



Readings in the *maran haRav ztl*'s major writings, with emphasis on "those that students are afraid to tackle on their own." The lecture will supply background material and contrast in general and Jewish philosophical reflection. The Honors version of the course will devote special attention to interdisciplinary dimensions.

We will begin with *Halakhic Man. U-Vikkashtem*, because of its centrality and difficulty [though my article *Tradition* Summer 2008 will save us some time]. *Lonely Man* you will probably be reading on your own (see outline). *Ma Dodekh miDod* and *Halakhic Mind* will also be subjects of lecture. We will devote serious attention to *Emergence of Ethical Man*. I hope to spend time on the recently published *Halakhic Morality*. Other material will be determined by time and interest.

Syllabus:

- 1) *Halakhic Man* [=English version of first half of #2]
- 2) *U-Vikkashtem mi-Sham* (in *Ish haHalakha, Galuy veNistar*)
- 3) *Kol Dodi Dofek* and *Ma Dodekh miDod* (in *Be-Sod haYahid ve-haYahad*) (*Kol Dodi...* available as *Destiny and Fate* or *Voice of My Beloved*)
- 4) *Halakhic Mind*
- 5) *Lonely Man of Faith* (=Tradition 7:2)
- 6) *Emergence of Ethical Man*.
- 7) *Halakhic Morality*

Also note the following important works:

- 8) *Tradition* (Summer 1978)
- 9) *Shiurim le-Zekher Avi Mori*, especially Volume 2.
- 10) *Yemei Zikkaron*.
- 11) *Divrei Hagut veHaarakha* (some of which consists of Hebrew translations of essays originally in English).
- 12) *Divre Hashkafa*
- 13) *The Family Redeemed*, ed. David Shatz and Joel Wolowelsky
- 14) *Worship of the Heart*, ed. Shalom Carmy
- 15) *Out of the Whirlwind*, ed. Shatz, Wolowelsky, Ziegler
- 16) *Community, Covenant and Commitment*, ed. Helfgot (=letters and such)
- 17) *Blessings and Thanksgiving* (ed. Carmy).

Writing: 3 or 4 short papers, approximately 3-4 pages each. These will mostly examine interdisciplinary issues—e.g the Rav's critical use of general philosophical and theological sources; interface of his theological and Talmudic methodologies. One 10 page paper on a topic of your choosing relating to R. Soloveitchik and/or his background.



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As usual, the goal of our working together in our growth as thinking religious individuals.

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