

ANA-BEKOACH STAR OF DAVID

This painting is a mapping of the Holy 42 Letter Divine Name, reflected through the *Sefirot* and the Star of David.

The Kabbalah discusses 10 *Sefirot*, or aspects of consciousness, through which we experience reality. The 6 points of the Star of David, and the 7th point in the center, represent 7 of the *Sefirot*. Each of these 7 *Sefirot* includes within itself all 7 of the *Sefirot*.

The Kabbalah discusses the spiritual work of purifying these aspects of our inner self that enables us to experience the unconditional love and Divine goodness at the root of all creation.

The 7 lower *Sefirot* and one way of translating their meaning is:

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| <i>Chesed</i> | Loving Kindness |
| <i>Gevurah</i> | Humility |
| <i>Tiferet</i> | Harmony |
| <i>Netzach</i> | Eternity |
| <i>Hod</i> | Thankfulness |
| <i>Yesod</i> | Unity |
| <i>Malchut</i> | Central Point in the Heart |

The Star of David in this painting is color coded corresponding to the associated *Sefirot*.

The color coding for this painting is:

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| <i>Chesed</i> | white |
| <i>Gevurah</i> | red |
| <i>Tiferet</i> | purple |
| <i>Netzach</i> | white with a little red |
| <i>Hod</i> | red with a little white |
| <i>Yesod</i> | orange |
| <i>Malchut</i> | blue |

In this painting the 42 Letter Divine Name is depicted according to the *Sefira* that is associated with each letter of the Holy Name.

The Holy Divine Name of 42 letters is discussed extensively in the Kabbalah, and is described in great detail in the Zohar and the writings of the Ari z"l.

The Divine name of 42 letters is associated with 42 stages in the process of our spiritual development. Our spiritual work towards attaining the elevated consciousness of pure giving and unconditional love, brings revelation of the infinite Divine goodness to all creation.

The 42 Letter Name is used extensively in Kabbalistic meditations and spiritual unifications.

The prayer *Ana-Bekoach* contains 42 words. The 1st letters of these words is the 42 Letter Name. The Prayer *Ana-Bekoach* is included in the daily order of prayers and is found in the *Siddur* (prayer book).

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