

OU CENTRE. JERUSALEM.
RABBI DR. ALAN AVRAHAM KIMCHE

“GREAT JEWISH THINKERS”

Rabbi Yechezkel Landau (1713 -1793)

“The Noda Bi’Yehuda”.

1. Responsa **נודע ביהודה** - halachic authority of Central Europe.
2. **דגול מרבבה** commentary on Shulchan Aruch
3. **צל”ח** commentary on the Talmud.
4. Dayan in Brody, Ukraine, then Chief Rabbi of Prague from 1755.
5. Follower of Rambam, Maharshal and Maharal of Prague.
6. Contemporary & colleague of Vilna Gaon.
7. World renowned Talmudic scholar and community leader.
8. Determined to uproot all Sabbatean influences.
9. Combated rabbinic corruption.
10. Emphasis on source material exclusively from Talmud.
11. Accepted only those minhagim based on Talmudic sources.
12. Kabbalistic ideas are frequently open to misunderstanding.
13. Opposed the rise of Chassidus and all changes to the Siddur.
14. Forbade all use of amulets.
15. Arbitrated dispute of R.Yaakov Emden and R.Yonassan Eibeshutz.
16. Condemned the Haskalah movement of Wessley and Mendelssohn.
17. Highly respected in Government circles, prevented anti-semitic measures.