

**Want to Know More About Judaism?**

**Come to the Fundamentals of Judaism Series**

This twelve-week course will delve into the key aspects of Jewish consciousness. Each class will give you a deeper understanding of the issue discussed in a way that is practical and relevant to your life, and designed to allow for questions most important to you.

Meet great people, get some snacks, enjoy a cup of coffee and experience the power of Jewish wisdom.

Topics to be discussed:

**Six Misconceptions in Judaism**

Exploring Judaism can mean unlearning mistaken ideas as much as it means learning new ones.

**Pleasure**

The key to happiness is to appreciate what you have. Sounds simple. So why are so many people unhappy? Get the tools you need for tapping into unlimited richness, pleasure and joy.

**ABCs of Judaism**

All systems are built on fundamental principles. The building blocks of the English language are the ABCs. So if you want to master reading and writing, you have to first learn the alphabet. Judaism too has its "ABCs" upon which everything is based.

**Jewish History in a Nutshell**

"Those who don't remember the past are bound to repeat it."

Jewish History is in many ways World History. Understanding the events that have touched the Jewish people reflect in the way Judaism is practiced today and the world's perception of it.

**Who Wrote the Torah?**

Bible critics argue that the Torah was written by various men and later compiled by a proctor. They also point out various historic discrepancies in the text. We will prove beyond a reasonable doubt that the Torah was divinely written and could not have been written by men.

**Free Will - Our Greatest Power**

Free will is a uniquely human endeavor that spells the difference between life and death. To maximize life, learn the tools for effective free will.

**Back to the Source**

"To The Source" is an introduc-

tory class to the oral law. Contemporary issues are examined through the eyes of classical works, including the Talmud, working up through modern day responsa. Each subject addressed concludes with a clear Torah approach to the issue.

**Women in Judaism**

It's time to lay to rest the canard that Judaism views women as inferior to men.

**Love and Marriage**

The basic building block for marriage is love. The love you create will affect the health of your children, too.

**How to get Your Prayers Answered**

Many people are frustrated by prayer because they feel those prayers are not heard by God. Learn the five key tools for getting your prayers answered.



**Shabbat - Heaven on Earth**

For three millennia, Shabbat has been the Jewish oasis in time. Find out what's behind this weekly day off.

**Plan for Growth**

When it comes to personal growth, we all have good intentions. But how do you translate that into actual improvement?

Register today for this twelve-week spring semester of Fundamentals of Judaism.

Starting Wednesdays, April 18. Morning classes at 9:30 AM/evenings classes at 7:30 PM, at the JCC. Cost \$120. Hurry up and register, as class size is limited. For more information call 704-367-1225 or email foj@charlotte-torahcenter.com. ☆

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**Beginners and Intermediate Hebrew Reading Classes in the Morning and Evening**

Join the CTC for a comprehensive Hebrew study course, which teaches all aspects of Hebrew reading. For beginners, learn the Hebrew alphabet letters and vowel sounds, as well as how they can be combined to form words and phrases. For those who feel they are a bit more advanced, learn how to read more fluently, recognize root words and understand what you are reading.

Evening classes, led by Rabbi Binyamin Levin will be held on Monday evenings at 7:30 PM, starting April 16 at the Charlotte

Torah Center, 5900 Providence Road. Morning classes, led by Eti Abel, will be held on Tuesday mornings at 11 AM, starting April 17, at 6415 Rollingridge Road.

This is the ideal way to learn how to follow synagogue services, to be more involved in your children's Jewish education, or simply to enhance your own ties to



Judaism. \$70 for the entire series. For more info please call the Torah Center at 704-367-1225. ☆

**World Famous Israeli Singer and Musician to perform in Charlotte, Sunday, May 6**

We are very fortunate to have world-renowned Israeli singer and entertainer perform at an outdoor concert in Charlotte. Yoel Sharabi, a Sabra, has captivated his audiences with his wide repertoire and his dynamic style.

He is a master of Modern Israeli, Classic Yemenite, and popular Chassidic melodies. Yoel delivers his songs in a variety of languages and styles. His charisma brings an excitement to his music that is hard to contain.

In concert halls and on stages throughout the world, Yoel's performances have brought an enthusiasm that is unparalleled.

Along with his singing, Yoel is an accomplished musician. He is a skilled guitarist and can hammer out an intricate tune on a Dumbek. Yoel is most widely known for his simultaneous playing of two flutes in perfect harmony, which has been called "magical."

Yoel Sharabi reaches out and entralls his audience with his unique combination of musicianship and stage presence.

Sunday, May 6, on the festival of Lag B'Omer, Yoel will entertain the Jewish community with an outdoor concert. The concert will be held in a beautiful lakeside



Yoel Sharabi

setting at Colonel Francis Beatty Park, 4330 Weddington Rd., in Matthews, NC. This concert is a project of Lubavitch of North Carolina and Congregation Ohr HaTorah. The event will feature a kosher barbecue dinner for adults and children. Tickets need to be purchased in advance of the concert. To purchase tickets, contact Congregation Ohr HaTorah at 704-366-3984 or visit [www.ohratorahnc.org](http://www.ohratorahnc.org). ☆



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