

## **May-June Report of our National Scholar, Rabbi Hayyim Angel**

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To our members and friends,

We had a fabulous symposium on Sunday May 15, featuring Rabbi Chaim Steinmetz, Ms. Miriam Berger, and myself at Kehilath Jeshurun in Manhattan. One of the central goals of our Institute is to bring peace and mend rifts through Torah scholarship, and our symposium continued to promote this idea. The lectures are posted in our Online Learning section of our website,

<https://www.jewishideas.org/online-learning>.

We thank the Rudin Family Foundation and Jon and Rachel Sopher for sponsoring the event.

Over the summer, I will be working on a book that explores the core values of our Institute so that we can disseminate it to a wider public. It will appear as the January 2017 issue of Conversations. Dedication opportunities are available, please contact me at [hangel@jewishideas.org](mailto:hangel@jewishideas.org).

Looking ahead, I will be presenting three papers at the fourteenth annual Yemei Iyyun in Tanakh and Jewish Thought of Yeshivat Chovevei Torah on Sunday-Monday, June 19-20. The Institute is one of the co-sponsoring organizations. For a full schedule and registration, go to

<http://www.yctorah.org/images/yemei%20iyyun%20brochure%20-%20web%20and%20...>

I also will be giving a four-part mini-series on The Unsung Heroes in the Bible at Lamdeinu Teaneck this July (July 7, 14, 21, 28), Thursdays from 10:15-11:30. For

registration and more information, see their website, <http://www.lamdeinu.org/>

My next teacher training session will be at the Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto (CHAT), where I will work with the faculty on the bridging of tradition and contemporary Bible scholarship and how this can be used effectively in the High School classroom.

Teacher training is an essential component of my work through the Institute, as we promote our core values to rabbis and educators who go on to teach throughout the country and beyond.

I am grateful to the members and supporters of the Institute for making all of our programs, publications, and classes a priority in the development of American Jewish communal life. Thank you,

Rabbi Hayyim Angel  
National Scholar