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“Time's Up: Eschatology Then and Now.”

# **Anti-Eschatology: Maimonides on the Messianic Era and the World to Come**

**Professor Dr. Raphael Jospe**  
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**Thursday, 28 February 2019 at 8:00 P.M.**

**At the STUDIUM THEOLOGICUM SALESIANUM,  
Rh Shmuel Hanagid 26**

If by “eschatology” one means the belief in a supernatural end of time, then Maimonides’ rationalist interpretation of the messianic era (*yemot ha-mashiah*) and the “world to come” (*‘olam ha-ba*) in naturalistic terms constitutes an “anti-eschatology.”

Professor Jospe, who has lectured for ETRFI on several occasions, is Professor of Jewish Philosophy at Ariel University, and previously taught at Bar Ilan University and the Hebrew University – School for Overseas Students. He is the author/editor of 20 books and dozens of scholarly articles, and was the editor of the Jewish Philosophy division of the *Encyclopaedia Judaica* (2nd edition). He is currently working on a new book, *Affirming Chosenness and Pluralism: On Jewish Identity in Encounter with Other Traditions and Cultures*. Professor Jospe is active in inter-religious dialogue, and has lectured for the Israeli Ministry of Foreign Affairs at the Vatican and also at the World Council of Churches. Dr. Jospe and his wife Darlene have seven children and (at last count) 21 grandchildren.

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Please join us for light refreshments from 7:30 P.M.

**The next lectures in the series will be 28/03; 02/05; Retreat: 31/05.**