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Series: Great Epochs in Jewish History, Part III:
Rabbinic Judaism, 1917.

Mishnaic - 210 by R. Jehudah
or Rabbi

~~Talmud~~
Gemara - 7 C.

Mishnah -

Halacha

III. Law Rabbin - Oppressive.

1. Halacha - Code + Civil
Criminal Law. It was
not oppressive.

2. The law dwelt on every
detail - every relation of
man to God & his fellow-men.
i.e. every thing in life is
holy - Hence the precise
def. of conduct

I. Mother —

III

Rabbinic
Judaism

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II. Exile.

1. Lycaegore.
2. Return. Mixture.
3. Ezra. Nibdaline. Brought.
most of Torah with him.
Sought to same Judaism.
Sending away strange
wives.
4. Wall of Ezra continued by
Pentec. Who taught.
5. Alexander Great. Great
influence. Effect. Rise
of Hasmonean. H. Maccabean
War. c. 160 B.C.
6. ~~Life~~ Exiles & Pharisees.
after Macc. Rel. Maccabees
A. Maccabean classes lay

c. The Phar. delighted in obeying Law.

d. The Law itself was of no consequence only in so far as it was a means of doing the will of God more fully.

e. System demanded rigid discipline even that devotion.

IV. Theory of Rabbin.

a. God had made a full and final revelation to Israel. It is contained in Scriptures. Though amplified by later Scrib. writings & by Oral Tradition.

7. Movement towards stricter
interpretation of Torah. The Phar.
were so called bec. they found
certain varieties & played
too to strict observance in
the matter of meat, drink, clothing.
a. Element most zealous for the
rel. of Torah.

b. The Pharisee Party - claimed
right to make new laws
to meet exigencies of day
c. Rabbin were these Pharisees

8. Pharisees aimed to build
wall around Torah.

a. Johnanah, Zaccari +
the Emperor Vespasian.

9. Kept continuity of Jewish life
and thought. Tradition of
Elders. Later systematized

V. It's Judah. & this.

a. No System of Theology
left thought free but
chain of conduct.

Uniformity of Belief is
demanded. Hal. guided
conduct but It's Judah
guided his spirit. A. H. H.
relates to God.

b. But amplified a
theology.

God, man Israel,
Jehovah's Kingdom
& preeminence

God - "A Bird preaches not,
without heaven".

Man - Free agent.



Philosophy of Leadership
order Hand