







### משה קבל תורה מסיני ימסרה ליהושע ויהושע לזקנים אבות א; א

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In the world of the Yeshiva student there is no word more overused than "Tradition." From our earliest childhood the importance of adhering to the letter of *Halacha* has been drummed into us. The values have seeped into us unconsciously, forming the very background of the air we breathed and the words we heard.

Yet as T. S. Eliot cogently expressed it in a famous essay, "Tradition cannot be inherited. If you want it you must obtain it by great labor." Too often, we have taken its meaning and its relevance for granted. The fact of its being there has made us complacent, and, we have refused to consider intellectually the basis of our devotion.

Our college experience can help us appreciate anew the meaning and value of tradition. We have become conscious of the various roads the mind of man can travel in its pursuit of the self. The physical sciences have one approach. Psychology, sociology, political science illuminate another perspective. Literature, the arts and history point up still other paths. Our education has resulted in our becoming aware of the infinite complexity of the human personality and the world in which it lives. The "acids of modernity," in Walter Lippmann's phrase, have turned many of us into relitivists. Even in a yeshiva environment we have been affected by the assaults on our inner sense of security launched by the advance of modern knowledge.

Yet, in the final analysis, it is this very conflict that has brought us to a more mature understanding of our tradition. True *Emunah* exists neither in ignorance of alternatives nor in proclamation amorphous natural religion that marches to the tune of changing historical value. True *Emunah* is that which takes into account the standards of critical judgment, of rationalism and materialism, understands their value and rejects them in the name of a higher standard—the values of the Torah.

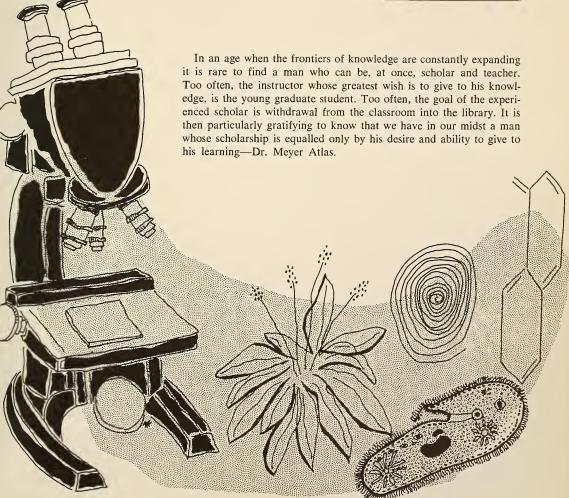
The adult necessarily deals with his world in a fragmentary provisional, one might almost say, instrumental way. But this method does not provide ultimate fulfillment. It is only by realizing that one is part of a tradition that is greater than oneself and attaching oneself to it that one can achieve the inner serenity that is so lacking in a world of strife and alienation.

In the pages that follow we try to show how tradition has permeated every area of our life at Yeshiva and shaped the personalities that we have become today.

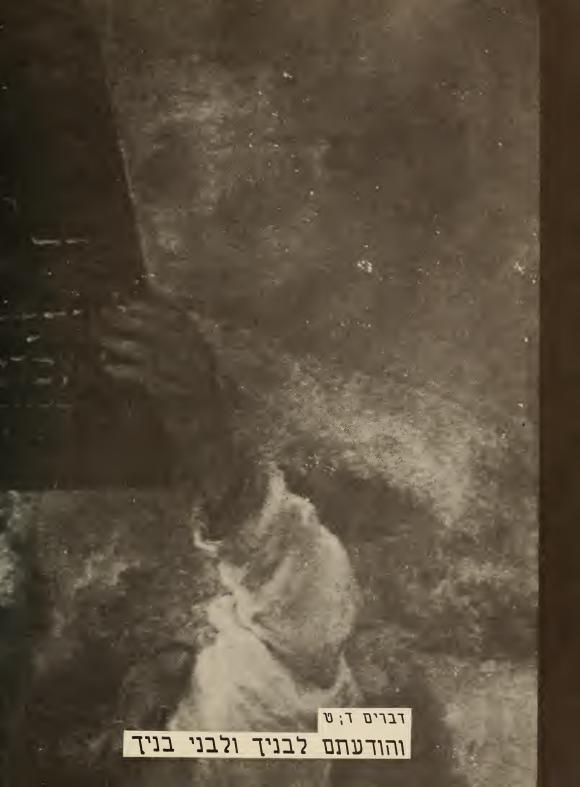
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### והודעתם לבניך ולבני בניך

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Every tradition no matter how sacred must be carried into effect by human beings. Yeshiva is indeed fortunate in the quality of people that have served her courageously throughout these many years. Their skill and dedication have made possible the continued growth and prestige of our institution, enabling more students to benefit from the unique programs she has to offer.

Dr. Revel and the early founders of Yeshiva had left us with a dream and the foundations upon which to build to fulfill that dream. The men pictured in the pages that follow have helped turn that dream into reality, by their tireless devotion, relentless hard work, and heartfelt attachment to the tradition that was entrusted to their care.





## The President's Message

As you conclude your studies at Yeshiva College, I extend my sincerest congratulations for your future achievements and wish you every success in your future endeavors.

In the years ahead, much of the specific details you have learned may fade from memory. More lasting than the details of any discipline are the precepts and values which you have imbibed here. This residue will determine the course of your life.

The nature of Yeshiva College assures every student the opportunity to gain a full measure of these perdurable truths. Here the liberal arts and sciences are coupled with the moral and spiritual teachings of Judaism. Here one may absorb the essence of Torah while examining the world in which we live, the lives and destinies of the people among whom we live.

I trust that, under the guiding principles of our faith, you will continue to grow from strength to strength as a benha-yeshiva all the days of your life.

Sincerely yours, DR. SAMUEL BELKIN President

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In a time when colleges are being reproached for the shoddy educational treatment students are given on all levels through young, inexperienced graduate assistants, you at Yeshiva College had the privilege of receiving your instructions from competent professors and skillful teachers.

In a time when institutions of higher learning are being upbraided for failing badly in their educational tasks and when faculty members are being criticised for their indifference to the educational needs of individual students and for their abdication from educational responsibilities, you had the opportunity to benefit from living in a small community of scholars, in the religious as well as in the secular field, who gave your life direction and purpose and who, through maintaining and insisting on a moral and intellectual discipline, helped you raise your sights on ideas and ideals.

As you, members of the 34th graduating class, leave the sacred halls of Yeshiva, the best wishes of the faculty and the administration go with you. I hope that whether you be far or near you will always retain interest in your Alma Mater and her concerns, and I wish each and every one of you farewell in the sense that you may truly fare well.

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A tradition that is to live must be transmitted from one generation to the next. Though our tradition counsels each individual to pass on the teachings of his father to his children, few can stand up to the responsibility of immersion within the Torah by day and by night; the responsibility that is fundamental to the preservation and continuation of the Masora. Even fewer, can make the tradition live in the minds and hearts of their neighbors' children. These few are our Roshei Yeshiva, of whom it can be rightly said—Lo hatorah bashamaim hee.

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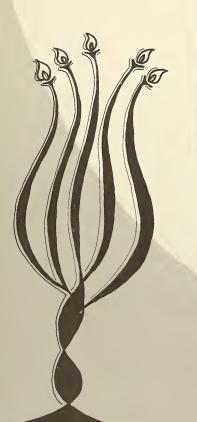
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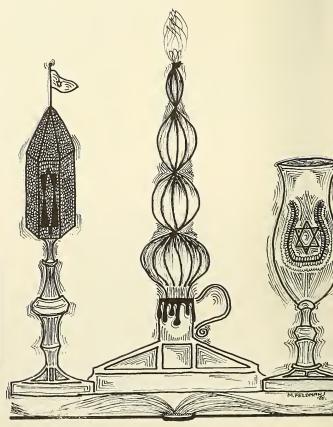
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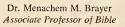
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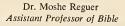


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Jewish tradition in the United States has meant response to the challenge of acculturation to the bland, amorphous, indulgent "Religion of America." Yeshiva's unique contribution in meeting this challenge has been to introduce its students to the highest reaches of Western intellectual thought at the same time that it gently led them through the labyrinthian ways of the Talmud. The hope of the Founders has been that the two traditions would enrich and ennoble each other, thus making it possible for the individual student to form for himself a fruitful synthesis enabling him to face the outside world with equanimity and purpose.

Our college faculty has contributed greatly in helping to achieve this synthesis. Attending their classes in philosophy, history, English, mathematics, our tools for reasoning were sharpened and our sense of indebtedness to our Jewish tradition was deepened. Our teachers have helped us emerge as more mature human being capable of dealing realistically and purposively with the problems confronting us in the outside world.

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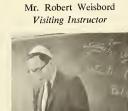
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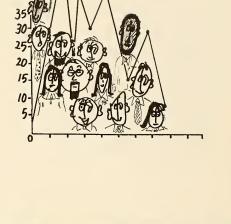
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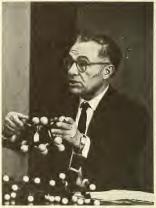
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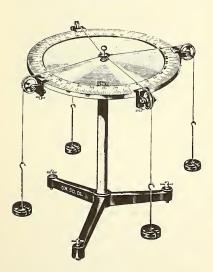


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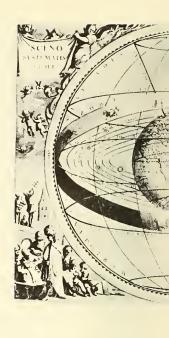




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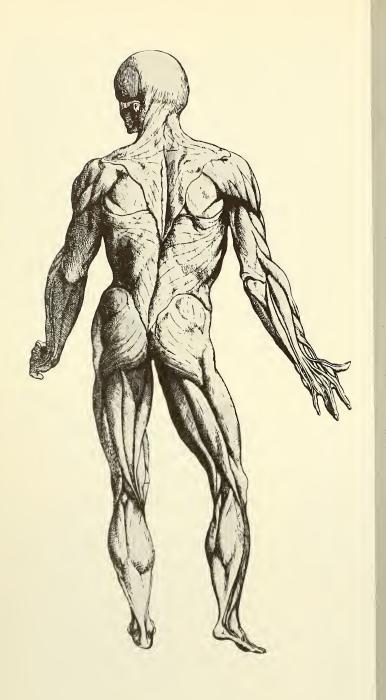
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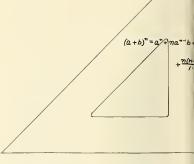
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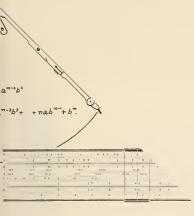




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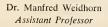
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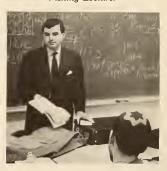
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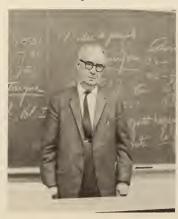


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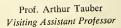
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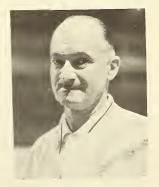




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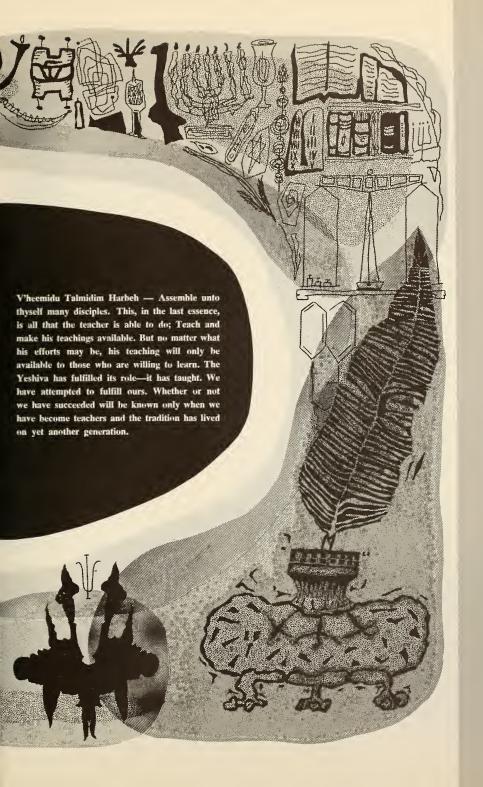
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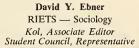
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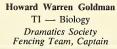
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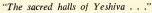
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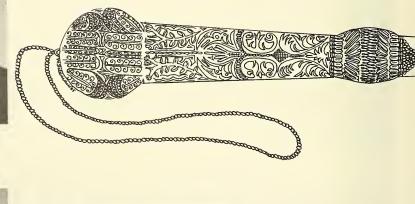
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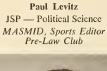
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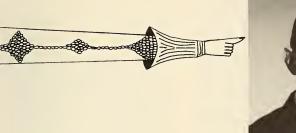


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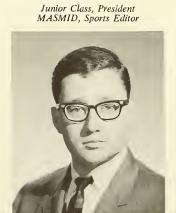


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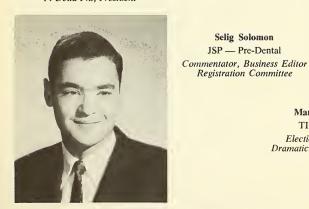


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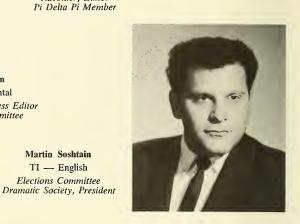
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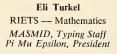
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### When G-D Is Silent

### Hester Pamim in the books of Eicha, Job and Habakuk

-Lawrence Kaplan

I.

The gravest religious crisis that can confront the man of faith is the phenomenon of "Hester Panim," of G-d's "hiding His face," G-d's silence.

Surely the cry, "My G-d, my G-d, why hast Thou forsaken me?" is the most agonizing and despairing cry that resounds in the entire Bible. For the man who has lived in the shadow of G-d's presence, for whom G-d's care and concern, G-d's justice and love, have been living realities to be suddenly abandoned and forsaken, deserted, is to experience a crisis of such awful and soul-shattering dimensions that his faith may be broken and crushed. For he who has encountered G-d in both nature and history to see both these spheres suddenly emptied of all Divinity, nay, even handed over to the forces of evil, is to come face to face with the horrible possibility that his faith has been a snare and a delusion.

If G-d is only "in His heaven," then all cannot be "right with the world." Religion begins when G-d descends from heaven and embraces man with His loving concern. Religion begins with the intimate relationship and bond that G-d Himself has established between Himself and man. And, if G-d breaks that bond, withdraws from this earth, and ascends, once again, into His heaven, then religion must end. And for the religious individual who no longer can discern G-d's presence in his own life and that of mankind, who no longer experiences G-d's constant "being with him," *Ehyeh Imcha*, it seems as if, indeed, religion *has* ended.

Such a crisis confronted the Jewish people in the years preceding the destruction of the first temple. The people of Israel, the chosen people, the people of whom G-d, speaking through his prophet, had said, "You only of all the peoples of the earth have I known," the people who had seen G-d's special covenant with them being actualized and realized throughout the entire course of their historical existence, was now weak and emasculated. Ever since the battle of Megiddo, when Pharoh Necho defeated King Josiah, the independence of the Judean commonwealth was, for all practical purposes, lost. And with the con-

quest of Judea by the Babylonians, the destruction of the Temple, and the forced mass exile that followed, there could be no doubt that G-d had, indeed, "hidden His face." It seemed as if the Jewish people and the Jewish religion were dead, or, if not quite dead, at least rapidly dying. And, how could it be otherwise? Had not G-d withdrawn His sheltering presence from His people and left them exposed to the destructive forces of a Godless world?

Was there any way out of this despair? What reply could the Jews make in the face of "Hester Panim?" Indeed, was there

any reply they could make?

I wish to suggest that in the book of Eicha, especially in the crucial chapters three and five, the prophet Jeremiah formulated, out of the depths of his own experience, the Jewish response to the crisis of "Hester Panim." I also wish to show how Job when confronted by the same crisis, in a parallel situation, responded in substantially the same manner as Jeremiah. And, finally, I wish to examine the book of Habakuk in terms of being G-d's answer to this most challenging, baffling and soul corroding in all religious crises.

#### II

"I am the man that hath seen afflictions by the rod of His wrath." Only in the third chapter of Eicha, does Jeremiah's bitter lament first strike a note of personal suffering and anguish. In the first two chapters Jeremiah laments over his people's bereavement and loss. In the third chapter he speaks of his own losses. "I am the man—ani hagever." Speaking both as a prophet and as the personification of his people, Jeremiah cries out that G-d has adbandoned him. Both as a prophet—for G-d gave him the thankless task of admonishing and rebuking a people that would not listen to him, that persecuted him and nearly killed him and as the personification of his people—for as the people's prophet the suffering and anguish of the Jews in the face of "Hester Panim" becomes Jeremiah's own. Nay, G-d has not only abandoned him but has become his personal enemy. "He was unto me as a bear lying in wait, and as a lion in secret places." And, as his despair reaches almost unbearable proportions his faith nearly cracks. "And I said, my strength and my hope is perished from the Lord."

Suddenly, though, in the midst of remembering this bitter, galling experience, Jeremiah recalls something to mind and is comforted.

I remembered my affliction and my misery the wormwood and the gall.
My soul hath them still in rememberance and is humbled in me.
This I recall to my mind,
Therefore have I hope.

What can be this sudden revelation that infuses such hope in him?

Surely the Lord's mercies are not consumed, Surely His compassion fail not. They are new every morning. Great is thy faithfulness. 'The Lord is my portion,' saith my spirit, 'Therefore will I hope in Him'.

But, has not Jeremiah just spoken of G-d's awful wrath which, at that very moment, is oppressing him? How can he then say that G-d's mercies are endless? Did Jeremiah see G-d's mercies revealed in the destruction of the Temple?

How can Jeremiah assert that a man should wait for the salvation of the Lord when he has just said that G-d has cut off his prayer for redemption? How can he speak of salvation at all, when salvation is *dead*, is no longer a living force in his life?

Here I wish to suggest that, if we are to understand Jeremiah's internal movement from despair to hope, we must differentiate between his faith and his belief. Faith is placing one's trust in a God whose presence one experiences daily. "And the people saw G-d and they had faith in G-d." Belief is intellectual assent to the fact that G-d is present even though his presence is hidden. When we live in faith we experience with the fullness of our entire being, our reason, our senses, our emotions, our will, G-d's care and concern made manifest clearly in history. When we live in belief, all we can do is to acknowledge that G-d's care and concern abides, for He has hidden His presence and we cannot discern His abiding care.

Jeremiah could no longer experience redemption as a living reality. He still believed in a G-d that redeems. And, this belief was enough to give him hope. G-d's goodness may have been hidden from sight; yet the fact remained that G-d is good. And

that fact was enough to give him hope.1

But, belief is only possible if faith has preceded it. Belief in a G-d that cares is only possible if at some point one has experienced G-d's care. Jeremiah, at the moment of "Hester Panim", could retain his hope in G-d for he remembered how G-d had once seized hold of his entire being. The Jewish people in exile could believe in G-d's redemptive powers for they remembered "the great hand of G-d" which took them out of Egypt.

We may go further than that and say, together with Dr. Eliezer Berkovits, that belief is not only possible when preceded by

faith but is a necessary outgrowth of it.

In the encounter, man is "shown not that G-d happens to care

at one particular moment but that he is a caring G-d. Therefore, even after the actual experience of the encounter has passed, the *knowledge* remains with man that G-d does not withdraw, that He does not abandon man, that the relationship of concern is not severed, even though it is no longer experienced. The knowledge follows logically from the encounter."<sup>2</sup>

Yet, if belief follows logically from faith, psychologically it is a different matter altogether. For when the encounter with G-d is no longer possible one's faith can turn into a despairing abdication of one's responsibility for searching out another alternative in place of the existential aspect of religion, indeed has it threatened to do with Jeremiah—that is, faith can turn into despair unless one can "recall to mind" the logical implications of one's previous encounter with G-d and the necessary consequences of belief.

Belief follows faith and yet Jeremiah cannot rest content with belief alone. He may indeed, believe in G-d's concern, yet he yearns to experience it once more. If need be he will live by his belief yet he yearns to return to his living faith. In chapter five, then, the concluding chapter of *Eicha*, Jeremiah no longer laments his fate but addresses a prayer, a plea to G-d.

Remember, O Lord what is come upon us Consider and behold our shame . . . Thou, O Lord remainest forever, Thy throne from generation to generation. Wherefore dost Thou forget us forever And forsake us for so long a time? Turn Thou us unto Thee, O Lord And we shall be turned, renew our days As of old.

While it is then, the faith that results in belief that enables the prophet to move from despair to hope, he will always pray to G-d to return to him, enabling him to return to G-d in the faith of his days of old.

### Ш

The same psychological, religious response to the crisis of "Hester Panim" that characterizes Eicha, characterizes the book of Job. Job's descriptions of his pains and travails are strikingly similar to that of Jeremiah's. Both Job and Jeremiah in the darkness, have G-d for their enemy, are abandoned by their people, and are afflicted with acute physical suffering.<sup>3</sup>

And Job's response is of a piece with that of Jeremiah. "Though He slay me, yet I will place my hope in Him." Job, who has known G-d's blessing as of old still believes in G-d's redemptive power though G-d has afflicted him sorely. "Know that my redeemer liveth," he exclaims in a moment of hope.

Yet Job, while willing to believe, also refuses to remain content with belief. He cannot rest content with G-d's silence.

Who would see to it that I know where to find Him . . . .
I would present Him with my arguments And He would answer me, and I would understand what He would say unto me.

Nor can he rest content with G-d's absence.

O that I were as in the months of old As in the days when G-d watched over me, When His lamp shined above my head And by His light I walked through darkness When the Almighty was yet with me And my children were about me.5

To be sure, Job's protests are much stronger than Jeremiah's prayers. For while Jeremiah can acknowledge that G-d has just cause for "hiding His face" in his situation. Job can see no justification for such action in his. But the response to the crisis is, as I have said, essentially the same.

We may ask, is such a response possible? Can the tension between the willingness to rest in belief if need be, and the unwillingness to rest content with that same belief, can that tension be maintained? Will not the willingness to rest in the belief of G-d's goodness and concern eventually result in resting content with that belief? Is it not likely that with the passage of time the believer will be content with the mere knowledge that G-d is present and no longer seek to experience His presence. And the other possibility is present as well. The unwillingness to rest content in belief may lead to an unwillingness to believe at all. If one yearns for G-d to envelop him with His loving care and one's yearning remains unfulfilled, then this very unfulfilled yearning can lead to a denial of the fact that G-d does care even when "in hiding."

Is it possible then to maintain the tension, the delicate balance

between acceptance and dissatisfaction?

It is possible, for it is G-d Himself who guarantees the maintenance of the tension. Moreover, G-d embodies this tension, viewed from his own perspective of course, within himself as well.

G-d presents us with this guarantee in the book of Habakuk. Habakuk has complained to G-d that injustice has triumphed and justice is trampled upon because G-d has ridden Himself from His people. And G-d replies with a dual answer. He demands that the righteous man live by his faith. And He promises to manifest Himself by executing judgement upon the wicked.<sup>7</sup> This dual reply would seem to contradict itself. If G-d will show Himself in judgement, what need is there for the belief that results from faith? And if that belief is necessary, then is it not necessary precisely because G-d will continue to remain hidden?

But it is the same tension at work again; the tension which man can live by, which man must live by, for this tension exists in G-d Himself and thus is its dynamic realization guaranteed. For every moment when G-d hides Himself He begins the process of redemption. On the day the Temple was destroyed, the Messiah was born.

Here, then, in Eicha, Habakuk and Job, our view of the response to "Hester Panim", both the response of man and the

response of G-d coalesce into a unity.

In a time of "Hester Panim" man promises to live by his belief, yet never giving up his demand for redemption. And in a time of "Hester Panim" G-d, on His part, confronts us with the demand that we live out this crisis by our belief, confident and trusting in His promise of redemption.

#### **FOOTNOTES**

1. My distinction between belief and faith might seem to correspond to the well-known distinction between "belief that" and "belief in." This is not so. "Belief that" refers to a belief that a certain proposition is true. For example, "I believe that a prime mover exists." "Belief in" refers to a belief that invites one to place one's trust and confidence in another person, for example, "She believes in him." In the sense that I am using it, it is "belief in" since when one believes that G-d is concerned about man, even though that concern may be hidden, one is led to place his trust and hope in G-d, that is, he is led to "believe in" G-d. Faith, of course, is also a form of "believe in" occasioned by direct experience of G-d's presence.

 Eliezer Berkoviz, G-d, Man and History, Jonathan David, New York, 1959, pp. 40-41.

3. cf. Eicha 3: 2, 4, 10, 14 and Job 19:8, 11, 13-20, 21.

4. Note the use of the word Ochil, Eicha 3:21, 24, 25 and Ayachil, Job 13:15.

5. Note the use of the word Kedem, Eicha 5:21, Job 29:2.

6. I have interpreted Emunah in the verse, "The righteous shall live by his faith" to mean the belief that results from faith, not faith itself. As there is no separate word for belief in Hebrew, Emunah can take on

either meaning depending on context.

7. The verse, "For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea" which follows directly upon G-d's pronouncements of the coming destruction which He will execute upon the wicked is, contrary to the assertion of some modern critics, perfectly in place. We have only to assume that these pronouncements are part of G-d's answer to Habakuk's question "why Hester Panim?" If our assumption is correct, these pronouncements then, should be understood, as I have understood them, to mean that through G-d's destruction of the wicked He will make manifest His glory to all the inhabitants of the earth and no longer will His justice be hidden. "Daat HaShem", knowledge of the Lord, refers to a personal intimate relationship with G-d. cf. Hosea 2:22.





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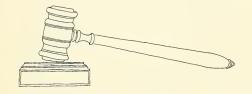


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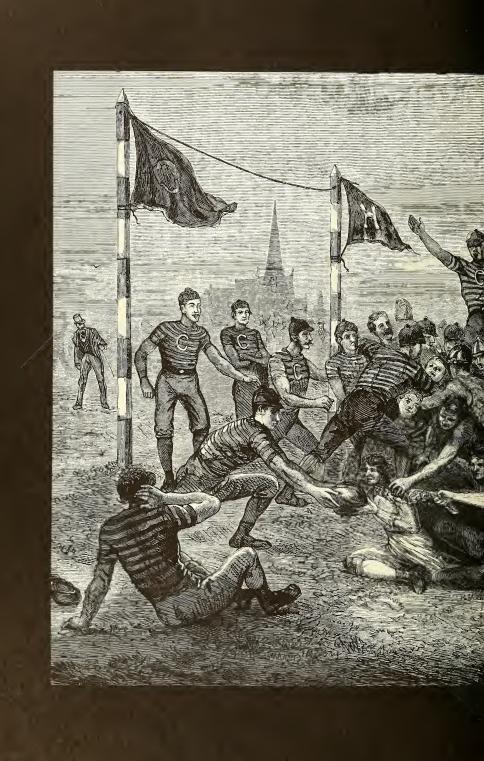
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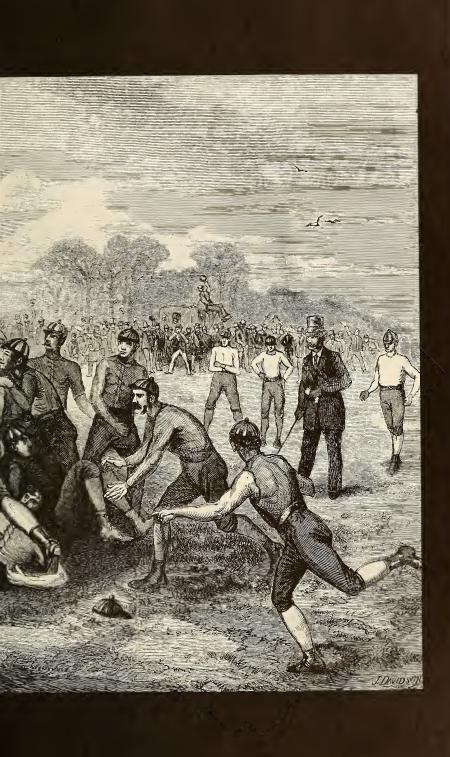
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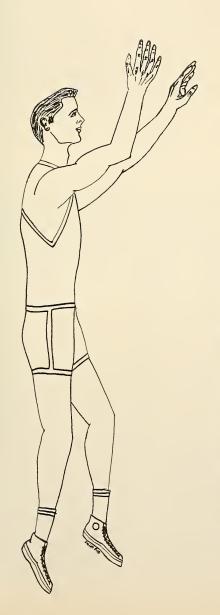
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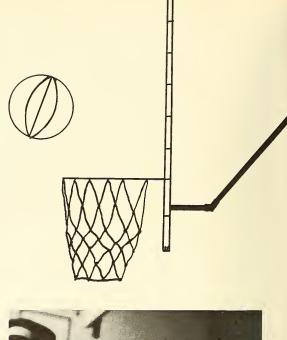
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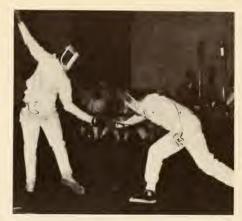
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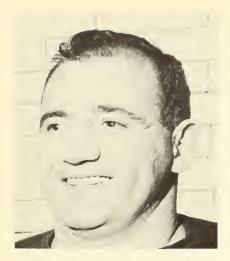


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Total:	47	61	.435
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Sidney Kalish	9	15	.375
Maurice Zauderer	11	22	.333
Emanuel Saidlower	6	12	.333
Arthur Mantel	2	5	.286
Victor Kops	1	9	.100
Howard Rothman	1	0	1.000
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Warren Goldman	11	10	.520
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Alan Lehrer	4	5	.444
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Robert Goldberg	0	2	.000
Arthur Mantel	0	1	.000
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