

About Naomi

Naomi Harris Rosenblatt is a psychotherapist, author, speaker, and adult Bible class teacher. Her weekly classes have included seminars on Capitol Hill for U.S. Senators and a monthly Bible discussion group at the Israeli Ambassador's residence. Her roundtable discussions in Washington and New York have attracted a prestigious array of journalists, Wall Street executives, attorneys, and scholars. Rosenblatt is featured on Bill Moyers PBS' ten-broadcast series entitled, "Genesis: A Living Conversation," and has appeared on various T.V. shows and featured in numerous newspapers and magazine articles.

About Her Books

Naomi is the author of *Wrestling with Angels: What Genesis Teaches Us About Our Spiritual Identity, Sexuality and Personal Relationships.* The book examines the psychological and spiritual lives of the four generations from Abraham and Sara to their great grandson Joseph.

Her second book, *After the Apple: Women in the Bible – Timeless Stories of Love, Lust and Longing* is an illuminating retelling of the lives of fourteen women in the Hebrew Bible: a prism through which we can examine our own lives.

The Biblical women are strong, smart and daring; They are part of a long line of Eve's female descendants who use their powers as women to work everyday miracles in a patriarchal world. They defy patriarchal authority when their family, tribe and people are threatened. We today marvel at the modern dilemmas they confront and explore.

Naomi has just released her third book, *Bless The Bitter and The Sweet*. It offers us a front-row view of the intensely personal experiences and untold stories of a teenaged girl during the last days of British rule as Israel struggles for independence. It comes in the form of a rare handwritten diary translated from Hebrew into English, chronicling daily life during those tumultuous years from 1947 to 1952, as well as the author's insights and reflections more than six decades later.

A powerful mix of joy and searing pain, of resilience and heroism, it is also a story of love and passion. Anecdotes and photographs convey what it was like to grow into adulthood in those extraordinary times and depict a generation whose fortitude gave birth to a renewed people.

Featured Around Town

Naomi has been featured on NBC's Today Show, ABC's Good Morning America, This is America with Dennis Wholey on PBS, The Armstrong Williams Show, Religion and Ethics and To the Contrary with Bonnie Erbe, and Ben Wattenberg's Think Tank on WNET. She has been on radio shows around the country, including back-to-back appearances on the Diane Rehm show on NPR. Her work has been featured in newspaper and magazine articles.

Speaking Engagements

Naomi has been a keynote speaker at the Aspen Institute, "The Group of Fifty," "Women of Washington," "International Women's Forum," the United Jewish Federation and the 92nd Street Y. She has also presented at the Omega Institute, The Institute of Early Childhood Education, Naomi has lectured at George Washington University and The Georgetown University Law Center, as well as at The U.S Judicial Conference meeting in Princeton, NJ. She has served as scholar-inresidence at numerous Reform and Conservative Jewish congregations, and Churches. She is an active member of the Interfaith group The Abrahamic Roundtable in the Washington National Cathedral.

Background

Born in Haifa, Israel, Naomi attended the Reali School and majored in Biblical studies and Literature. After service in the Israeli Navy, she married American-born Peter R. Rosenblatt, now a practicing lawyer and former U.S. ambassador. She earned her master's degree in Clinical Social Work from Catholic University in the mid-70's and began a private psychotherapy practice specializing in individual and marital counseling.

Books are available at Amazon.com and the author's website. WWW.NAOMIHARRISROSENBLATT.COM