



נזיר דף י'

POINTS TO PONDER

1. According to one understanding in the גמרא when the person is talking about the cow, he is "imagining" what the cow would say if it could talk. How does this explain the case of the door? While a cow has a desire to move, why would a door care if it's open?
2. The גמרא says that there is a חידוש in the case of דלת which we wouldn't know from the other cases. If the intent of the משנה is to describe a person who is imagining what the door is thinking/ saying, then it's exactly the same as the case of the cow?
3. According to רבא the case in the משנה is about someone saying that he will be a נזיר if he is unable to lift the cow. Does he have to actually try to lift her, in order to fulfill the condition?
4. Further to the above, how does רבא understand the case of the דלת? Obviously the door can't open itself?
5. According to רבא, the מחלוקת between הלל ובית שמאי is regarding what he actually meant when he said אם קמה מאליה. Why can't we ask him what he meant?
6. Since the מחלוקת is regarding his intention when he made the תנאי, why did they pick a case of נזיר for this מחלוקת? Wouldn't the same question be relevant for any נדר? Or a promise of paying someone, for example if he says I will pay you \$100 if I can't pick up this cow?

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