

After the Destruction

In the centuries after the destruction, the leaders of Judaism needed to figure out how to survive without a temple and without political sovereignty. The redaction of the Oral Law into the Mishna and Talmuds and the creation of the synagogue are two examples of the evolution of Rabbinic Judaism. Based on our class notes, write a 2-3 page essay comparing and contrasting these two innovations. How did they both assist Judaism's evolution from a temple based religion to what we have today? What can we learn about the world that created these things from the sources we have?