

מסכת יומא דף מז

DAF YOMI4 Kids

Inside The Daf

When we last left off learning about the **יום כפור** Service (43b), the **כהן גדול** had scooped up burning coals with a shovel and placed them on the fourth row of paving stones from the **היכל** (Sanctuary).



At this point, the **כהן גדול** was brought an empty **כף** (ladle) and **מחבתה** (shovel) full of **קטרת** (incense).



The **כהן גדול** then performs "**תפינה**," the act of taking two handfuls for **קטרת** from the shovel. He puts the **קטרת** into the ladle.



The **כהן גדול** then goes to the fourth row of paving stones to the other shovel filled with burning coals.



He took that shovel in his right hand and held the ladle filled with incense in his left hand.

A **מדות** Moment

After a long day, there was nothing Mrs. Lieberman would have liked to do more than relax. But with her children on their way home from school she knew this was out of the question.

Mrs. Lieberman began to prepare a hot meal for her family. Her feet hurt and it was difficult for her to stand, but she was happy to make something healthy for her family.

Her children came in from school, bursting through the front door.

"MOOOOOM!" yelled Chesky, "where's our

snack?"

Of course, Mrs. Lieberman had a snack ready for all her children so they could replenish their energy upon arriving home.

Chesky sniffed the air. "Are we having chicken soup *again?*" he whined.

Avi, the oldest son, saw his mother's eyes tear up. He pulled Chesky aside.

"Chesky!" he scolded. "How could you be so rude to Mom?"

"What did I do?" Chesky asked.

"You're complaining about our mother's food! Mom works hard all day for us and even when she's tired she still cooks a healthy meal. Do you know the **זמירא** says **רבי ישמעאל בן קמחית** used to praise his mother's healthy food in public because he was so appreciative to her for making a healthy meal! You should think of that next time you complain about dinner." Chesky turned his head down and walked back to the kitchen.

"Sorry, Mom," he said. "I didn't mean to be rude about dinner. Thanks for taking the time to make us a nutritious meal."

WORD OF THE DAY:
מדה
"A MEASURE"

Rewards of Modesty



רבי ישמעאל בן קמחית was a כהן גדול in the time of the Second Temple (בית המקדש). His hands were so big that when he scooped up the קטרת, he was able to pick up four קב (about 10 pints, or 5 ½ L) in his two hands!

One day, רבי ישמעאל בן קמחית was talking to a certain idol worshipper. While they were talking, some spittle from the idolater landed on רבי ישמעאל בן קמחית's clothes. The חכמים say an idolater's spittle makes someone טמא (impure) if he touches it. This meant that רבי ישמעאל בן קמחית couldn't perform the Service יום כפור. His brother יוסף stepped in in his place to perform the service. Their mother saw two of her sons serve as כהנים גדולים in one day!

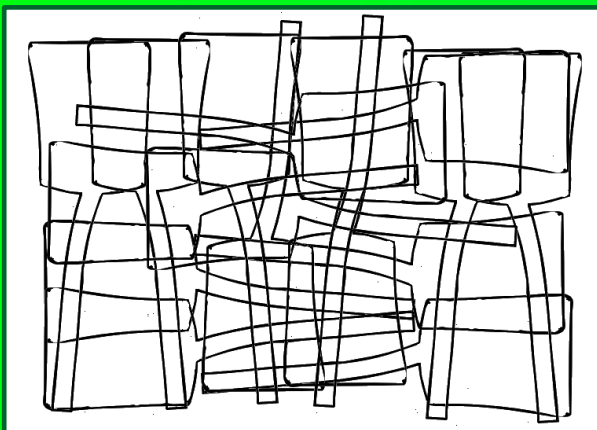
In fact, רבי ישמעאל בן קמחית was one of seven brothers, all of whom served as a כהן גדול at one time or another! The Sages asked his mother what she had done to merit having such sons. She answered that it was a result of her exceptional modesty.



Did You Know...

The גמרא says חפינה was one of the three most difficult services in the בית המקדש. The other two were מליקה (piercing the neck of the bird-offering) and קמיצה (special removal of flour with one's hand).

Games



How many shovels can you find in this picture?

יומא דף מ"ז - Review Questions

1. What was "חפינה"?
2. Whose hands were so big he could pick up 4 קב of incense?
3. What were the 3 most difficult tasks in the Temple?