Menachos 14 – Good Morning Raboisai

1️⃣ Two Sheep, Two Breads – The Matir Concept

On **Shavuos**, two offerings are brought together:

- **Two sheep**
- **Two loaves of bread (שְׁתֵּי הַלְּחֶם)**

The key rule:

The **sheep are the matir** that permits the **bread** to be eaten.

Since **both sheep** are required:

- Each sheep is **50% of the matir**
- Without both, the bread remains forbidden

This becomes the model case for the entire daf.

2️⃣ Parallel Case – Minchah: Kemitzah and Levonah

A **Minchah** also has **two matirim**:

1. **Kemitzah**
2. **Levonah**

Only after **both** are burned:

- The **shirayim** may be eaten

Each one alone is only **half a matir**, similar to the two sheep of Shavuos.

3️⃣ Pigul on Part of the Bread – Does It Spread?

Case:

- The Kohen has pigul intent
- He plans to eat **only one loaf** late

Rabbi Yosi:

- Pigul applies **only** to what he intended
- The second loaf becomes **pasul**, not pigul (no כרת)

Chachamim:

- Everything is treated as **one unit**
- Pigul on one loaf → pigul on both

This same dispute applies to:

- **Two bezichin** of levonah
- Other paired matirim

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4 Pigul on One Limb of an Animal

Rav Huna teaches:

- Pigul on the **right thigh** does **not** automatically spread to the left thigh

Reason:

- Each limb is considered its **own guf**
- Similar to **tumah**: one limb can be tamei without the other

This reinforces Rabbi Yosi's approach:

Pigul follows **specific intent**, not automatic spread.

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5 "לעולם" — Always Both Matirim Required

The Gemara emphasizes the word **לעולם**:

- Pigul requires intent during **both sheep**
- Not just one

Why?

- Each sheep is only **half a matir**
- You cannot create pigul with **half a matir**

This excludes:

- Rabbi Meir, who allows pigul with **half a matir**
- And clarifies the Chachamim's position

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6 Resolving a Textual Confusion

The Gemara clarifies:

- שְׁנֵיהֶם can refer to:
    - The **two sheep** (masculine)
    - Or the **two breads** (feminine)

The conclusion:

- Pigul must occur during **both sheep**
- Once that happens, pigul intent on even **one bread** spreads to both (according to Chachamim)

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7 Shchitah and Zerikah – Do They Combine?

New case:

- Half a כזית intent during **shchitah**
- Half a כזית intent during **zerikah**

Result:

- They **combine**
- Because **both are matirim**

But:

- **Kabbalah** and **holachah** do **not** combine
- Only avodos that actually permit eating count as matir

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8 Why No Gezeirah Here?

Question:

- Why not make a gezeirah from two sheep to other cases?

Answer:

- Chazal only make gezeiros where there is a **real comparable case**
- There is no other true parallel to **half-matir pigul**

Therefore:

- No concern of confusion

- No need for an added safeguard

9️⃣ Pigul Cannot Apply to the Matir Itself

Fundamental rule:

- A **matir cannot become pigul**
    - Blood
    - Kemitzah
    - Levonah

If pigul intent is expressed about the matir:

- It is **redirected** to the item it permits
    - Blood → meat
    - Kemitzah → shirayim

This explains how pigul can “transfer” without contradiction.

✨ Core Yesodos – Menachos 14

- Two sheep = one full matir for the bread
- Two matirim are each only **50%**
- Pigul requires intent during **both halves**
- Rabbi Yosi limits pigul to intended items
- Chachamim allow pigul to spread once the matir is complete
- Pigul cannot exist on a matir itself
- Only true matirim combine across avodos

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