

מסכת
 מועד קטן
 דף טו

DAF YOMI4 Kids

Inside the Daf

A mourner, (אָבֵל), someone who has been excommunicated (מְנִדָּה) and someone with צְרוּעָה (see pg. 35) are all separated from the community. The גְּמָרָא discusses if they can or cannot do different activities (some cases are unresolved.)

	אָבֵל MOURNER	מְנִדָּה EXCOMMUNICATED	מְצוּרָע METZORA
 HAIRCUTS	✗	✗	✗
 PHYLACTERIES	✗	UNRESOLVED	UNRESOLVED
 GREETING	✗	UNRESOLVED	✗
 TORAH STUDY	✗	✓	✓
 WORKING	✗	✓	✗
 BATHING	✗	UNRESOLVED	UNRESOLVED
 LAUNDRING	✗	✗	✗

The Excommunicated (מְנִדָּה)

Someone who has been excommunicated is called a מְנִדָּה. Such a person is forbidden to cut his hair or wash his clothes. There are many reasons one can become a מְנִדָּה but some include, insulting a Torah scholar and someone who does not accept a court ruling.



may teach him. Also, others may hire him to work for them and he may hire others to work for him.

If a מְנִדָּה died before he was released from his excommunication,

the court stones his coffin. רַבִּי יְהוֹנָדָה explains that we don't make a pile of stones for his coffin, but rather we place a large stone on top of his coffin as a sign that he was excommunicated.

Even if one is excommunicated, he may still teach other people and other people



Did You Know...

For all the years that the Israelites were in the desert, it was like they were excommunicated by Hashem.

WORDS OF THE DAY:

תָּא שְׁמַע (ת"ש)

"COME, HEAR"

A מְדוּת Moment

"Who's that?" asked Yirmy.

"Oh, that's Zev," said Ben. "I don't talk to him ever since he dented my bike. He keeps coming to me to say sorry, but I don't want anything to do with him."

"I don't think you're doing the right thing," said Yirmy. "In *daf yomi* we learn that while the Israelites were in the desert Hashem considered them to be excommunicated. Even so, they still brought sacrifices every day. Even when Hashem pushes us away, He accepts us when we try to come back to him. We are supposed to imitate Hashem, so we too should accept people who try to come back to us"

Games

WHO AM I?

1. I can't get a haircut, but I can learn Torah and work
2. I can't bathe
3. I can't greet you but I can learn Torah with you
4. I may not be able to greet you, but I definitely cannot launder clothes
5. I definitely may not wear phylacteries
6. I may not be able to bathe or wear phylacteries, but I can work

מועד קטן דף ט"ו – Review Questions

1. List 3 things that only a mourner may not do.

2. What is a מְנִדָּה?

3. When the Israelites were in the desert, was did Hashem treat them like?