



1 Today's daf begins with two incidents that illustrate the concept discussed at the end of the previous daf of אין מראין לאדם אלא מהרהורי לבו - a person dreams only about things that he thought about during the daytime. In one story, a Roman Emperor said to R' Yehoshua B'Rebbi Chaninah: "I was told that you are a very wise, so tell me what I will dream tonight!" R' Yehoshua cleverly told him: "You will dream that the Persians will force you to work for their king and they will force you to pasture their unclean animals with a golden staff." Since this was a frightful and strange prediction, the emperor thought about it all day, and indeed, this is exactly what he dreamt about that night!

1 אין מראין לאדם אלא מהרהורי לבו

Roman Emperor said
Tell me what I will
DREAM tonight!

He thought
about it
ALL DAY

רבי יהושע ברכי חננינא
You will dream that the
Persians will force to
pasture their animals

Indeed this is
what he dreamt!

2 The Gemara then cites many incidents that illustrate the concept mentioned on the previous daf of כל החלומות הולכין אחר הפה - all dreams turn out according to their interpretation. The Gemara tells us that בר הדיא מפשר חלמי הוי - Bar Hedyā was an interpreter of dreams - and for those who paid for his services, he would interpret their dreams in a favorable lights, whereas for those who did not pay him, he would interpret their dreams unfavorably.

2 כל החלומות הולכין אחר הפה

בר הדיא
מפשר חלמי הוי
interpreted dreams

Those who PAID HIM	Who didn't PAY HIM
He would interpret favorably	He would interpret unfavorably

3 The Gemara recounts many cases where Abaya and Rava had the same dream and they both asked Bar Hedyā to interpret their dreams, however, he interpreted their dreams differently. Abaya always received a favorable interpretation since he would pay Bar Hedyā a zuz for his services, whereas Rava always received an unfavorable interpretation since he did not offer Bar Hedyā any money.

3 אביי ורבא
Had the SAME dream

בר הדיא interpreted
their dreams DIFFERENTLY

אביי received a FAVORABLE interpretation since he payed	רבא received an UNFAVORABLE interpretation since he didn't pay
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4 For example, Rava and Abaya once dreamed about the same posuk in the Tochachah שורך טבוה לעיניך - Your ox will be slaughtered before your eyes but you will not eat from it. Bar Hedyta told Rava that his dreams foretells that you will lose your business and you will have no appetite due your great sorrow, whereas to Abaya he said that his dream means that his business will prosper and due to your great joy you will not feel like eating.

4

אביי ורבא
dreamed about the same פסוק
שורך טבוה לעיניך

בר הדיא interpreted

רבא	אביי
<i>Will Lose your business</i>	<i>Your business will prosper</i>
<i>Due to your great sorrow</i>	<i>you will not feel like eating</i>

5 The Gemara tells of many more of such cases where Bar Hedyta interpreted Rava's dreams unfavorably. Eventually, however, Rava found a book belonging to Bar Hedyta which stated the above mentioned principle of כל החלומות הולכין אחר הפה and he shouted at Bar Hedyta for causing him so much pain by interpreting his dreams unfavorably just because he did not pay him a zuz. Rava told him: כולהו מחילנא לך בר ברתיה דבר חסדא - I am ready to forgive for all the trouble that you caused me except for the fact that predicted the death of Rav Chida's daughter, my wife. Rava therefore cursed Bar Hedyta and told him: May it be the will of Hashem you should be handed over to the government and they should have no pity on you!

5

רבא
Found a Book 
belonging to בר הדיא
which stated...

כל החלומות הולכין אחר הפה

He **shouted** at בר הדיא
*for causing him **Pain***

כולהו מחילנא לך בר ברתיה דבר חסדא

בר הדיא **cursed** רבא
*You should be **handed over** to the **government** !*

בר הדיא **indeed got into **trouble** & he was put to death**

The Gemara then tells of how Bar Hedyta indeed got into trouble with the king and he was given a torturous death.





6 'מוד ב'
The Gemara tells of several seemingly bad dreams that Bar Kappara had that were interpreted favorably by Rabbi: For example, Bar Kappara once dreamed that his nose fell off, and Rabbi told him that his dream foretells חרון אף נסתלק ממך - that a dangerous anger has been removed from you, because אף in Hebrew has two meanings; nose and anger.

6 The Gemara tells...

בר קפרא
Several **bad dreams**
that were interpreted
FAVORABLY by רבי

For example...
He dreamed that his
nose fell off

רבי told him
his dream foretells

חרון אף נסתלק ממך

Nose Anger

7 The Gemara then tells of a series of dreams that a certain Tzidduki (heretic) had, which R' Yishmael correctly interpreted as referring to many different evil sins that the Tzidduki had committed. For example, the Tzidduki said that he dreamed that he plucked a star out of the sky, and R' Yishmael said to him: This means that you Kidnapped a Jewish person, since the Jews are compared to stars. Then the Tzidduki said that he dreamed that he swallowed the star, and R' Yishmael said to him that this means that you sold the kidnapped Jew and consumed the money that you received for him.

7 The Gemara tells...

Series of **dreams**
that a certain צדוקי had

ר' ישמאל interpreted
they refer to **many sins**
that the צדוקי committed

For example
The צדוקי dreamed that he
plucked a **star** out of the sky

ר' ישמאל said...
this means that you
kidnapped
a Jewish person

Another example
The צדוקי dreamed
that he **swallowed the star**

ר' ישמאל said...
this means that you
Sold the Jew
& consumed
the money





8 The Gemara then discusses the meaning of many dreams based on their connection to certain pesukim:
 For example:
 ω R' Chaninah said: רואה באר בחלום, רואה שלום - when one who sees a well in his dream, it is a prediction for peace, because the Torah tells how Yitzchak dug a well in Gerrar and the herdsmen did not quarrel over it, as they did regarding the previous wells.
 ω R' Nassan said there are three things in a dream that indicate peace, נהר ציפור וקדירה - a river, a bird, and a pot, and the Gemara cites pesukim to support this.

8 The Gemara discusses...
Dreams based on their connection to certain פסוקים

For example...

ר' חנינא
 הרואה
באר בחלום
 רואה שלום

יצחק
dug a well
 & the herdsmen
 didn't quarrel over it

Another example...

ר' נתן
 3 things in a **dream**
 that indicate peace

קדירה ציפור נהר

9 The Gemara then teaches that when one sees certain dreams he should immediately associate them with a favorable posuk - before he thinks of an unfavorable association - so that the dream will have a favorable outcome.

9 When one sees certain dreams

Associate them with a **favorable פסוק** → so that it will have a **favorable outcome**

10 For example:
 ω R' Yehoshua ben Levi said: הרואה נהר בחלום, ישכים ויאמר הנני נוטה אליה כנהר שלום - One who beholds a river in his dream should immediately upon waking say the favorable posuk: Behold I will extend peace unto Yerushalayim like a river, before the posuk כי יבא כנהר צר - for trouble shall come like a river - comes to mind.

10 For example...

ר' יהושע בן לוי
הרואה נהר בחלום

Should say upon waking ...
**הֲנַנְלִי נוֹטָה אֵלַיָּה
 כְּנֹהַר שְׁלוֹמִים**

Before the posuk of...
כִּי יִבֹּא כְּנֹהַר צָר



11 One who sees a mountain in his dream, should immediately say upon arising: מה נאוו על ההרים רגלי מבשר - How pleasant are the footsteps of the herald upon the mountain - before the posuk ענבמו ענבי רוש - their grapes are grapes of bitterness - comes to mind.

11

One who sees a mountain...
 should say...
 מה נאוו על ההרים רגלי מבשר
 Before the posuk...
 ענבמו ענבי רוש



12 In the last portion of this daf, the Gemara explains the meaning of various dreams:
 For example:
 הרואה פיל בחלום, פלאות נעשו לו - If one sees a פיל - elephant - in his dream, it means that פלאות נעשו לו - wonders will be performed for him.
 פלאי פלאות נעשו לו - If he seems several elephants, it means פלאי פלאות נעשו לו - wonders upon wonders will be performed for him.

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The Gemara explains...
 Meaning of various dreams
 For example...
 הרואה פיל בחלום
 פלאות נעשו לו
 הרואה פילים
 פלאי פלאות נעשו לו


