SPARKS A-FLYIN' FALL 2025

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Welcome to the new issue of our quarterly newsletter as we officially enter fall. I'm not changing the name of this newsletter but I am overjoyed and grateful to announce the release of the new album, *NIGHT WILL END*. Unlike how *SPARKS* is scattered across dozens of platforms, I chose to release and house the new album in one convenient place – Bandcamp, which is so much more supportive of independent artists than platforms such as Spotify. The new album continues my passion for writing songs informed by Jewish text/values in a way that's accessible across denominations/backgrounds, but with increased emotional immediacy and timeliness.

So by going to https://larrylesser1.bandcamp.com/album/night-will-end, you can now browse or buy the album (or individual tracks) and Bandcamp's setup allows different levels of engagement/support and thank you so much for engaging with my work in whatever manner you choose – it means a lot!

- What I call "Level C" is **casual/curious level** where you can check out the music by streaming it for free up to 3 times and then decide for yourself if it's worthy of support or spreading the word
- What I call "Level B" is the **backer level** that understands that quality independent music projects cost money to make and therefore deserves to be bought— it's a good deal to get the high-quality album download for your computer or other device for a reasonable minimum price of $13 (or individual tracks at $1.50 each). This option also includes the convenience of unlimited streaming on the free Bandcamp app and access to full liner notes, etc.
- What I call "Level A" is the **awesome ally level** who feels the abundance to go above and beyond by purchasing the album for more than its stated minimum price (yes, Bandcamp easily allows this sliding scale) as a way to help offset project expenses for studio time, professional musicians, mixing, mastering, etc. – kinda like a retroactive Kickstarter.

Let's celebrate this new album for the new year: join me at no charge for a free **"Larry's Listening Party Hour"** at https://larrylesser1.bandcamp.com/merch/larrys-listening-party-for-night-will-end this Tuesday Sept. 30 at 7pm MDT (so that's 6pm Pacific, 8pm Central, 9pm Eastern). The online party is audio-only so you can be in your sweats eating dinner and just focus on taking in the music. At showtime the platform automatically plays through the 9 songs in order with liner notes displayed. Anyone with the https://larrylesser1.bandcamp.com/merch/larrys-listening-party-for-night-will-end link can tune in and hear the music at the listening party so feel free to share the link with any friends you may think would be interested. If you want the additional experience of interacting with me and other listeners in the live chat window during the listening party, you simply register at https://bandcamp.com/fansignup beforehand for a free Bandcamp fan account. It will be fun to see people's reactions to the songs in real time and I'll be happy to answer questions about the writing or recording process. When the last track finishes after about a half-hour, I'll stay on the live chat to continue the conversation for up to another half-hour. I love learning which songs move or stick out for different people and why. (If you prefer to compose and relay feedback to me privately later, that's of course also welcome.)

Many thanks and blessings,

Larry