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(אבל אתה למד להבין ולהורות) 24b → (משנה ה') 23b

(1)	וְיַעֲזָקָהּ וְיִסְקָלְהוּ וְיִטְעָהוּ שָׂרָק וְיִבֶן מִגְדָּל בְּתוֹכוֹ וְגַם יִקָּב הָצֵב בּוֹ וְיִקּוּ לַעֲשׂוֹת עֲנָבִים וְיַעֲשׂ בְּאֲשִׁים: ישיעוהו ה, ב
(2)	...אחר שלח אתו נבזזאדן רב טבחים מן הרמה בקחתו אתו והוא אסור באזקים בתוך כל גלות ירושלים ויהודה המגלים בגלה: ידמיהו מ:א
(3)	הַמֶּשֶׁל וְפָחַד עִמּוֹ עֲשֵׂה שְׁלוֹם בְּמִרוֹמָיו: איוב כה, ב
(4)	וְדַבֵּר מִשָּׂה אֶת מַעְדֵי ה' אֶל בְּנֵי יִשְׂרָאֵל: ויקרא כג, מד
(5)	דבר אל בני ישראל ואמרת אליהם מועדי ה' אשר תקראו אתם מקראי קדש אלה הם מועדי: ויקרא כג, ב
(6)	וְקִדְשְׁתֶּם אֶת שְׁנַת הַחֲמִשִּׁים שָׁנָה...ויקרא כה, י
(7)	לא תעשוני אתי אלהי כסף ואלהי זהב לא תעשו לכם: שמות כ, יט
(8)	לא תעשה לך פסל וכל תמונה אשר בשמים ממעל ואשר בארץ מתחת לארץ: שמות כ, ג
(9)	כי אתה בא אל הארץ אשר ה' אלהיך נתן לך לא תלמד לעשות כתועבת הגוים ההם: דברים יח, ט

- I. שבת on ירושלים – setup for עדים that come to משנה ה
  - a. *Large חצר*: called בית יעזק/זיק (v1-gladness; or v2-pain); evidently as seen from festive meals
  - b. *עדים*: would be quizzed there; they would have large meals to induce them to come
  - c. *Originally*: they would only have אמות ד' of walking as per עירובין ד
    - i. *הזקן*: ordained to allow them 2K in every direction,
      - 1. *As well as*: midwife, any emergency/rescue personnel who come to help – 2K like תושבי העיר
- II. משנה ו – examination of the witnesses
  - a. *Who must testify*: that they saw the entire moon directly, not even partially through glass or as a reflection
  - b. *If*: they state that they saw it inadvertently and then, when they sought it out, couldn't see it – invalid
    - i. *Assumption*: a cloud formation caught their attention at first
  - c. *Each one*: is brought in separately; and asked:
    - i. *Facing*: was the dark side facing the sun or away? (if he answers “facing” – invalidated per v3)
    - ii. *Direction*: was it north or south of the sun? (winter – “north” is valid; in summer, “south”)
    - iii. *Height*: how high in the sky was it?
      - 1. *Discrepancy*: if minor, they may join; if not, may only join with another who corroborates
    - iv. *Dark side*: In which direction was the dark side inclined?
    - v. *Width*: How wide was it?
  - d. *Second עד*: brought in; if their testimony matches, validated
  - e. *Other עדים*: brought in for formal questioning so as not to discourage them in the future
- III. משנה ז – declaration of the ב"ד
  - a. *דאש ב"ד*: declares מקודש (as per v4 – משה declares)
  - b. *Members of ד"ד*: repeat מקודש מקודש (as per v. 5 – תקראו: they must call out מועדי [plural])
  - c. *If not seen on time (30<sup>th</sup>)*: ת"ק – sanctify nonetheless on 31<sup>st</sup>
    - i. *דאב"צ*: no sanctification – already accomplished by heaven
      - 1. *Support*: ברייתא – if process was completed but they didn't have time to announce מקודש before nightfall – it is מעובר (→ no קידוש החדש in such a case)
      - 2. *Rejection*: that teaches that we extend month; even tho process was completed & all saw לבנה
    - ii. *גלימו*: only sanctify חדש מעובר (opposite of ראב"צ)
    - iii. *דאב"ש*: never sanctify months – only years (as per v6)
- IV. משנה חו – ר"ג had astronomic charts and pictures which he would use to interrogate witnesses
  - a. *Challenge*: doesn't v7 forbid making images of הקב"ה's servants/vehicles of worship?
    - i. *אב"י*: prohibition only includes items that could be replicated (e.g. כלי מקדש) as per ברייתא:
    - ii. *Portico-like חצר*: a table like the שלחן etc. אסור, מותר to make a מנורה of ~7 נרות; אסור [any metal]
    - iii. *ד' יוסי בר יהודה*: forbids even wood as per מקבים
    - iv. *ד"ק*: those were metal, they plated them with lead → silver → gold as they became wealthier
  - b. *Re-challenge*: from v7 - : “those that serve Me in heaven”? (incl. images of חיות on מרכבה and astral bodies);
    - i. *If*: others make it for him and it's in a public place (no חשד) and engraved (not embossed) – מותר
    - ii. *ד"ג*: as נשיא, his room was a “public place” – no חשד, in addition
    - iii. *V9*: prohibits studying idolatry to worship – but not for הוראה