21.2.9; 29b (משנה ח) → 30b (אלא אימא: שהעמידו דיניהם על דין תורה, ולא עבדו לפנים משורת הדין)

- 1. וְהָגָה הָעִיר הַקְּרֹבָה אֶל הָחָלָל וְלְקְחוּ זְקְנֵי הָעִיר הַהָּוֹא עֻגְלַת בְּקֵר אֲשֶׁר לֹא עָבִּד בָּה אֲשֶׁר לֹא מַשְׁכָה בְּעל: דברים פרק כא פסוק ג 2. לֹא תִרְאָה אֶת שוֹר אָחִידְּ אוֹ אֶת שֵׁיוֹ נְדָּחִים וְהָ**תְעַלְמְתָ** מֵהֶם הָשֵׁב תְּשִיבֵם לְאָחִיף: דבּים פר*ק כב פסוק א* 3. זֹאת חֻקַת הַתּוֹרָה אֲשֶׁר בְּוָה ה׳ לֵאמֹר דַּבֵּר אָל בְּנִי יִשְׁרָאֵל וְיָקְחוּ אֵלֶידְּ בְּרָה אֲדָשֶׁה הְמִימָה אֲשֶׁר הֹץ שֶׂךָ אַל בְּנִי יִשְרָאַל הְיָקְתוֹ אֵלֶידְ נְתָלְה לְרְשְׁתָּה: דברים פרק טו פסוק ד 4. אָבֶּס כִּי לֹא יִהְיָה בְּדְּ אֶבְיוֹן כִּי בָרֶדְּ יְבָרֶבְּ ה' בָּאֶרֶץ אֲשֶׁר ה' אֱלֹהֶיךְ נַתְל לְרְשָׁתָה: דברים פרק טו פסוק ד
- I משנה ח': proper treatment of אבדה while waiting to identify owner
 - a ספרים: read them once every 30 days; if uncapable of reading roll them every 30 days,
 - i But: may not study new material or study with another person
 - ii Associated ruling: if you find תפילין, sell immediately (reason מפילין are easy to buy; ספרים are rare)
 - iii ברייתא. if someone borrows a ס"ת, may not lend to another
 - 1 Justification: no borrower may lend סד"א, שאלה owner is happy to have מצוה done with his property קמ"ל
 - iv Continuation: he may open and read, but may not study new material or read with another; same applies to פקדון
 - 1 But: if they opened it for him may not read
 - 2 Explanation: if he opened it for its need, he may read but if they opened it for him to read may not read
 - (a) Dissent: סומכוס if it is a new ס"ת every 30 days; ראב"י even an old one every 30 days
 - (b) *Note*: reading w/another is challenged from ruling that 3 may not read \rightarrow 2 may read
 - (i) Resolution: 2 read if they are reading separate sections; 3 may never read together (too much use)
 - b Clothing: shake it out every 30 days and open it up for its own purposes but not for personal need
 - i Challenge: shaking out regularly harms clothes, as per ר' יוחנן's advice
 - 1 Answers: 1 person shaking vs. 2 people shaking; by hand vs. with a stick; wool vs. flax
 - (a) Other advice of די יוחנן. regarding lukewarm water and ways to lose a lot of money (!)
 - 2 Question: what if he opens it up for his own need as well as need of אבדה?
 - (a) Observation: cannot prove from משנה, due to contradiction of implicated middle
 - (b) Suggestion: prove from rulings of עגלה ערופה or אדומה (vv. 1, 3)
 - (i) Rejection: those have specific and non-applicable פסוקים that guide use which invalidates
 - c Silver and copper vessels: use for their own good, but not so much that they are worn out
 - d Gold and glass vessels: do not touch (עד שיבוא אליהו)
 - ברייתא: wood vessels use so that they don't erode; copper use with hot water (but not on the fire); silver vessels use with cold water but not hot; andirons etc. use only with soft things; gold and glass don't use;
 - 1 Note: same applies to פקדון, if owner has gone abroad
 - e Sack, box etc. things which are beneath his dignity to take may leave alone as per v. 2
 - i ברייתא: v. 2 exempts אבידה is in a cemetery, elder and it is beneath his dignity, or if the potential finder has more work than another who could take care of it
 - 1 Note: exemptions #1 and 3 are understood
 - (a) עשה א יטמא... אינו אינו היו...) טומאת מת involved with לא תעשה של ייהו...) טומאת מת involved with לא יטמא... לנפש לא יטמא... אינו ייהו...) טומאת מת
 - (b) מלאכתו מרובה. v. 4 dictates that your own needs come before another's
 - 2 Answer: point is exemption #2 if gathering the אבדה is beneath his dignity, he is exempt
 - (a) אביי even so, if you push it (the אבדה) liable (story with אביי calling to lost goats he was now liable)
 - (b) Question: what if his "station" allows for return in the field but not in the city?
 - (i) *Lemma1*: we require proper return, which is beneath his dignity → exempt
 - (ii) Lemma2: since he is liable in the field → he becomes obligated for full, proper return חיקו
 - (c) 827. any situation that you would take your own you are liable to return others'
 - (i) Parallel: any situation that you would load/unload your own animal liable for פריקה וטעינה of others
- II Story with ר ישמעאל ב"ר יוסי and the principle of acting לפנים משורת הדין (v. 5), the failure of which led to חרבן ירושלים
 - a He saw someone carrying wood and the man asked for help to readjust load
 - i But: was beneath his dignity; he bought it at full value and was מפקיר; the fellow reacquired and pattern repeated
 - ii Then: he declared it הפקר to all but the original owner
 - 1 Challenge: we follow ה"ב (in א: הפקר that הפקר is only valid if it is available to everyone equally
 - (a) Answer: he was fully מפקיר, just stopped this one from retaking possession with his words
 - b explanation: he wasn't obligated to help at all, but did so לפנים משורת הדין as per exegesis of v. 5
 - i Note on exegesis: בן-גילו beyond ביקור even if he he then gets some of illness as ביקור חולים still must visit
 - 1 And: burial goes beyond regular חסד even if it is beneath his dignity