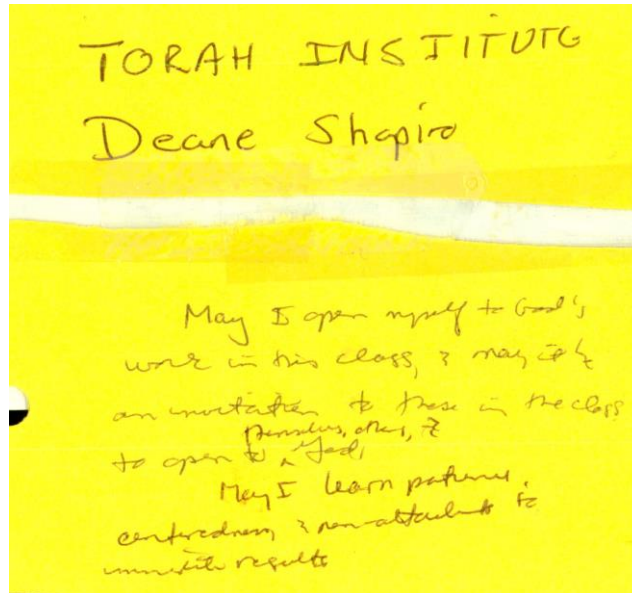


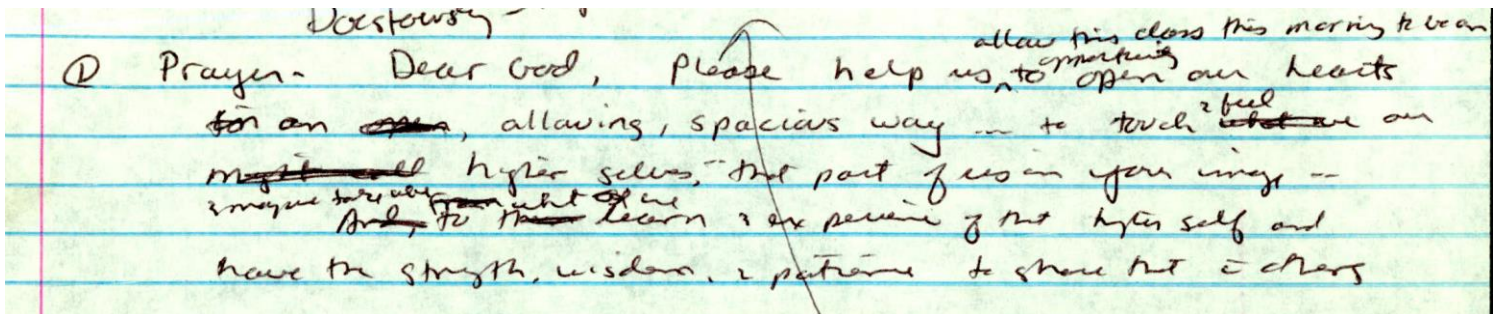
# God Search:

Here is the note I made to myself regarding the teaching



May I open myself to God's work in this class, and may it be an invitation to those in the class to open themselves and others to God, as they understand God.

May I learn patience, centeredness, and non—attachment to immediate results.



Dear God , please help us allow this class to be an opportunity to open our hearts in an allowing, spacious way..to touch and feel our higher selves, that part of us in your image..and may we take what we learn and experience of that higher self and have the strenght, wisdom and patience to share that with others.

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## PICKING A TTITLE AND ANNOUCMENT:

Rabbi Allan Krause  
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Dear Allan:

Regarding the class for the 8th--10th graders, I would like it to be called Jewish Modes of Finding and Knowing God: Theory, Practice, and Applications to Daily Living. Utilizing Sonsino and Syme's book on Finding God, and Kaplan's on Jewish Meditation, I would like to discuss one different tradition each week, plus a few contemplative exercises. I would request that they write a brief essay on their position at the start of the class, and one at the end.

Content-wise, I am excited about it. However, I have been informed by Shauna that another title is necessary! Any thoughts?

## ANNOUNCEMENT OF A NEW CLASS

### "GOD SEARCH" – THE ADULT VERSION

"Friends should support one another ... and give each other encouragement. They should strengthen one another in the service of God."

–Rabbi Nachman of Bratzlav, the great grandson of the Bal Shem Tov, Restore My Soul,  
p. 16

Deane Shapiro and Michael Grossman, with the assistance of Rabbi Allen Krause, are planning to offer a class for adults who are interested in further exploring, understanding, and deepening their relationship with God. The primary focus of the class will be on experientially exploring Jewish means to understand, search for., return to, and draw closer to God, and, as we are willing, to feel God's presence in our own lives, actions, and hearts.