

Emor Discussion Guide

1. Review the portion, naming the main topics.
2. What strikes you as interesting or confusing in the portion? What personal insights do you have related to the portion?
3. Why do you think we are reading so much about holiness in the Torah portions leading up to the Shavuot?
4. In your own words, describe why it is that the priesthood is held to a higher standard of holiness.
5. How can we “guard” the commandments today regarding offering only the best to God?
6. What are qualities of a successful teacher? Do you remember a specific teacher in school or elsewhere who made a big impression on you or particularly helped you?
7. Speak to R'Schneerson's idea that praise is the “essential ingredient of effective education.” Do you agree or disagree? How can such a perspective tip into imbalance, and how can a teacher guard against that imbalance?
8. What are some of the great blessings and also some of the pitfalls in doing the mo'edim? What practical advice can you think of for observing God's appointed times?
9. What biblical stories can you think of where Yeshua was specifically connected to a certain mo'ed?