

Zoharic Writings

Hā-ʿIdrāʾ Rabbāʾ Qaddīshāʾ, אַסְפֵּרַת רַבִּי שִׁמְעוֹן בֶּן יוֹחָי, “The Great Holy Assembly,” discourses of Shimʿōn ben Yoḥai to his disciples on the form of Deity and on pneumatology, science of *pneuma*, spirit.

Hā-ʿIdrāʾ Zūtāʾ Qaddīshāʾ, אַסְפֵּרַת זוּטַת אַסְפֵּרַת, “The Small Holy Assembly,” discourses on the *sēfirōth* to six disciples.

Hēikhālōth, הַיְכָלוֹת, “Mansions or Abodes,” usually enumerated as seven, describing the structure of the upper and lower realms.

Midrāsh Han-Neʿēlām, מִדְרָשׁ הַנֶּעְלָם, “The Hidden Interpretation,” deducing esoteric doctrine from the narratives in the Pentateuch.

Raʿyāʾ Mēhēimnāʾ, רַעְיַת מֹהֵימְנָא, “The Faithful Shepherd,” recording discussions between Moses the faithful shepherd, the prophet Elijah, and Rabbi Shimʿōn ben Yoḥai.

Rāzei dē Rāzīn, רֵזֵי דְרֵזִין, “Secrets of Secrets,” a treatise on physiognomy and higher psychology.

Sābāʾ dē Mishpāṭīm, סָבָא דְמִשְׁפָּטִים, “The Aged in Decisions, Judgments”; the Aged One or Scholar is Elijah who discourses with Shimʿōn ben Yoḥai on the doctrine of metempsychosis.

Sifrā' di-Tsēnī'ūthā', סִפְרָא דְצִנְיַעִיתָא, “Book of Concealment,” discourses on cosmogony and demonology.

Sithrei Tōrāh, סִתְרֵי תוֹרָה, “Mysteries or Secrets of the Law,” describing the evolution of the sefirōth.

Tōseftā', תוֹסֵפְתָא, “Additions or Supplements.”

Yānūqā', יְנוּקָא, *Yēnōqā'*, יְנוּקָא, “The Youth,” discourses on the mysteries of ablutions by a young man of such high talent he was thought to be of superhuman origin.