



#YHTyouandme Table Talk Rosh Hashana

The Table Talk is a weekly letter sent out to spark discussion at your Shabbat and Chag table. Table Talks are connected to our theme of the year, developing empathy.

Chagigah 27a:2

הניגה כ"ז א:ב'
רבי יוחנן ורישי לkish דאמר תרויהו
בזמן שבית המקדש קיים מזבח מכפר
על אדם עכשו שלחנו של אדם
מכפר עליו:

Rabbi Yohanan and Reish Lakish both say the following exposition: **When the Temple is standing the altar atones for a person; now that the Temple has been destroyed, it is a person's table that atones for him**, for his feeding of needy guests atones for his sins.

רש"י על הניגה כ"ז א:ב':א'
שולחנו מכפר עליו - בהכנסת
אורחים:

Rashi on Chagigah 27a:2:1

A Person's Table Atones for him - Through hosting guests.

Let's Talk!

How can we have empathy when we host guests?

Why do you think hosting guests atones for our sins?

Does hosting people in our homes make us better people?

What Mitzvot are you working on during the ten days of Teshuva?

Do any of them involve having more empathy for others?