



# Programs for Summer Camps

## *Staff Training*

### **The God Gap: How to (not) talk about G!D**

The God Gap: the moment when the way you've been taught about God stops making sense. What can we do as counselors to help bridge that gap? In this session we'll explore our own beliefs, G!D talk, theological diversity, and strategies to give our campers the possibility of a dynamic and lasting Divine relationship (and why we should care in the first place).

### **Games, Stories, and Song: Crafting Moments of Meaning in Prayer**

How can we make prayer at camp more enriching, fun, and meaningful? What if we don't have control over time, structure, or resources? In this session we will engage with different techniques to bring "moments of meaning" into our services through games, discussion, songs, and metaphors.

### **Ritual: Transforming Secular to Sacred**

Jewish tradition invites us to bring holiness into the everyday. These moments of intention can connect individuals, encourage self-reflection, and foster gratitude. How can we create these moments of spirit, for our bunks, our age groups, and our staff? Learn how to harness traditional rituals, create new ones, and seize opportunities for meaning that happen every day.

### **Shabbat Services with Spirit**

Shabbat services are an invaluable opportunity for both education and connection. Learn melodies, mindfulness, and teaching techniques to engage with deep spirit and connectedness, as well as language and activities to utilize expansive G!D language in your transitions and Torah learning.



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## *For Campers*

### **Prayer for all ages**

Experience *T'fillah* sessions that are filled with fun and meaning. They can be built around a theme, such as movement or sports, or focus on a particular prayer. Each service will be intentionally crafted, keeping in mind the age of the campers, size of the group, space, and time constraints.

### **Education Programs**

Each session, whether on names of G!D, personal belief, Jewish ritual, spiritual practice, all of the above, or something else we dream up together, is experiential, utilizes multiple learning modalities, and encourages deep thought and personal growth. Sessions can be done once or spread out as a series, for a variety of age groups and class sizes.

### **Artist Beit Midrash**

Campers who opt-in will go deeper into the text and discover their own names for G!D, reflecting on their learning through art. The G!D Project offers facilitation in music, poetry, and movement. We can also train in-camp artists to provide more workshop options. Creations can be shared with the rest of the age group in a low-key coffee house style “G!D Salon.”

## *About us*

The G!D Project seeks to challenge and expand understandings of the Divine and provide a space for exploring issues of belief. Through interactive workshops, dynamic ritual, and moments of spirit, all rooted in Jewish text and tradition, participants are given the tools and language to wrestle with the Divine, and find their own names for G!D. Founded by master Jewish artist and educator [Eliana Light](#). Fueled by a [JTS Seeds of Innovation Grant](#).