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IMPORTANT REMINDERS

-  **Last Opportunity to Say Kiddush Levana until:**
15 Adar Bet/ Sun. night March 24
-  **Taanit Esther** is Thursday March 21.
The fast ends at 6:09pm (Jerusalem)
-  **The Shabbat before Purim we add the Torah reading of Zachor** in which we are commanded to remember the evil of Amalek. According to many Halachic authorities, there is a Biblical requirement to hear the special Zachor reading.
-  **Please see page 50 for Purim laws and customs.**

A SHORT VORT

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כי כל שאר וכל דבש לא תקטירו ממנו אשה לה' (בייא)

"For you shall not bring any leaven or any honey as an offering by fire to G-d" (2:11)

What is the message of the Torah by the meal offering that leaven and honey are prohibited?

The Menachem Tzion (Rabbi Menachem Mendel Torem from Reminow, Poland 1745-1810) answers that the pasuk is guiding us on how to react in certain situations. We are to refrain from acting in an extreme fashion. Leaven is too sour, and honey is too sweet. Neither are acceptable by G-d. The Jerusalem Talmud (Chagiga 2:20) states: "The Torah is comparable to two roads, one leading towards considerable heat, the other leading toward excessive cold. To adhere to one road would result in death by heat, while the other would end with death by freezing. What path to choose? Take the middle route."

Maimonides also instructs us this concept based on an earlier verse in the Torah. "And the tree of life was in the middle of the garden." (Bereishit 2:9) - (בראשית ב:ט) - ועץ החיים בתוך הגן

The favored path of life is that is the one that neither has overreactions nor underreactions in any given situation.
Shabbat Shalom