

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PERSONAL DATA: Date of Birth: September 6, 1945
Wife: Sandra
Child: Joshua

EDUCATION: General

B.A. in philosophy, University of Illinois: Chicago
Circle Campus, 1967
Attended University of Massachusetts, Amherst,
graduate work in philosophy, 1967-1968
M.A. in philosophy, Temple University, 1973 (Thesis:
AN EXAMINATION OF METHODOLOGY IN THE PHILOSOPHY
OF RELIGION)
Ph.D. in philosophy, expected, Temple University,
1974 (Thesis: FRANZ ROSENZWEIG'S PHILOSOPHY
OF HISTORY: A STUDY OF THE STAR OF REDEMPTION)

Religious

Hebrew High School Diploma, Hebrew High School of the
College of Jewish Studies, in Chicago, Intensive
Division, 1963
Attended part-time The College of Jewish Studies, 1963-
1967
Rabbinical Degree, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College,
May 19, 1974
D.H.L. (Doctor of Hebrew Letters), expected, Reconstruc-
tionist Rabbinical College, 1974

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Teaching

Teaching Assistant, Temple University, 1970-1971
Research Assistant, Temple University, 1971-1972
University Fellow, Temple University, 1969-1970;
1972-1973
Summer Fellow, Temple University, 1972
Teacher, Beth Sholom Religious School, Elkins Park,
Pa., 1968-1970
Teacher, Keneseth Israel Confirmation Academy, Elkins
Park, Pa., 1973-1974
Instructor in Modern Jewish Thought, Community School
for Adult Jewish Studies, Trenton, New Jersey,
1973-1974

WORK EXPERIENCE:

Teaching-continued

Instructor, Gratz College, Normal Department, Philadelphia, Pa., 1974
Adjunct Professor of Philosophy and Religion, Antioch College/Philadelphia, 1974

Youth Work

Counselor-in-Training, Camp Ramah in Israel, summer 1962
Counselor, Camp Ramah in Wisconsin, summer 1963
Counselor, Camp Chi in Wisconsin, a Jewish Community Center Camp, summer 1965
Assistant Head of Residence, George Washington Lower, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, 1967-1968

Rabbinical

Creative Sermon, High Holy Day Services, Society Hill Synagogue, 1972
Creative Shabbat Services, Reconstructionist Rabbinical College, 1968-1970
Creative Shabbat and Holiday Services, Leader and Participant, Havurah Study Group, 1971 to the present

GRADUATE WORK AND INSTRUCTORS:

RECONSTRUCTIONIST RABBINICAL COLLEGE

Biblical History and Civilization (I. Caine)
Biblical Grammar and Texts (I. Caine, W. Chomsky)
Rabbinic History and Civilization (J. Agus)
Mishnaic Texts (M. Selekman)
Aggadic Texts (W. Chomsky)
Talmudic Texts (F. Kazan, M. Ben-Ishai, S. Cohen)
Medieval Jewish History and Civilization (A. Zuckerman)
Medieval Hebrew Literature (M. Ben-Ishai)
Medieval Bible Commentaries (R. Brauner)
Rabbinic Codes (S. Cohen)
Modern Jewish History and Civilization (L. Silberstein, M. Himmelfarb, A. Gilbert)
Modern Jewish Thought (L. Silberstein, M. Kaplan, I. Eisenstein, A. Gilbert)
Modern Hebrew Literature (U. Adini, A. Mars)

RELIGION DEPARTMENT OF TEMPLE UNIVERSITY

Biblical Thought (R. Gordis)
Book of Job (R. Gordis)
Aggadic Texts (G. Blidstein)
Halakhic Texts (G. Blidstein)

GRADUATE WORK AND INSTRUCTORS:

RELIGION DEPARTMENT OF TEMPLE UNIVERSITY-continued

Contemporary Jewish Thought (M. Friedman)
Religion and Literature (M. Friedman)

PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT OF TEMPLE UNIVERSITY

I have completed all requirements for the doctorate except the dissertation on which I am now working.

BRIEF SUMMARY OF DISSERTATION:

In The Star of Redemption, Franz Rosenzweig portrays Judaism and Christianity as irreplaceable clocks which measure the history of time. The categories of measurement are the philosophical "elements" of reality: God, World, and Man. These elements become known only through their interactions with one another in the pre-philosophical forms of Creation, Revelation, and Redemption. Religion and philosophy meet, as a result of these considerations, at that point in our thinking when we become concerned with history, or rather with the philosophy of history.

I intend to examine the internal structure and logic of Rosenzweig's conception of philosophy and religion and their meeting. This will involve a critical study of large portions of The Star of Redemption, Rosenzweig's major religious and philosophical work.

REFERENCES:

Rabbi Arthur Gilbert (Reconstructionist Rabbinical College)
Dr. Ronald Brauner (Reconstructionist Rabbinical College)
Rabbi Sol Cohen (Reconstructionist Rabbinical College)

PUBLICATIONS:

"Franz Rosenzweig's Approach to Jewish Law", RECONSTRUCTIONIST,
forthcoming

"Critical Review of Ludwig Wittgenstein's On Certainty",
PHILOSOPHIA: PHILOSOPHICAL QUARTERLY OF ISRAEL,
forthcoming