

Adult Ed - Sunday Morning Learning

Sunday Mornings:
9:15 – 11:00 AM

October 29

Rites of Passage –
How Rituals Transform
Our Lives

November 5

Initiation and Welcoming –
Birth, *Brit Milah*, Naming

November 19

Bar/Bat Mitzvah –
No Longer Child – Not Yet Adult

December 3

Kiddushin –
The Sacred Covenant of
Marriage

December 17

Zichronam Livracha –
From Pain to Remembrance

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Congregation
Beth El in Sudbury

Five Sunday Mornings

Rites of Passage:

How Jewish Rituals Transform Our Lives



Our lives are a series of transformations from stage to stage. We joyously welcome babies into the world. We celebrate stages of growing, learning, graduation, marriage and loss.

Rituals (Jewish and otherwise) not only give meaning to life's transition, they effect changes in our status as we grow from childhood to adolescence and from youth to age. They ease life's transitions, imbue them with meaning and instill within us a sense of holiness.

In this series, we will learn what modern Anthropology teaches about how rituals realize changes in our lives. We will explore traditional and modern Jewish lifecycle rituals surrounding birth, *Bar/Bat Mitzvah*, marriage and death to see how they conform to universal patterns. Through the sacred texts of our tradition, as well as personal experiences of life-changes, we will learn how lifecycle rituals bring holiness into our lives.



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