

BASIC ELEMENTS OF THE LURIANIC MYTH
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EIN SOF (THE INFINITE)

TSIMTSUM (CONTRACTION – THE INFINITE RETRACTING INTO ITSELF)

HITPASHTUT (SPREADING) AND HISTAKLUT (REGRESSING) (“CONTRACTIONS”)

CHALAL / TEHIRU (OPEN SPACE/REALM WHERE THE INFINITE IS LESS PRESENT)

RESHIMU (VAPOR OF OHR EIN SOF LEFT BEHIND)

KAV OHR EIN SOF (LINE (RAY) OF THE LIGHT OF THE INFINITE)

ATSILUT (EMANATIONS)

SEFIROT (EMANATORY STRUCTURES OF MYSTICAL EXPERIENCE, THOUGHT, FEELING AND VALUE)

SHEVIRAT HA-KELIM (BREAKING OF THE VESSELS – SEFIROT)

NETSOTSIM (DIVINE SPARKS, FALLEN INTO METAPHYSICAL DEPTHS)

KELIPOT (HUSKS, ENCASING THE NETSOTSIM)

SITRA ACHRA (THE OTHER SIDE, EVIL FORCES, THE WORLD CREATED BY THE ARRANGEMENT OF HUSKS)

BEIRUR (CLARIFICATION, RAISING OF SPARKS)

TIKKUN OLAM / TIKKUN HA-KELIM (RESTORATION OF DIVINE ORDER/THE VESSELS)

