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- d) Vol. 4 Shemos (Exodus) vol. 2, Date of Publication: March 5, 2007
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A comprehensive treatment of the great mystic Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai and the day associated with him. Songs, stories, ideas, and inspiration.

84) <u>Shavuos: Its Observance, Laws, And Significance</u>(Hardcover), by Rabbi Shimon Finkelman, Publisher: ArtScroll/Mesorah, #0-89906-625-9

This book takes us back to those thrilling days at Sinai, to the Sefirah days of counting, to the delirious joy and suspended sunset of Lag Ba'Omer. Complete with an Overview and a wealth of beautiful insights and stories, and the Book of Ruth.

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This volume details the significance, history, and meaning of this, the most tragic day in the Jewish year. Includes Talmudic passages related to the destruction of the Temple.

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Contains the complete Seder instructions, a full text Haggadah with English translation and explanatory notes.

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An anthology of Maimonides' own writings, appearing in his Commentary to Mishnah Sanhedrin, explaining the Thirteen Principles of Faith.

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The most comprehensive guide available on the ancoent tradition of cantillation. Cantillation, the public reading of a passage of scripture, is an essential element of the Jewish worship service.

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Influence by Islamic theological speculation, classical philosophers and Christian scholasticism of the Middle Ages, Jewish thinkers living in Islamic and Christian lands philosophized about Judaism in the 9<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> centuries. Reflections include the nature of language about God, the creation of the world, the possibility of human freedom and the relationship between divine and human law.

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The primary document of rabbinic Judaism in an analytical format.

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Two Jewish men meet in a park. They haven't spoken in years due to a childhood quarrel. As they walk through the park, they become stuck in a park building die to a rainstorm. They speak and come to terms with past disagreements. The film is frequently used by Yeshiva and sysnagogues prior to the High Holy Days. It has won several film awards.

2) <u>The Chosen</u> by Jeremy Kagan (1982), 20<sup>th</sup> Century Fox (DVD) Starring: Rod Steiger, Robby Benson, Maximillian Schell

The friendship of two Jewish teenagers in 1940's New York is challenged by family ultra-orthodoxy and Modern Orthodox Judaism.

3) <u>Between Cross and Crescent: Jewish Civilization from Mohammad to Spinoza</u>, by David B. Ruderman, Ph.D, Hebrew University Jerusalem offered as a course from the Teaching Company.

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Thirty lectures on Jewish history and the living of one's faith in an environment dominated by another religion.

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Twelve lectures on Judaism: history, Rabbinic Judaism; Worship; Calendar; Life Cycles; theology

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24 lectures exploring the rich heritage of Judaism from biblical time through today.

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- 7) <u>Understanding Judaism</u> (VHS Format) 6 Volumes, By Rabbi Benjamin Blech and Published by the Orthodox Union.
- 8) <u>Life Challenges/Torah Solutions</u> (VHS Format, Cassette or CD format) 3/4 Tapes, by Rabbi Ephraim Wachsman.
- 9) <u>The Event at Sinai (VHS format)</u> by Rabbi Manis Friedman, Aleph Institute, Surfside, FL33154-7127.
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- 11) <u>Shoah</u> (2 videos) VHS Format by Clause Lanzmann, New Yorker Video, Great Directors (NYV 51099)
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