JEWISH NORMATIVE LITERATURE ("Old Testament")

(4) Subject: Desert, Waiting, Journey, Exodus, Covenant

Prophets

Isaiah

53

"I have called you by name"

Jeremiah -- reluctance

Hosea

Genesis

Account of creation (and it was good);

He breathed into him the breath of life and he was made a person. Let us make man in our image.

Abraham -- call sacrifice, faith, going into the wilderness

Moses

"What does the Lord require of you but that you do justice, love mercy..."

"Bless the Lord, O My Soul, and all that is within me..."

Canticle of Canticles

"All is in the hand of heaven except the fear of heaven."
Rabbinic (Talmudic)

Psalms 23, 32:8, 39, 46, 91, 101, 121, 139
3: I will both lay me down in peace and sleep, for Thou, Lord knowest that I dwell in safety.

Story

II Kings - Lepers who must risk to go forward into every camp

(3) Prophets

Isaiah

Jeremiah (being faced with foot soldiers)

Hosea

Genesis -- Creation and Fall -- Jacob

Moses-Aaron-God enabling--Injunction to Moses: "choose life"

Call

Freedom

Job

David's imperfection and humanity

You meant it for evil, but God meant it for good.

Concordance

(2) Covenant Theme

Job

History

Failure

Moses

Song

Genesis 2, 3, 32

Ruth (woman, call) Isaiah 40, 43

Jeremiah 29:12 I know my plan for you

Elijah There came a gentle breeze...he knew God was speaking

Micah: "What does the Lord require of you?"

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Amos

"Choose this day whom you will serve..."

"Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart. and soul..."

Jonah -- heading away from Nineveh

Jacob's wrestle with the angel

Israelites despairing in the desert

Psalms 23, 103, 100, 150

(1) The Exodus Patience

Noah

David History Apple

Egyptian-Assyrian stories Adam-"Where are you, man?" Elijah-"Still, small voice"

Prophets

Amos-justice; "enough of your solemn assemblies"

Hosea—forgiving Isaiah 54

Genesis

Psalm 51

Thou shalt be like the morning dew unto Israel.

Where were you when the morning stars danced together?

And the Spirit of God moved upon the waters.

CHRISTIAN NORMATIVE LITERATURE ("New Testament")

(4) Jesus

Incarnation

Lord

Death and Resurrection

Quiet

Vine and Branches

Sermon on the Mount (Beatitudes)

Garden of Gethsemane

Appearance to apostles after Easter

Lazarus

Prodigal Son - Forgiveness; Mustard Seed

Trip to Emmaus (Luke 24:13ff)

"But who do you say I am?" (Mark)

"Your sorrow shall be turned into joy, and your joy no man shall take from you."

Bartimaeus

Prayer for unity

Woman at the well

Eucharist

Paul

Letters: I Cor. 13, Philippians, Ephesians, Romans 8 (esp. last three paragraphs)

Passion Narratives

Gospels (Jn. 14) (Luke, Jn., Matt., Mk.) (Matt.)

John

Letters (Jn. 1)

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John 3:16 For God so loved the world...

There is now no condemnation in those who are in Christ Jesus

Knock and it shall be opened. Ask and you shall have. Seek and you shall find.

Come now, let us reason together, says the Lord, 'tho your sins be as scarlet, they shall be white as snow.

(3) Jesus

Sermon on the Mount (Beatitudes)

Judgement: "When did I see you hungry...?"

Isaiahic understanding of mission: "...to give sight to the blind," "preach good news to the poor."

Washing feet of apostles

Zaccheus

Road to Emmaus

Last supper

Woman at the well

Woman taken in adultery

I, if I be lifted up, will draw

all men unto me.
I am the Bread of Life

Peter's denial

Vine and branches

Parables

Weeds and wheat

Prodigal Son

Subject: Love, Repentance, Concern, Forgiveness

Death narratives

Kingdom of God is within

Share ye one another's burdens

Epistles

Corinthians

Revelation 21

Histories of Gospel origins

(2) Subject: Patience, Priorities, Gentleness

Jesus

Forgiveness--Woman taken in adultery

Cure of the paralyzed man/ Healing miracles-faith

Wedding feast at Cana

"Did not our hearts burn within us as he explained the Scriptures to us on the road?"

Sermon on the Mount (Matt. 5-7)

Mary and Martha

Eucharist

Parables

Good Samaritan

Rich Young Man

Paul: One body, many parts

Romans 8:1ff, 12 "acceptable offering"

I Cor. 13 "love never ends"

Acts - Pentecost

I John 4-5 "nature of love"

Early Fathers

Greek sources -- myths

Tapes - Commentaries on NT

NT (2) cont'd.

Come unto me, all you who labor and are heavy laden.

If you, then, evil as you are, know how to give good gifts to your children--

If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

Lean not unto your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him and He will direct your heart.

(1) Use of personal gifts and talents

"Who shall separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus?"

Sayings of Jesus: "Go and sin no more."

Sermon on the Mount: "Do not be anxious"

Conflict narratives

Hebrews

"Celebration"--Sunday Sermons prepared

Therefore, seeing we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses Ho, everyone who thirsts. Come ye to the waters

I deliver to you that which I also received, that the Lord Jesus on the night on which He was betrayed took bread...

Acts 2:4 But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost...

Rom. 8:26 We know that all things work together for good to them...

Jude 1 Now unto Him that is able to present you faultless

Phil. 1:6 And I am sure that he who b egan a good work in you...

Mt. 28:19-20 Go ye therefore into all the world...

Jn. 14 Promise of the Comforter

Jn. 17 Prayer of intercession

OTHER LITERATURE

(4) Psychiatry manuals (Merck Manual) Longfellow: Song of Life

The Lost Opportunity The Idol Smasher

NY Times -- Kafka -- Kazanzakis -- Morris West

Tillich Newspaper articles

Thoreau: "The mass of men live lives of quiet desperation"

TV commercials Wise "sayings"

Man of La Mancha This Tremendous Lover

Intimacy and Celibacy Prayer, Reflection, Contemplation

(3) Psychology Today -- Newspaper -- Kafka -- Kazanzakis -- Tournier Current popular books -- Songs -- Works of Gabriel Moran Man of La Mancha -- Cardinal Newman -- Ministry

Herb Gardner's 1000 Clowns -- Self-appreciation, Assertion, Understanding -- Solitude vs. loneliness

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(2) Markings Shakespeare Journals

Periodicals John Donne Gibran: The Prophet

Imitation of Christ Man for All Seasons

Rogers: On Becoming a Person

Gordon: PET (Active Listening)

Coleridge: Ancient Mariner (harmony in universe)

Books by Nouwen, Carroll, Farrell

American Personnel and Guidance Journal

Hospitality

(1) Ellis: RET NY Times

PC books Newsweek

Tapes Psychoanalytic material

Movie: Scenes from a Marriage (insensitivity-selfishness)

Saul of the Aspostolate