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**COMPONENT 3:  
STUDY OF A WORLD FAITH: JUDAISM**

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### Beliefs and Teachings

Where references are very long, the most relevant sections have been highlighted.

<p>The nature of God</p>	<p><b>Genesis 1: 3-5</b>  <sup>3</sup> God said, 'There shall be light,' and light came into existence.  <sup>4</sup> God saw that the light was good, and God divided between the light and the darkness.  <sup>5</sup> God named the light 'Day,' and the darkness He named 'Night.' It was evening and it was morning, one day.</p> <p><b>Genesis 1: 26-28</b>  <sup>26</sup> God said, 'Let us make man with our image and likeness. Let him dominate the fish of the sea, the birds of the sky, the livestock animals, and all the earth - and every land animal that walks the earth.'  <sup>27</sup> God [thus] created man with His image. In the image of God, He created him, male and female He created them.  <sup>28</sup> God blessed them. God said to them, 'Be fertile and become many. Fill the land and conquer it. Dominate the fish of the sea, the birds of the sky, and every beast that walks the land.'</p> <p><b>The Shema</b> (The full Shema is made up of three sections: Deuteronomy 6:4-9, Deuteronomy 11:13-21 and Numbers 15 37-41).  <b>Deuteronomy 6:4-9</b>  <sup>4</sup> Hear, O Israel: the LORD our God, the LORD is one. <sup>[a]</sup> <sup>5</sup> Love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. <sup>6</sup> These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. <sup>7</sup> Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. <sup>8</sup> Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. <sup>9</sup> Write them on the door-frames of your houses and on your gates.</p> <p><b>Deuteronomy 11:13-21</b>  <sup>13</sup> So if you faithfully obey the commands I am giving you today - to love the LORD your God and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul - <sup>14</sup> then I will send rain on your land in its season, both autumn and spring rains, so that you may gather in your corn, new wine and olive oil. <sup>15</sup> I will provide grass in the fields for your cattle, and you will eat and be satisfied.  <sup>16</sup> Be careful, or you will be enticed to turn away and worship other gods and bow down to them. <sup>17</sup> Then the LORD's anger will burn against you, and he will shut the heavens so that it will not rain and the ground will yield no produce, and you will soon perish from the good land the LORD is giving you. <sup>18</sup> Fix these words of mine in your hearts and minds; tie them as</p>
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symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. <sup>19</sup>Teach them to your children, talking about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. <sup>20</sup>Write them on the door-frames of your houses and on your gates, <sup>21</sup>so that your days and the days of your children may be many in the land that the LORD swore to give your ancestors, as many as the days that the heavens are above the earth.

#### **Numbers 15: 37-41**

<sup>37</sup>The LORD said to Moses, <sup>38</sup>‘Speak to the Israelites and say to them: “Throughout the generations to come you are to make tassels on the corners of your garments, with a blue cord on each tassel. <sup>39</sup>You will have these tassels to look at and so you will remember all the commands of the LORD, that you may obey them and not prostitute yourselves by chasing after the lusts of your own hearts and eyes. <sup>40</sup>Then you will remember to obey all my commands and will be consecrated to your God. <sup>41</sup>I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt to be your God. I am the LORD your God.”’

#### **Exodus 20:1-15**

<sup>1</sup> God spoke all these words, saying:

<sup>2</sup> I am God your Lord, who brought you out of Egypt, from the place of slavery.

<sup>3</sup> Do not have any other gods before Me.

<sup>4</sup> Do not represent [such] gods by any carved statue or picture of anything in the heaven above, on the earth below, or in the water below the land.

<sup>5</sup> Do not bow down to [such gods] or worship them. I am God your Lord, a God who demands exclusive worship. Where My enemies are concerned, I keep in mind the sin of the fathers for [their] descendants, to the third and fourth [generation].

<sup>6</sup> But for those who love Me and keep My commandments, I show love for thousands [of generations].

<sup>7</sup> Do not take the name of God your Lord in vain. God will not allow the one who takes His name in vain to go unpunished.

<sup>8</sup> Remember the Sabbath to keep it holy.

<sup>9</sup> You can work during the six weekdays and do all your tasks.

<sup>10</sup> But Saturday is the Sabbath to God your Lord. Do not do anything that constitutes work. [This includes] you, your son, your daughter, your slave, your maid, your animal, and the foreigner in your gates.

<sup>11</sup> It was during the six weekdays that God made the heaven, the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on Saturday. God therefore blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

<sup>12</sup> Honour your father and mother. You will then live long on the land that God your Lord is giving you.

<sup>13</sup> Do not commit murder.

Do not commit adultery.

Do not steal.

	<p>Do not testify as a false witness against your neighbour.  <sup>14</sup> Do not be envious of your neighbour's house.          Do not be envious of your neighbour's wife, his slave, his maid, his ox, his donkey, or anything else that is your neighbour's.  <sup>15</sup> All the people saw the sounds, the flames, the blast of the ram's horn, and the mountain smoking. The people trembled when they saw it, keeping their distance.</p>
<p>Messiah (Mashiach)</p>	
<p>Covenant</p>	<p><b>Genesis 12:1-3</b>  <sup>1</sup> God said to Abram, 'Go away from your land, from your birthplace, and from your father's house, to the land that I will show you.  <sup>2</sup> I will make you into a great nation. I will bless you and make you great. You shall become a blessing.  <sup>3</sup> I will bless those who bless you, and he who curses you, I will curse. All the families of the earth will be blessed through you.'</p> <p><b>Genesis 17:6-8</b>  <sup>6</sup> I will increase your numbers very, very much, and I will make you into nations - kings will be your descendants.  <sup>7</sup> I will sustain My covenant between Me and between you and your descendants after you throughout their generations, an eternal covenant; I will be a God to you and to your offspring after you.  <sup>8</sup> To you and your offspring I will give the land where you are now living as a foreigner. The whole land of Canaan shall be [your] eternal heritage, and I will be a God to [your descendants].</p> <p><b>Genesis 17:11-14</b>  <sup>11</sup> You shall be circumcised through the flesh of your foreskin. This shall be the mark of the covenant between Me and you.  <sup>12</sup> Throughout all generations, every male shall be circumcised when he is eight days old. [This shall include] those born in your house, as well as [slaves] bought with cash from an outsider, who is not your descendant.  <sup>13</sup> [All slaves,] both houseborn and purchased with your money must be circumcised. This shall be My covenant in your flesh, an eternal covenant.  <sup>14</sup> The uncircumcised male whose foreskin has not been circumcised, shall have his soul cut off from his people; he has broken My covenant.</p> <p><b>Exodus 3:11-15</b>  <sup>11</sup> 'Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh?' said Moses to God. 'And how can I possibly get the Israelites out of Egypt?'  <sup>12</sup> 'Because I will be with you,' replied [God]. 'Proof that I have sent you will come when you get the people out of Egypt. All of you will then become God's servants on this mountain.'  <sup>13</sup> Moses said to God, 'So I will go to the Israelites and say, 'Your fathers'</p>

God sent me to you.' They will immediately ask me what His name is. What shall I say to them?

<sup>14</sup> 'I Will Be Who I Will Be,' replied God to Moses.

[God then] explained, 'This is what you must say to the Israelites: 'I Will Be sent me to you.' '

<sup>15</sup> God then said to Moses, 'You must [then] say to the Israelites, 'YHVH, the God of your fathers, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, sent me to you.' This is My eternal name, and this is how I am to be recalled for all generations

### **Exodus 20:2-14**

<sup>2</sup> I am God your Lord, who brought you out of Egypt, from the place of slavery.

<sup>3</sup> Do not have any other gods before Me.

<sup>4</sup> Do not represent [such] gods by any carved statue or picture of anything in the heaven above, on the earth below, or in the water below the land.

<sup>5</sup> Do not bow down to [such gods] or worship them. I am God your Lord, a God who demands exclusive worship. Where My enemies are concerned, I keep in mind the sin of the fathers for [their] descendants, to the third and fourth [generation].

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<p>Life on earth</p>	<p><b>Genesis 1:26-27</b></p> <p><sup>26</sup> God said, 'Let us make man with our image and likeness. Let him dominate the fish of the sea, the birds of the sky, the livestock animals, and all the earth - and every land animal that walks the earth.'</p> <p><sup>27</sup> God [thus] created man with His image. In the image of God, He created him, male and female He created them.</p> <p><b>The Talmud (B. Yoma 84b)</b>  <a href="http://juchre.org/talmud/yoma/yoma4.htm#84b">http://juchre.org/talmud/yoma/yoma4.htm#84b</a> BECAUSE IT IS A POSSIBILITY OF DANGER TO HUMAN LIFE. Why was it necessary to add 'AND WHEREVER THERE IS DANGER TO HUMAN LIFE, THE LAWS OF THE SABBATH ARE SUSPENDED?-Rab Judah in the name of Rab said: Not only in the case of a danger [to human life] on this Sabbath, but even in the case of a danger on the following Sabbath.</p> <p>6 How that? If e.g.. the [diagnosis] estimates an eight-day [crisis] the first day of which falls on the Sabbath. You might have said, let them wait until the evening, so that the Sabbaths may not be profaned because of him, therefore he informs us [that we do not consider that]. Thus also was it taught: One may warm water for a sick person on the Sabbath, both for the purpose of giving him a drink or of refreshing him, and not only for [this] one Sabbath did they rule thus, but also for the following one. Nor do we say: Let us wait, because perchance he will get well, but we warm the water for him immediately, because the possibility of danger to human life renders inoperative the laws of the Sabbath, not only in case of such possibility on this one Sabbath, but also in case of such possibility on another Sabbath. Nor are these things to be done by Gentiles or minors, but by Jewish adults.</p> <p>7 Nor do we say in this connection: We do not rely in such matters on the opinions of women, or of Samaritans, but we join their opinion to that of others.</p> <p>8 Our Rabbis taught: One must remove debris to save a life on the Sabbath, and the more eager one is, the more praiseworthy is one; and one need not obtain permission from the Beth din. How so? If one saw a child falling into the sea, he spreads a net and brings it up — the faster the better, and he need not obtain permission from the Beth din though he thereby catches fish [in his net]. If he saw a child fall into a pit, he breaks loose one segment [of the entrenchment] and pulls it up — the faster the better; and he need not obtain permission of the Beth din, even though he is thereby making a step [stairs]. If he saw a door closing upon an infant,<sup>9</sup> he may break it, so as to get the child out — the faster the better; and he need not obtain permission from the Beth din, though he thereby consciously makes chips of wood. One may extinguish and isolate [the fire] in the case of a conflagration — the sooner the better, and he need</p>
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	<p>not obtain permission from the Beth din, even though he subdues the flames</p> <p><b>Psalm 139: 13-15</b>  <sup>13</sup> For You created my veins, You covered me in my mother's womb.  <sup>14</sup> I shall thank You for in an awesome, wondrous way I was fashioned; Your works are wondrous, and my soul knows it very well.  <sup>15</sup> My essence was not hidden from You, when I was made in secret, I was formed in the lowest parts of the earth.</p> <p><b>Jeremiah 1:5</b>  <sup>5</sup> When I had not yet formed you in the womb, I knew you, and when you had not yet emerged from the womb, I had appointed you; a prophet to the nations I made you.</p>
The afterlife	

## Practices

<p>Worship: practices in Britain and elsewhere</p>	<p><b>Exodus 20: 8-10</b>  <sup>8</sup> Remember the Sabbath to keep it holy.  <sup>9</sup> You can work during the six weekdays and do all your tasks.  <sup>10</sup> But Saturday is the Sabbath to God your Lord. Do not do anything that constitutes work. [This includes] you, your son, your daughter, your slave, your maid, your animal, and the foreigner in your gates.</p>
<p>The Synagogue</p>	<p><b>Exodus 20: 4-5</b>  <sup>4</sup> Do not represent [such] gods by any carved statue or picture of anything in the heaven above, on the earth below, or in the water below the land.  <sup>5</sup> Do not bow down to [such gods] or worship them. I am God your Lord, a God who demands exclusive worship. Where My enemies are concerned, I keep in mind the sin of the fathers for [their] descendants, to the third and fourth [generation].</p>
<p>Rituals</p>	<p><b>Genesis 2: 24</b>  <sup>24</sup> A man shall therefore leave his father and mother and be united with his wife, and they shall become one flesh.</p>
<p>Daily life</p>	<p><b>Leviticus 11: 1-23</b>  <sup>1</sup> God spoke to Moses and Aaron, telling them  <sup>2</sup> to speak to the Israelites, and convey the following to them:  Of all the animals in the world, these are the ones that you may eat:  <sup>3</sup> Among mammals, you may eat [any one] that has true hooves that are cloven and that brings up its cud.  <sup>4</sup> However, among the cud-chewing, hooped animals, these are the ones that you may not eat:  The camel shall be unclean to you although it brings up its cud, since it does not have a true hoof.  <sup>5</sup> The hyrax shall be unclean to you although it brings up its cud, since it does not have a true hoof.  <sup>6</sup> The hare shall be unclean to you although it brings up its cud, since it does not have a true hoof.  <sup>7</sup> The pig shall be unclean to you although it has a true hoof which is cloven, since it does not chew its cud.  <sup>8</sup> Do not eat the flesh of any of these animals. [At this time] do not touch their carcasses, since they are unclean to you.  <sup>9</sup> This is what you may eat of all that is in the water:  You may eat any creature that lives in the water, whether in seas or rivers, as long as it has fins and scales.  <sup>10</sup> [On the other hand], all creatures in seas and rivers that do not have fins and scales, whether they are small aquatic animals or other aquatic creatures, must be avoided by you.</p>



	<p><sup>11</sup> They will [always] be something to be shunned. You must avoid them by not eating their flesh.</p> <p><sup>12</sup> Every aquatic creature without fins and scales must be shunned by you.</p> <p><sup>13</sup> <b>These are the flying animals that you must avoid.</b> Since they are to be avoided, do not eat any [of the following]:</p> <p>The eagle, the ossifrage, the osprey,</p> <p><sup>14</sup> the kite, the vulture family,</p> <p><sup>15</sup> the entire raven family,</p> <p><sup>16</sup> the ostrich, the owl, the gull, the hawk family,</p> <p><sup>17</sup> the falcon, the cormorant, the ibis,</p> <p><sup>18</sup> the swan, the pelican, the magpie,</p> <p><sup>19</sup> the stork, the heron family, the hoopoe, and the bat.</p> <p><sup>20</sup> Every flying insect that uses four legs for walking shall be avoided by you.</p> <p><sup>21</sup> The only flying insects with four walking legs that you may eat are those which have knees extending above their feet, [using these longer legs] to hop on the ground.</p> <p><sup>22</sup> <b>Among these, you may [only] eat members of the red locust family, the yellow locust family, the spotted grey locust family, and the white locust family.</b></p> <p><sup>23</sup> <b>All other flying insects with four feet [for walking] must be avoided by you.</b></p>
<p>Festivals: ractices in Britain and elsewhere</p>	<p><b>Exodus 12: 14</b></p> <p><sup>14</sup> This day must be one that you will remember. You must keep it as a festival to God for all generations. It is a law for all time that you must celebrate it.</p>