

Lilith From Mesopotamian Demon to Feminist Icon

The history of Adam's first wife, Lilith. How did an ancient demon become a modern feminist icon? This talk will explain this remarkable transition.

MARCH 22, 7:30 p.m.

Temple Beth El

5975 South 12th Street, Tacoma, WA 98465

The Garden of Earthly Delights: The Song of Songs in the Early Synagogue

While most modern scholars read the biblical Song of Songs as a collection of secular love poems, in antiquity it was understood to be an encoded account of God's love for God's chosen people. This talk will consider how the Song of Songs was taught and understood in the synagogues of the Galilee as well as how the Song's exuberant earthiness enriched and enlivened theological thinking.

MARCH 23, 7:30 p.m.

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