

Cracking The Israeli Code



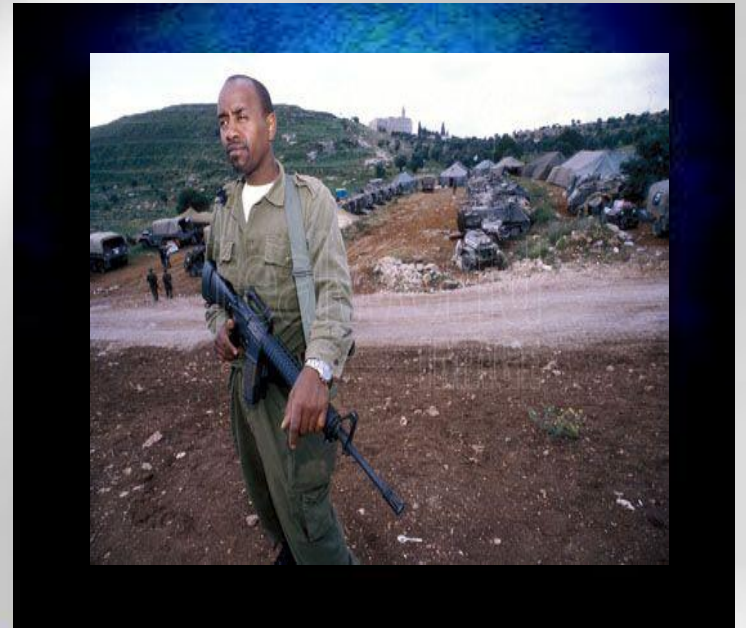
Thou Shalt be worried sick all the time



Thou shalt not bend thy head to the demands of others.



Thou shalt own the Place



Thou shalt give and Thou shalt take

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Thou Shalt Not Be a “Fryer”

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Thou "Speaketh" therefore Thou Exist



**Thou shalt not plan, organize or be disciplined,
Thou shalt only improvise**

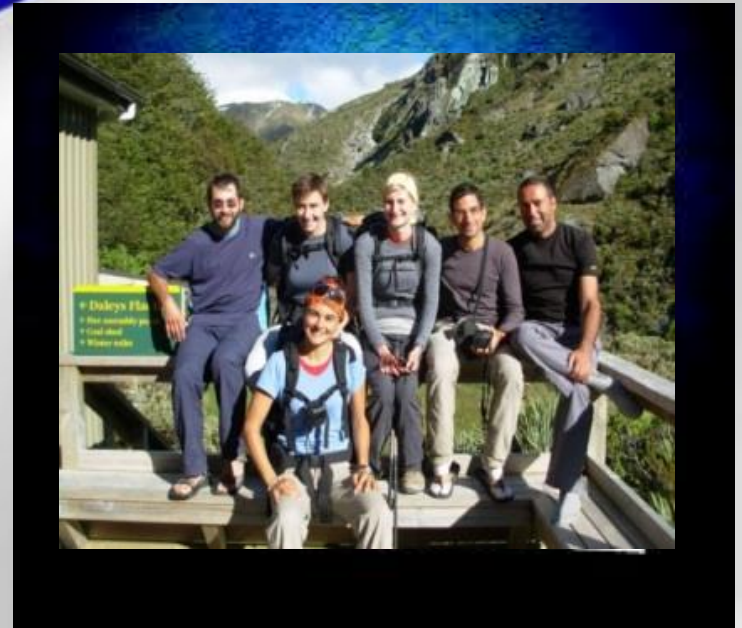


Thou shalt not let others decide for you



Thou shalt treat “their” business as your business

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**Thou shalt be friendly and helpful but
thou shalt not get too close**

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Jewish Identity

The
5 Legged
Table



Memory
Family
Covenant
Hebrew
Israel



What is being Jewish all about?
According to Avraham Infeld, one of the Jewish world's most exciting and unique teachers, being Jewish is about engaging with the five components, or "legs" of Jewish life - Memory, Family, Covenant at Mount Sinai, Israel and the Hebrew Language...

Jewish Identity

U.S versus Israel

- Community, structure of Jewish calendar continuity of history relationship to writings.
- Integration and acceptance - preservation of Jewish identity
- Jewish self - image Liberal camp - reinforce Jewish identity
- Jewish continuity no longer insecurity rather comfort and apathy
- Jewish life in the private spaces of self and family – sacred
- First and foremost American. Dual loyalty a concern
- Israeli Jews – Born or immigrated for idealistic reasons
- Progressive Judaism - Diaspora; Orthodox Judaism – Israel
- Cultural differences vis-à-vis doing, philanthropy, commitment
- Support of Israel unifying factor – no longer?
- Israeli Diaspora – continuity, expression, nationalism, community

Jewish Identity Questions

- **“What in your mind makes you a Jew? In other words complete the sentence: “I am a Jew because...”**
- **“What does Jewishness mean to you?”**
- **“To what degree is your Jewishness an asset or is it a liability in affecting your self-fulfillment professionally, spiritually etc.”**
- **“How would you describe being Jewish to someone who truly doesn't know much of anything about Judaism?”**
- **“Have you encountered first hand Anti-Semitism act (s) directed towards you or others you know, and if so, how did you respond to it?”**
- **“Is it important to you for the sake of continuity that your children marry Jews?”**

