

might have on their mental acuity, a necessary part of their responsibilities. More, specifically, it comes as a warning against drinking such that it perverts the ability to make the distinctions to achieve holiness.

We tend to think of the differences between sacred and profane, (ritually) purity and (ritually) impurity (better translations of the words 'clean' and 'unclean') as dichotomous realms, raising the goal to rid ourselves of every day as the anti-sacred. In reality, however



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