

# Rabbi Moshe Chafetz: Post-Renaissance Torah and Temple

*Yes, Your Father's Torah Shpiel*  
*...well, your great-great-great grandfather's...*

**Mondays, 9:30am-11:00am**  
**February 4th through April 29th**



During the Scientific Revolution, Rabbi Moshe Chafetz of Venice wrote a Torah commentary which cites Galileo and Aristotle alongside Maimonides and Rashi. We'll explore his sometimes surprising commentary and life, as well as his book about the Second Temple in Jerusalem, and the poetic rendering of the 613 mitzvot in his son Gershom's book. No experience or Hebrew required.

*No class 2/18, 3/25, 4/1*

**Questions? Want to register?**  
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**JCC Members: \$150**  
**Non-Members: \$180**

Instructor Doug Brook has taught at synagogues nationwide, is a short-order Torah reader for two local synagogues, works in technical writing management by day, and is an active director, actor, and writer in Bay Area theatre. An Alabama native, with roots in Ramah, AZA, USY, and AEPi, he has been the featured humor columnist for Southern Jewish Life magazine since 1996, and is translating the 17th-Century rabbinic works of Moshe Chafetz.

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