

מגילה כד

It is מותר to skip around in נביא for the הפטרה, but only within the same ספר, or amongst תרי עשר.

A קטן cannot go up to דוכן if he is the only כהן present. If there are other כהנים present, he may do it for purposes of חינוך, but not בקביעות. In חוץ לארץ, this would mean that he can דוכן when the other כהנים דוכן (at טוב), which in any case is on occasion. In ארץ ישראל, when כהנים go up to דוכן every day, a קטן should only go up on occasion.

A כהן who has visible מומין (blemishes, blindness in one or both eyes) may דוכן provided the צבור is used to seeing them. Today, when the מנהג is for כהנים to cover their hands and face with a טלית, a כהן with a מום on his hands or face may דוכן regardless.

תפילין must be square. If they lose their “squareness”, they should be made square again. Defining square is done by טביעת עין as the משנה ברורה writes that a person does not have to measure their תפילין daily.