

מסכת ביצה דף טו

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Inside the Daf

The Torah says we are not allowed to cook on the Sabbath, but we are allowed to cook on a טוב יום (Festival) in order to have food for the Festival.

What happens if a Festival falls on a Friday? Can one cook on the Festival in order to have food for the Sabbath?

The answer is yes, but there is a catch: before the Festival begins the Sages say we must prepare an ערוב תבשילין, or "mixture of cooked dishes." According to בית שמאי, we must prepare two cooked dishes, and according to בית הלל, we must prepare one.



Why do we have to prepare an ערוב תבשילין to allow us to cook on the Festival for the Sabbath?

שמואל explains that when a טוב יום falls

out on a Friday, we are worried people will eat all their food on the Festival and leave none over for the Sabbath! We prepare an ערוב תבשילין to eat on the Sabbath so that this special day is not forgotten. After all, the Torah commands us to "remember the Sabbath day" (שמות כח, Ex. 20,8). By making sure we have food to eat on that day, we make sure the Sabbath is not forgotten!

A Moment מְדוּת

It was that time of the synagogue service. The rabbi's speech. Every Sabbath, the children in the synagogue would make a mass exodus from the sanctuary just before the rabbi spoke words of Torah to the congregation.

This time, Noah's father stood in his way.

"Noah," he said, "you're going stay here and listen to the rabbi's speech."

"Why?" said Noah, unhappy with this inconvenient change in his schedule.

"Because of what the גמרא says. The sage, רבי אליעזר became very upset when people left his class in the middle. The sage, רבי אליעזר gave a curse to the last group who left. When they left, the lecture hall looked empty showing that the people did not view a Torah lecture as important! That's why I want you to stay for the rabbi's speech. If you leave, it is like you are making a statement that Torah lectures are not important!"

(רש"י)



Did You Know...

רבי יהושע says, one should divide every Festival into half: One half should be spent for one's own pleasure (eating, drinking, sleeping) and one half should be spent for Hashem (praying, learning Torah).

WORD OF THE DAY:

אָסוּר

"FORBIDDEN"

Cutting Class

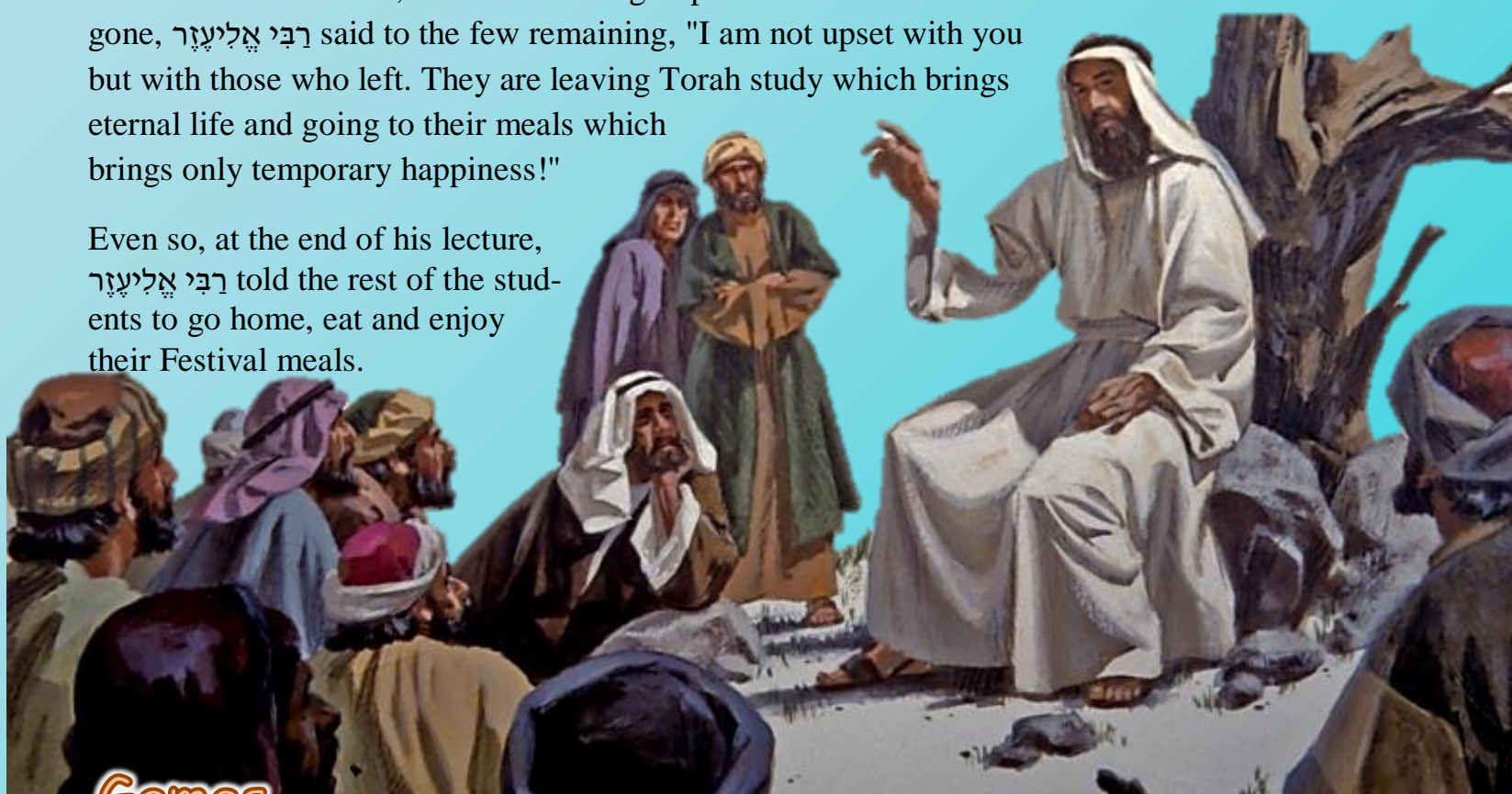
Have you ever left a class early before? If you have, you would want to think twice before leaving a class רבי אֶלְעָזָר was teaching.

The גְּמָרָא tells a story of one יום טוב when רבי אֶלְעָזָר was giving an all-day class on the laws of Festivals.

In the middle of the lecture, a group of students left. רבי אֶלְעָזָר said, "These people must have made large barrels of spiced wine to feast on for the Festival. They are so addicted to pleasure they don't work hard enough to learn Torah!"

As the lecture went on, more and more groups of students left. When almost all the students were gone, רבי אֶלְעָזָר said to the few remaining, "I am not upset with you but with those who left. They are leaving Torah study which brings eternal life and going to their meals which brings only temporary happiness!"

Even so, at the end of his lecture, רבי אֶלְעָזָר told the rest of the students to go home, eat and enjoy their Festival meals.



Games

GEMATRIA CODE:

Write the Hebrew letter for each number. What does the word mean?

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Review Questions – ביצה דף ט"ו

1. What does עָרוֹב תְּבַשִּׁילִין mean?

2. What did רבי אֶלְעָזָר tell his students to do at the end of his lecture?

3. According to רבי יְהוֹשֻׁעַ how should one divide his Festival into half?