



Weekly Clergy Message

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Living with Paradox
Emor
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This week we read Parashat Emor ([Leviticus 21:1 - 24:23](#)), and our Haftarah is from the Prophet Ezekiel ([Ezekiel 44:15-31](#)).

In this week's Parasha we learn more of the rules governing the lives of the Cohanim (Priests) and we have a listing of the full Holy Day cycle that makes up our calendar. In the one narrative event of this section we learn of the "blasphemer." In that incident, two men are fighting and one uses the Holy name of God in anger.

Below is the link to the Parasha web-page of Rabbi Shefa Gold who offers us an explanation, an analysis, and spiritual practices to deepen our connections to the sacred rhythms of Torah through, as she says, the paradox of being both divine and human.

<http://www.rabbishefagold.com/emor/>