Summary

Funeral and mourning in judaism

The thesis, that is presented here, aims to explore an approach towards dying and death in judaism, system of rites in jewish burial, and coping with death with the assistance of these rituals and grieving process. Author focuses on the concept of life and death withing jewish view, depicts the meaning of rituals and healing processes, which follow after death. She also compares grieving, as we know it in judaism, with psychological approach towards grieving, that is with (five) stages of grief according to Elisabeth Kübler - Ross. Through that, the theme embodies a discourse, which allows an interdisciplinary discussion. Author of this thesis is trying to find connections and mutual contribution among the two main showed approaches, finding profits and meanings of funeral rituals and grieving stages, and therefore finding a new view of life, good dying and the healing process of grief.