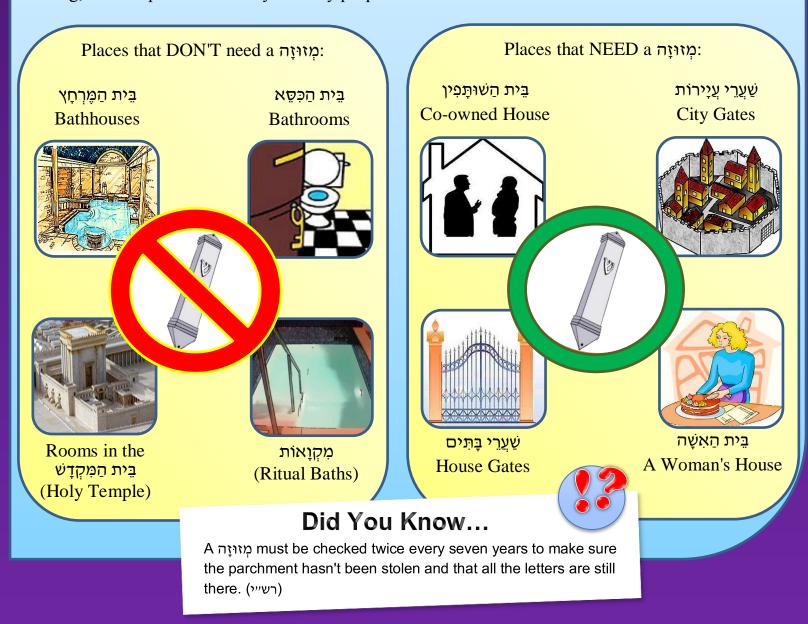


"You should write the words of the מְאוֹנָה on the doorposts of your houses and your gates."

Houses that need a מְזוּנָה have to be like our houses. That means they have to be decent places for living, and not places used only for holy purposes. Therefore...



הַזְזִרְ Misadventures

Even though the Torah says מְזוּזוֹת must be placed on gates, the גְמֶרָא tells of two cases where it was dangerous to put up מְזוּזוֹת.

שְרוּנָא were not put on the gates of the city of מְחוֹנָא for fear that the gentiles would accuse the Jews of witchcraft, which could cause an attack against the Jews.

Another case of gentiles interfering with the placing of with the placing of with the placing of was with a Jew named אַרְטָבִין who was fixing a who was fixing a to the gates of the upper-market of צִיפּוֹרָי. A Roman officer found him



doing this - and fined him one thousand 111! (About \$3,750)

A מדות Moment

"Hey, Aharon, can I borrow a pencil?"

"Sorry, David," said Aharon, "I don't have one."

"But I see you have an extra one right there in your pencil case!"

"Umm...uhh..." said Aharon, caught off guard.

"Do you remember, Aharon, what we learned in Daf Yomi about someone who says he doesn't have something because he doesn't want to lend it?"

"Yes, David," said Aharon feeling a bit ashamed. "The Torah says his house will be stricken with the disease of אַרַעַ. The homeowner will then be forced to take all his belongings outside for everyone to see what he really owns, and to discover that he is a miser!"

"That's right, Aharon," said David. "It's important not to refuse to lend something that you have. Now, may I please have that pencil now?"

"Sure, David. Sorry about that."

Games

Find these words:

City gates
A Bathhouse
A holy building
A woman's house
A bathroom

4. Co-owned house 8. Ritual baths

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Review Questions – יוֹמָא דַּף י"א
1. Name two types of gates that need a מְזוּזָה.
2. Name two rooms that do not require a מָזוּזָה.
3. How often must a מְזוּנָה be checked?

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