ADVANCED READINGS IN ZOHAR

JTHT 609

A. GREEN

Spring 2013

1. Sefer ha-Bahir. (Two weeks)

Texts: #3-4; 52; 96; 101-105; 114-115.**

Readings: Guide to the Zohar 9-19


Wolfson, "The Tree that Is All" (In his Along the Path)

2. The Gerona Schools (Two weeks)

Texts: (1) Perush ha-Aggadot le-Rabbi Azriel, 4-6 (and relevant gemara) **

Perush Shir ha-Shirim le-Rabbi Ezra 1:1-2; 2:1-3; 3:11 **

(2) RaMBaN 'al ha-Torah, Bereshit 24:1 (b) **

Reading: Seth Brody, Cosmos and Consciousness (unpublished fragment; on line)

3. Castilian Kabbalah: The Language of Sefirot (Two weeks)

Texts: Gikatilia, Sha'arey Orah, I: 53-71; II: 43-68 **

Reading: Guide to the Zohar 28-59
4. Zohar, Parashat Terumah (through rest of semester)

Readings:  Brody, Part II ("Devekut as Visionary Assimilation")

Liebes, Zohar ve-Eros  **

Hellner-Eshed, A River Flows from Eden (Part I)

Wolfson, Through a Speculum that Shines, chapter seven

Wolfson, "Crossing Gender Boundaries in Kabbalistic Myth and Ritual" (In his Circle in the Square)

Green, “Shekhinah, the Virgin Mary, and the Song of Songs”

5. (Final Week) Green, EHYEH: A Kabbalah for Tomorrow.  Conversation on contemporary uses and teaching of Kabbalah.