

MILLENNIAL PURSUITS: EXPECTATIONS OF THE END IN THE
MIDDLE AGES
INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE
29 - 31 May 2001

The Conference will be hosted by the group on

"Millennial Pursuits - Apocalyptic Traditions and Expectations of the End
among Medieval Jews and Their Neighbours"

which is in session at
The Institute for Advanced Studies
October 2000 - June 2001

The lectures will take place in Room 130 at
The Institute for Advanced Studies
Feldman Building, Givat Ram Campus

Tuesday, 29 May

15:30 Reception

16:30-19:00 Session I

Chair: Jeremy Cohen (Tel Aviv University)

Greetings:

Menachem Ben-Sasson, Rector,
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
Alexander Levitzki,
Director, The Institute for Advanced
Studies

Bernard McGinn (University of Chicago)
"The Phenomenon of Female Prophecy in Christian
History"

Moshe Idel (The Hebrew University)
"Sabbatianism and Prophecy"

Wednesday, 30 May

09:30-12:30 Session II

Chair: Chaim Hames (Ben Gurion University of the Negev)

Roberto Rusconi (University of L'Aquila)
"James Palladini of Teramo, Bishop of Florence:
Curialism and Millenarianism in the Early 15th Century"

Coffee

Felicitas Schmieder (University of Frankfurt)
"Mongol Aspects of Medieval Eschatology"

14:00-16:30 Session III

Chair: Ora Limor (Open University of Israel)

Patricia Crone (Institute of Advanced Study, Princeton)
"Messianism and the End of the World in Early Islam"

Aviad Kleinberg (Tel Aviv University)
"Private Conversion and Universal Redemption:
St. Francis of Assisi as Second Christ"

Coffee

17:00-19:00 Round Table Discussion:

Jewish, Christian, and Muslim Visions of the End: Gauging Cross-Cultural Influence

Moderator: Steven Wasserstrom (Reed College);
Participants: Elliott Horowitz (Bar Ilan University); Bianca Kühnel (Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Alexander Patschovsky (University of Constance), Israel Yuval (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem).

Thursday, 31 May

Excursion to Crusader Sites (by invitation only)