

Terms:

Mishna	
Gemarra	
Aggadah	
Halakah	Appropriation
Talmud	Phenomenology
Responsa	Intentional Consciousness
Legal Commentary	Unintentional Consciousness
Law Codes	Cogito Ergo Sum
Human Speech	Duration
Sons of God/Nephilim	Ehyeh Asher Ehyeh
El Shaddai	The State
YHVH	The City
Holy/Kodesh	Vatican II
Comedy	The King
Tragedy	Political Monotheism
	Camp David
Anti-Judaism	Assimilation
Anti-Semitism	European Thinking
Anti-Zionism	Chosen People
Social Darwinism	Pikuah Nefesh
Eugenics	
Nationalism	Socialism
Citizenship	
Protocols of the Elders of Zion	
Ego	Person as Object
Id	Normal
Superego	Fantasy
Experience	Repression
Behavior	Estrangement
Person as Object	Defense Mechanism

Larger Issues:

The difference between *Gen 1-2:4a* and *Gen 2:4b-3:24* in terms of the narration, the origins and specifics of each story, the role of God, and the nature of Man.

Where the other people in Genesis come from and what this tells us about the Hebrew God.

Joseph's Dreams and the way in which each party interprets them.

Moses' morally ambiguous character.

Moses Speech Impediment

Why the Hebrews would ask Moses God's Name.

The differences between god's name and his title (Pharaoh must know that I am *the Lord*.)

The key issues in the Shylock/Antonio/Portia relationship

Why one pound of flesh?

The differences between Anti-Judaism, Anti-Semitism, and Anti-Zionism.

The various forms of Zionsim.

The relationship between Darwin's theory of Evolution and Natural Selection and social Darwinism.

The significance of the Dreyfus affair.

The sources of Antisemitism.

Laing's basic ideas about experience and behavior and how they relate to the Other.

Experiencing the human as patient, victim, or Other.

The ground for all beings is the relationship between them.

How Extermination begins before Murder (Shylock and Levinas).

The myth that the divine is more important than the human.

Why Forgiveness entails both Contrition and Ritual observance.

Why we must appease the other person before God forgives us.

Sins against Man vs. Sins against God and which one precedes the Other.

What Speech is and is not, according to Levinas.

The Heidegger/Husserl Controversy.

The significance of the Saul/Gibeonites story in Levinas.

Does Levinas think we punish the children of the Nazis?

Why we must respect the stranger.

The Concentration Camp Situation and what it says about the Jewish View of life.

The binary relationship between Knowledge and Being.

Thought as Re-Presentation of the real.

Objectifying Being vs. Otherwise than Being

Language as a responsibility for the other.

Speaking affirms the 'I' to the face of the Other and what this means about our own being.

How Responsibility destroys knowledge and precedes being.

The difference between the Graeco-Roman and the Davinic State.

The significance of Messiah as King.

The Spiritual solution to the Israeli/Palestinian problem.

How Antisemitism has nothing to do with Jews.

Why Israel cannot base its politics, social customs, beliefs, and even social values on European Models.

How the Body belongs to God.

What created in His Image means in the context of Jewish Bioethics.

The difference between Christianity's suppression of the body and its urges and Judaism's controlling of them.

How are Jews able to condone Homosexuality if Leviticus refers to it as an "Abhorrence" to God, worthy of death?

The difference between Traditional/Orthodox's and Conservative's views on Sex, Masturbation, Contraception, Abortion, Homosexuality, Promiscuity, Assisted Suicide, and Passive Euthanasia.

The Hierarchy of the Mitzvah and how this is different from Christianity's views of Sin.