



THE PEOPLE AND THE BOOKS TALKS FOR MONDAYS, 8.15 pm

Following the series earlier this year, "Anshei Midot", "People of Stature", which highlighted eight figures from the Jewish past who have made a significant contribution to the development of the Jewish people, we're delighted to announce another series showcasing our home talents. This time ten of us – it's obviously catching on – will be discussing a significant Jewish book, or group of books; books which we think should be on every Jewish book-shelf; books which we think are indispensable. Again, we'll be following the model of two talks a week, but this time for five weeks.

24th MAY Rabbi Black will launch the series with a look at what is probably the most familiar of Jewish books, the **Siddur**.

Then **Leigh Lewis** will talk to us about "The Code of Jewish Law" ("The **Kitzur Shulchan Aruch**"), a compilation of Jewish laws and customs written by **Rabbi Solomon Ganzfried** and published in Hungary in 1864 but still in regular use today.

7th JUNE we'll hear about the magnum opus of Jewish life, the **Talmud**, from **Cyril Brazil**.

And then **Ruth Topper** will introduce us to the first great Jewish history book, "**The Jewish War**" by the Roman historian, **Flavius Josephus, aka Yoseph ben Matthias**, the Jewish governor of the Gallilee during the Roman occupation of Judea.

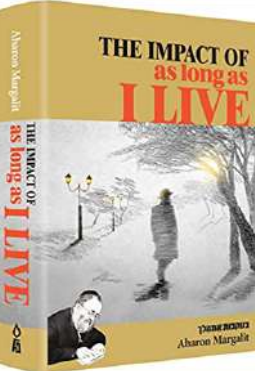
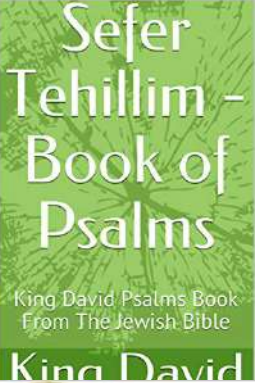
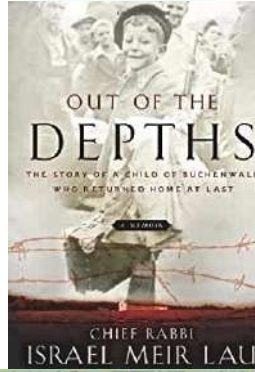
14th JUNE we move into fiction. **Priscilla Dale** will explore the world and range of the work of **Israel Zangwill**, ex-JFS boy and one of the late nineteenth century's most famous literary celebrities,

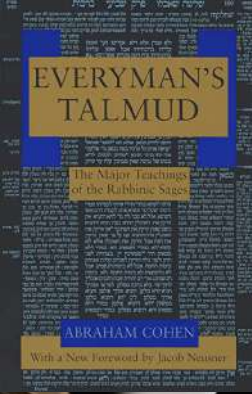
Then it's over to the shtetl for

Morris Wiseman and **Sholom Aleichem's** immortal creation, - "**Tevey Der Milchiger**" - "**Tevey the Milkman**".



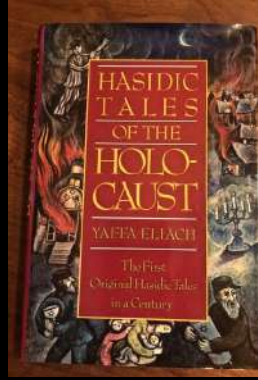
Israel Zangwill
The Complete Works





21st JUNE Irene Leeman will look at **“Out of the Depths”**
the inspiring autobiography of Rabbi Israel Meir Lau.

David Harris will talk about **“Hasidic Tales of the Holocaust”**
- a wonderful collection of stories which despite, or maybe because of, their
subject inspire hope for the future.



28th JUNE Rachelle Goldberg will discuss ***Sefer Tehillim*** ,
The Book of Psalms, one of the most loved and frequently quoted
books in **Tanach**, and

Clemy Lazarus will introduce us to **“As Long As I Live”** by **Rav
Aharon Margalit**, a book which is a testament to faith, optimism
and the power of mind over matter and, as such, is a most appropriate
book with which to conclude this series.

