

# מסכת נדרים דף סט

## DAF YOMI<sup>4</sup> KIDS

### Inside the Daf

Before a girl is married, her father may revoke any vow she makes. Once she is married, only her husband may revoke her vows.

But there are two steps of marriage. The first is called **אִירוּסִין** or "betrothal." **אִירוּסִין** is done nowadays when the husband gives his wife an object of value, like a ring, and declares in front of witnesses that he is now married to her. Such a woman is called an "**אִרוּסָה**"



But the marriage isn't complete until the second step called **נִשְׁוּאִין**, or "marriage" is done. Nowadays **נִשְׁוּאִין** is performed when the husband and wife stand under a **חופה** or wedding canopy. At that point, the couple is fully married.

Who can revoke a woman's vows if she performed **אִירוּסִין** but *not* **נִשְׁוּאִין**? The rule is that both the father and the husband together must revoke the vow and they must do so on the same day they heard about it.

If her father heard of her vow and revoked it, but her husband didn't hear of her vow, and then died, **בית הלל** say the vow is still effective since the father cannot revoke the husband's part of the vow.



#### Did You Know...

When a husband or father revokes a vow of an **אִרוּסָה** (see "Inside the Daf"), **בית שמאי** say each "cut away" half of the vow, and **בית הלל** say they each "weaken" the vow.

#### WORD OF THE DAY:

**מַפְלוּגָתָא**

"FROM THE DISPUTE"

## Opposite Statements

The Talmudic sage רבא asks, What would happen if the husband (or father) hears the vow of his wife (or daughter) and says, "I confirm and revoke your vow!"



This is a strange thing to say; if a vow is "confirmed" that means it takes effect, if it is "revoked" that means it is taken away! How can a vow be both confirmed and taken away at the same time?

The answer is that the vow is confirmed, but not revoked. That means

it takes effect. The reason is that since one cannot revoke a vow once it is confirmed, a vow that is confirmed and revoked at the same time is also not revoked!

## A מְדוּת Moment

"Itzy is misbehaving so much in school. I promised to take him to a carnival this weekend, but I don't think I should," said Itzy's father.

"If something is promised, it shouldn't be taken away," said his friend. "We learn in *daf yomi* that if a husband says his wife's vow is 'confirmed and revoked,' the vow is confirmed and not revoked. We see that once something is confirmed it cannot be revoked. So you shouldn't take away your promise once you've made it!"

### Review Questions – נדריים דף ס"ט

1. What is an אַרְוָסָה?

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2. If someone "confirms and revokes" a vow at the same time, what happens to the vow?

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3. What is it similar to when a father or husband revokes a vow of an אַרְוָסָה?

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## Games



How many words can you spell with these letters?  
(There are at least 250!)

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