

לסיכון נושא מبشרי הציונות

From the concepts of the ultra-Orthodox religious world, in which the heralds/ forerunners operated, they came out and preached national renewal. This renewal was perceived by them as the beginning of the redemption. In those days, devout Jews expected a miraculous deliverance only, one that would come from heaven by God's will. According to this concept, the Jew is supposed to keep mitzvot, pray and improve his ways, but he is not allowed to act to bring about redemption.

The concept of the forerunners of Zionism was a revolutionary and bold thinking in those days, and it is no wonder that many opponents arose from among the religious community. They anchored their opinions on the subject of the return of Zion in verses from the Bible, in the words of the Sages, in the Midrashim and in the rulings of the Halachot that they interpreted. They interpreted events that occurred in their time as part of a divine plan to bring about redemption.

In all their ideas they were ahead of their time. Their revolutionary concept flourished and gained supporters years after their death, and finally even led to the establishment of a Jewish state for the Jewish people in the Land of Israel.

What information did this text renew for you, after we finished learning about the forerunners of Zionism

Find information about the forerunners- in the presentation or on the Internet, and read and teach about the three forerunners

- Show that Rabbi Alkalai presented arguments belonging to the forerunners of Zionism

- Show that the factors influencing the initiation of Jewish nationalism are true for Rabbi Alkalai

- Show a claim or proposal of Rabbi Alkalai that was unique to him

- Show that Rabbi Kalisher presented arguments belonging to the forerunners of Zionism

- Show that the factors influencing the initiation of Jewish nationalism are true for Rabbi Kalisher

- Show a claim or proposal of Rabbi Kalisher that was unique to him

- Show that Moshe Hess presented arguments belonging to the forerunners of Zionism

- Show that the factors influencing the initiation of Jewish nationalism are true for Moshe Hess

- Show a claim or proposal of Moshe Hess that was unique to him
