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ד'תשע"ד ב' חשוון

מסכת

סוּפָה

דף כח

DAF YOMI 4

KIDS

Inside the Daf

Our מְסֵנָה teaches that women, non-Jewish slaves and children do not have to sit in a סוּפָה.

Women are not obligated in the מְצוּה based on an oral tradition מִשְׁנָה (Moses) received from Hashem on Mount Sinai ("הִלְכָה לְמֹשֶׁה"). Non-Jewish slaves have the same rules for מְצוּה performance as women and therefore do not have to sit in a סוּפָה.

The גְּמָרָא explains that a child is not responsible to dwell in a סוּפָה as long as he still needs his mother.

Once a child no longer "needs" his mother, the rabbis obligate him to sit



inside a סוּפָה. The school of רַבִּי יְנָאי explain that a child does not "need" his mother once he is able to clean himself after going

to the bathroom. רַבִּי שְׁמַעוֹן בֶּן לֵקִישׁ says any child who does not keep calling for his mother when he wakes up from his sleep is a child who

does not "need" his mother.

רַבִּי שְׁמַאי the Elder was of the opinion that even a child who needs his mother is still responsible to sit in a סוּפָה. In fact, when his daughter-in-law gave birth to a boy, רַבִּי שְׁמַאי removed the roof over the infant's bed and placed סִכָּךְ (covering) in its place. This way, his newborn grandson was able to participate in the מְצוּה of dwelling inside a סוּפָה.

WORDS OF THE DAY:
מֵזָא הַנִּי מִיְלֵי
 "WHERE DO THESE WORDS COME FROM?"

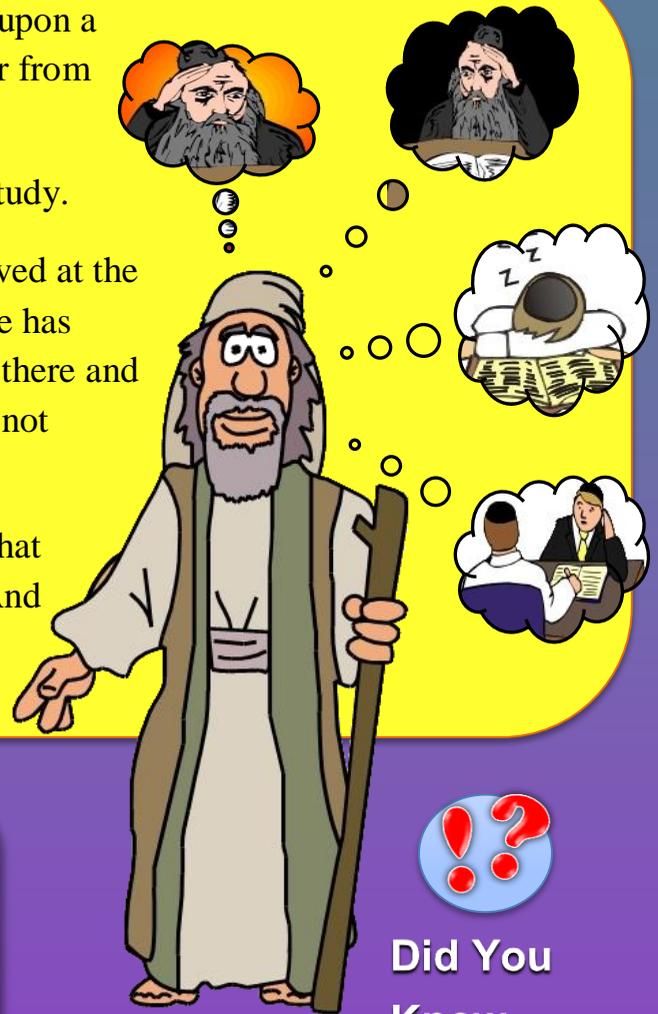
The Greatness of רבי אליעזר

The great sage רבי אליעזר was careful to never rule upon a matter of Jewish law if he hadn't first heard the answer from one of his teachers.

But this wasn't because he was lax in his own Torah study.

"In all my life," רבי אליעזר said, "No one has *ever* arrived at the בית המדרש (Torah study hall) earlier than I, and no one has ever left later than me. I have never slept even a wink there and never cracked a single joke or spoke about something not related to Torah study."

רבי אליעזר is giving us a lesson about the hard work that is required to becoming a supreme Torah scholar. And even with all that hard work, רבי אליעזר would only recite rulings he heard directly from his teachers!



A מְדוּת Moment

The bell had rung and the school day was beginning. Class by class the students streamed through the front doors.

Adi looked behind him and saw the line of kindergarten students. As Adi entered the school he stopped to hold open the front door for all the little kids.

When Adi came through the door the kindergarten teacher, Morah Anna, said to him, "Adi, that was very nice of you to hold the door open for all of the younger kids."

"Well," said Adi, "I learned that רבן יוחנן בן זכאי used to open the door for his students. I figure, I may not be as great as him, but I can at least do the things that are on my level!"

Did You Know...

Out of the Elder's 80 students, 30 were worthy of having Hashem's Presence (שְׁכִינָה) rest upon them as it did with מֹשֶׁה (Moses our teacher). Another 30 were worthy have having the sun stand still as it had for יְהוֹשֻׁעַ (Joshua).

Games

Review Questions – סוכה דף כ"ח

1. Name three groups of people who do not have to dwell inside a סוכה.

2. What would רבי אליעזר be careful *not* to say?

3. Name something that 30 of Hillel the Elder's students were worthy of.



1. I do not have to dwell in a סוכה because women do not
2. Even though I'm young, I still have to dwell in a סוכה
3. I'm young and do not have to participate in the סוכה obligation
4. I filled a hole in the roof with סָבָךְ so my grandson could be inside a סוכה
5. We were worthy of having the sun stand still
6. No one ever arrived at the study hall before me