

Judy Klitsner
Shabbat Scholar in Residence

**“Let All the Daughters Live:”
The Midwives of Israel and
the Seeds of Identity**

What does the story of the Tower of Babel have in common with that of the heroic midwives of Egypt? In this surprising exploration conducted through close readings of the two texts, we will find a great deal of similarity between these stories, most notably themes of subjugation, the suppression of the self, and the human endeavor to reclaim identity.

**God’s Regrets:
From Destroying the World to
Canceling the Evil Decree**

The theme of “regretting” weaves its way through three stories: the great flood, the golden calf, and the book of Jonah, revealing remarkable changes in God’s attitude toward sinful populations. Reading closely, we will explore humanity’s attitudes to see if they follow God’s trajectory.



About Judy Klitsner

A senior faculty member in Bible at the Pardes Institute of Jewish Studies in Jerusalem, Judy Klitsner weaves together traditional exegesis, modern scholarship, and her own original interpretations that are informed by close readings of the text. She speaks internationally and is the author of the new book, *Subversive Sequels in the Bible* (Jewish Publication Society), winner of the 2009 National Jewish Book Award for Scholarship.

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