and insightful way – as only a master storyteller, with a dry sense of humor, could.

By popular demand the series grew. To date over 1,000,000 of his lectures have been purchased world-wide. Then came the books that complimented the tapes. Then came the films.

In 1996 Berel Wein started the Destiny Foundation to expand production and distribution – and make Jewish history digitally available to the widest audience possible.

Our past influences our future – and history is the map that guides us to our destination. Understanding how each individual is an essential part of the chain of Jewish history creates a unique and critical link in the continuity of our people.

*“Jewish History is our teacher ... it is our rear view mirror. If you don’t know where you come from – how do you know where you are going? It’s one of the most valuable tools for understanding and dealing with today’s world” Berel Wein*

### Why IS JEWISH HISTORY IMPORTANT?

### The Power OF TODAY’S MEDIA IN JEWISH EDUCATION

**Today’s students are totally media savvy.**

Information is instantly accessible, downloadable, transmittable and interactive. Media has impact – and it works.

**Also, today’s audiences have the power of choice.** The power to choose what media to communicate in and what media is the most effective to learn from and what is easy-to-use.

**Today, all information is available digitally.** That is why Destiny produces its films and educational materials in multi-media formats – to make them more convenient and impactful.

Each of Destiny’s films are accompanied by a multi-media educators’ guide.

**Funding AND SPONSORS:** Destiny is totally funded by tax-deductible public donations. The Destiny Foundation has proven its ability to produce quality materials that hold the attention of our people. But, to succeed we have to compete and we have to invest in the same sophisticated tools used by the best in the industry. And, that takes funding – and committed people who share Destiny’s vision.



## Meet Rabbi Wein

history

as you've never heard it before.

Discover the key to our experiences today by learning from yesterday. If you don't have the time or the inclination to take a history course, yet want to experience the richness of the Jewish past and its impact on the present, then listen to history come alive in a flowing and entertaining manner, in your home, in preparation for teaching, as you exercise, as you commute or as you relax.

Rabbi Berel Wein, noted scholar and world-renowned lecturer presents a complete oral history of the Jewish people. Against the backdrop of world civilization, you will follow the heroes, miracles and dilemmas that leap across the historical stage at a furious pace.

*Start your journey today.*

Rabbi Berel Wein, the founder and director of The Destiny Foundation since 1996, has, for over 25 years, been identified with the popularization of Jewish history through his more than 1,000 lectures on CD and now downloadable in MP3 format, as the author of over ten books, his world-wide seminars, educational tours and, most recently dramatic and documentary films.

Rabbi Wein is a graduate of the Hebrew Theological College and Roosevelt College in Chicago. He received his Juris Doctor Degree from De Paul University Law School and a Doctor of Hebrew Letters from Hebrew Theological College.

Rabbi Wein was a practicing lawyer for a number of years and in 1964 assumed the pulpit of the Beth Israel Congregation in Miami Beach, Florida, where he remained until 1972. In 1973 he became the Rabbi of Congregation Bais Torah in Suffern, New York and remained in that position for 24 years. He was then appointed Executive Vice President of the Union of Orthodox Organizations of America and was Rabbinic Administrator of the Kashrus Division for five years after that.

In 1977 he founded Yeshiva Shaarei Torah in Suffern, New York and remained its Rosh Hayeshiva until 1997. Rabbi Wein's book of halachic essays, *Chikrei Halacha* was published by Mosad Harav Kook in 1976 and *Eyunim B'm'sechtoth Hatalmud* was published in 1989.

Rabbi Wein has authored six Jewish history books – *Triumph of Survival*, *The Story of the Jews in the Modern Era*; *Herald of Destiny*, *the Medieval Era*; *Echoes of Glory*, *the Classical Era*, *Faith and Fate/ The Story of the Jews in the Twentieth Century*; *The Oral*

*Law of Sinai-The Illustrated History of the Mishnah*; and *Vision and Valor / An Illustrated History of the Talmud*—all of which have received popular and critical acclaim. Rabbi Wein also authors and edits a monthly newsletter – *The Wein Press* – a source of information and inspiration on topics of Jewish interest.

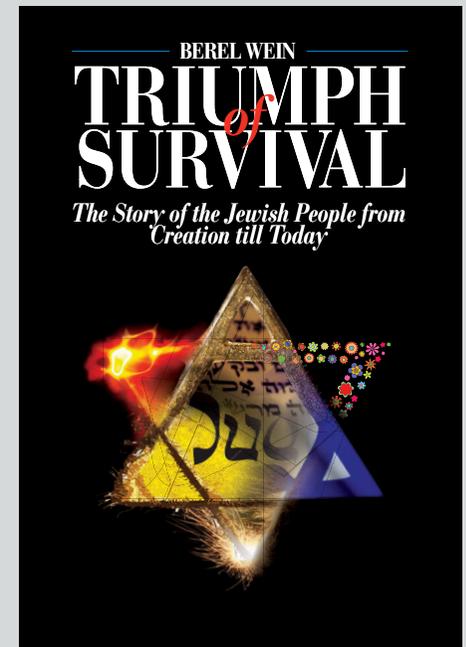
Currently, the Destiny Foundation is in the process of translating Rabbi Wein's riveting accounts of Jewish history into a series of films on Jewish personalities. The first, entitled *Rashi-A Light After The Dark Ages*, was released in 2000 and the next, *Rambam / The Story of Maimonides* was completed in 2004, each receiving positive reviews and impacting the curriculum in Jewish schools the world over.

The Destiny Foundation is now producing a 13-part documentary, *Faith and Fate/ The Story of the Jews in the 20th Century* – of which the first four episodes "The Dawn of the Century;" "Implosion of the Old Order;" "The Miracle of Israel" and "A New Beginning" have been premiered in both the US and Israel. The episode, "The Miracle of Israel" was chosen by the Jewish Agency in commemoration of the 60th Anniversary of the founding of the state and was premiered in New York and Jerusalem. This film received a 5\* review from the *Jerusalem Post*.

Rabbi Wein, a member of the Illinois Bar Association, is the recipient of the Educator of the Year Award from The Covenant Foundation in 1993. Rabbi Wein received the Torah Prize Award from Machon Harav Frank in Jerusalem for his achievements in teaching Torah and spreading Judaism throughout the world. Rabbi Wein makes his home in Jerusalem.

## Just what you asked for ▶

Over the years, **Rabbi Berel Wein** fans the world over have requested a new and updated version of the most popular history course in Jewish history. Known for over one quarter century as the "voice of Jewish History," Rabbi Wein is now releasing an updated version of his world famous Jewish History Course (over 1 million lectures have been distributed). With decades of new experiences, this 12-part, multi-media premium course *Triumph of Survival-the Story of the Jewish People from Creation Till Today*, is presented in audio and visual formats. When complete it will contain over 1,000 hours of intellectual and spiritual insights into Jewish History.



## We have listened. We are now offering a complete Course Book, DVDs, CDs, and an MP3 Disk for each of the 12 courses in the **Triumph of Survival** series.

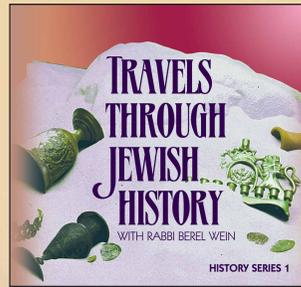
*"With the advances in digital technology, and the demand for a video version of my history audio series (some of the original lectures were recorded on analog tape over 20 years ago), I decided to create a new, updated and more comprehensive series covering Ancient, Medieval and Modern Jewish history. Triumph of Survival – The Story of the Jewish People from Creation till Today includes a fuller, contemporary overview, with relevant anecdotal insights. The series traces the dramatic arc of our history – linking the past to the present in the ongoing, remarkable story of the Jewish people."*  
**Rabbi Berel Wein**

**Each Section of the revised Triumph of Survival history course includes:**

- One 300-page **Course Guide Book** complete with course summary, outline, an edited transcript with annotation, suggested readings, thoughts to ponder, maps (where applicable) and a timeline
- 10-12 **DVDs** – each is an audio-visual experience about an hour in length
- 10-12 **CDs** – audio recordings that allow you to take the lectures along with you – in the car, to class, on vacation or wherever you want to make the most of your valuable time
- One **MP3 Disk** - holds all of the 12 one-hour lectures so you can download each onto your iPod, MP3 player, cell phone and/or computer

**The course package includes all these formats so at any time you have at your disposal the one that works best for you.**

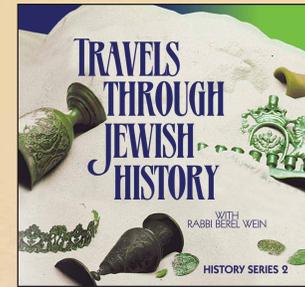
Item #: C-triumph-1 12 Lectures **HUMAN AND JEWISH BEGINNINGS**



Rabbi Berel Wein explores the Second Commonwealth and its aftermath in an in-depth, engaging account of the Second Temple's rise and fall. At the close of the Babylonian Exile, the Jewish people found themselves in a time of great internal development and external challenge. The Second Temple was being built and Rabbinic Judaism was being founded while Jewish culture confronted the cornerstones of Western civilization in the seductions of Greek and Roman society.

Later the destruction of the Second Temple gave rise to the beginnings of a written Talmud, while the Jewish community faced recriminations for rejecting the alternate monotheistic religions of Christianity and Islam. In the last third of the series, Rabbi Wein takes you into the Sephardic culture of the golden Spanish exile. At first it was a synthesis of Moslem and Jewish ideas where Jewish life flourished. Later Moslem/Christian fanaticism destroyed the marriage of cultures. Rabbi Wein ends the series with discussions of the Gaonim and Rishonim, especially the Rambam (Maimonides) and Ramban (Nachmonides) and their historical context.

**Item #: S101 30 Lectures**  
**ANCIENT HISTORY / FROM THE SECOND TEMPLE TO THE CHRISTIAN CONQUEST OF SPAIN HISTORY / PART 1 - 1400 BCE-1000 CE**



Rabbi Berel Wein continues his series on Jewish history in an in-depth, engaging account of European life. Seven hundred years of European Jewry saw towering intellectual achievements, spiritual devastations, and physical disasters.

The rise of Ashkenazic Jewry in Germany and France and the fall of Sephardic Jewry in Spain marked cultural upheavals that split the Jewish world. In the 17th century, just as the Jews became religiously unified through the Code of Jewish Law, they were being crushed by pogroms. The Northern European exile, once a great hope for a wounded Jewish community, was becoming unbearable. To make matters worse, the false messianism of Shabsai Tzvi spiritually devastated the Jewish community, leaving them vulnerable to secularism and new religious movements: Reform Judaism, Chassidus, and the Yeshiva movement. Rabbi Wein takes you through the spiritual highs and lows of European Jewry before the modern era in 30 spellbinding lectures.

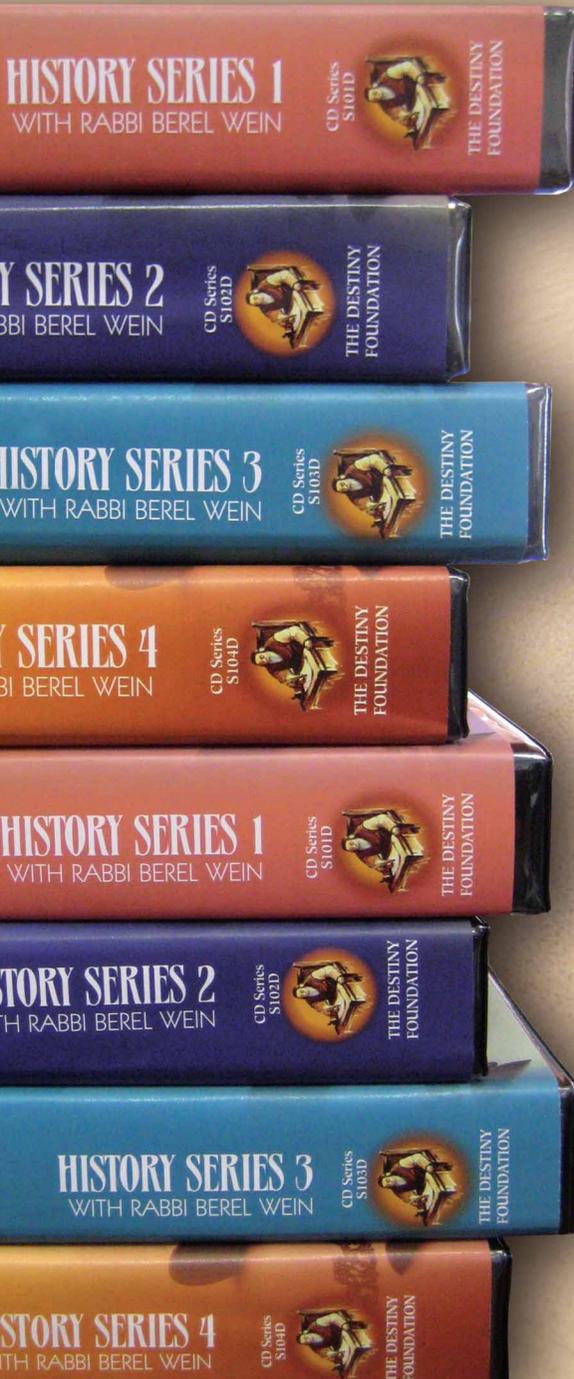
**Item #: S102 30 Lectures**  
**MEDIEVAL HISTORY MIDDLE AGES TO THE MODERN ERA HISTORY / PART 2 - 1100 CE - 1800 CE**

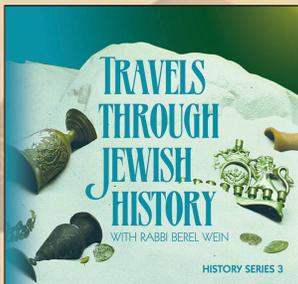
**ANCIENT HISTORY**  
**» LECTURES:**

- Beginning of the Second Commonwealth
- The Men of the Great Assembly
- The Coming of the Greeks
- Hellenism and Chanukah
- The Hasmoneans
- The Prushim and Tzedukim
- The End of Hasmoneans
- Herod the Great
- The Herodian Era
- Agrippa and the Coming of Christianity
- The Times of the Roman War
- The Destruction of the Second Temple
- Yavne and the Early Tanaim
- Bar Kochba and Rabbi Akiva
- The Beginning of the Mishna
- The Mishnah
- The Beginning of Babylonian Talmud
- Rise of Christianity
- The End of the Talmudic Era
- The Rise of Islam
- The Early Gaonic Period
- Mid-Gaonic Period-Saadia Gaon
- Beginnings of Ashkenazic and Sephardic Jewry
- End of the Gaonim to the Beginning of the Rishonim
- Development of Spanish Jewry
- The Age of Rabbi Yehuda Halevi
- Rabbi Moshe Ben Maimon / 1
- Rabbi Moshe Ben Maimon / 2
- Rabbi Moshe Ben Nachman
- Christian Re-conquest of Spain

**MEDIEVAL HISTORY**  
**» LECTURES:**

- Ashkenazic Jewry in France
- The House of Rashi
- The First Crusade
- The Age of Rabbeinu Tam
- Expulsions & Burnings: the 13th Century
- The Ashkenazim Come to Spain
- The Black Death
- The End of Spanish Jewry
- The Jews and the Renaissance
- The Marranos
- The Jews Come to Poland
- Rabbi Yosef Caro
- The Reformation
- Kabbalah
- The Dawn of the 17th Century
- Tach V'Tat 1648-1649
- Shabsai Tzvi
- Regrets and Recrimination
- The Coming of Reform
- Reform and the Enlightenment
- Chassidus 1
- Chassidus 2
- The Gaon of Vilna
- Napoleon
- Jewish Russia 1800-1850
- The 1850's
- Haskalah
- The Yeshivos
- The Yeshivos
- The Mussar Movement



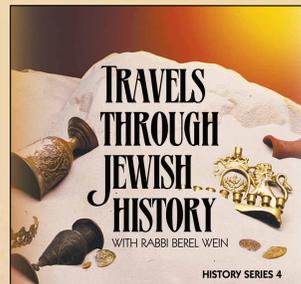


Secular Zionism and the Mussar movements, a Lithuanian answer to Chassidus, were on the rise as both religious and non-religious Jews sought a more spiritual life. Many Jews were trying to escape the growing anti-Semitism that plagued the shtetls by moving to America and Israel. But with the rise of Hitler in Germany, Jewish life would never be the same, and Rabbi Wein explores the forces that devastated Jewish Europe. Finally, Rabbi Wein discusses Zionism's answer to the Holocaust, the establishment of a Jewish state. Israel gathered in survivors and put them to work building a country.

**Item #: S103 26 Lectures**  
**MODERN HISTORY /**  
**FROM THE MUSSAR MOVEMENT**  
**TO THE STATE OF ISRAEL**  
**HISTORY / PART 3 - 1800 CE - 1973**

**MODERN HISTORY ► LECTURES:**

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| The Mussar Movement                      | Jewish Europe Between the Wars   |
| The Lovers of Zion                       | The Coming of Hitler             |
| The New World                            | American Jewry before WW II      |
| The New Anti-Semitism: The Dreyfus Trial | The Second World War             |
| Political Zionism                        | Destruction of European Jewry    |
| The First Aliyah                         | Guilt and Horror                 |
| Beilis, Kishinev, and the Kaiser         | The State of Israel              |
| Zionism, Uganda and Palestine            | The Ingathering of Exiles        |
| The Coming of the Great War              | The Sinai Campaign               |
| The First World War                      | The Changing Face of Jewish Life |
| The Treaty of Versailles                 | The Six Day War                  |
| British Mandate over Palestine           | The Yom Kippur War               |
| The Third Aliyah                         | The Struggle for Survival        |



How does the history of the Bible impact us today? Rabbi Berel Wein uncovers the historical context of Biblical events in order to understand the origins of the Jewish people. Explore Creation's challenge in the 21st century and the uneven beginnings of the Jewish people in all our family struggles. Follow the conquest of the land of Israel and the establishment of both military and religious rule through its initial rise to greatness.

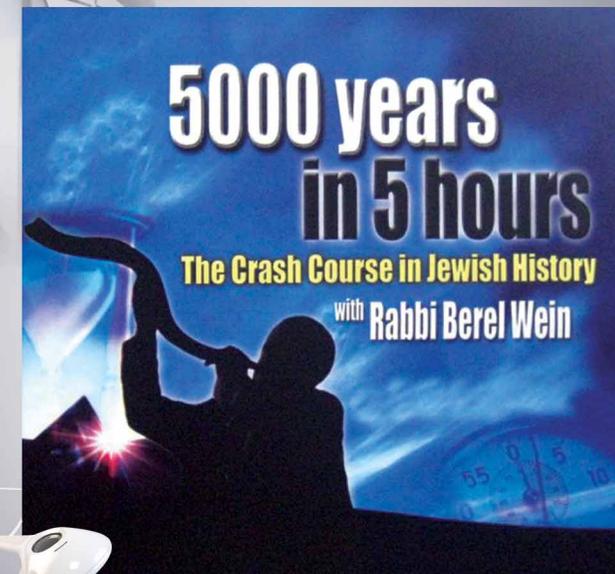
**Item #: S104 30 Lectures**  
**BIBLICAL HISTORY /**  
**FROM CREATION TO EXILE**  
**HISTORY / PART 4 -**  
**CREATION - 900 BCE**

**BIBLICAL HISTORY ► LECTURES:**

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|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Creation                         | The Divided Kingdom           |
| Man and Civilization             | The Prophets                  |
| The Flood                        | Elijah, Aram and Shomron      |
| Nimrod, Babel and Paganism       | The Fall of the North Kingdom |
| Abraham                          | The Judean Monarchy           |
| Isaac                            | Hezekiah, Isaiah and Manasseh |
| Jacob                            | Jeremiah                      |
| The Family of Israel             | Yohoyochin                    |
| Egypt, Feudalism and Imperialism | Assyria and Babylonia         |
| Israel and Egypt                 | Zedekiah                      |
| The Exodus                       | Destruction of First Temple   |
| Judges / Part 1                  | Gedalya and Egypt             |
| Judges / Part 2                  | The Babylonian Exile          |
| Samuel and Saul                  |                               |
| David                            |                               |
| Solomon                          |                               |

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IS DESTINED BY OUR PAST ►



**5000 years in 5 hours**

**The Crash Course in Jewish History**

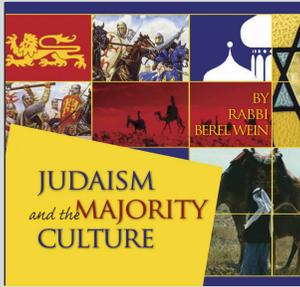
WITH RABBI BEREL WEIN

All of Jewish history in five lectures! Become conversant with the fantastic story of the Jewish people over the ages. Buy Rabbi Berel Wein's "Crash Course in Jewish History" and become knowledgeable in this great story of civilization.

The Jewish story is almost 4000 years old. It extends from Abraham leaving Mesopotamia until the return of the Jewish people in our time to the Land of Israel. Rabbi Berel Wein's series of five lectures gives a sense of history to the Jewish story and to the events of all human civilization. The story of biblical Israel, the Babylonian Exile, The Second Temple, the long exile of the Jewish people, the

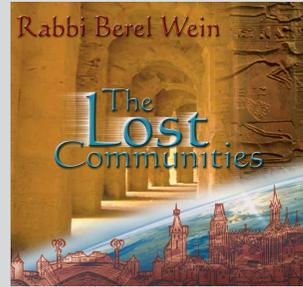
Crusades, the Spanish expulsion, the Renaissance and Reformation, the Enlightenment and Modernism, Zionism, the emigration to North America and the Land of Israel, the Holocaust and the creation of the State of Israel - all are covered in this informative and educational five-hour series. **History is our rear view mirror of life. Know the story of your people!**

**Item #: S425 5 Lectures CRASH COURSE IN JEWISH HISTORY**



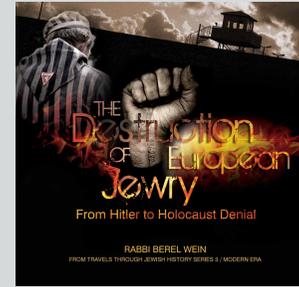
This series by Rabbi Berel Wein portrays Jewish answers to the difficulties posed by paganism, Christianity, Islam, the Enlightenment, and secularism and the tribulations created for Jews by those cultures. In a time when Judaism is again challenged by new waves of post-modernism and globalization, it is important to learn lessons from the past to see how Jews survived and eventually triumphed over other cultures.

**Item #: S311** 4 Lectures  
**JUDAISM AND THE MAJORITY CULTURE**



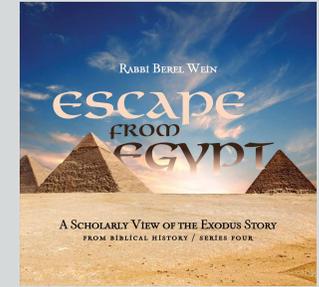
The long Jewish exile has taken Jews all over the face of the globe. Wherever they went, Jews established strong and vibrant communities, many of which endured for centuries. However, many of these communities have disappeared from the current Jewish map of the world. This tape series revives the story and life of a number of great Jewish communities in different parts of the world that played a significant role in Jewish history.

**Item #: S313** 6 Lectures  
**THE LOST COMMUNITIES**



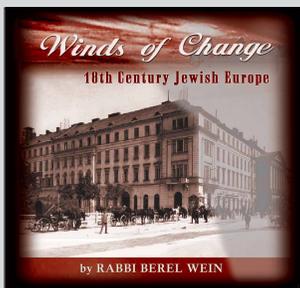
The rise and fall of Hitler is one of the most dramatic stories in the history of man. Though he spelled out his intentions quite plainly in Mein Kampf, the world powers made the tragic miscalculation that they could control him. With step-by-step descriptions of the Nazi killing machine and the major battles on all fronts of the Second World War, Rabbi Wein captures the fear and horror that seized the world in its attempt to defeat Hitler. He also assesses the aftermath of the Holocaust: the immediate effect that gave birth to the State of Israel, and the long-term issues we face today with Holocaust denial.

**Item #: S369** 5 Lectures  
**THE DESTRUCTION OF EUROPEAN JEWRY / FROM HITLER TO HOLOCAUST DENIAL**



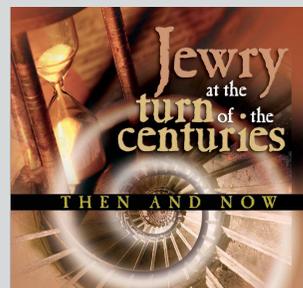
Egyptology meets Bible history in this unique look at the Exodus story. More than just a retelling of the familiar, Rabbi Wein analyzes the history and culture of Ancient Egypt, pointing the ways their records interlock with ours. But since most of the hieroglyphics “write us out” of the picture, Rabbi Wein draws the even more chilling parallels between our enslavement under Pharaoh and the Nazi and Soviet regimes.

**Item #: S371** 3 Lectures  
**ESCAPE FROM EGYPT / A SCHOLARLY VIEW OF THE EXODUS STORY**



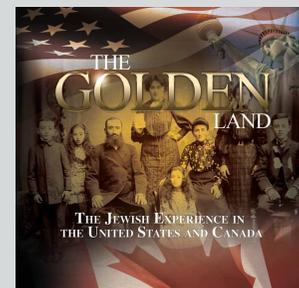
The onslaught of modernism in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries forced the Jewish world to come to grips with the new society and ideologies that modernism created. How the Jewish people responded to this immense challenge is the subject of this series of lectures. The great and yet sometimes malevolent social and political movements that modernism introduced made their way into Jewish life as well. The effects of this struggle within Jewish society are still present with us today.

**Item #: S326** 5 Lectures  
**WINDS OF CHANGE**



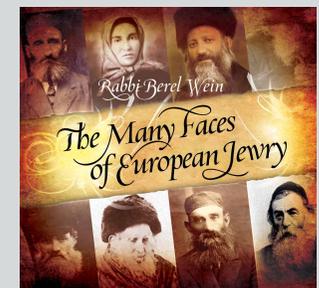
The ends of the 19th and 20th centuries were times of political and social turmoil. From the beginning of Zionism to the end of the Soviet regime, these were decades of great chaos and grand opportunity for the world's Jewish communities. Noted Jewish historian Rabbi Berel Wein explores the conditions that shaped world events at the ends of these two centuries, and the changes that overtook the Jewish people as a result.

**Item #: S350** 6 Lectures  
**JEWRY AT THE TURN OF THE CENTURIES**



North America has been the kindest of all exiles. Jews have never enjoyed such comfort and freedom anywhere. But that comfort has come with a price, not just in the early days of immigration, but even in subtle ways today. Rabbi Wein asks the question on the minds of all North American Jews: Can we reverse the tide of assimilation? His optimistic answer, along with his colorful journey into our recent history, will leave you spellbound.

**Item #: S360** 3 Lectures  
**THE GOLDEN LAND: THE JEWISH EXPERIENCE IN THE UNITED STATES AND CANADA**



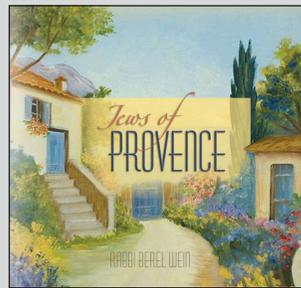
In this age of globalization, the Jewish world has become something of a melting pot. We're used to different types of Jews living together and influencing each other. But before the 20th century, diversity in the Jewish world followed geographical lines. We might even say that each region had its own “personality.” Rabbi Wein probes these personalities – the intellectual Lithuanian, the passionate Polish chassid, and the spunky Central European Jew – giving honor to each one for its enduring mark on the Jewish people.

**Item #: S361** 3 Lectures  
**THE MANY FACES OF EUROPEAN JEWRY**



Since medieval times, Jewish politicians, forced to choose between God and king, usually served their own political expedience. Noted Jewish historian Berel Wein takes you through 500 years of Diaspora intrigue in Spain, France, England, and the United States. Learn what became of Jewish politicians, what the Gentile world thought of them, and how they impacted the Jewish community - then and now.

**Item #: S420 4 Lectures**  
**JEWISH POLITICAL INTRIGUE**



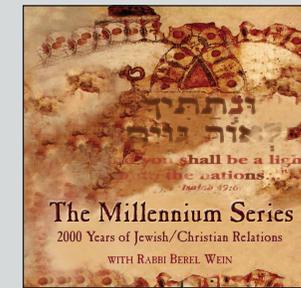
Tucked into a corner of southern France, a small community of Jews, neither Ashkenazic nor Sephardic, played a great and influential role in the development of Torah scholarship, Jewish philosophy and the creation of a European Jewish community and culture. Discussions of figures such as Rabbi Zerachya Halevy (Baal HaMaor), Ravad I, Ravad II, Ravad III, and Rabbi Menachem HaMeiri will certainly provide a glimpse into this fascinating time and place in Jewish life

**Item #: S725 7 Lectures**  
**JEWES OF PROVENCE**



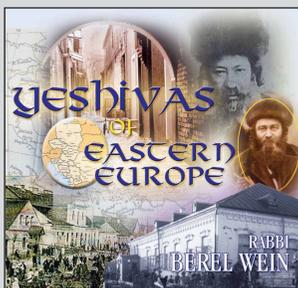
The 19th century was a time of turmoil and enormous change in the Jewish world. The current Jewish world reflects those changes and the movements in the Jewish people that were created in that century. Rabbi Berel Wein explores with us the social, political, physical and religious upheavals that characterize the nineteenth century Jewish world. Secularism, Zionism, Immigration, etc. are all presented against the backdrop of the disintegrating old Jewish shtetl life in Europe. Understand today by knowing about yesterday.

**Item #: S935 5 Lectures**  
**JEWISH BROTHERS IN CONFLICT**



This series provides history, analysis and insights into the Jewish origins of early Christianity and the beginnings of Christian theological anti-Semitism. It traces Jewish life in the Christian countries of Europe, discusses the Crusades, blood libels, expulsions and forced religious debates. It naturally details the horrors of the Holocaust and its unfortunate Christian origins. It also discusses the relationship of different Christian groupings to the State of Israel and attempts to clear a window and peer into the future of Jewish / Christian relations in the next century.

**Item #: S975 6 Lectures**  
**THE MILLENNIUM SERIES / 200 YEARS OF JEWISH-CHRISTIAN RELATIONS**



The yeshiva movement spread across Eastern Europe, headed by strong-willed leaders who gave each school a personality of its own. Yeshivas imposed structure on rabbinic ordination and created a hierarchy of current halachic authority. Noted Jewish historian Berel Wein explores the great 19th century explosion of Talmudic learning. Learn how the yeshivas' scholarly dynasties affect religious life today.

**Item #: S900 8 Lectures**  
**YESHIVAS OF EASTERN EUROPE**



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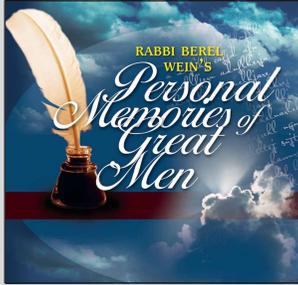
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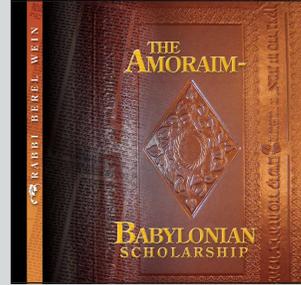
Here is a collection of personal reminiscences by Rabbi Berel Wein - of five great men of the past generation. Not biographies or historical assessments, but rather human interest recollections of great people who have had an affect on the life of Rabbi Wein, as they have on the lives of countless others. In a more intimate view of their lives and characters than any written history, this series includes: Rabbi Yaacov Kaminetsky, Rabbi Alexander Rosenberg, Rabbi Yosef Shlomo Hakohen Kahaneman, Rabbi Joseph B. Soloveitchik, Rabbi Yoel Teitelbaum.

**Item #: S329** 5 Lectures  
**PERSONAL MEMORIES OF GREAT MEN**



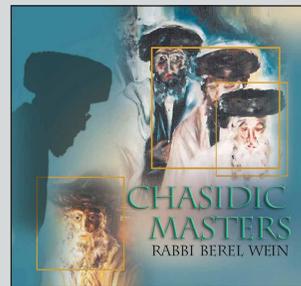
Many of the current issues and problems that face us have their antecedents in the nineteenth century religious and cultural upheavals of Eastern European Jewry. This series explores those issues through the lives of some of the greats of that era. Rabbi Wein, with his wisdom, wit and insight, paints a picture of the past and these great personalities. This series includes: The Rabbi of Ruzhin, Rabbi Yosef D. Soloveitchik, Rabbi Yitzhok Yaakov Reines, Rabbi Aryeh Leib Yellin and Rabbi Shmuel Mohilever.

**Item #: S331** 5 Lectures  
**PILLARS OF THE PAST**



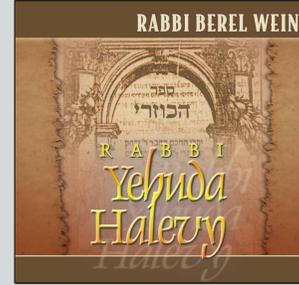
Because the Talmud is the record of the conversations that occurred in the Babylonian yeshivas for over three centuries, Talmud study is a glimpse into an ancient world which still holds sway over our own. Join Rabbi Wein as he dives into the end of the conversation and examines the lives of the final contributors to the Talmud. This series includes: Rava Rav Yosef, Rabbi Nachman / Rabbi Sheshis, and Mar B'Rav Ashi.

**Item #: S330** 3 Lectures  
**AMORAIM / BABYLONIAN SCHOLARSHIP**



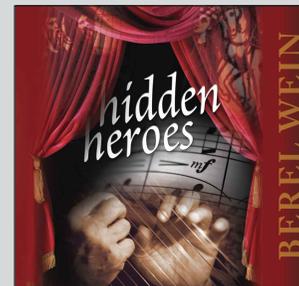
The Chasidic revolution of the 18th and 19th centuries spawned some of the most colorful and spiritual personalities in Jewish history. In "Chasidic Masters," Rabbi Berel Wein describes the lives and influences of five of these great leaders- and their individual uniqueness. This series includes: The Magid of Koznitz, The Chozeh of Lublin, The Holy Jew of Pshischa, Rabbi Simcha Bunim, Rabbi Menachem Mendel of Kotsk.

**Item #: S375** 5 Lectures  
**CHASIDIC MASTERS**



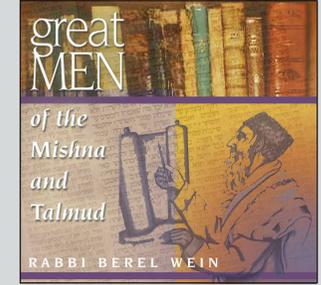
Rabbi Yehuda Halevy was one of the great figures of Spanish Jewry. Known as the poet laureate of Judaism, he was also a seminal thinker and philosopher as well as a physician and leading Torah scholar. This series highlights the events of his life and times. It also reviews his magnificent poetry and finally provides an overview of his philosophy as it appears in his great work "Kuzari." This series will enhance one's appreciation of the poetic, philosophical side of Jewish thought and history.

**Item #: S316** 3 Lectures  
**RABBI YEHUDA HALEVY**



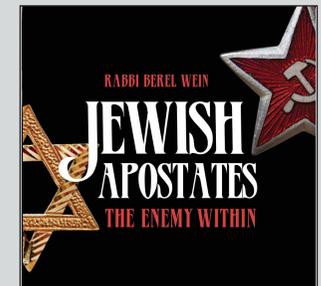
Come and learn about four luminaries who sometimes evade our notice. King David's brilliant general; a master of logistics who rebuilt the Second Temple; another master of the spirit who rebuilt the Jewish soul once the Temple was in place and a free spirited mystic whose complex poetry graces our Sabbath tables with his zemiros. This series includes: Yoav Ben Tzruyah, Nechemia Ben Chachliya, Shimon Hatzadik, Rabbi Yisroel Ben Nadjara.

**Item #: S304** 4 Lectures  
**HIDDEN HEROES**



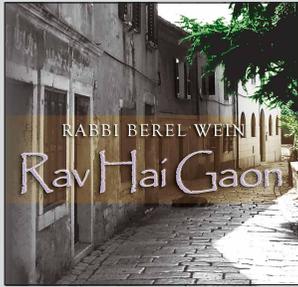
The Mishna and the Talmud are the books that are the backbone of Jewish tradition, faith and history. Though the principles of the Oral Law were given to Moses on Sinai, the transcription, development and expansion of it was accomplished over millennia – by great men who built the eternal Jewish world. This series includes: Rabbi Yochanan Ben Zakai, Rabbi Akiva, Rabbi Meir, Rabbi Yehuda Hanassi, Rav and Shmuel, and Abaye and Rava.

**Item #: S321** 6 Lectures  
**GREAT MEN OF THE MISHNA AND TALMUD**



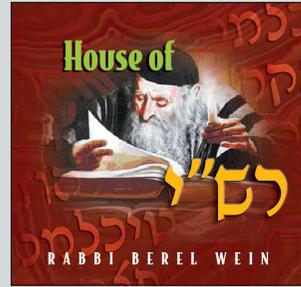
When Jews abandon Judaism, they do it with a vengeance, often bringing other Jews and plenty of devastation with them. From "Acher" of the Talmud to the converts of Spain to the atheism of Karl Marx, Rabbi Wein assesses the damage of Jewish apostasy – not just to the individual apostate but to the Jewish world as a whole.

**Item #: S367** 3 Lectures  
**JEWISH APOSTATES / THE ENEMY WITHIN**



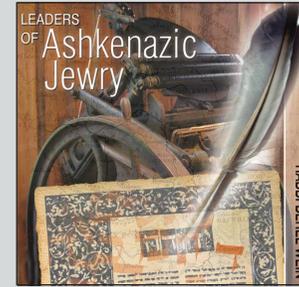
In the days before e-mail, transmitting from, say, the great academies of Babylonia to Jewish centers in France and Spain was arduous, not to mention dangerous. Rav Hai Gaon was the last of the Babylonian Gaonim. His travels brought the knowledge of the Babylonian Academy into Europe. Noted Jewish historian Berel Wein takes you on this essential journey that marked a new era in the development of halacha.

**Item #: S415 2 Lectures**  
**RAV HAI GAON**



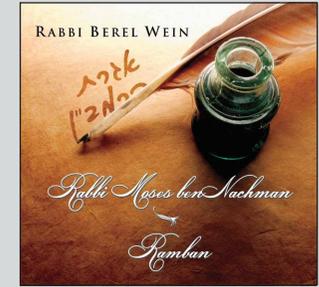
For the past approximately one thousand years Rashi has been the teacher of the Jewish people. In fact, Jewish life without Rashi is unimaginable. This series of lectures discusses the life, times and history of Rashi and his descendants. Here you will gain significant understanding of the development of Ashkenazic Jewry and the feeling of pride and strength of heritage which comes with knowledge of and association to great people.

**Item #: S600 8 Lectures**  
**HOUSE OF RASHI**



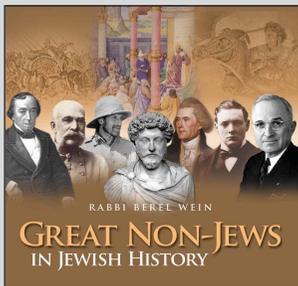
The Ashkenazic world was founded and nurtured by Rashi, his family and his colleagues in the 11th and 12th centuries. But it was saved and preserved by a few outstanding leaders of the next centuries after that. This fascinating series examines the lives and accomplishments of five of these great Jews. This series includes: Or Zorua, The Maharam, The Rosh, Bal Haturim, Mordechai.

**Item #: S675 6 Lectures**  
**LEADERS OF ASHKENAZIC JEWRY**



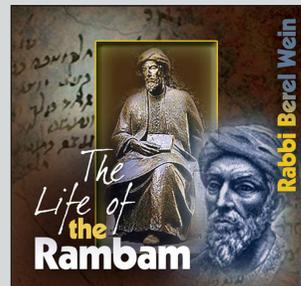
Rabbi Moses Ben Nachman (the Ramban) was the leader of Spanish Jewry in the turbulent thirteenth century. His great Torah scholarship, heroic personal life and incisive analysis of Jewish history and destiny remain a beacon of light shining through the centuries. Rabbi Wein delivered a three part lecture series on the life and times of Ramban in Jerusalem in the summer of 1994, and this series is composed of those lectures. Gain a new perspective on this great man and the time in which he lived.

**Item #: S850 2 Lectures**  
**R' MOSES BEN NACHMAN / THE RAMBAN**



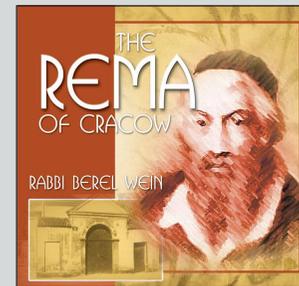
A remarkable part of Jewish survival is the role played by non-Jews in the Jewish experience. This series highlights the involvement and contributions of important personalities and illustrates how they colored events in the Jewish world and aided the cause of the Jewish people. This series includes: Cyrus the Great, Alexander the Great, Marcus Aurelius, Abd Al Rahman, Thomas Jefferson, Benjamin Disraeli, Emperor Franz Yosef, Emile Zola, Winston Churchill, Orde Wingate, Harry S. Truman.

**Item #: S625 11 Lectures**  
**GREAT NON-JEWS IN JEWISH HISTORY**



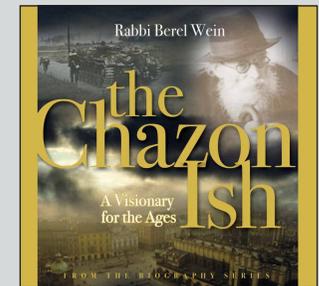
The great eagle of Jewish scholarship is Rabbi Moses Ben Maimon - Torah scholar, physician, philosopher, teacher and leader of Israel. His life and achievements present us with a fascinating picture of medieval Spain and North Africa. Not to be acquainted with Rambam, precludes understanding the development of halacha and the Jewish people. This fascinating series of lectures on the Rambam, his biography, achievements, family and influence will help illuminate your understanding of our glorious past.

**Item #: S650 8 Lectures**  
**THE LIFE OF THE RAMBAM**



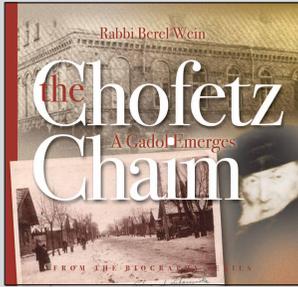
The Rema, Rabbi Moshe Isserless, took the Sephardic Shulchan Aruch by Yosef Caro and keyed on differences that applied to Ashkenaz. Thus his entries in the Shulchan Aruch are a crucial Ashkenazic resource. But he was also a central figure in developing Jewish Europe. Rabbi Berel Wein explores the Rema's life and historical times as he helped 16th-century Polish Jewry solidify as a community.

**Item #: S875 2 Lectures**  
**REMA OF CRACOW**



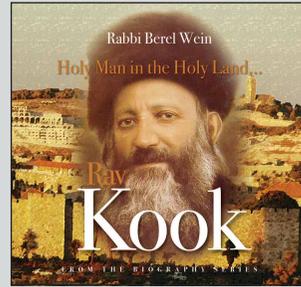
The Chazon Ish aimed for a quiet life of anonymity, but history made different demands. As the two World Wars swept European Jewry into a storm, the Chazon Ish found his niche guiding the Jewish people, first in Vilna, and ultimately, in the Holy Land.

**Item #: S335 3 Lectures**  
**THE CHAZON ISH - A VISIONARY FOR THE AGES**



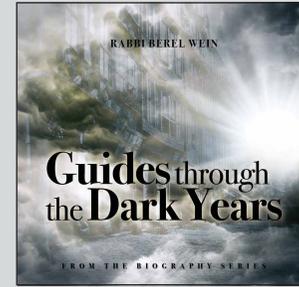
He came from a poor, fatherless family in a tiny village. He was barely five feet tall and his manner was as humble as his origins. What were the odds that Yisroel Meir Kagan would become one of the greats in his generation. With eye-witness accounts from the people who knew him, Rabbi Wein weeds out the legends from the facts, producing a shining human portrait of a man whose Torah genius was only matched by his love for his fellow Jew.

**Item #: S340** 3 Lectures  
**THE CHOFETZ CHAIM -  
A GADOL EMERGES**



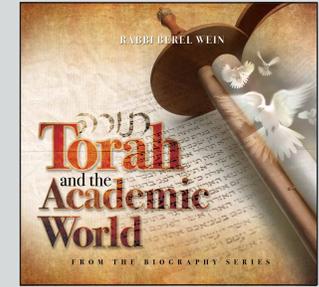
The name Rav Kook excites controversy even now, but his influence is indisputable. Gentle in personality and tolerant on principle, it is ironic that his life was one of fierce ideological battle. No matter where you stand on Rav Kook, this biography, tracing his beginnings in Eastern Europe to his leadership in the Land of Israel, cannot fail to impress.

**Item #: S336** 3 Lectures  
**RAV ABRAHAM I. KOOK -  
HOLY MAN IN THE HOLY LAND**



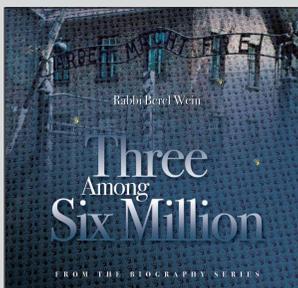
The story of the Jewish people is the story of great individuals, and when times are especially dark, great individuals shine even more brightly. Rabbi Wein presents the biographies of some of the most outstanding personalities of the past two centuries—leaders who carried the people through the bitter decades between Czarist rule and the Holocaust. Warm, informative and inspiring, this series includes: Rabbi Meir Shapiro, Rabbi Isaac Charif Shapiro, Rabbi Abraham Grodzensky, Rabbi Dov Ber Wiedenfeld, Rabbi Meir Don Plotsky, Rabbi Yosef Zusmanowitz, Rabbi Aharon Walkin, Rabbi Eliyahu Chaim Meisels, Rav. Elchonon Wasserman and Rabbi Eliyahu Lopian.

**Item #: S346** 10 Lectures  
**GUIDES THROUGH THE DARK YEARS**



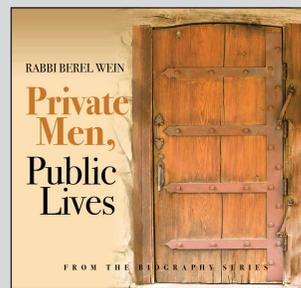
To this day, Jews of the modern world are struggling to balance Torah wisdom and secular knowledge. Achieving that balance was even a greater challenge in previous generations when secular knowledge was regarded with more suspicion. But some exceptional individuals were able to reach phenomenal heights in both spheres: the pioneer educator Rabbi Azriel Hildesheimer; his student and successor Rabbi Dovid Tzvi Hoffman; and the little-known Rambam scholar Rabbi Chaim Heller. Their biographies, narrated in vivid detail by Rabbi Berel Wein, bring their extraordinary accomplishments to life.

**Item #: S353** 3 Lectures  
**TORAH AND THE ACADEMIC WORLD**



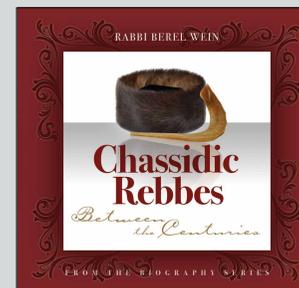
The number six million is so vast, it is impossible to connect it with living, breathing people. Only by focusing in on a few individuals can we feel the humanity behind that horrifying number. Rabbi Wein pays tribute to three outstanding but little known men, victims of the Holocaust whose contributions to the Jewish people were tragically cut short. This series includes: Hans Goslar, Rabbi Mordcai Lipa Teomim, Rabbi Yisrael Alter Safrin-Fox.

**Item #: S337** 3 Lectures  
**THREE AMONG SIX MILLION**



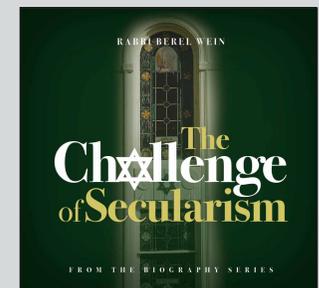
They weren't synagogue rabbis. They didn't write seforim and aren't known for their scholarship. But each of these men left a lasting mark on Jewish history - by their selfless devotion to the community. Whether it was establishing a school, taking a stand in politics, or helping Jews through the dark years of the Holocaust, these men and their deeds represent the ideal in Jewish leadership. This series includes: Dr. Moshe Alter, Alexander Zusia Friedman, Meshulam Kaminer, and Yehuda Laib Orlean.

**Item #: S343** 4 Lectures  
**PRIVATE MEN, PUBLIC LIVES**



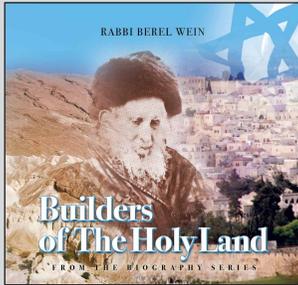
Chassidus began as a revolutionary movement, and though success made it the establishment, later generations of Rebbes were still not afraid to break the mold. Against the backdrop of crushing poverty, the *haskala*, the scourge of communism, and the ever-present threat of anti-Semitic violence, Rabbi Wein details the unique responses of four Chassidic Rebbes. This series includes: Rabbi Gershon Henoch Leiner, Rabbi Yitzchak Zelig Morgenstern, Rabbi Shlomo C, Rabinowitz and Rabbi Moshe Friedman.

**Item #: S352** 4 Lectures  
**CHASSIDIC REBBES BETWEEN  
THE CENTURIES**



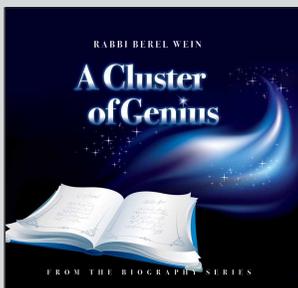
Between the Reform Movement, the *haskala*, and secular Zionism, the Jewish world of the 19th century was a world at war. While Jews abandoned Torah Judaism en masse, it fell to the rabbis to fight for the integrity of the Jewish people. Rabbi Wein recounts the lives, battles, and sacrifices of four of secularism's fiercest opponents. This series includes: Rabbi Meir Leibush Malbim, Rabbi Samson Rafael Hirsch, Rabbi Zvi Hirsh Chajes and Rabbi Chaim Elazar Wachs.

**Item #: S349** 4 Lectures  
**THE CHALLENGE OF SECULARISM**



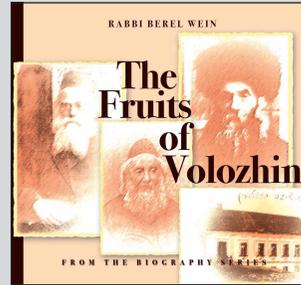
Great personalities made Israel what it is today -- no matter where they stood on the Zionist question. Rabbi Shmuel Salant served 70 years as Rov of Jerusalem, leading its people with a vision toward the future. On the Mizrahi side were Rav Yaakov Moshe Charlop and Rav Yitzchak Halevi Herzog, each of whom carried on the teachings of the great Rav Kook. Giving fair treatment to both worldviews, Rabbi Wein fills in the humanizing details of the lives of three of Israel's groundbreaking builders.

**Item #: S351 4 Lectures**  
**BUILDERS OF THE HOLY LAND**



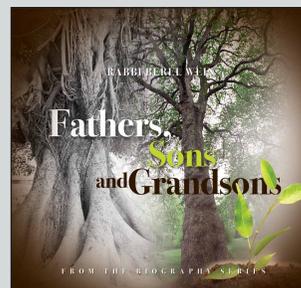
A genius, by definition, is a unique individual. If the genius is a child prodigy, it can make for some funny, yet awe-inspiring, stories. And when the genius becomes an adult, he reaches extraordinary heights. Rabbi Wein explores the biographies of five Torah geniuses – from their childhood pranks to their timeless contributions to Jewish thought. This series includes Rabbi Meir Simcha Hacoen Katz, Rabbi Zadok HaKohen, Rabbi Meyer Yechiel Halshtuk of Ostrovzh and Rabbi Yechezkel Medini.

**Item #: S347 5 Lectures**  
**A CLUSTER OF GENIUS**



From the time of its founding, the yeshiva of Volozhin attracted the cream of the crop of Eastern European Jewry. Under the leadership of the Netziv and Reb Chaim Brisker, the yeshiva reached its peak. With the biographies of the great roshei yeshiva and their prime students, each of whom went on to head a yeshiva of his own, Rabbi Wein shows how the grand tradition set by Volozhin continues to live on. This series includes Rabbi Naftali Zvi Yehuda Berlin / the Netziv, Rabbi Chaim Soloveitchik, Rabbi Boruch HaLevy Epstein, Rabbi Isser Zalman Meltzer, Rabbi Boruch Ber Levovitz, and Rabbi Shimon Shkop.

**Item #: S348 6 Lectures**  
**THE FRUITS OF VOLOZHIN**



Being the son or grandson of a great leader has its drawbacks. It's hard to make your mark in the world when your father's shadow looms so large. Rabbi Wein explores the lives of six Torah giants, each one a father, son, or grandson of an equally towering giant. This series includes: Rabbi Moses Sofer Schreiber, Rabbi Abraham Binyomin Sofer Schreiber, Rabbi Akiva Eiger, Rabbi Leibele Eiger, Rabbi Yehuda Arye Leib Alter, and Rabbi Menachem Mendel Alter.

**Item #: S342 6 Lectures**  
**FATHERS, SONS AND GRANDSONS**

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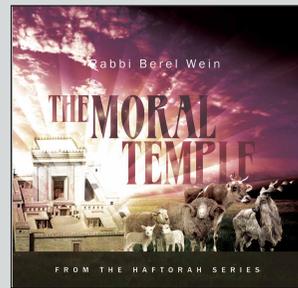
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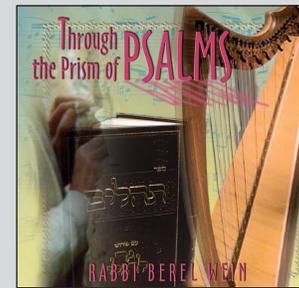
Most of this series deals with the description of the construction of the First Temple and its impact then on the Jewish people and for the future. The haftarah of Ki Sisa recounts the struggle of the prophet Elijah against the rampant paganism that threatened to destroy Jewish life in the Northern Kingdom of Israel. These haftarot point us towards a deeper understanding of how to build our personal and communal lives and an appreciation of the necessity for public and private "structures" to aid our spiritual growth. As in all Biblical writings, the words of these haftarot are majestically significant in all times and circumstances.

**Item #: S378 4 Lectures**  
**BUILDING THE SOUL**



While the Torah readings of the beginning parshiyot of Vayikra deal with the halachic, legal and technical aspects of the Temple service and its attendant sacrifices, the Haftarot, the words of the immortal prophets of Israel deal with its equally important moral and social aspects. The prophets decried those who brought animal sacrifices for the sake of those sacrifices alone. They viewed such behavior as akin to the paganism that the prophets so ridiculed and despised. The Temple could not be built by instruments, tools and people of war. It was the symbol of peace, harmony and universal goodness. Thus the true physical and spiritual Temple and its service is an assertive affirmation in faith in God and the value system of His Torah.

**Item #: S379 5 Lectures**  
**THE MORAL TEMPLE**



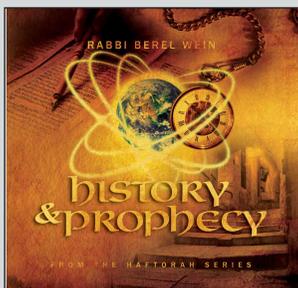
Psalms (Tehillim) is the prayer book for every Jewish soul. Berel Wein's journey through its depths and heights of human emotion will teach you how to put life's events into the perspective of your relationship with God. Explore Tehillim's spiritual expression of that relationship with Rabbi Wein, a noted lecturer whose insights will change the way you approach the tribulations of life.

**Item #: S450 7 Lectures**  
**THROUGH THE PRISM OF PSALMS**



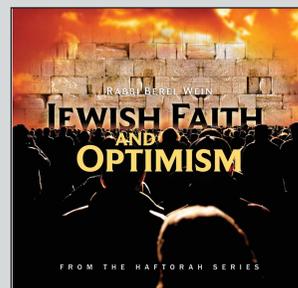
The Book of Koheles is one of the most difficult and complicated in the entire Bible. It was nearly excluded from the Tanach by the Rabbis of the Talmud, but its eternal messages are relevant to real life situations today. In his gentle, lucid and witty style, Rabbi Berel Wein's six lectures on Koheles analyze the wisdom of King Solomon in relation to: happiness, wealth, family, longevity, power, hedonism, knowledge and wisdom.

**Item #: S110 6 Lectures**  
**KOHELES: THE WISDOM OF SOLOMON**



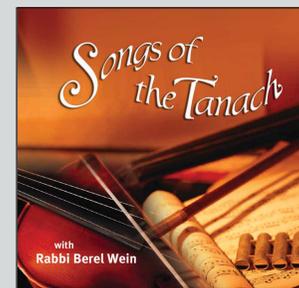
The first two of the haftarot of the series deal with Jewish history at the time of the First Temple and of the powers of the prophets to restore health and bring salvation to Israel and to non-Jews as well. The final two haftarot of the series deal with the moral demands of God upon Israel and how the Jewish future is contingent upon living up to the standards of those moral demands. The language used is some of the most beautiful in all of the Bible.

**Item #: S380 4 Lectures**  
**HISTORY AND PROPHECY**



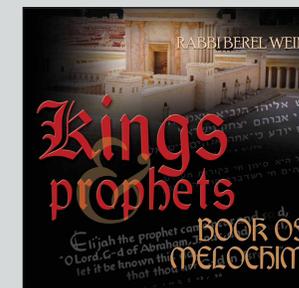
These haftarot deal with the promises of God to Israel – that the Jewish people will survive in spite of exile and defeat and that they will yet return to their homeland and prosper there. The haftarot emphasize the necessary optimism that will mark the character of the Jews throughout all of their exiles, troubles and persecutions. They reaffirm the covenant between God and Israel and the understanding that, even though it may be strained, it will never be broken.

**Item #: S381 3 Lectures**  
**JEWISH FAITH AND OPTIMISM**



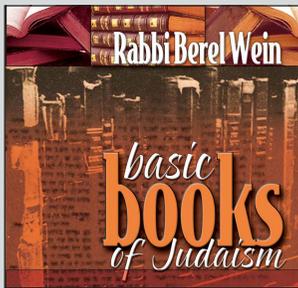
Think of them as the Jewish symphony in four movements. Think of them as the eternal statement of Jewish nationhood and our relationship to the Eternal. The four Songs of the Tanach - Az Yashir, song of triumph; Haazinu, song of destiny; Devorah's song of national unity; Chana's song of personal deliverance - comprise the Song of Israel. Rabbi Wein explores their essential nature, focusing on the relationship of each song to its author and to the nation as a whole.

**Item #: S307 4 Lectures**  
**SONGS OF TANACH**



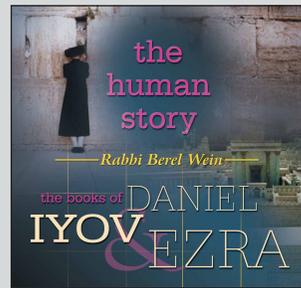
In the First Temple period, the system of Jewish government had a tenuous arrangement of checks and balances. On the one hand there were the Kings of Judah and Israel, who ruled the countries and the counterpoint of them were the great prophets. Amos, Elijah, Elisha, Isaiah and others provided the moral anchor to Israel, when great and not-so-great kings ruled over the ancient Jewish kingdoms in the Land of Israel.

**Item #: S309 3 Lectures**  
**KINGS AND PROPHETS: THE BOOK OF MELOCHIM**



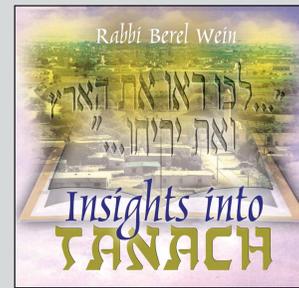
Judaism is a religion and culture of books. Beginning with the Bible, Jews revere books and produce books as no other people. Basic Books of Judaism by Rabbi Berel Wein traces the development of Jewish life over the ages, through a review of the basic books of Judaism. The history of each of these books is really the story of Jewish life and the story of the Jews- as well as to confirm the outside world's view of the Jews as "the people of the book."

**Item #: S310 4 Lectures**  
**BASIC BOOKS OF JUDAISM**



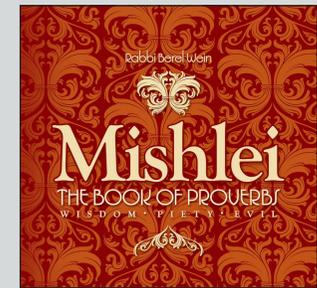
There are books of the Bible that are difficult to know but very necessary to understand. Among the books that especially fall into this category are those of Ezra, Iyov and Daniel. They deal with human adversity, both personal and national. And, for that reason they present insights for each of us in our own lives and in the realm of national and international affairs.

**Item #: S324 3 Lectures**  
**THE HUMAN STORY: THE BOOKS OF DANIEL, IYOV, AND EZRA**



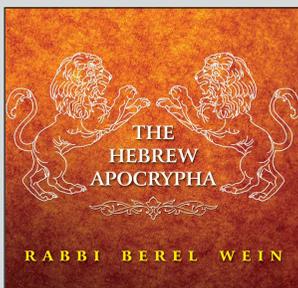
Learn about the major prophets discussed in the books of Neviim. Noted lecturer and Jewish historian Rabbi Berel Wein brings his deep knowledge of world and Jewish history to explain the actions of these holy spokesmen, advisors to kings and leaders of the Jewish people.

**Item #: S550 9 Lectures**  
**INSIGHTS INTO TANACH**



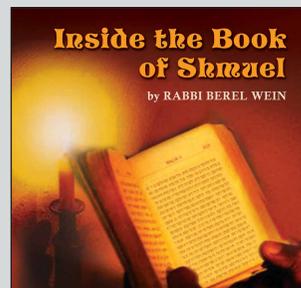
King Solomon's Book of Proverbs is chock-full of lessons for living a good and moral life. Focusing on the traits of wisdom and piety and the philosophical challenge of evil, Rabbi Wein applies the timeless teachings of Mishlei to the daily struggles each of us face in this age of wanton terrorism and astounding success.

**Item #: S338 3 Lectures**  
**MISHLEI - THE BOOK OF PROVERBS**



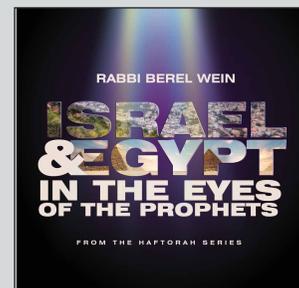
Not included in the canon of the Jewish Bible, these books- Mishlei Ben Sira, the Book of the Maccabees, and the Book of Enoch, comprise the Hebrew Apocrypha. In spite of their not being considered holy, they contain a wealth of information regarding Jewish life, history and thought. The study of this information shows the relevance to the understanding of the Jewish world at that time and an opportunity to grasp the broader story of the Jewish people.

**Item #: S327 3 Lectures**  
**THE HEBREW APOCRYPHA**



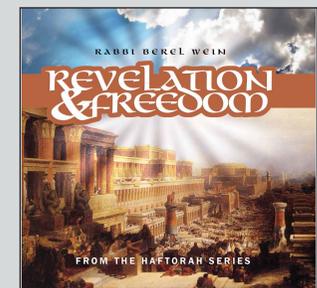
The book of Shmuel contains personal portraits of some of the greatest people in Jewish history. The details of their lives and personalities are filled in by the Talmud, Midrash and Jewish Tradition. Here, Rabbi Berel Wein blends all of the threads and presents fascinating insights into the lives of the great people who populate the pages of the book of Shmuel.

**Item #: S575 5 Lectures**  
**INSIDE THE BOOK OF SHMUEL**



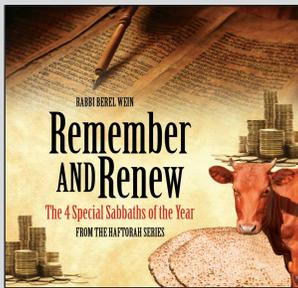
Rabbi Berel Wein presents the views of the prophets Isaiah, Ezekiel and Deborah on the past and future of the people of Israel – and the almost eternal relationship between those who inhabit Egypt as well as those who co-inhabit the Land of Israel with the Jews. The song of Deborah, in the haftarah of B'Shalach, is one of the great poems in Biblical literature and has relevance to all in every age and circumstance. These four haftarat read like current events and not just past history - a must for those of us who wish to truly understand Jewish thought.

**Item #: S376 5 Lectures**  
**ISRAEL AND EGYPT IN THE EYES OF THE PROPHETS**



These haftarat describe for us the different stages of human perception of God's revelation. The prophet Isaiah describes the beginning of his Divine career and focuses his attention about being called willingly into the service of God and Israel. There is, as usual, great relevance to our times in his message. The prophet Jeremiah deals with the issues of human freedom and man's penchant to rule over others. It pivots exile on the issue of human freedom and the abolition of slavery. It bears repetition in all human ages.

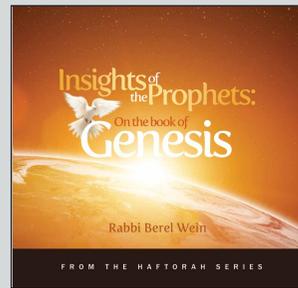
**Item #: S377 3 Lectures**  
**REVELATION AND FREEDOM**



On every Jewish Sabbath, a portion from the Books of the Prophets is read. But four Sabbaths a year have extra readings. Even though they aren't holidays themselves, their readings prepare us for the glorious season of Purim and Passover. Together, they make up a profoundly spiritual message: take stock, remember, purify, and renew. Prepare for this special time in the Jewish calendar with Rabbi Wein's gripping insights. They'll keep you awake even after the Torah is put away!

**Item #: S370** 4 Lectures

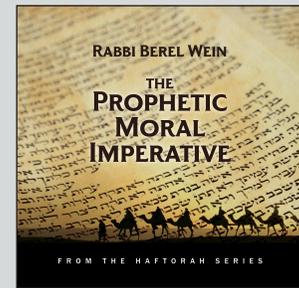
**REMEMBER AND RENEW: THE 4 SPECIAL SABBATHS OF THE YEAR**



When the Greeks banned the public reading of the Torah, the Rabbis responded with a brilliant solution: public readings from the Books of the Prophets. Each reading is called a 'Haftorah' and its message relates to that week's Torah portion. Sometimes the connections are obvious and sometimes they're more subtle, but Rabbi Wein's gripping exegesis is sure to deepen your connection to Shabbos.

**Item #: S373** 7 Lectures

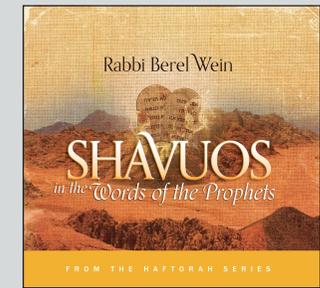
**INSIGHTS OF THE PROPHETS: ON THE BOOK OF GENESIS**



The Torah is not just a set of laws, but it is also a world-view of moral values and just attitudes. The matrix of this value system of personal behavior and morality is described in the magnificent words of the Prophets of Israel. The words of the Prophets, as detailed in these three Haftorot, describe this lofty and magnificent vision, a blueprint so to speak, that humankind should subscribe to and incorporate into daily living.

**Item #: S382** 3 Lectures

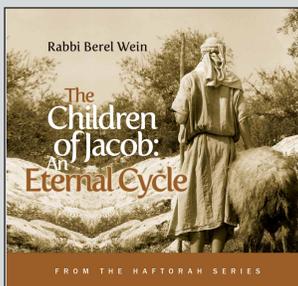
**THE PROPHETIC MORAL IMPERATIVE**



Shavuot is a holiday of history- of the granting of the Torah at Sinai and of the Land of Israel in all of its natural radiance. The Haftorot for Shavuot describe God's majesty and his awesome greatness. They clearly define the Creator of us all, vis-à-vis his creatures and our relationship to that unfathomable power that is the source of all life in our universe. The last lecture in this series explains why the Haftorot were instituted in Jewish life and liturgy – and why they are so vital to an understanding of Judaism and Jewish life.

**Item #: S383** 3 Lectures

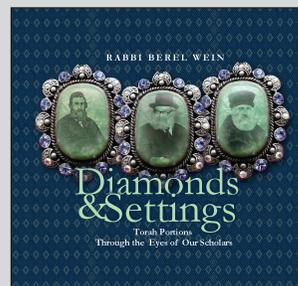
**SHAVUOT IN THE WORDS OF THE PROPHETS**



The story of Jacob's sons and the conflict between them has played out countless times in Jewish history. In the times of the prophets, it led to the splintering of the kingdom, and even in recent history, we see the cycle continue. As the serenity of autumn turns to the harshness of winter, Rabbi Wein takes us through each week's Haftorah to the thrilling conclusion of the Book of Genesis.

**Item #: S374** 7 Lectures

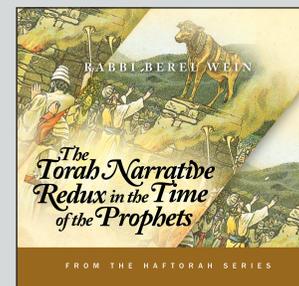
**THE CHILDREN OF JACOB: AN ETERNAL CYCLE**



Just as the rabbis said that there are seventy facets to all Torah learning, so are there many different approaches and commentaries to the words of Torah. This series represents some of the thoughts of the great biblical commentators of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, set in their times and place, with their unique problems and struggles clearly reflected in their approaches to these Torah topics.

**Item #: S200** 2 Lectures

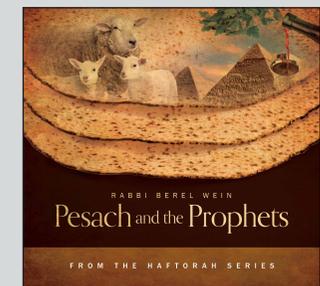
**DIAMONDS AND SETTINGS: TORAH PORTIONS THROUGH THE EYES OF OUR SCHOLARS**



Jewish history reflects set patterns and recounts similar situations over time. This series of Haftorot traces developments that occurred in later Jewish history – in the times of the judges and from the perspective of events described during the Jewish experience in the desert of Sinai. These narratives contain vital lessons for Jewish national and personal behavior for all ages and places. And, our current world is easily recognized in these Haftorot.

**Item #: S384** 6 Lectures

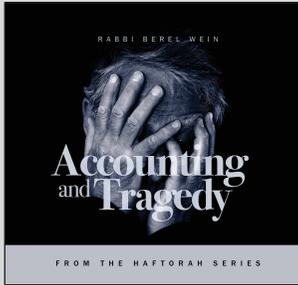
**THE TORAH NARRATIVE REDUX IN THE TIME OF THE PROPHETS**



Pesach is the holiday that represents the Jewish past and future all at once and same time. These Haftorot give us this two-way insight into our story and mission as a people. They present us with the necessary overview to enable us to understand and be proud of our past – and optimistic and strong regarding our future. Knowing these Haftorot will enhance one's Pesach experience and add another dimension to our learning.

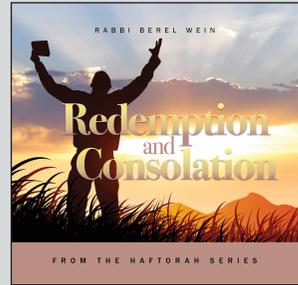
**Item #: S385** 6 Lectures

**PESACH AND THE PROPHETS**



Judaism stresses that nations and individuals are held accountable for their words and deeds. These three powerful Haftorot, which are recited on the three weeks preceding the fast day of the Ninth of Av, bring home this basic Jewish value of accountability and the inevitability of consequences for wrongful behavior and the abandonment of Torah values and observance. Sad but vital, these Haftorot represent the stark reality of Jewish history and existence.

Item #: S386 3 Lectures  
**ACCOUNTING AND TRAGEDY**

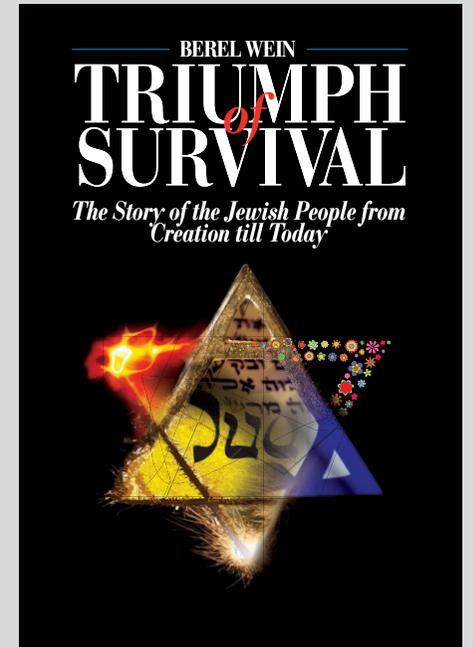


Recovering from tragedy and being able to persevere and live productively has been a Jewish trait for millennia. These famous Haftorot of consolation portray for us the promised days of Jewish redemption and world healing. The prophet Isaiah, the author of these magnificent Haftorot, beautifully describes the better times that we all await to see fulfilled before our very eyes.

Item #: S387 7 Lectures  
**REDEMPTION AND CONSOLATION**

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Item #: C-triumph-1 12 Lectures **HUMAN AND JEWISH BEGINNINGS**

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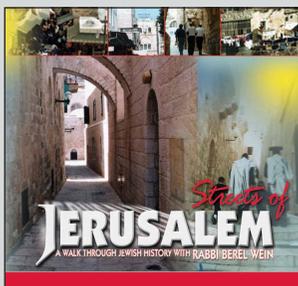
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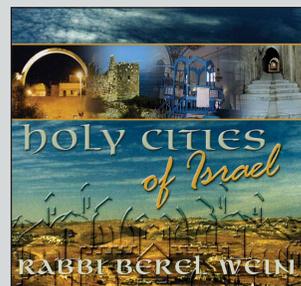


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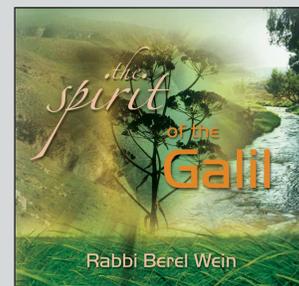
Walk Jerusalem with Rabbi Berel Wein and watch history unfold through the naming of her streets. Through the Turkish, British and finally Israeli rule of the city, politics played as much a role in Jerusalem's street names as the urge to create a fluid and complex monument to the great figures of Jewish history. Visit the great Spanish Rishonim on a trek through Rechavia, or leaders of the Haskalah by sashaying over to Talbiya. You'll never think the same way again about navigating Jerusalem.

**Item #: S306** 5 Lectures  
**STREETS OF JERUSALEM**



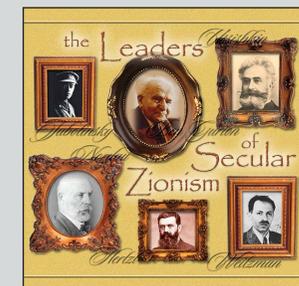
The four 'Holy Cities' of Israel, in Jewish lore, are Jerusalem, Hebron, Tiberias, and Safed. Trace Jewish life with Rabbi Wein in each of these cities- from their founding until this very day, and how it has influenced Israeli policy and diplomacy. This series will give the listener a broader and deeper perspective regarding the Jewish claim to the land of Israel generally and will explain what has made and still makes these cities 'holy' in the minds and hearts of the Jewish people.

**Item #: S312** 4 Lectures  
**HOLY CITIES OF ISRAEL**



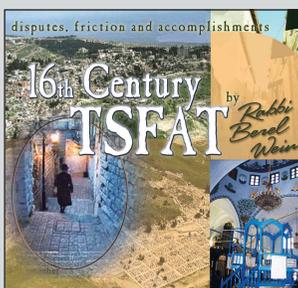
Running from the Mediterranean eastward to the Kinneret, the Galil (Galilee) with its hills and mountains and valleys is the garden spot of beauty in the Land of Israel. From the earliest Biblical times until today, the Galil has played a vital role in the story of the Jewish people. This series of lectures by Rabbi Berel Wein enlightens the listener as to the importance of the Galil in different periods of Jewish history. It outlines the events that took place and the personalities of some of the great historic figures who lived there and gives us an insight into these environs over the ages.

**Item #: S318** 3 Lectures  
**THE SPIRIT OF THE GALIL**



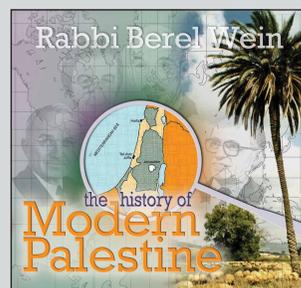
The Zionist movement, like all historic movements, was led and directed by people. People possess greatness and pettiness, faults and merits. This series of lectures presents an analysis of a number of the primary leaders of secular Zionism in the twentieth century. It provides fascinating details and judgments about them, all as seen through the prism of later Jewish history. Knowing about these people, their lives and the policies they formulated, provide insight into today's modern State of Israel and its internal and external struggles.

**Item #: S319** 6 Lectures  
**THE LEADERS OF SECULAR ZIONISM**



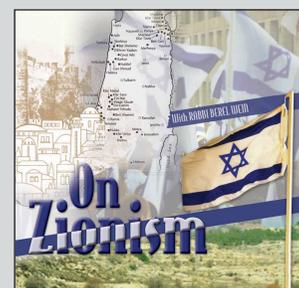
Rabbi Wein compares sixteenth century Tsfat to a little pond full of big fish. With the greatest Torah scholars living in one small town, controversy was inevitable. Yet within this intense environment emerged one of the greatest innovations in Jewish thought – the popularization of Kabbalah. Understanding the background and history of the great men of Tsfat, and the momentous issues they debated, broadens our understanding not only of their times but of our current Jewish world.

**Item #: S314** 4 Lectures  
**SIXTEENTH CENTURY TSFAT**  
Disputes, Friction & Accomplishments



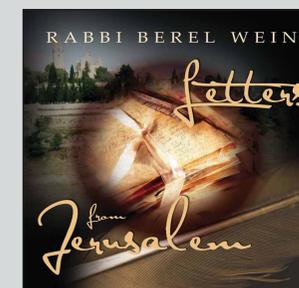
The issue of Palestine has dominated the world of the Middle East for almost the entire last century. Many solutions, ideas, treaties and agreements have attempted to achieve an equitable settlement of the Arab-Jewish dispute regarding the Holy Land. This series reviews the history of these attempts from the time of World War I until the 1970's and deals with the failure to achieve the goal of peace and stability.

**Item #: S317** 3 Lectures  
**HISTORY OF MODERN PALESTINE**



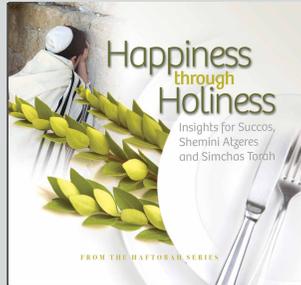
Zionism originated as a secular movement, fought at first by both Orthodox and Reform Jews. But the Holocaust forced the Jewish people to shift their priorities. Noted lecturer Rabbi Berel Wein examines how Zionism brilliantly harnessed the deepest yearnings of the Jewish people for the land of Israel, and how it translated those yearnings into a political and national state.

**Item #: S775** 3 Lectures  
**ON ZIONISM**



This unique and exciting series discusses letters written from Jerusalem by twelve Jews who visited the Holy City and recorded their observations in letter form. From Nachmonides to Herzl, these correspondences bear an uncanny relevance to today's headlines and speak volumes to the eternity of Jerusalem as the capital of the Jewish people.

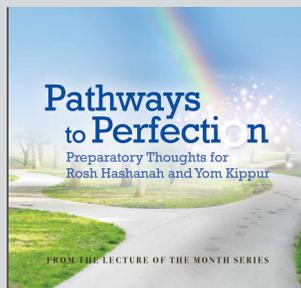
**Item #: S825** 12 Lectures  
**LETTERS FROM JERUSALEM**



On the heels of the Days of Awe comes a new phase of closeness to God – when joy and celebration take center stage. The intimacy of the sukkah and the fervent dancing with the Torah scrolls are like having dessert after the “meal” of repentance. Fittingly, the word “haftorah” also means dessert, the dessert that completes the Torah portion. So dig right into Rabbi Wein’s delectable serving of the holiday haftorahs. You’ll achieve what this season is all about: happiness through holiness.

**Item #: S357 5 Lectures**

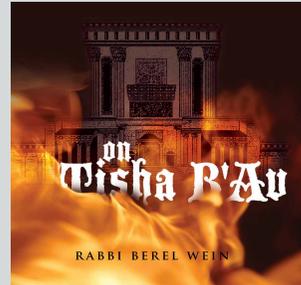
**HAPPINESS THROUGH HOLINESS:  
INSIGHTS FOR SUCCOS, SHEMINI  
ATZERES AND SIMCHAS TORAH**



The month before Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur is set aside as a time for introspection and self-perfection. God is closer than ever, and we can make the most of our relationship with Him. This collection of Rabbi Wein’s stories – some funny and some poignant, some historical and some personal – will give you the inspiration you need to make yourself a better person and the world a better place.

**Item #: S358 4 Lectures**

**PATHWAYS TO PERFECTION:  
PREPARATORY THOUGHTS FOR ROSH  
HASHANAH AND YOM KIPPUR**

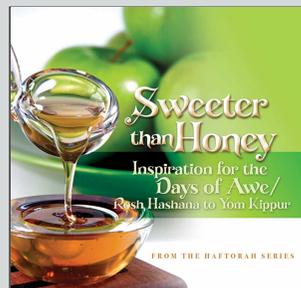


As always, Rabbi Wein intertwines history with hashkafa in this riveting Tisha B'Av package.

From Jeremiah’s rebuke to the wisdom of the Talmudic rabbis, Rabbi Wein underscores the lessons we must learn from our national tragedies and points the way toward consolation and hope.

**Item #: S333 5 Lectures**

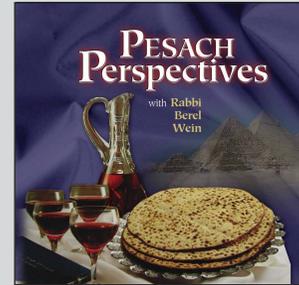
**ON TISHA B'AV**



The ten days between Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are the holiest and most awe-inspiring on the Jewish calendar, but they’re also days of sweetness and joy. We dip our apples into honey and wish each other a sweet new year, confident that G-d will judge us favorably. But of course, our ultimate source of sweetness is the Torah itself. And with Rabbi Wein’s insights into the holiday haftorahs, you’ll see how the words of the prophets really are sweeter than honey.

**Item #: S356 5 Lectures**

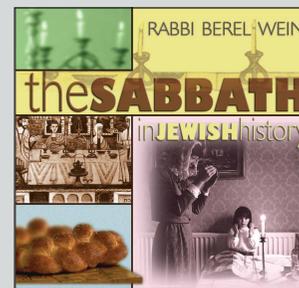
**SWEETER THAN HONEY:  
INSPIRATION FOR THE DAYS OF AWE**



Pesach is the best known and most widely practiced of all Jewish holidays, and with this detailed historical analysis of how it has been observed through the centuries, Rabbi Wein deepens our appreciation of the holiday. From the first Pesach in Egypt to the glory days of the Temple, every Jew can exult in the piety of our forefathers. Moving on to medieval history, Rabbi Wein describes the blood libels Jews regularly faced in our harrowing centuries in Europe, yet how all the while, they steadfastly celebrated Pesach, the holiday of Jewish redemption.

**Item #: S325 6 Lectures**

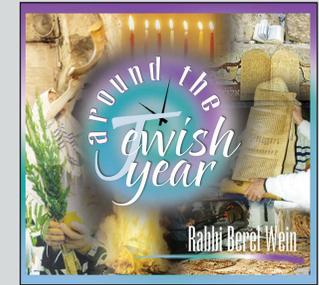
**PESACH PERSPECTIVES**



Why is Sabbath observance such a central pillar of Jewish life? Why is it listed among the Ten Commandments, making it one of the ideals of ethical monotheism? Rabbi Berel Wein examines the philosophy of the Sabbath and its observance in Judaism vs. other faiths. As you explore the Sabbath, you’ll confront its unique relationship to every Jewish soul - even yours.

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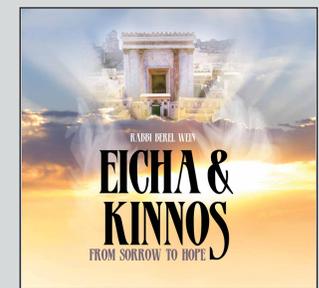
**THE SABBATH IN JEWISH HISTORY**



The chronology of the Jewish year, with its holy days and commemorations brings a pattern of stability and serenity to our lives. Travel with Rabbi Wein through the yearly calendar as the various special days and times of the year are explained and discussed. The flow of times and events in "Around the Jewish Year" will provide new insights into the purpose and richness of the life of a Jew.

**Item #: S977 10 Lectures**

**AROUND THE JEWISH YEAR**



Eicha and Kinnos are the main texts of Tisha B'Av, and Rabbi Wein takes us through their most important verses, weaving in the lessons of history along the way. Between the poignancy of the words and Rabbi Wein’s unique insights, this series shows how Eicha and Kinnos weren’t just for Temple times; they’re eternal lessons to carry the Jewish people through the millennia of exile. Don’t just plod your way through the readings this Tisha B'Av; connect to their meaning and bring us all one step closer to redemption.

**Item #: S364 6 Lectures**

**EICHA AND KINNOS:  
FROM SORROW TO HOPE**

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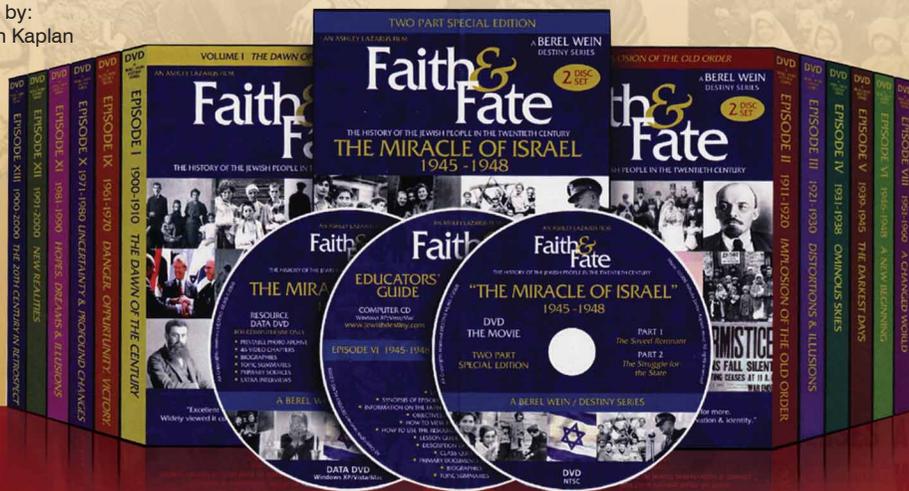
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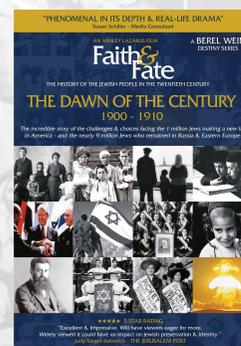


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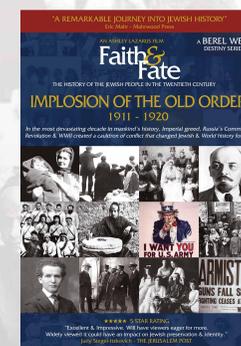
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*"Destiny's most ambitious project to date is an 13-part PBS style documentary film series based on my book 'Faith and Fate'. It is an in-depth story of the Jewish people in the 20th Century. I've always attempted to write history from a traditional viewpoint - to put history in perspective. I hope that when you see Faith and Fate you will get a sense of pride and wonder, of destiny and of the realization that we, the Jewish people, are going somewhere. And, that each and every one of us can contribute to this journey, to this vision."*  
**- Rabbi Berel Wein**

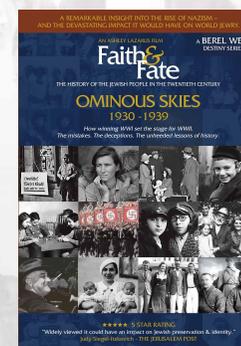
**DESTINY'S 'FAITH AND FATE' EDUCATIONAL PROJECT - BRINGING JEWISH HISTORY TO LIFE IN THE CLASSROOM,** is geared to educators and parents who want to involve their students in an active way. Our objective is to interest, inform, inspire and involve the student. Eventually this should lead to: "I want to know to know more; I want to discover my own family history and to see myself in the big picture. The Educator's Website for "Faith and Fate" is intended to provide a comprehensive guide of how to maximize the rich material from the documentary series, with suggestions of how to use it as a springboard to expand the student's understanding and connection to his/her Jewish roots.



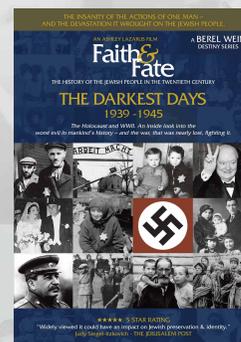
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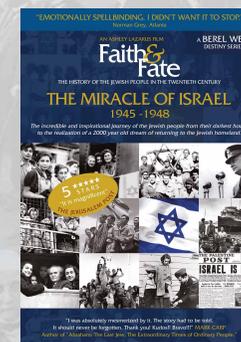
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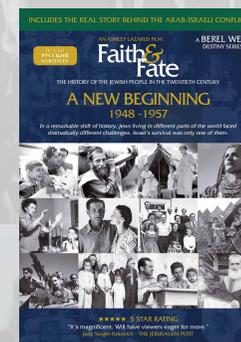
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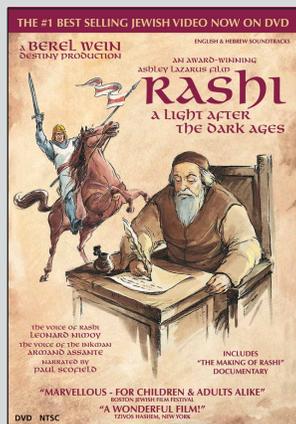


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**FAITH & FATE / THE STORY OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE IN THE TWENTIETH CENTURY / DVD**  
 Episode 7: A New Beginning / 1948-1957

Perhaps no other century in human existence experienced the terrible and remarkable contrasts of the 20th Century.

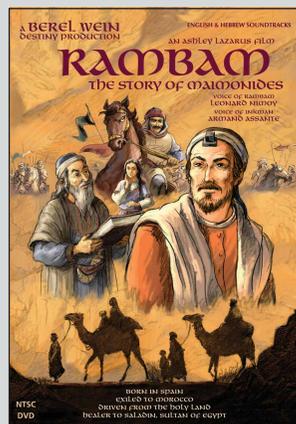
The century was heroic and tragic, progressive and reactionary, forward-looking, and frighteningly regressive - a century of contradiction, confusion, and massive change.

Each DVD includes original historical clips and photographs rarely seen. Combining the historical video with productivity tools enables the teacher, student and researcher to explore and understand the events that affect us to this very day. Faith and Fate focuses on how the events of the 20th Century impacted on the Jewish people - and how the Jewish people influenced the century. The series explores how the survival of the Jewish people defied the ravages and challenges of over 40 centuries.



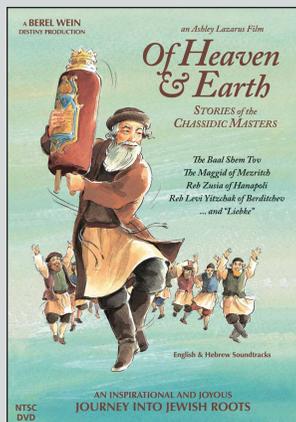
In the calm before the crusades, one man forever changed the way the world would understand the bible -RASHI - Set in the 11th Century, Rashi is the story of a unique hero, a Torah commentator who defended his people's rights to spiritual choice and freedom. To understand Rashi is to understand the story of the Jews. So come back in time - to a world that began with the belief in one G-d.

Item #: DVD-RASHI  
**RASHI / A Light After the Dark Ages**



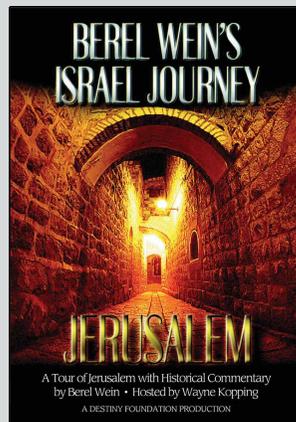
Rambam was born in Cordova, Spain, early in the 12th century. Facing the terror of the fanatic Muslim Almohads, he and his family fled Cordova. For seven years they lived in the mountains and caves of Spain. During that time, his remarkable Torah and Talmudic knowledge increased. His love of Torah combined with his avid study of healing and natural medicine, the sciences, mathematics, astronomy - as well as the works of the classical philosophers, began to shape the destiny of his life.

Item #: DVD-RAMBAM  
**RAMBAM / The Story of Maimonides**



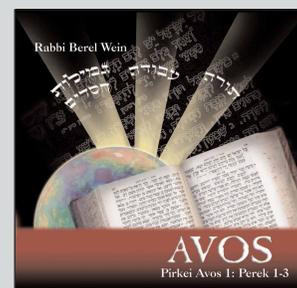
Delightfully animated to original music, this 30 minute DVD tells the timeless stories of the Baal Shem Tov, Reb Zusia of Hanopoli, the Maggid of Mezrich and Reb Levi Yitzchok of Berditchev, which reach out to us from history with warmth and inspiration.

Item #: DVD-HEAVEN  
**OF HEAVEN AND EARTH**



In this 90-minute video you embark on a magical journey through the modern State of Israel, the most recent chapter in the long and famous history of the Jewish people. Stand at the sites, as Berel Wein, explains their historical context and unlocks their spiritual mysteries. Israel Journey takes your heart, mind, and soul on a personal tour of Israel's past, present and future.

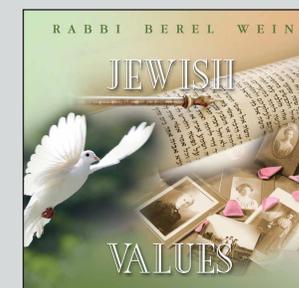
Item #: DVD-JOURNEY  
**ISRAEL JOURNEY**



Pirkei Avos, is the summation of Torah wisdom of the ages as imparted to us by the great men of the Mishna. All of the problems of life and of human strengths and weaknesses are analyzed and portrayed through the wisdom of these great men and their Torah heritage. These words of wisdom provide a most meaningful guide to current personal life and communal events.

Item #: S501 12 Lectures  
**PIRKEI AVOS / PART 1:  
 ETHICS OF OUR FATHERS**

Item #: S502 10 Lectures  
**PIRKEI AVOS / PART 2:  
 ETHICS OF THE FATHERS**



The greatness of Judaism lies not only in its structure, its laws and rituals, but in its underlying value system. It is the direction of this value system that drives the halachic bent and traditional lifestyle of Judaism. Each of the six topics discussed - pleasantness, peace, family, Torah scholarship, the land of Israel, and responsibility to others is explained in practical, spiritual and national terms and how each affects Jewish life and history.

Item #: S328 6 Lectures  
**JEWISH VALUES**

## Tap into Jewish History with Rabbi Berel Wein



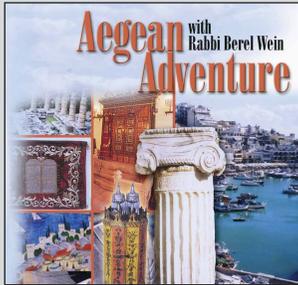
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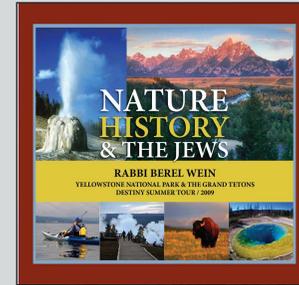
Drawing on Talmudic sources, Berel Wein's Aegean Adventure, discusses the precarious relationship between Jewish and Greek civilizations during the Classical era. The rabbis of the time did a tightrope walk over the pervasive Greek culture, attempting to counter Greek paganism, immorality, and violence while embracing its language and aesthetics. Modern Jews have much to learn from their balancing act.

**Item #: S308 4 Lectures**  
**AEGEAN ADVENTURE**



Throughout the Middle Ages, the Renaissance, and the modern era, Jewish communities flourished in Italy. Italian Jews had their own unique culture and lifestyle, as well as their own customs and rituals for prayer and worship. Their synagogues were and are works of beauty, containing many fascinating Jewish artifacts. "Travel" with Rabbi Berel Wein as he introduces you to the world of Don Isaac Abarbanel and Rabbi Meir of Padua. Listen as Rabbi Wein contrasts Spanish and Italian Jewry and gives a Jewish view of the Vatican.

**Item #: S560 4 Lectures**  
**ITALY TOUR 2000**



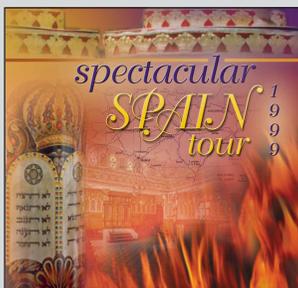
Amid the breathtaking beauty of Yellowstone National Park, Rabbi Wein presents four lectures exploring the relationship between Jews, God, and nature. Surprisingly, nature-worship wasn't just a mistake of primitive peoples; it's in our world today. And just as the universe runs on a harmonious yet delicate balance, so too must Jews maintain a balanced attitude toward the Creator and His creation. Only then can we understand the Jewish approach to such modern problems as the environment, conservation, and the sanctity of life itself.

**Item #: S365 4 Lectures**  
**NATURE, HISTORY AND THE JEWS:**  
**DESTINY SUMMER TOUR 2009**



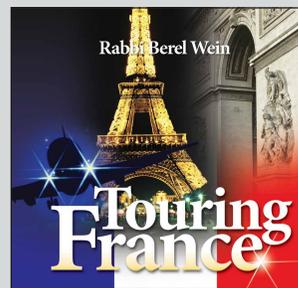
Take to the seas with Rabbi Wein with the stimulating lectures given on Destiny Foundation's riverboat cruise/tour of Spain. Its rich history and vibrant scholarship come to life as Rabbi Wein details the highs and lows of the 700-year stint in the exile. From the "Golden Age" to the Inquisition, Rabbi Wein gives history a human face so we can relate to our Spanish ancestors and feel their impact on our world.

**Item #: S359 4 Lectures**  
**SPAIN REVISITED 2008**



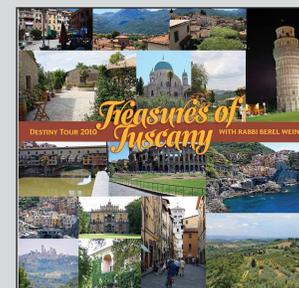
Virtually everyone can experience Rabbi Berel Wein's Spectacular Spain Tour '99. Seven audio cassettes transport you back to the magnificence and grandeur of our Golden Age. Explore your Jewish heritage and listen as Rabbi Wein paints a picture of the period and the personalities. Topics in this series include the world of the Rambam, the Rosh, the Tur, the ravages of the Inquisition, Rabbenu Yonah, and the Sephardim.

**Item #: S250 7 Lectures**  
**SPECTACULAR SPAIN TOUR '99**



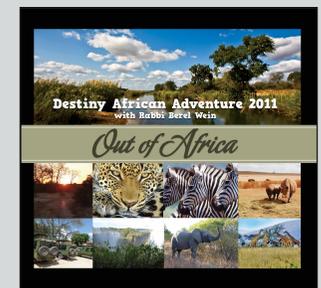
From the artistic and architectural legacy evident in the city of Paris, to the cities of Troyes (Rashi's hometown), Strasbourg, Lyon, Avignon and in Provence, Jewish history in these areas takes on another dimension. In this exciting adventure, Rabbi Berel Wein recalls the historic remnants of times past and brings the old-world charm of France to life. Lectures in this series include: Parisian Jewry, Alsatian Jewry and the Jews of Provence.

**Item #: S410 3 Lectures**  
**TOURING FRANCE**



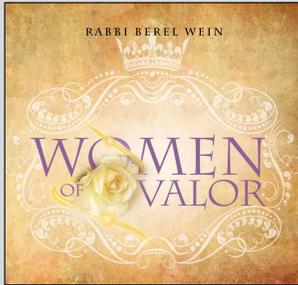
Join Rabbi Berel Wein on Destiny's 2010 tour in Tuscany as he revisits the Jewish communities that once flourished in Italy. Down the roads and throughout the countryside, remnants of the warmth and uniqueness from times past come alive. Coupled with the compelling landscapes, the Renaissance art and architecture – and the delectable (Kosher) tastes of this magnificent Tuscan region, this unique culture, with its own rituals, prayer and worship was brought to life as Rabbi Wein focused on the world of the Italian Jewry that once was.

**Item #: S372 5 Lectures**  
**TREASURES OF TUSCANY:**  
**DESTINY SUMMER TOUR 2010**



Accompanied by Rabbi Berel Wein, the participants of the Destiny summer tour 2011 experienced the incomparable big five in the area of Kruger National Park in South Africa and the teeming wildlife and sprawling savannahs of the Serengeti plains in Tanzania. In addition to visiting the Jewish community in Johannesburg and viewing first-hand the African tribal life in and around Arusha, the wonders of Victoria Falls and the Ngorongoro Crater were both spectacular and unforgettable. Listen as Rabbi Wein relates the Jewish perspective on topics from Creation to hunting...and much more.

**Item #: S391 5 Lectures**  
**DESTINY AFRICAN ADVENTURE 2011**



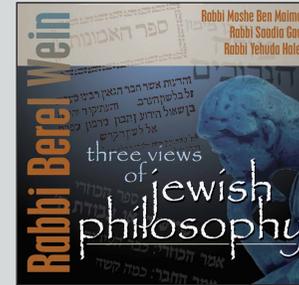
The matriarchs are the cornerstone of the Jewish people, but they were not without spiritual successors. In later generations, Miriam, Chana, and Yael carried on the chain of tradition, each in accordance with her own unique character. With the Midrashim that bring their deeds to life, Rabbi Wein explores the extraordinary impact of these heroines of the Tanach, three of our greatest women of valor.

**Item #: S344** 3 Lectures  
**WOMEN OF VALOR**



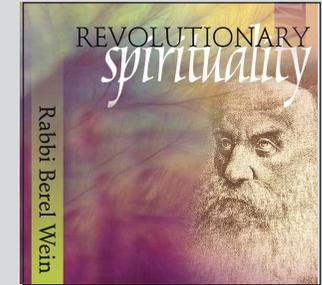
It is the #1 rule in Jewish history. Maaseh avos siman l'bonim. The deeds of our fathers set the pattern for our future. But the rule holds true for our mothers also. Journey with Rabbi Wein into the lives of our four Imahos – Sarah, Rivkah, Rochel, and Leah – and the two maidservants, Bilhah and Zilpah. Their personal struggles with marriage, fertility, and parenting carry with them eternal lessons for every Jewish man and woman.

**Item #: S339** 5 Lectures  
**GREAT MOTHERS OF ISRAEL**



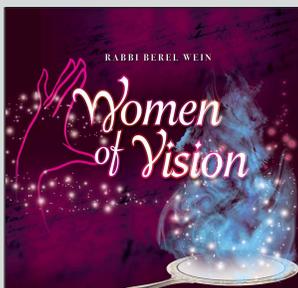
Over the ages there have been different approaches to understanding Torah and Jewish life through philosophy. This series by Rabbi Berel Wein highlights three different approaches to these philosophical understandings with a review of the ideas of Rabbi Saadia Gaon, Rabbi Yehuda Halevy and Rabbi Moshe ben Maimon. The differences and similarities between these giants of Jewish thought on philosophical approaches to understanding Judaism are discussed in this thoughtful series.

**Item #: S315** 3 Lectures  
**3 VIEWS OF JEWISH PHILOSOPHY**



The ultimate spiritual experience in the Diaspora was always the study of Torah. But that single path split into many when a few great rabbis began teaching ways to enrich our Torah study with philosophy, kindness, and song. Meet the towering figures of Jewish spirituality who revolutionized how many Jews today view their relationship with God. This series includes : Chabad, Reb Nachman of Breslov, The Kotzker Rebbe, and The Mussar Movement.

**Item #: S305** 4 Lectures  
**REVOLUTIONARY SPIRITUALITY**



Feminists may charge that Jewish women lack power, but a look at Jewish history proves otherwise. Dona Gracia, Sarah Schenirer, and Aidel, daughter of the Baal Shem Tov, were indeed exceptional, but in assuming the mantle of leadership, each shaped the Jewish world with a feminine and caring touch. With these riveting biographies, Rabbi Wein sheds light on the lives and achievements of three women of vision.

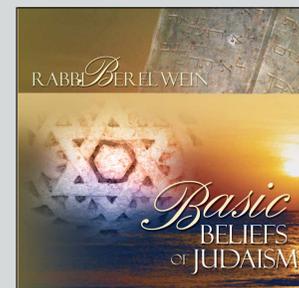
**Item #: S355** 3 Lectures  
**WOMEN OF VISION**



The modern world has changed the lives of Jewish women in areas of education, community, and work. In "Changing Role of Jewish Women," Rabbi Berel Wein discusses the current Jewish view of the role of women in society today: their participation in communal organizations, their need to balance family and career, and the rabbis' attempts to deal with the apparent disadvantage of women in divorce.

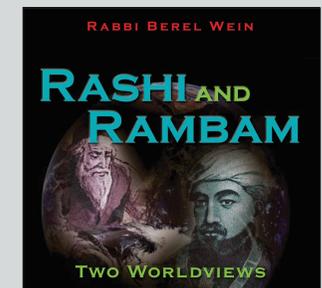
**Item #: S950** 7 Lectures  
**THE CHANGING ROLE OF JEWISH WOMEN / PART 1**

**Item #: S323** 5 Lectures  
**THE CHANGING ROLE OF JEWISH WOMEN / PART 2**



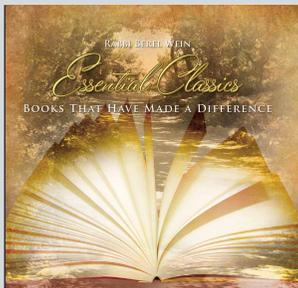
What does it mean to be Jewish in practical terms? What do Jews believe and how do they function in the everyday world? What are the values of humanity that we espouse, teach and practice. This series enables the listener to formulate answers to these basic questions of faith and practice. It will enhance Jewish knowledge, commitment and pride, and provide thought-provoking insights into the mystery of eternal Jewish existence and self-pride.

**Item #: S322** 3 Lectures  
**BASIC BELIEFS OF JUDAISM**



The two great pillars of the Jewish world that have sustained the entire structure of Jewish law and Torah for a millennium are Rashi and Rambam. Raised in different environments and facing different challenges, they each struck their own unique note in preserving the Jewish people and the knowledge of Torah. In this series of lectures, Rabbi Berel Wein explains and illustrates the differences in approach and background that characterize these two great spiritual giants with discussion on Secular Studies, Jewish/Christian Relations, and the Supernatural.

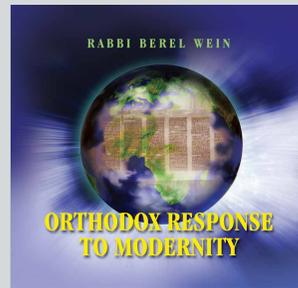
**Item #: S915** 3 Lectures  
**RASHI AND RAMBAM / TWO WORLDVIEWS**



When it comes to books, history gets the final vote on what becomes a classic. The Mesilat Yesharim and Toldot Yaakov Yosef were so controversial, they were banned and burned in their times - only to be revered in future generations. The Mishna Brurah, in contrast, enjoyed both instant success and lasting success, while the Ohr Yisroel is largely unknown today, yet its ideas shaped yeshivos worldwide. Books can make a tremendous impact on the world, but only time can tell the breadth and nature of their influence.

**Item #: S332 4 Lectures**

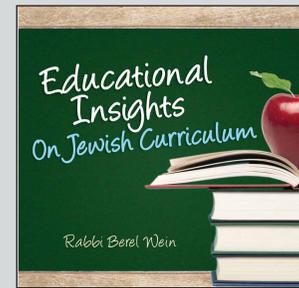
### **ESSENTIAL CLASSICS: BOOKS THAT HAVE MADE A DIFFERENCE**



Rabbi Berel Wein discusses four different approaches to the great challenge still facing every Jew: how can we uphold a spiritual lifestyle in the modern age? Hear the outlooks of Rabbi Samson Raphael Hirsch and Rabbi Yisroel Salanter and the friendly debate between them. Grasp the brilliantly innovative yet controversial view of Rav Kook. Appreciate the practicality of Rabbi Hildesheimer and his groundbreaking school. This rare glimpse into the ideas of four great and pioneering rabbis is as enlightening as it is unique.

**Item #: S400 4 Lectures**

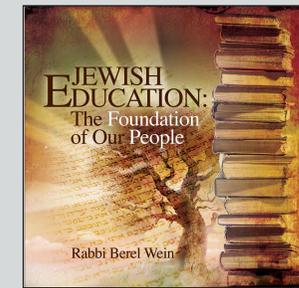
### **ORTHODOX RESPONSE TO MODERNITY**



With his decades of experience in Jewish education, Rabbi Wein has developed his "ideal curriculum," a set of topics that every school should cover. Though each student must be educated "according to his way," Rabbi Wein shows us how teachers and parents can engage children of all ages in our classic Jewish texts.

**Item #: S368 5 Lectures**

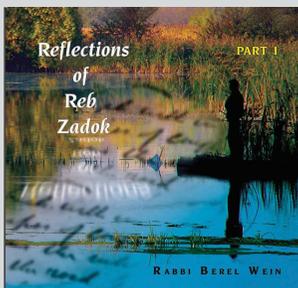
### **THE IDEAL CURRICULUM FOR JEWISH SCHOOLS**



Torah study is not just our greatest mitzvah; it is the key to our survival as a people. Education is therefore a constant in our history, though educational methods varied dramatically from generation to generation. Rabbi Wein leads us through the centuries, from the times of the Talmud to our modern day. By showing all the effort and sacrifice that has gone into preserving the Jewish tradition, this series proves that we can never take our day schools for granted.

**Item #: S362 3 Lectures**

### **JEWISH EDUCATION: THE FOUNDATION OF OUR PEOPLE**



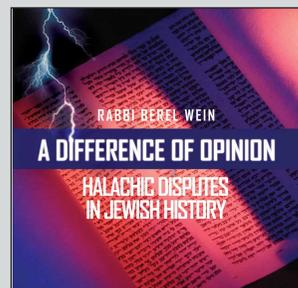
One of the seminal thinkers of our century was Rabbi Zadok HaCohen of Lublin. His incisive view of Jewish life is mirrored in his commentary to the Bible and many other works. This series includes: The Perfection of Man, The Study of Torah, The Concept of Holiness, What Price Success? Courtesy, Manners and Morals, Blessings and Affluence, Bein Adam Lechaveiro, The Background of the Holocaust, Teshuvah Thoughts, Rosh Hashanah, Thought, Speech and Deed, Happiness and Destiny.

**Item #: S401 12 Lectures**

### **REFLECTIONS OF REB ZADOK / PART 1**

**Item #: S402 12 Lectures**

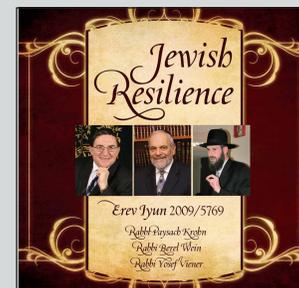
### **REFLECTIONS OF REB ZADOK / PART 2**



Halacha, or law, is the basis of Jewish life, so everything imaginable falls under its purview. Since life necessarily means change, new Halachic rulings are a constant - as are differences in opinion and interpretation. The development of Torah Law is therefore a dynamic and often contentious process, and Rabbi Wein leads us through it by examining the works and decisions of the greatest Halachic authorities in all Jewish history.

**Item #: S363 5 Lectures**

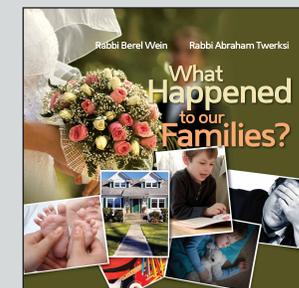
### **DIFFERENCE OF OPINION: HALACHIC DISPUTES IN JEWISH HISTORY**



On Rosh Chodesh Av, the Destiny Foundation brought together three of the Jewish world's most dynamic speakers for an Erev Iyun - Rabbi Berel Wein, Rabbi Paysach Krohn and Rabbi Yosef Viener. If you missed that inspiring evening, it's not too late. Get the feel of being there with this live recording. Though given in the saddest period of the Jewish calendar, the message is upbeat and will make you proud to be a Jew.

**Item #S366: 3 Lectures**

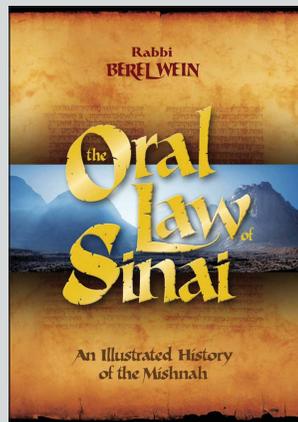
### **JEWISH RESILIENCE**



Two of the Jewish world's foremost speakers, Rabbi Abraham Twerski and Rabbi Berel Wein, team up to focus on that most precious of institutions: the Jewish family. Between Rabbi Twerski's expertise in mental health, Rabbi Wein's decades in chinuch, and Torah insights from both, these inspirational lectures are what every parent needs in facing today's challenging times.

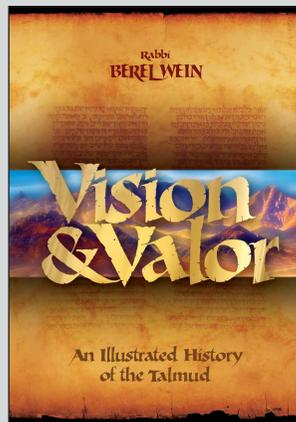
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### **WHAT HAPPENED TO OUR FAMILIES?**



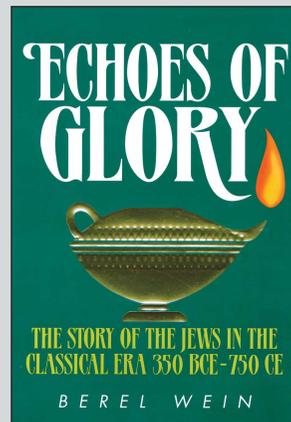
The Oral Law of Sinai by Berel Wein is a handsome full color, large format gift book that is also a major religious and historical book of ethical principles and moral values. Based on rigorous logic, scrupulous scrutiny of the biblical texts, and an unremitting search for truth, it is also a book of legends and stories, and of psychological and historical observations.

**Item #: b-mishnah**  
**THE ORAL LAW OF SINAI /**  
**An Illustrated History of the Mishnah**



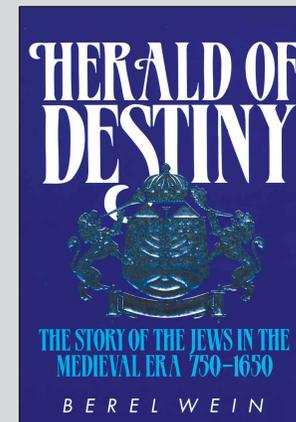
In Vision and Valor, Rabbi Wein allows the Talmud to tell its own story - its development and the lives of the great scholars who fashioned and created it. The notes in this book are a veritable review of the entire Talmud itself and the illustrations are breathtaking in their beauty and importance. This is a must have book for every Jewish home, school and library.

**Item #: b-talmud**  
**VISION AND VALOR / An Illustrated**  
**History of the Talmud**



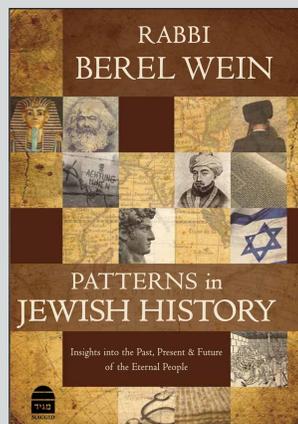
The first book in the series tells the story of the Jews in the Classical Era, 350 BCE - 750 CE. Rabbi Wein transports us to the eras of Alexander the Great; the creation of the Mishnah and Talmud, and how they saved Jewish life for all time; the Roman Empire and the courageous rebellion of Bar Kochba; the rise of Christianity; the Geonim and countless other historical personalities.

**Item #: b-echoes**  
**ECHOES OF GLORY**



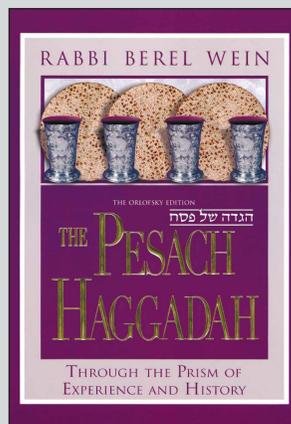
The second book in the series weaves an informative and provocative tapestry out of the events of the Jewish Middle Ages, 750 - 1650. Rabbi Wein tells of the Jewish achievements of power, wealth, and scholarship during the Golden Age of Spain, of Rashi and the Tosafists, Rabbi Yehuda Halevy and Maimonides.

**Item #: b-herald**  
**HERALD OF DESTINY**



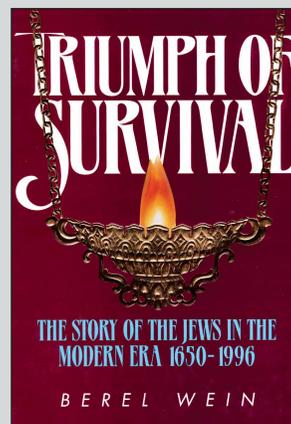
Patterns in Jewish History is Rabbi Berel Wein's masterful, thematic exploration of the history of the Jewish people. Through the prism of timeless themes: education, customs, anti-Semitism, assimilation, the role of women, teachers and rabbis, the land of Israel and more, Rabbi Wein examines the values that have enabled the Jewish people to survive and thrive for three thousand years.

**Item #: b-patterns**  
**PATTERNS IN JEWISH HISTORY /**  
**Insights into the Past, Present and**  
**Future of the Eternal People**



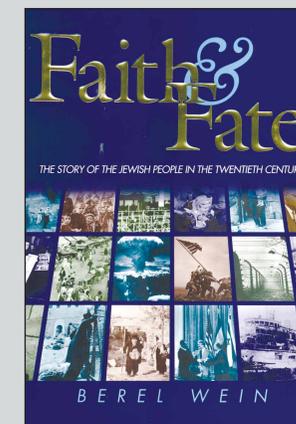
Whether it's history, Pirkei Avos, a general look at the Jewish and general world - Rabbi Berel Wein's voice, outlook, depth, and breadth are unique. And now he shares his Seder with us - and he shares them with us in his inimitable manner, as only he can. It's truly an enlightening experience.

**Item #: b-pesach**  
**PESACH HAGADDAH**



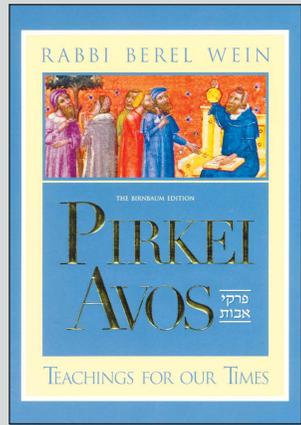
In writing his third book of his incredible history series, Rabbi Wein shows the reader a history of drastic change and unswerving loyalty, of great achievements and monumental defeats, a history of the Modern Era, 1650 - 1990 - whose every event has had an impact on our lives today.

**Item #: b-triumph**  
**TRIUMPH OF SURVIVAL**



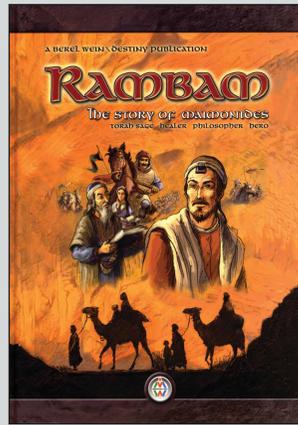
In this book, Rabbi Berel Wein tells the Jewish story of a turbulent century. In fast-moving prose, with his trademark wit and depth, he navigates the dizzying pace of the busiest century in history, a century of hope and Holocaust, of historic benevolence and unprecedented cruelty, a century that saw the Jewish center of gravity transformed in unimaginable ways.

**Item #: b-fate**  
**FAITH AND FATE**



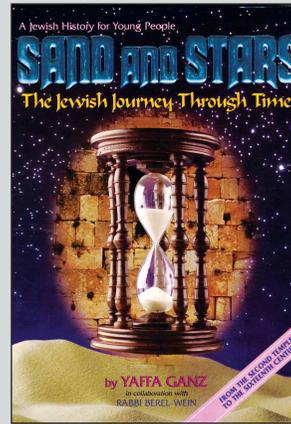
One of Rabbi Berel Wein's finest works, this innovative commentary on Pirkei Avos/Ethics of the Fathers belongs in every Jewish home. With an astute eye ever fixed on the complete traditional text, Rabbi Wein explains and interprets its contents in terms relevant to today's Jews. Revealing great insight into human behavior and replete with illuminating anecdotes, the work applies the words of the Sages to current Jewish experience.

Item #: b-avos  
**PIRKEI AVOS**



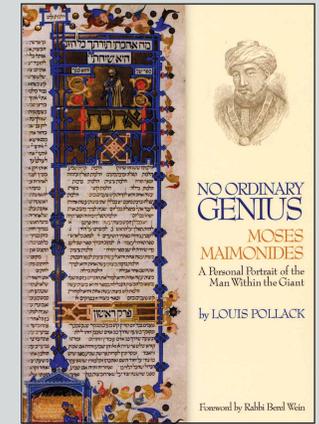
Based on Destiny's latest illustrated & animated film, "Rambam - The Story of Maimonides." The Rambam, great genius and Torah scholar, led an exciting life of danger and drama. Children will be positively hooked on this biography in comic book form. With 64 pages of vividly colored and beautifully drawn illustrations and thrilling dialogue that is both easy to read and full of adventure.

Item #: b-rambamch  
**RAMBAM - CHILDREN'S STORYBOOK**



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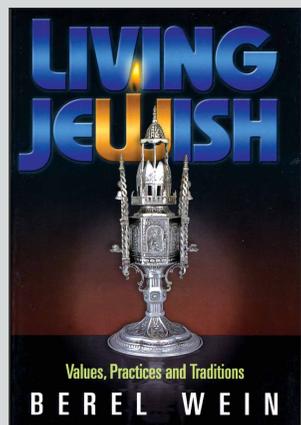
Item #: b-sand  
**SAND AND STARS - VOL. 1, 2**  
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Foreword by Rabbi Berel Wein

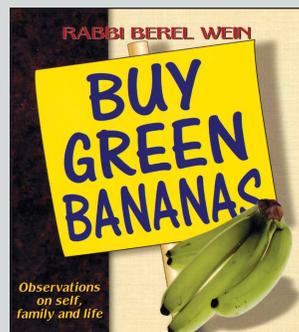
The life of Rambam is one of color, danger, adventure and immense scholarship and influence. Perhaps no other one figure in Jewish history since post-biblical times has so dominated and influenced the Jewish thought process and halachic value system as Moses Maimonides has. But what about his own personal life? This wonderful book by Louis Pollack portrays for the reader the actual life of this great man.

Item #: b-rambam  
**RAMBAM - NO ORDINARY GENIUS**



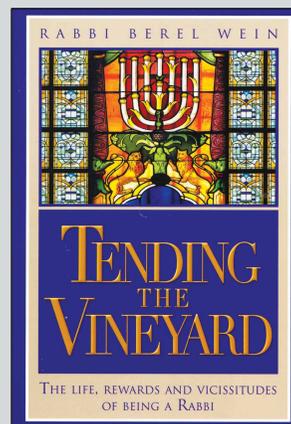
Rabbi Berel Wein once again exhibits his admirable talent for clear, lucid explanation in this highly informative work. Though each chapter is brief, the sweep of the book is broad - exploring life-cycle events from birth through death, the Jewish view of family life and values, character refinement, Sabbath, holidays and specific religious practices.

Item #: b-living  
**LIVING JEWISH**



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**TENDING THE VINEYARD**



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