

Our Shiur began with the משנה continuing to list other objects and their minimum amounts to be חייב for carrying them on שבת.

The first item is -

תרווד – the minimum for a bone is a piece big enough to make a spoon.

According to רבי יהודה, the minimum is a piece big enough to make a lock - which the גמרא explains to mean the inner workings of the lock, which people used to make of bone.

The next item in the משנה is is משנה - the minimum for glass is a piece big enough to scrape the picks that weavers used to separate threads.

The gemara cites a Braisa which writes glass as סכוכית, with a - ס

Rashi explains,

זכוכית is based on the root אור - the glass is clear. דכה is based on the root סוכין - people gaze at it, as in a mirror.

The Mishnah continues; ארור או אבן – The minimum size for a pebble or stone is one big enough יברור או אינדי - to throw at a bird to chase it away. ביי אליעזר בן יעקב says it must be big enough הבי אליעזר בן יעקב – to throw at an animal to chase it away, obviously larger.









Review



The גמרא proceeds with the following question.
- אבנים של בית הכסא שיעורן בכמה

What is the שיעור of stones for the bathroom? In those days people would use certain types of stones to clean themselves in the bathroom.

Rashi explains, this question has relevance regarding two Halachos.

First - as we've been learning all along, what is the minimum amount of stones for one to be חייב for carrying them on שבת? Two - Generally stones are מוקצה, and may not be handled on wen. However, How many stones did the Chachamim permit one to take with him on שבת for use in the bathroom, one to take with him on שבת for use in the bathroom, as Rashi explains, the שיעור for both would be the same. In other words, how many stones are normally used in the bathroom, for which the Chachamim waived the איסור of איסור And for which one would be חייב for carried in הרבים הרבים.

The גמרא gives a few answers. First it quotes an opinion that says

מלא היד - as many as you can fit in one handful.

Then it quotes רבי יוסי who says one may bring in three stones of consecutive sizes,

- כזית כאגוז וכביצה

One stone the size of an olive, one the size of a nut and one the size of an egg.

The Gemara then quotes another ברייתא which says ברייתא which says שברים מקורזלות מותר להכניס לבית הכסא – one may bring three sharp stones into the bathroom. According to רבי מאיר, they are all the size of a nut, and רבי יהודה says they're all the size of an egg. And the gemara adds;

- כמחלוקת באתרוג כך מחלוקת כאן

We find the same מחלוקת regarding the minimum size of an אתרוג.

רבי מאיר says it's the size of a nut, and רבי יהודה says it's the size of an egg.







Review



The אמוג next teaches several related הלכות. הלכות ההלכות ביהודה בא said one may not use פאיית in the bathroom on שבת. The אמרא explains this to be במרא - clumps of Babylonian earth. Since it crumbles, it is not suitable for this purpose, and therefore מוקצה on שבת on מוקצה.



Another related אם הלכה is that of רבי ינאי - רבי ינאי - אם יש מקום קבוע לבית הכטא - אם יש מקום קבוע לבית הכטא - When using a designated bathroom, one may bring in a handful of stones, because even if he does not use them all, he or another person will later use the ones that are left over. But if it's not a designated bathroom, one may not bring in more stones than for one use, because the Chachamim only waived the מוקצה of מוקצה from stones you actually use.

Carrying the ones that you did not need violates the מוקצה









Then the מכורא brings another discussion related to this topic. בעה מיניה רבה בר רב שילא מרב חסדא מהו להעלותם אחריו לגג - May one bring stones up to the roof. Were the Chachamim מתיר איסור מוקצה even in a case of טירחא יתירא - where it involves extra effort?



מרב חסדא answered, הגדול כבוד הבריות שדוחה לא תעשה שבתורה – Human dignity is so great that in some cases it even supersedes הורה-level rules. So here, where only דרבנן –level rules are involved, you can certainly carry them up to the roof.

Another teaching related to this topic. רב הונא says רב הונא - on שבת, one may not relieve himself in a field that had just been plowed.



After two possible reasons are rejected, the גמרא concludes, – דילמא נקיט מעילאי ושדא לתתאי

We're concerned he might take a stone from on top of one of the freshly-plowed furrows, and then after using it he will throw it down and it will fill a hole. That's מלאכת חורש as part of מלאכת חורש - plowing, because it levels and improves the field.









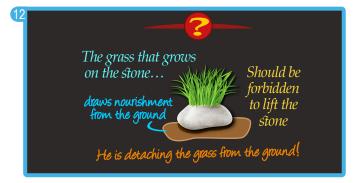
As part of this discussion the **G**emara cited a ruling of ריש.

ברור שעלו בו עשבים - A stone that has grass growing on it - although

חטאת חייב ממנה בשבת - One who tears off the grass from the stone has Biblically transgressed מלאכת תולש and is חייב - חטאת - חטאת

בו כותר לקנח בו - One may use it in the bathroom. Even if the grass will be torn from the stone, it is חבר שאין מתכוין מותר - It is permitted, because it's unintentional. Of course, we must say that it's not a פסיק רישיה - it's not inevitable.

Now, the grass that grows on the stone, although not rooted in the ground draws nourishment from the ground. If so, it should be forbidden to lift the stone from the ground - for he is detaching the grass from the ground.



(ריש לקיש

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פסיס נישיה

מותר לקנח בו

צרור שעלו בו עשבים

growing on it

חייב חטאת

A stone that has GRASS

The gemara asnwers; אם אמרו לצורך יאמרו שלא לצורך -

This type of detaching is considered only תולש מדרבנן -Rabbinically forbidden - because it's not rooted in the ground. And as we said before, the Chachamim dispensed with איסור דרבנן is involved. Otherwise it would indeed be forbidden.

The gemara compares this to a עציץ נקוב - a flower pot with a hole in the bottom. If one lifts it from the ground, and places it on a stand, מיחייב משום תולש - he is Rabbinically liable for detaching. If he takes it from the stand, and places it on the ground, מיחייב משום נוטע - he is Rabbinically liable for planting.









Another הלכה related to conduct in the bathroom on Shabbos; א אסור לקנח בחרס בשבת - יוחנן

One may not use a piece of pottery to clean himself on שבת. The אסור questions why it's אסור. If the reason is because it's dangerous, since broken pieces of pottery can cut you, or because people familiar with עישוף, black magic, can use it against you, then it would be אסור all the time, not just on שבת!



The אסור גמאָ says this is indeed what אסור ' יוחנו means. אסור בחול דאסור – of course it's אסור during the week, for the above mentioned reasons. But we might have thought that you may use it on שבת, because it's better to use pottery which has a דין כלי - a status of a vessel, so that you do not have to use a stone which is מוקצה. Therefore, וחנן אמא said that even on שבת you should rather use a stone than pottery.





