

2.9.7; 89b (משנה ה) → 90b (סיום הפרק)

1. ולא ידבק בידך מאומה מן החרם למען ישוב ה' מחרון אפו ונתן לך רחמים ורחמך והרבה פאשר נשבע לאבתך: דברים יג, יח
 2. לב חכם לימינו ולב פסיל לשמאלו: קהלת י, ב
 3. אל תשקצו את נפשתיכם בכל השרץ השרץ ולא תטמאו בהם ונטמתם בהם: ויקרא יא, מג

- I. שיעורי הוצאה: resumed listing of משנה ה
- a. Wood –spices: enough to cook a “light egg”
 - i. Question: once we established this שיעור for a broken reed (above), why repeat it here?
 1. Answer: א”ס that only applies to broken reed – has no other use;
 2. But: wood can be used for fine on key – and the שיעור would be קמ”ל – כל שהו קלה – כדי לבשל ביצה קלה
 - b. Spices: enough spice a “light egg” – and they combine (1/2 שיעור of each spice → חייב)
 - i. Challenge: ערלה ב:י – various spices of one “name” or type combine to form a שיעור
 1. חזוקיה referent is sweeteners; reason is that they can be used together to spice up the pot
 2. Implication: without that reason, there is no צירוף (→ why are these spices מצטרף?)
 - a. Answer: these spices are also able to be mixed to make a combination flavor
 - c. Peels of nuts, pomegranates or dyeing plants: enough to dye a small garment which goes atop a woman’s headdress
 - i. Challenge: שיעור of dyes is enough to dye a small piece as a model
 - ii. Answer: as per above, no one dyes that little – raw dyes are only used if more will be dyed
 - d. Urine, lye, soap and other detergents: enough to launder a small garment (פי הסבכה)
 - e. ד’ יהודה: enough to remove a stain
 - i. Urine: must be within 40 days
 - ii. גתר: a type of lye - must be the Alexandrian type, not Antipatrian
 - iii. גורית: a type of soap – perhaps aloe (suggestion - mineral, but since it is bound by שמיטה, rejected)
 - iv. קמוניא: Cimolian earth
 - v. אשלג: potash
- II. שיעור משנה ו: various items which have no minimal שיעור
- a. Spices etc: paprika, resin, spices and metals
 - i. Paprika (or long pepper): used for halitosis
 - ii. Resin (עטרן): used to cure headaches
 - iii. Spices: ברייתא - foul-smelling thing (for חולים); good oil, purple dye (ארגמן) or a single rose – חייב
 - iv. Metals: ברייתא – רשב”א – could be used to make a tiny cattle prod
 1. ברייתא: if he says עלי ברזל, must bring at least 1x1 אמה, used for “anti-crow perch” atop היכל
 - a. If he said: הרי עלי נחושת – no less than 1 מעה of silver’s worth of copper coins
 - i. רשב”א (presumably if he didn’t specify מטבע) – may bring a small copper fork
 1. Use in מקדש (אב”י): to pull out wicks as part of הטבת הנרות and cleaning out lamps
 - b. Sancta: rocks of the מזבה or dirt of the מזבה, moth-eaten ספרים or covers - as they must be buried
 - i. ד’ יהודה: moths that eat ספרים, silkworms, worms that destroy grapes, mites that eat figs and pomegranates are all dangerous (story with יוחנן ר’)
 - c. ד’ יהודה: even משמשי ע”ז, per v. 1 – the smallest piece must be destroyed

III. משנה ז: carrying combinations of small things

 - a. If: he carried a box of spices, only liable for 1 חטא, even though there are various types
 - b. Seeds: that are less than גרוגרת – the minimum is 5, per בתירה בן יהודה
 - c. Various seeds: cucumbers, gourds and beans – 2
 - i. Note: unlike already sown seeds, where שיעור is smaller; as no one troubles himself to plant 1 seed
 - ii. ברייתא: 2 seeds are חייב, if taken out for planting; if for eating – size of a pig’s mouth (=1 seed); if for fuel, enough to cook a “light egg”; if as an abacus, 2 (some say – 5)
 - iii. Various “hairs”: horse and cow – 2; pig – 1; palm bands – 2; palm fillets - 1
 - d. Locusts: if טהור – any size if alive; if dead – גרוגרת
 - e. Vineyard bird (type of locust): whether alive or dead – any size, as it is hidden for medicinal purposes
 - i. אב”י: describes how it is found and how it is used as a סגולה for wisdom (v. 2)
 - f. ד’ יהודה: even if someone carries a טמא locust (alive) חייב; as we keep them for children as playthings
 - i. ח”ק: we don’t give it to children, as they may eat them
 - ii. Challenge: if so, we should treat טהורים the same; מותר, it is a violation of v. 3 (story with רב)
 1. Rather: reason is that it may die and he’ll eat a נבילה ר’ יהודה – if that happens, the child mourns)