



לע"נ ברוך בענדיט וברכה גרוס ע"ה
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Points to Ponder

הערות של רב יחיאל גרינהויז

THE EIGHTH PEREK OF YEVIKOS IS DEDICATED:

לזכר נשמת שלמה בן יהושע והחבר דוד בן החבר מרדכי

יבמות דף עו

1. ביאה לאה became pregnant from the first קרי מימיו. Why does it have to be the first ביאה? Praising יעקב for not seeing קרי is referring to his life before getting married, but obviously we don't consider relations with one's wife to be קרי? In addition תורה writes about לאה is hated and therefore opening her womb, which indicates that she didn't become pregnant right away?
2. In discussing marriage to פרעה the גמרא explains that although גרים were not accepted in the times of דוד ושלמה, because we suspected that their motivation wasn't pure and they had an ulterior motive, פרעה was different. Why don't we say לא פלוג? Meaning that once there is a תקנה it must apply to everyone without exception?
3. The גמרא retells a discussion regarding דוד המלך and whether he can marry a Jewish girl given his roots from מואב. When explaining that the איסור is because מואב didn't greet us with bread and water which is a male's job and therefore the females are מותר, the גמרא asks why couldn't the women bring food to the women and the men to the men. Since דוד comes from רות המואביה and מואב is guilty of hiring בלעם to curse the Jews, maybe מואב is only אסור because of hiring בלעם which was done by men and wouldn't include the women? (See על התורה who treats it as 2 separate reasons).

4. מצריים מצריים says that the מצריים drowned when the Jews left מצריים and other nations settled in Egypt. פרעה only took soldiers with him to chase the Jews and certainly left the women and children behind. So how does this allow us to assume that all מצריים are gone? (Rashi definitely meant that ALL of the מצריים drowned because he says that the איסור מצרי refers to the ערב רב).

5. Further to the above the גמרא in ע"א כח ע"א, ברכות דף כח ע"א, says that סנחריב came and mixed all the nations. Why didn't רש"י use the same explanation for the מצריים?

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