

Our Gemara, began at the bottom of the previous amud... - אמר רב יהודה - שכח והכניס אוכלין לתוך פיו בלא ברכה what to do if someone put food or drink in his mouth, but forgot to make a ברכה beforehand. The Gemara quotes three Baraisos, which give three different halachos for such an occurrence, and explains how each of these Baraisos refers to a different case. If someone put solid food into his mouth, and it was a kind of food that didn't become immediately disgusting - say, a hard candy - then we say פולטן - he should take it out of his mouth, and say the ברכה.

If it was the type of food that would be concidered disgusting if he were to take it out of his mouth, the Reb Yehuda says מסלקן לצד אחד ומברך then he should hold it in his cheek while he says the ברכה. If however it was a liquid, then neither of these options is available, and he just swallows it without a ברכה.

The above rulings are based on the understand of a possik in tehilim: ימלא פי תהילתך - that while praising Hashen one should not have anything else in his mouth - other than Hashem's praises.

ברן מיניה מרב חסדא - מי שאכל ושתה ילא ברך - The Gemara then tells us that Rav Chisda was asked about someone who accidently began eating without a ברכה, and now wants to continue to eat some more. Ray Chisda said that in that case, of course he has to make a ברכה before continuing to eat. Eating further without a ברכה, would only compound the aveira.

רברך יחזור ויברך - הלכך אפילו גמר סעודתו יחזור ויברך - The Gemara tells us that Ravina wanted to extrapolate from here, that if someone finished eating altogether without having made a ברכה, he should make the ברכה then, at the end of the meal.

He draws an analogy to someone immersing himself in a mikveh, where the ברכה is that he says the ברכה after the immersion.

The Gemara, however, rejects Ravina's analogy. In the case of immersion, מעיקרא גברא לא חזי ליה - he generally was not fit to make the ברכה before he immersed, since most likly טמא. In the case of eating, on the other hand, מעיקרא גברא חזי ליה he really was able to make a brocho beforehand, and since he failed to do so, he can't make it up after he's finished eating.











The gemora continues...
תנו רבנן - אספרגוס יפה ללב וטוב לעינים

The Gemara digresses abit, and begins an extended discussion about אספראס, which was a kind of beverage concocted from wine or beer mixed with cabbage. And cites numerous breisos that discusses the various health benefits and drawbacks of this beverage.



- The gemora then cites another breisa which says ששה דברים ששה אוכרים six things were said in referrence to אין שותין אותו אלא כשהוא חי ומלא one should not drink it unless it is undiluted and only in a full cup
 - אים בשמאל one recieves the cup with his right hand and drinks it with his left.
 - ואין מפסיקין אחריו אחריו מפסיקין בו one should not speak, nor interrupt while drinking it
 - ואין מחזירין אותו אלא למי שנתנו לו and one should not return the empty cup to anyone other than the one who originally gave it to him.
 - ורק אחריו - and one should spit out the leftover saliva from his mouth after he finishes drinking the אספרגוס
 - ואין סומכין אותו אלא במינו in order to avoid any bad aftereffects he should suppliment the אספרגוס with a food of a similar kind- meaning that if it was made out of fig beer he should eat some figs, if it was made from date beer than he should now eat dates.

Having mentioned that one should not return the empty מספרגוס cup to anyone other than the one who originally gave it to him, the gemora now quotes רבי ישמעאל בן אלישא to him, the gemora now quotes שלשה דברים שח לי) סוריאל שר taught him was that this is indeed so, because a group of לאכי חבלה - demons or angels of affliction wait for him (the person who ate אימתי יבא אדם לידי אחד - מדברים הללו וילכד "when will a person do one of these practices and become ensnared by us?"









After the Gemara discusses various other practices which are dangerous because they render a person vulnerable to demons, it returns to duscuss the halochos of the seuda.

עשרה, and others say it was a Barisa, אמר רבי זירא אמר רבי אהבו - that there are 10 things that are required in a ברכה, a cup of wine over which a ברכת, such as ברכת המזון, is said.

These ten requirements are:

1)הדחה - washing on the outside,

2)שטיפה - rinsing on the inside,

3)'r – (Rashi gives to meanings for chai: either undiluted, meaning that he first puts the undiluted wine into the cup and then dilutes it while it's in the cup; were fresh, meaning that he takes the wine for the kos shel \Box fresh out of the barrel)

מלא(4) full to the top with wine,

5)עיטור, crowned - or encircled -

ניטוף(), his head should be covered,

1) נוטלו בשתי ידיון - the cup should be taken with two hands,

8) ונותנו בימין - and then placed in the right-hand,

9)מגביה טפח - raised up a tefach,

10)ב - he should gaze at the cup while saying the בותן עיניו בו, so as not to be distracted from it,

The Gemara then says that there is an opinion that adds an eleventh requirement:

1) משגרו לאנשי ביתו - he should send a portion of the wine in the cup to his wife, so that she should be blessed by having drunk from the כוס של ברכה.

The Gemara elaborates on each of these requirements. Regarding the first two, הדחה and שטיפה, the Gemara explains that הדחה means washing the cup on the inside, and שטיפה means washing it on the outside. The Shulchan Aruch adds that if the cup is clean then neither שטיפה or הדחה are really necessary.

- שניטור means crowned, or encircled. The Gemara says that Rav Yehudah would surround himself with students when he said the ברכה over a cup of wine, while Rav Chisda would surround the cup of wine with other cups of wine. The Gemara adds that those other cups were filled with raw wine, as the second ברכה שנחל של שנחל של begun. That ברכה speaks in praise of ארץ ישראל, part of whose bounty is wine.
- As for עיטוף, covering one's head, the Gemara says that Rav Pappa would cover his head with his האלים, whiel Rav Assi put on a scarf. In contemporary terms, the Tur writes that quoin means that one shouldn't be bare-headed when he makes the ברכה but קיטוף by a to bjects that no ברכה של a by עיטוף by a לכה משום של מיסוף של משום ברכה ברכה means more, that one should wear a hat for this ברכה.









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Regarding - משגרו לאנשי ביתו - sending some of the wine to his wife, the Gemara laters says in the name of יוחנן that even if just the husband drinks from the wine his wife also shares in the blessing.

Although the Baraisa requires 10, or perhaps 11, things for a כוס של ברכה, R' Yochanan says that we only require four, namely הדחה and שטיפה washing and rinsing, יח – we saw earlier two explanations in Rashi for יח; either that the raw wine should be poured in the cup first, and then diluted, or that fresh wine should be taken from the barrel, and אולא, the cup should be full.

The simple meaning of this is that R' Yochanan rejects the other six or seven requirements altogether, and that's how the Rambam rules. However, Tosafos, as explained by the Rosh and the Tur, say that R' Yochanan is only rejecting the 5th and 6th requirements: עיטוף and עיטור, crowning the cup students or with other cups, and covering one's head. But he accepts all the other requirements.

The Tur writes that our practice is to observe of all of these requirements except for עיטור, crowning.

9 Continuing on the עמוד ב', the **G**emara says that אין מסיחין על , the **G**emara says that כוס by , once the כוס is lifted in readiness to say the ברכה, he shouldn't talk.

The Gemara also says that we don't use a כוס של פרעניות, a cup of misfortune, for a כוס של ברכה. This has to do with the concept of zugos, the idea that drinking an even number of cups of wine at a meal is dangerous. The ברכה, should not be the second cup of wine that he drinks at the meal, because two is an even number. Beis Yosef comments that it's not our practice to avoid zugos and this הלכה apply nowadays.

Finally the Gemara tells us that רבי אבהי taught that after eating, one should prepare for ברכת המזון by adopting a posture which raises one's level of concentration. It he was eating while walking, should stand still for ברכות המזון. If he ate while standing, he should sit, and if he at while reclining, he should sit up for ברכת המזון However, the Gemara at the conclusion of this seventh perek says, ברכת המזון - that in all cases, one should sit for ברכת המזון.

With this we concluded the seventh perek, שלשה שאכלו, and we began the new perek, אלו דברים.









Review



Zugt de mishneh...

אלו דברים שבין בית שמאי לבית הלל בסעודה

Our Mishnah at the beginning of this perek presents about eight מחלוקות between Beis Shammai and Beis Hillel regarding the halachos of a meal.

First, Beis Shammai say מברך על היום ואח"כ מברך על היים that when you say kiddush you first says the berocho on the day that is, the berocho of מקדש השבת, and then the berocho of בורא פרי הגפן, but Beis Hillel say בורא פרי הגפן that בורא פרי הגפן comes first.

Second, Beis Shammai say when you have wine before the meal, נטילת ידים you first wash נוטלין לידים אח"כ מוזגין את הכוס. and then prepare and drink the wine; while מוזגין say מוזגין את הכוס ואח"כ נוטלין לידים that you have the wine first, and then wash נטילת ידים right before the meal itself.

Third, Beis Shammai say מקנח ידו במפה ומניח על השלחן that the napkin that you use to dry your hands from נטילת ידים should then be placed on the table, while Beis Hillel say על הכסות it should be placed beside you on the bench.

Fourth, after the meal Beis Shammai said מכבדין את הבית ואח"כ נוטלין לידים we first clear away the crumbs, and then bentch, but Beis Hillel say נוטלין לידים ואח"כ מכבדין את הבית to bentch first.

Fifth, if you're saying havdalah after Shabbos, and you only have one cup of wine, which you are using both for havdalah and for bentching, then the Bais Shamai say נר ומזון בשמים the order of the ברכות is והבדלה שמים נהבדלה, while according to Beis Hillel the order is נר ובשמים מזון והבדלה. In other words, according to the Beis Shammai the berocho on the בשמים comes after bentching, while according to Beis Hillel the berocho on the בשמים come before bentching. Sixth, they differ over the text of the berocho on fire: Beis Shamai say בורא מאור שאוו. while Beis Hillel say that it is בורא מאורי האש.

The Mishnah also mentions several other halachos regarding the בשמים and fire for הבדלה; they can't come from a גוי, from a , or from עבודה זרה. Also, you don't make a berocho on the fire until benifit is derived from its illumination.

The seventh dispute concerns שכח ולא בירך - someone who forgot to bentch and left. Beis Shamai say יחזור למקומו ויברך he has to return to the place where he ate in order to bentch there, and Beis Hillel say יברך במקום שנזכר - he can bentch wherever he is.

ועד מתי מברך - and untill when may he bentch - as long as the meal is not fully digested.

The eighth מחלוקת is in a case where wine was brought at the end of the meal. Beis Shammai said he should first say the on the wine, and then bentch, and Beis Hillel say that he bentches first.

The next two blatt will explain the details of these מחלוקות.



