



Points to Ponder

הערות של רב יחיאל גרינהויז

יבמות דף פו

1. The גמרא says that our משנה is according to רבי מאיר and רש"י explains that otherwise, why does it say לתרומה לכהן. Based on what we see later regarding the קנס for the לויים, maybe this is why the בריתא needed to clarify who gets what? We now have no proof, regarding the מעשר לזרים.
2. The גמרא says that the משנה which says that a lady who is engaged to a לוי can't eat מעשר is talking about her giving someone permission to take off תרומת מעשר from the מעשר. How can this fit into the words of the משנה which clearly say לא תאכל?
3. Why does the גמרא discuss her appointing someone to give תרומת מעשר instead of her doing so herself?
4. Can a married woman take תרומות ומעשרות from her husband's crops?
5. One of the reasons why we don't give תרומה ומעשרות to a lady who comes without her husband is for fear that she may be divorced. Why is this a concern for the ישראל? She would be the one violating the איסור, and she can always wait to eat anything until she comes home.

6. עזרא penalised the לויים by depriving them of מעשר. Why was this an appropriate penalty for their actions?

7. Further to the above, was the קנס limited to that generation, or is it still in force today?

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