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## The Book Of Ruth and the Question of Migration: S. Y. Agnon's "In the Prime of Her Life"

Ilana Pardes (Hebrew University of Jerusalem)



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#### 5:15 pm

3335 Dwinelle Hall UC Berkeley Campus

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