

# Essentials of Judaism: An Introduction to Jewish Life & Thought

## Mini-Series #3: Jewish History & Peoplehood

*Dates: February 26, March 5, 12, 19*

*Time: 7 – 9 pm*

*Location: Temple Beth El Library*

*Tuition: \$54*

Please join us for an engaging 4-session mini-course exploring the unfolding story of the Jewish people from ancient times to the present, tracing how history, belief, and culture shaped a shared sense of peoplehood. Beginning with the world of the Bible, students examine the origins of Israelite identity and sacred texts, then move into the rabbinic period, when Jewish life and law were re-imagined after the destruction of the Temple. The course continues through the Middle Ages, highlighting diaspora communities, intellectual and spiritual developments, and encounters with surrounding societies, and concludes with the challenges and transformations of modernity. Throughout, the class emphasizes continuity and change in Jewish identity, community, and tradition across time and place.

Whether you're reconnecting with Jewish practice, seeking deeper meaning, of a different faith, or simply curious about the traditions that have shaped Jews for generations, this course offers a welcoming space to learn, ask questions, and grow.

To register, [click here](#) or go to [bit.ly/tbe-miller](http://bit.ly/tbe-miller). Spouses/partners may attend at no additional charge.

Taught by a rotating team of TBE clergy and educators and open to TBE members and nonmembers alike.

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