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## Curriculum Vitae

### 1. Personal Data

Name in Hebrew: פרופי לרנר ברל דב  
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### 2. Education Certificates and Degrees

<u>Education</u>	<u>Institute</u>	<u>Department</u>	<u>From - To</u>
First Degree	Johns Hopkins University	Social and Behavioral Sciences	1976-1980
Second Degree	University of Chicago	Philosophy	1980-1982
Third Degree	Tel Aviv University	Philosophy	1992-1999

### 3. **Title of Master's Thesis:** *Peter Winch on Religion, Magic, and Interpretive charity* **Supervisor:** Jacob Joshua Ross

**Title of Doctoral Thesis:** *Instrumental Pluralism, Interpretive Charity, and Peter Winch's Philosophy of the Social Sciences*

**Supervisor:** Jacob Joshua Ross

### 4. Academic Ranks

<u>Rank</u>	<u>% Position</u>	<u>From - To</u>	<u>Institute</u>
Associate professor	80%	2012-present	Western Galilee College

### 5. Research Grants

<u>From-To</u>	<u>Funding Agency</u>	<u>Title of Research</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2015-2017	Templeton Foundation via Herzl Institute	Divine/Human interaction	\$40000

## 6. Positions Held

<u>From-To</u>	<u>Institute</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>% Position</u>
2009-present	Interdisciplinary Center Herzliya	Non-faculty instructor	10%
2000-present	Safed Academic College	Non-faculty instructor	30%
1997-8	Bar Ilan University	Non-faculty instructor	10%
1999-2000	Kinneret College	Non-faculty instructor	50%
1997-present	Western Galilee College	Associate Professor (present)	80%

## 7. Scientific Areas of Specialization

Philosophy of social science

philosophy of religion

practical ethics

Jewish philosophy

Bible

## 8. Miscellaneous

Referee for the journal *Philosophy of the Social Sciences*.

Referee for the journal *Practical Philosophy*.

Referee for the Journal *Philosophia: Philosophical Quarterly of Israel*

Referee for the journal *Social Epistemology*.

Member of Editorial Board, *Women in Judaism: a Multidisciplinary Journal*

Referee for grant proposal Israel Science Foundation

Audio and Video Section co-editor for Episteme Links academic philosophy portal

<http://www.epistemelinks.com/>

## 9. Academic Profile

Much of my early philosophical research has focused on Neo-Wittgensteinian philosophy of social science and of religion, and in particular, that of Peter Winch. One of my first publications on the topic ("Winch and Instrumental Pluralism") sparked an exchange with L.D. Keita and Patrick Phillips in the pages of the journal *Philosophy of the Social Sciences*. My related book, *Rules, Magic and Instrumental Reason* was well received by reviewers. Kevin Schilbrack wrote: "Lerner has produced a valuable guide to Winch's Wittgensteinian approach to the study of religion. Clearly written and argued, it is in fact the best book on the subject" (*Method & Theory in the Study of Religion* 15: 111-112). Theodore Schatzki wrote, "All in all, Lerner's book offers useful criticisms of Winch's ideas and is the most methodic and comprehensive treatment available of Winch's philosophy of the social sciences" (*Philosophy of the Social Sciences* June 2005, pg. 232). The book has also appeared in reading lists of university courses such as the University of Edinburgh's course in social theory: <http://www.sps.ed.ac.uk/data/assets/pdf/0010/33589/SocialTheory09.pdf>

My related articles have also drawn some attention. Graham Harvey was impressed by my "Understanding a (Secular) Primitive Society," which deals with certain preconceptions that influence the anthropology of religion, and asked me to write a

chapter for his *Indigenous Religions: A Companion*, (Cassel 2000). I ended up writing "Magic and Secularity among the Azande and Nuer" for that book. Later, Harvey republished "Understanding a (Secular) Primitive Society" in his *Readings in Indigenous Religions* (London: Continuum, 2002). The article continues to attract interest; in 2008 a long discussion of it took place on Richard Dawkin's website <http://forum.richarddawkins.net/viewtopic.php?f=20&t=65111>

My articles in biblical studies have gained some scholarly attention and have been cited in biblical commentaries and monographs. For instance, in his *Assimilation Versus Separation: Joseph the Administrator and the Politics of Religion in Biblical Israel* Aaron Wildavsky calls my article "Joseph the Unjust" "the most thoroughgoing criticism of Joseph's behavior" (p. 204). My strong interest in Jewish and biblical studies is reflected not only in publications restricted to those fields, but also in articles which span the gap between Jewish studies and modern philosophy. "Wittgenstein's Scapegoat" uses biblical exegesis to critique the way some philosophers have understood the biblical scapegoat ritual; the critique has been adopted by some philosophers, such as Duncan Richter in his book, *Wittgenstein at his Word* (pp. 165-7). "Saving the Akedah from the Philosophers" argues against philosophical interpretations of the biblical story of the binding of Isaac and led to published exchange of articles with Shubert Spero. "Interfering with Divinely Imposed Suffering" cites traditional Jewish texts while criticizing part of John Hick's theodicy. "Maimonides on Free Will at the Societal Level" (which has also been published in a Chinese translation) interprets a passage from Maimonides in the light of contemporary philosophy of the social sciences, and "RaMBaM and Middle Knowledge" discusses a problem in the interpretation of Maimonides in the light of philosophical ideas developed within Christian theology. Sometimes the philosophical interests reflected in my teaching take on a Jewish direction in my publications: I taught courses on "Sex and Philosophy" and wrote an article on Judaism for Alan Soble's *Sex from Plato to Paglia: A Philosophical Encyclopedia*. My course on "Philosophy and Contemporary Issues" has dealt with animal rights and environmental ethics, and I have written about Jewish aspects of those subjects for the *Encyclopedia of Religion and Nature*, the *Encyclopedia of Animals and Humans* and the forthcoming *Encyclopedia of Animal Rights and Animal Welfare*. I like to think that all of these publications have helped open up new lines of communication between traditional Jewish culture and contemporary western thought, a goal which is also served by the classes on modern philosophy which I have taught at Yeshivat Maale Gilboa.

One issue of particular interest for me is the status of women in Judaism. I first wrote on this topic in my article, "And He Shall Rule Over Thee," and it is important for my "No Happy Ending for Esther," which was required reading for a course in feminist Jewish studies at Brandeis University,

<http://www.brandeis.edu/departments/nejs/syllabi/docs/2006/nejs376b-s2006.pdf> My more recently published "Could I Have Been a Woman? Meditations on a Controversial Benediction" (*Philosophy and Literature*) applies the tools of analytic philosophy to an important feminist discussion of Jewish liturgy; an earlier presentation of its main thesis which I published on the Internet has been discussed in Dalia Marx's recent book, *Be'et Ishan V'a'ira: al Hatfilot Shebein Yom Uvein Layla* (Yediyot Ahronot, 2010). I also serve on the editorial board of the online journal, *Women in Judaism: a Multidisciplinary Journal*. Most recently, my article "The Ten Curses of Eve, which argues that rabbinic Judaism was always aware of the inequality suffered by women in traditional Jewish societies, appeared in *Women and Judaism*.

The Royal Institute of Philosophy's journal *Think* has an unusually open-minded editorial policy, which has allowed me to publish philosophical work in somewhat unusual literary formats. "A Multicultural Dialogue on the Transmigration of Souls" describes a fictional conversation between students in my philosophy of religion course at the Western Galilee College. The two short papers, "Should Philosophers be Consistent?" parts I and II are deliberately constructed so that together they create a logical paradox. My dialogue, "My Evening with Mr. Wang," pushes the boundaries

of academic philosophical writing even farther. In it I interview the imaginary person who participated in thought experiments performed by the philosopher John Searle – and Searle's imaginary character complains that his creator faked the results of the thought experiments in his publications!

I am also interested in Jewish-Christian relations and have been involved in a number of interfaith activities, most notably the lectures I gave at the Akademie für die Theologie des Volkes Gottes outside Rome in the summer of 2008. The content of part of one of the lectures later appeared as the article "Denke daran, den Namen des Herrn nicht unbedacht zu gebrauchen" and in an English language version as "Please Consider Not Taking the Lord's Name in Vain" in *Expository Times*. My philosophical, Jewish, and interfaith interests all came together in my Jewish reading of the Parable of the Good Samaritan, "Samaritans, Jews and Philosophers," which was discussed by W.R. Williams in his "Comment on 'Samaritan, Jews, and Philosophers,'" also appearing in *Expository Times*. My short piece, "Untangling σαβαθάνι," also deals with a Gospel narrative. Most recently, I delivered a series of lectures introducing Judaism to students at the Nazareth Evangelical College.

Much of my academic activity takes place on the Internet. For many years I have been an active participant in the philos-l, philosop, and chora email distribution lists for academic philosophers and I have helped with the multimedia section of the EpistemeLinks academic philosophy portal. I also correspond frequently with overseas colleagues; we help each other with our research, teaching, and writing (see, for instance, Paul Roth's article for *The Blackwell Guide to the Philosophy of the Social Sciences*, John Goldingay's *Theology of the Old Testament*, James' Francis's *Adults As Children: Images of Childhood in the Ancient World and the New Testament*, and, in Israel, Menachem Kellner's *Maimonides' confrontation with Judaism*). Jonathan Glover has published our email correspondence on his website:

<http://www.jonathanglover.co.uk/philosophy-beliefs-and-conflicts/philosophy-beliefs-and-conflicts>. I have also guest lectured in American institutions via Skype.

Routledge just published *Jewish Religious and Philosophical Ethics*, which I edited together with Halla Kim and Curtis Hutt of the University of Omaha. My contribution to that book, "Angels vs Humans in the Moral Psychology of R. Meir Simhah Ha-Kohen of Dvinsk" and my recent essays "God the Walker" and "Six days you shall work..." reflect my growing interest in Jewish philosophical theology.

My current major writing project, a book entitled *Human/Divine Collaboration and its Limits: Lessons from the Hebrew Scriptures* has been sponsored by a grant from the John Templeton Foundation via the Herzl Institute in Jerusalem. It will integrate and expand upon much of my work in philosophy of religion, Jewish philosophical theology, and biblical studies. After completing that work, I hope to pursue new projects in practical ethics and the cultural meaning of artificial intelligence.

## Publications

Prof. Berel Dov Lerner

### Refereed Publications

### פרסומים שפויטים

#### **Books (as author)**

#### **ספרים (מחבר)**

Lerner, B.D. (2001). *Rules, Magic and Instrumental Reason: A Critical Interpretation of Peter Winch's Philosophy of the Social Sciences*. London: Routledge. 179 pp.

#### **Books (as editor)**

#### **ספרים (עורך)**

Hutt, C., Kim, H., & Lerner, B.D. (eds) (2018). *Jewish Religious and Philosophical Ethics*. London: Routledge.

### **Articles and Chapters in Book**

### **מאמרים ופרקים בספרים**

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Lerner, B.D. (2005). AD. Gordon. In: B. Taylor, & J. Kaplan (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Religion and Nature* (p. 708). B. Bristol: Thoemmes Continuum International.

Lerner, B.D. (2005). Rabbi A. I. Kook and Vegetarianism. In: B. Taylor, J. Kaplan (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Religion and Nature* (pp. 1696-1697). Bristol: Thoemmes Continuum International.

Lerner, B.D. (2005). Environmental Protection in Jewish Law. In: B. Taylor, & J. Kaplan (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Religion and Nature* (pp. 921-923). Bristol: Thoemmes Continuum International.

Lerner, B.D. (2005). Judaism, History of. In: A. Soble (Ed.), *Sex from Plato to Paglia: A Philosophical Encyclopedia* (pp. 521-533). Westport, Conn: Greenwood Press, Vol.1.

Lerner, B.D. (2007). Judaism and Animals. In: M. Bekoff, J. Nystrom (Eds.), *Encyclopedia of Human - Animal Relationships* (pp. 545-551). Westport, Conn.: Greenwood Press, Vol. 2.

Lerner, B.D. (2010). Religion and Animals: Judaism, In: M. Bekoff (Ed.), *Encyclopedia of Animal Rights and Animal Welfare* (pp. 468-472). Westport, Conn.: Greenwood Press, Vol. 2.

Lerner, B.D. (2012). How Did the Prophets Know They Had Received Divine Revelation?. In: A. Budriūnaitė (Ed.), *Religious Experience & Tradition: International interdisciplinary scientific conference* (pp. 116-123). Kaunas: Vytautas Magnus University.

Lerner, B.D. (2018). Angels vs Humans in the Moral Psychology of R. Meir Simhah Ha-Kohen of Dvinsk. In C. Hutt, H. Kim, B.D. Lerner (eds) *Jewish Religious and Philosophical Ethics* (pp. 13-26) New York: Routledge.

Lerner, B.D. (2019). God the Walker, In Y. Hazoni and Dru Johnson (eds) *On God's Perfection* (pp. 27-42) Leiden: Brill.

Lerner, B.D. (2019). Six days you shall work..., in D. Birnbaum and M.S. Cohen (eds) *V'Shamru* (pp.23-34) New York: New Paradigm Matrix / J Levine Millennium.

### Articles in periodicals

מאמרים בכתבי עת

- Lerner, B.D. (1988). And He Shall Rule Over Thee. *Judaism*, 37, 446-449.
- Lerner, B.D. (1989). Joseph the Unrighteous. *Judaism*, 38, 278-81.
- Lerner, B.D. (1990). Faith, Fiction and the Jewish Scriptures. *Judaism*, 39, 215-220.
- Lerner, B.D. (1990). Could Moses' Hands Make War?, *The Jewish Bible Quarterly*, 19, 114-119.
- Lerner, B.D. (1993). Redemption: Time and Space. *The Jewish Bible Quarterly*, 21, 178-182.
- Lerner, B.D. (1994). Wittgenstein's Scapegoat. *Philosophical Investigations*, 17, 604-612.
- Lerner, B.D. (1995). The Materialist Mentality Revisited. *Human Studies*, 17, 449-459.
- Lerner, B.D. (1995). Omphalos Revisited. *The Jewish Bible Quarterly*, 23, 162-167.
- Lerner, B.D. (1995). Winch and Instrumental Pluralism. *Philosophy of the Social Sciences*, 25, 180-191.
- Lerner, B.D. (1995). Understanding a (Secular) Primitive Society, *Religious Studies*, 31, 303-309. Republished in *Readings in Indigenous Religions*, Graham Harvey, editor (London: Continuum, 2002).
- Lerner, B.D. (1998). Winch and Instrumental Pluralism: A Response to My Critics. *Philosophy of the Social Sciences*, 28, 312-320.
- Lerner, B.D. (1999). Saving the *Akedah* from the Philosophers. *The Jewish Bible Quarterly*, 27, 167-173.
- Lerner, B.D. (1999). Fierce Locusts and Timid Grasshoppers: An Ironic Pair of Biblical Metaphors. *Vetus Testamentum*, 49, 545-548.
- Lerner, B.D. (2000). Rahab the Harlot and Other Philosophers of Religion. *The Jewish Bible Quarterly*, 28, 52-55.
- Lerner, B.D. (2000). Interfering with Divinely Imposed Suffering. *Religious Studies*, 36, 95-102.
- Lerner, B.D. (2001). No Happy Ending for Esther. *Jewish Bible Quarterly*, 29, 4-12.
- Lerner, B.D. (2001). The *Akedah*: Machloket L'Shem Shamayim Sofa L'Hitkayeim. *The Jewish Bible Quarterly*, 29, 118-124.
- Lerner, B.D. (2002). Samaritans, Jews and Philosophers. *Expository Times*, 113, 152-156.
- Lerner, B.D. (2003). The Gardens of Eden and Sodom. *The Jewish Bible Quarterly*, 31, 174-180.
- Lerner, B.D. (2005). Maimonides on Free Will at the Societal Level, *Interpretation: a Journal of Political Philosophy*, 32, 115-123. Chinese translation by Peng Lei, in *Classici et Commentari (20): Plato's Disciples in Judaism* (Liu Xiaofeng and Chen Shaoming, editors) Beijing: Huaxia Press, 2007, pp.114-123.
- Lerner, B.D. (2009). Lot's Failed Test. *The Jewish Bible Quarterly*, 37(3), 153-6.
- Lerner, B.D. (2009). RaMBaM and Middle Knowledge: a Puzzle. *Lehem Mishneh, BDD [Bekhol Derakhekha Da'Ehu]* 21, 75-86.

- Lerner, B.D. (2010). Please consider not taking the Lord's Name in Vain. *Expository Times*, 121, 339-341.
- Lerner, B.D. (2010). Could I Have Been a Woman? Philosophical Reflections on a Controversial Benediction. *Philosophy and Literature*, 34, 425-434.
- Lerner, B.D. (2010). Crying Out About Frogs (Ex 8: 8) *Vetus Testamentum*, 60, 662-663.
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- Lerner, B.D. (2014). The Three-Day Plan. *Jewish Bible Quarterly*. 42(2), 95-102.
- Lerner, B.D. (2014). Untangling σαβαχθάνι. *Novum Testamentum*. 56(2),7-96.
- Lerner, B.D. (2018) Ten Curses of Eve. *Women in Judaism: A Multidisciplinary Journal* Volume, 15: 1  
<https://wjudaism.library.utoronto.ca/index.php/wjudaism/article/view/32359/24805>

### **Reviews of Books in periodicals**

### **בקורת ספרים בכתבי עת**

- Lerner, B.D. (1996). Review of Schick and Vaughn's, *How to Think About Weird Things*, *American Philosophical Association Newsletter on Teaching Philosophy*, 95, 122-123.
- Lerner, B.D. (1997). Review of Antony Flew's, *Thinking About Social Thinking*, *American Philosophical Association Newsletter on Teaching Philosophy*, 96, 121-122.
- Lerner, B.D. (1999). Review of Stephens and Gregory's, *Seven Dilemmas in World Religions*, *American Philosophical Association Newsletter on Teaching Philosophy*, 99, 125.
- Lerner, B.D. (2002). Review of John D. Caputo's, *On Religion*, *Philosophy in Review*, 20, 256-257.
- Lerner, B.D. (2003). We Don't Know What We're Doing. (Review of Daniel M. Wegner's *The Illusion of Conscious Will*), *Human Nature Review*, 3, 360-362.
- Lerner, B.D. (2003). Review of Stephen P. Turner and Paul A. Roth (Eds), *The Blackwell Guide to the Philosophy of the Social Sciences*, *Philosophy in Review*, 23, 412-413.
- Lerner, B.D. (2004). Review of Wilfrid J. Waluchow, *The Dimensions of Ethics: An Introduction to Ethical Theory and S. Jack Odell*, *On Consequentialist Ethics*, *Philosophy in Review*, 24, 136-140.
- Lerner, B.D. (2004). Review of Michael J. Harris, *Divine Command Ethics: Jewish and Christian Perspectives*, *Religious Studies*, 40, 383-386.
- Lerner, B.D. (2004). Review of Norbert Samuelson, *Jewish Philosophy: A Historical Introduction*, *Philosophy in Review*, 24, 438-440.
- Lerner, B.D. (2004). Review of Bernard Williams, *Truth and Truthfulness*, *Practical Philosophy*, 7, 50.
- Lerner, B.D. (2005). Review of Yaakov Malkin, *Secular Judaism: Faith, Values, and Spirituality*, *Reviews in Religion and Theology*, 12, 17-19.
- Lerner, B.D. (2005). Review of Harry G. Frankfurt, *On Bullshit*, *The Journal for Cultural and Religious Theory*, 7(1). <http://www.jcrt.org/archives/07.1/lerner.pdf>
- Lerner, B.D. (2006). Review of William J. Wainwright, *Religion and Morality*, *Philosophy in Review*, 26, 146-148.
- Lerner, B.D. (2006). Review of Mark Ridley, *How to Read Darwin*, *Practical Philosophy*, 8, 58-59.

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- Lerner, B.D. (2008). Review of Michael S. Gazzaniga, *The Ethical Brain*, *Practical Philosophy*, 9, 45.
- Lerner, B.D. (2008). Review of Penelope Deutscher, *How to Read Derrida*, *Practical Philosophy*, 9, 47-8.
- Lerner, B.D. (2008). Review of Mark Wrathall, *How to Read Heidegger*, *Practical Philosophy*, 9, 142-143.
- Lerner, B.D. (2008). Review of Harry G. Frankfurt, *The Reasons of Love*, *Practical Philosophy*, 9, 130-131.
- Lerner, B.D. (2008). Review of Nicholas Royle, *How to Read Shakespeare*, *Practical Philosophy*, 9, 145-146.
- Lerner, B.D. (2008). Review of Peter Osborne, *How to Read Marx*, *Practical Philosophy*, 9, 139-141.
- Lerner, B.D. (2008). Review of Lee McIntyre, *Dark Ages: The case for a Science of Human Behavior*, *Philosophy in Review*, 28, 134-136.
- Lerner, B.D. (2009). Review of Neil C. Manson & Onora O'Neill, *Rethinking Informed Consent in Bioethics*, *Philosophy in Review*, 29, 45-47.
- Lerner, B.D. (2009). Review of Colin McGinn, *Mindfucking: a Critique of Mental Manipulation*, *Philosophy in Review*, 29, 123-124.
- Lerner, B.D. (2009). Review of Hillary Putnam, *Jewish Philosophy as a Guide to Life: Rosenzweig, Buber, Levinas, Wittgenstein*, *Philosophy in Review*, 29, 276-278.
- Lerner, B.D. (2009). Review of David McFarland, *Guilty Robots, Happy Dogs: the Question of Alien Minds*, *Philosophy in Review*, 29, 363-365.
- Lerner, B.D. (2010). Review of John Searle, *Freedom & Neurobiology: Reflections on Free Will, Language, and Political Power*, *Practical Philosophy*, 10, 141-143.
- Lerner, B.D. (2010). Review of Terence Cave, *How to Read Montaigne*, *Practical Philosophy*, 10, 123-124.
- Lerner, B.D. (2010). Review of Keith Ansell Pearson, *How to Read Nietzsche*, *Practical Philosophy*, 10, 124-125.
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- Lerner, B.D. (2012). Review of Raymond J. Vanarragon, Key Terms in *Philosophy of Religion*. *Philosophy in Review*, 32, 232-3.
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- Lerner, B.D. (2013). Review of Moshe Halbertal, *On Sacrifice*, *Philosophy in Review* 33(2), 120-122.



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- Lerner, B.D. (2014). Review of Jon D. Levenson, *Inheriting Abraham: The Legacy of the Patriarch in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam*. *Reviews in Religion and Theology*, 21(1), 2-70.
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- Lerner, B.D. (2017). Review of Jon D. Levenson. *The Love of God: Divine Gift, Human Gratitude, and Mutual Faithfulness in Judaism*. *Reviews in Religion and Theology*, 24(1), 138-140.
- Lerner, B.D. (2017). Review of Michael Fagenblat (ed) *Negative Theology as Jewish Modernity*. *Reviews in Religion and Theology* 25(2), 264-268.
- Lerner, B.D. (2019). Review of Shira Weiss, *Joseph Albo on Free Choice: Exegetical Innovation in Medieval Jewish Philosophy*. *Reviews in Religion and Theology* 26: 1: 175-7 <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/rirot.13502>
- Lerner, B.D. (2020). Review of Dru Johnson, *Human Rites – the Power of Rituals, Habits, and Sacraments*. *Reviews in Religion and Theology* 27: 1: 82-4.
- Lerner, B.D. (2020). Review of Chaim M. Saiman, *Halakhah: the Idea of Rabbinic Law*. *Reviews in Religion and Theology* 27: 1: 105-9.
- Lerner, B.D. (2020) Review of W, Paul Franks (ed.), *Explaining Evil: Four Views*. *Reviews in Religion and Theology* 27: 2: 105-9 204-8.

#### **non-refereed publications**

#### **פרסומים שאינם שפיטים**

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- לרנר, ב. (ניסן תשנ"ז). ה"ימין" וירושלים, (45)8, עמ' 7-226.
- לרנר, ב. (אב-אלול תשנ"ז). והוא ימשל בך. (11-12)45, עמ' 41-339.
- Lerner, B.D. (1999). Pharaoh and the freedom to will the good. *Le'ela*, December, 11-13.
- Lerner, B.D. (2005). A Multicultural Dialogue on the Transmigration of Souls. *Think: Philosophy for Everyone*, 77-85.
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- Lerner, B.D. (2008). Should Philosophers be Consistent? Part I. *Think*, 18, 201-202.
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### **Book reviews in non-refereed journals**

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Lerner, B.D. (2003). Review of Judith Thomson, *Goodness and Advice*, *Metapsychology*, <http://menthelp.net/books/books.php?type=de&id=1686>

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Lerner, B.D. (1994, November). *Winch and Instrumental Pluralism*. *Departmental Seminar in Philosophy*, Ben Gurion University, Beersheva, Israel.

Lerner, B.D. (1995, November). Demythologizing and "Remythologizing" Scripture After Wittgenstein: The Return of the Literal. *Colloquium on Modern Theories of Allegory: Imaginative Discourse and Historical Continuity*, *The Center for Literary Studies of the Hebrew University of Jerusalem*, Jerusalem, Israel.

Lerner, B.D. (1997, April). Oppressive Metaphor and the Liberating Literal Sense. *Linguistic Agency University of Duisburg Symposium on Metaphor and Religion*, Duisburg, Germany.

Lerner, B.D. (1997, December). Maimonides on Sociological Determinism and the Covenant between God and the People of Israel. *Sponsored by the Department of Philosophy and the Wolfson Chair of Jewish Thought*, Haifa University, Haifa, Israel.

Lerner, B.D. (1999, December). Could Moses' Hands Make War?. *Limmud Conference*, University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK.

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Lerner, B.D. (1999, December). Slaveowner, Landowner, Liberator. *Limmud Conference*, University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK.

Lerner, B.D. (1999, December). No Happy Ending for Esther. *Limmud Conference*, University of Nottingham, Nottingham, UK.

Lerner, B.D. (2000, September). Language Goes on a Hawaiian Holiday. *Peter Winch and the Idea of a Social Science Conference*, University of Bristol, Bristol.

Lerner, B.D. (2004, October). Biblical Truth, Biblical Mythology, *Guest lecturer for the Jewish Studies Program*, University of North Texas. and guest course lecturer, Environmental Ethics and Judaism.

Lerner, B.D. (2004, December). Is Incest Immoral? *First International Maimonides Conference on Medicine and Ethics*, Sheraton Moriah Hotel, Tiberius, Israel.

Lerner, B.D. (2008, June). The Character and Limits of Human Action, Akademie fur die Theologie des Volkes Gottes, *Villa Cavalletti*, Italy in course given from 20-27.6.08.

Lerner, B.D. (2008, December). Could I Have Ben A Gentile? *Eleventh Annual Conference of the Institute for Rabbinic Thought: Israel: Election and Identity in Rabbinic Thought*, Beit Morasha, Jerusalem.

Lerner, B.D. (2010, May). Could I Have Been a Woman? *Western Galilee College Faculty Workshop, "Minorities, Periphery, Education and Multiculturalism"*, Western Galilee College, Akko, Israel.

Lerner, B.D. (2011, March). The Night Evans-Pritchard Saw 'Witchcraft' Fly By. *The Eleventh Annual Conference of the Israeli Society for the History and Philosophy of Science*, Bloomfield Science Museum, Jerusalem.

Lerner, B.D. (2011, May). The Cow Who Observed the Sabbath: The Medieval Legend of Rabbi Yohanan ben Torta. *Animals as Religious Subjects Conference*, Chester University, UK.

- Lerner, B.D. (2011, June). Divine Plans and Human Obligations. *Conference on Philosophical Investigation of the Hebrew Scriptures*, Shalem Center, Mishkenot Sha'ananim, Jerusalem, Israel.
- Lerner, B.D. (March 2012). Orphaned Land: An Israeli Heavy Metal Band's Relation to Spirituality, Identity, and Coexistence. *The Fourth Israeli Conference for the Study of Contemporary Spirituality*, Haifa University.
- Lerner, B.D. (2012, July). From Genesis to Exodus: Certainty Lost and Regained. *Conference on Philosophical Investigation of the Hebrew Bible, Talmud and Midrash*, Shalem Center, Jerusalem.
- Lerner, B.D. (2013, July). Temporality and Human Agency in the Exodus. Delivered at the *Conference on Philosophical Investigation of the Hebrew Bible, Talmud and Midrash*. Shalem Center, Jerusalem.
- Lerner, B.D. (2015, December). Is God a 'stander' or a walker, invited paper. *Conference on Philosophical Investigation of the Hebrew Bible, Talmud and Midrash: the question of god's perfection*. Herzl Institute, Jerusalem.
- Lerner, B.D. (2015, December). Could Moses' Hands Make War? *Colloquium of Templeton Fellows*. Herzl Institute, Jerusalem.
- Lerner, B.D. (2016, December). Could Moses' Hands Make War? (continuation) *Colloquium of Templeton Fellows*. Herzl Institute, Jerusalem.
- Lerner, B.D. (2017, August). Abraham and Sodom: Divine Morality Encounters Human Morality. *17<sup>th</sup> World Congress for Jewish Studies*, Hebrew University, Jerusalem.
- Lerner, B.D. (2018, August). Divine Ethics, Human Ethics, and the Covenants which Interconnect Them. The Haifa Conference on the Philosophy of Religion. Haifa University, Haifa.
- Lerner, B.D. (2019, May). Introduction to Judaism. Three invited lectures at the Nazareth Evangelical College, Nazareth.
- Lerner, B.D. (2019, December). Why God Entrusted Punishment to Humans. *51<sup>st</sup> Annual Conference of the Association for Jewish Studies*, San Diego (paper read in absentia due to medical issues)
- Lerner, B.D. (2020, June), The Story of Sussanah, an Ancient Jewish Me-Too Legend (Hebrew). *2<sup>nd</sup> Conference for Research by Lecturers of the College*, Western Galilee College, Akko.