

10 Jewish Principles for Discussion

1. In God's image אלהים בצלם ב' *B'tzelem Elohim*
Recognize that each of us is created in God's image & act accordingly
2. For the name of heaven שמיים שם ל' *Lshem Shamayim*
Arguments for the sake of heaven should not involve an ulterior motive or any ego and are destined to endure
3. Silence שתיקה *Sh'tikah*
Listening quietly & reflectively while others speak
4. Speaking דבור *Dibbur*
Speaking truthfully but carefully
5. Patience סבלנות *Savlanut*
Be patient and empathetic
6. Asking forgiveness בקש *Bakesh S'lichah*
Should you offend, then respectfully ask for forgiveness
7. These & Those אלו ואלו *Elu v'Elu*
Recognize that all contributions should be considered
8. Together ביחד *B'yachad*
Progress only comes thru collaboration & togetherness
9. Manners of the land דרך *Derech Eretz*
Honor & respect others / Be a mensch
10. Eventually סופו של *Sofu Shel D'var*
Ultimately we hope to create one congregation