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THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS – AN INTRODUCTION

*On-Line filmed Course by Prof. Eyal Regev, Department for the Land of Israel Studies and Archaeology, Course number: 1625901*

The Dead Sea Scrolls are the most important discovery in the history and archeology of the Holy Land and ancient Judaism. They changed everything we thought we knew about our past. However, the on-going publication of more than 900 texts leaves many of us confused about their contents and significance.

The course introduces a thorough and up-to-date review of the different kinds of scrolls found at Qumran, pointing to their significance for our understanding of ancient Judaism and early Christianity.

The archeology of the fascinating site at khirbet Qumran, where many assume that the so-called Dead Sea Sect or Essenes dwelt, is studied along an on-line tour with Prof. Regev and most recent studies.

Special attention is given to the history and ideology of the Qumran movement, and its laws in comparison to contemporary Jewish Halakhah.

The content of the course includes several films, published articles, and special chapters written by the late Prof. Hanan Eshel, one of the leading experts in the field. As well as discussion of the Bible in the scrolls and extra-biblical scrolls such 1 Enoch, Jubilees and the apocryphal Psalms.

This course can be taken as part of the requirements for Basic Jewish studies (לימודים יסוד בריחות) courses in Jewish History or as a general course. Registration process: Get forms from the Land of Israel and Archaeology Department. Pay the tuition at the bank and take the paid slip and registration form back to the Land of Israel and Archaeology Department, building 410 room 237 (03-5318350 ; Israel-Studies.Dept@biu.ac.il).

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