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In some texts in the Hebrew Bible, hospitality appears to be a social value that trumps all other concerns. We see this for instance in Genesis 19 and Judges 19, two stories in which dire sacrifices are made in order to protect one's guests, complete strangers, who happen to have come under one's roof.

In other narratives, such as Judges 4 and 2 Samuel 13, guests are killed without a second thought. These stories reveal complex hierarchies of gender and power and an intriguing hierarchy of social values. This presentation teases out these complexities and considers how researchers of the Hebrew Bible may be able to decode its authors' negotiating of socio-cultural norms.

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