Menachos 87 – Good Morning Raboisai

1️⃣ Best Sources for Wine

Top-quality wine for Nesachim:

1. **Kiduchayim & Atulayim** – best
2. **Beis Rima / Beis Lavan / Signal valley** – second

👉 All lands are kosher (even outside Eretz Yisrael)
👉 But these are **preferred locations**

2️⃣ Which Vineyards to Avoid

Do NOT bring from:

- Fertilised vineyards
- Irrigated vineyards
- Mixed planting vineyards

❗ If brought → **Kosher b'dieved**

3️⃣ Types of Wine

- Over-sweet grapes (sun-ripened) → **Kosher b'dieved**
- Naturally sweet grape varieties → **Pasul**

4️⃣ Aged Wine

Machlokes:

- **Rebbi** → Wine older than 1 year should not be brought
- Others → Still kosher

Reason:
👉 Best wine = **first year (reddest, highest quality)**

5️⃣ Other Invalid Wines

Not allowed:

- Cooked wine (mevushal)
- Smoked wine
- Extremely sweet wine

👉 If brought → **Pasul**

6️⃣ Proper Storage of Wine

- Use **small barrels**, not large
- Leave **air space at top**
- Do not take:
    - From **top** (mold)
    - From **bottom** (sediment)
      👉 Take from **middle of barrel**

7️⃣ Testing the Wine

Gizbar checks quality:

- Watches for foam/bubbles
- Taps with a stick → stop pouring

Reason:
👉 Speaking directly could **damage wine quality**

8️⃣ If Wine Has Mold

👉 Entire barrel is rejected

Principle:

- Korban must be **clean and complete**

9️⃣ Hekdesh on Invalid Wine

If someone donates spoiled wine:

👉 Question:

- Is it like a baal mum (gets malkus)?
- Or only applies to animals?

➡️ **Teiku**

🔟 **Strength of Proper Cultivation**

Example:

- Well-cultivated vineyard produced **stronger wine**
- Could dilute **6:1 instead of normal 3:1**

👉 Shows importance of proper vineyard care

1️⃣1️⃣ **Additional Korban Sources**

- Rams → from Moav
- Sheep → from Chevron
- Calves → from Sharon
- Birds → from Har HaMelech

1️⃣2️⃣ **Future Vision (Aggadah)**

- Enormous sheep in future
- Graze at great heights
- Reflect abundance and bracha

1️⃣3️⃣ **Measuring Vessels in the Beis Hamikdash**

There were:

- **Isaron vessel (1 unit)**
- **Half-Isaron vessel**

Used for:

- Menachos

- Kohen Gadol's daily offering

1️⃣4️⃣ How Measurements Worked

- No special vessel for 2 or 3 Isaron
- Measured by **repeating the same vessel**

Example:

- 3 Isaron → measure 1 Isaron × 3

1️⃣5️⃣ Machlokes – Measuring Style

Rebbi Meir:

- Two types:
  - **Heaped (gadush)**
  - **Level (machuk)**

Chachamim:

- Only one type

1️⃣6️⃣ Kohen Gadol's Mincha

- Brings full Isaron
- Split into two halves (morning & afternoon)

👉 Done by hand (not scale)

Reason:

- Scales associated with **קללה (curse)**

1️⃣7️⃣ Kedusha of the Shulchan

Question:

- Does the Shulchan give kedusha to Levonah placed on it?

Answer:

- Not enough kedusha for offering
- But enough to **invalidate (pasul) if touched improperly**

🔑 **Key Takeaways**

- Wine must be **high quality, balanced, and clean**
- Avoid extremes (too sweet, cooked, spoiled)
- Storage and handling affect validity
- Some halachos remain unresolved (Teiku)
- Beis Hamikdash measurements were precise but simple
- Shulchan gives partial kedusha
- Proper preparation enhances quality dramatically