Tish'a B'Av: Pre-Fast Meal

You may say <u>birkat ha'mazon</u> with a <u>mezuman</u> or with a <u>minyan</u> during the <u>Nine Days</u>. But you may not do so at the meal preceding <u>Tish'a b'Ay</u> (<u>se'uda ha'mafseket</u>).

REASON Only bread dipped in ashes and a hard-boiled egg should be eaten and that is not a meal for socializing or togetherness.

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