

**Scholar in Residence Weekend with Judy Klitsner,  
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**Biblical Reflections on the Origins of Leadership:  
Unlikely Mentors and Models**

Friday, March 9

Kabbalat Shabbat services at 5:39 pm followed by dinner (7:00 pm) and talk (8:00 pm)  
Prepaid reservations required for dinner ([click here](#))

**The Tower of Babel and the Midwives of Egypt: The Rebirth of the Individual and the Seeds of Leadership**

*What does the story of building the world's largest structure in Babel have in common with a tale of subjugation and redemption in Egypt? Upon close inspection, we will expose many striking similarities between these stories. These similarities will highlight the leadership role of the midwives of Egypt, whose conscience-driven heroism will act as a model that will inform the future leadership effort of Moses.*

Saturday, March 10

Following services and Kiddush

**Inside-Outside: Biblical Leaders and Their Non-Jewish Mentors**

*What happens when the Bible's greatest leaders face personal and spiritual crisis? In a lively and interactive text-based exploration, we will examine the encounters of troubled 'Jewish' leaders with 'non-Jewish' priests who provide counsel and guidance. Our exploration will consider larger questions about relations between Jews and non-Jews, and between insiders and outsiders.*

Free and open to all. Babysitting provided.

Monday, March 12

**The Tent, the Field, and the Battlefield: Radical Reversals in the Roles and Fortunes of Biblical Women**

*What do the infertile, tent-dwelling mothers of Genesis have in common with the military and spiritual leaders of the book of Judges? By reading several women-centered stories in the light of one another-- in a lively, interactive, text-based exploration-- we will uncover the Bible's complex, and at times radical, portrayal of unfolding feminine potential.*

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