Zevachim 119 – Good Morning Raboisai

1️⃣ The Timeline from the Mishkan to the Beis HaMikdash

The daf reviews the **historical timeline**:

- **Midbar**:
  - 40 years total
  - **39 years** with the Mishkan functioning (the first year Moshe built it)
- **Gilgal** (after entering Eretz Yisrael):
  - **14 years total**
    - 7 years of **kibush** (conquest)
    - 7 years of **chilukah** (division)
- **Shiloh**:
  - **369 years**
- **Nov and Givon**:
  - A combined **57 years**
- **Yerushalayim / Beis HaMikdash**:
  - Built **480 years after Yetziyas Mitzrayim**

This aligns with the total of **17 Yovlos (Jubilee cycles)** from entry into Eretz Yisrael until the Churban.

2️⃣ Why Seven Years to Divide the Land?

Question:

Conquering takes time — but why did division take **seven years**?

Answer:

- Division among Jews is **no simpler** than conquest from enemies
- The Torah structured **symmetry**:
  - 7 years of conquest
  - 7 years of allocation

This fits the broader historical calculation.

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3 "Menuchah" and "Nachalah" — Shiloh or Yerushalayim?

The Torah says:

"You have not yet come to the **Menuchah** and the **Nachalah**"

Machlokes:

- **Rabbi Yehudah**:
  - **Menuchah = Shiloh**
  - **Nachalah = Yerushalayim**
- **Rabbi Shimon**:
  - **Menuchah = Yerushalayim**
  - **Nachalah = Yerushalayim**

Why two terms?

- **Menuchah** → resting after conquest
- **Nachalah** → permanent inheritance

Either way, the Torah distinguishes:

A temporary resting place vs. an eternal one

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4 Why Were Bamot Permitted in Nov and Givon?

Between Shiloh and Yerushalayim:

- **Bamot were permitted**

Reason:

- There was **no Aron**
- Without the Aron, the full kedushah of Menuchah/Nachalah was incomplete

Once Yerushalayim was chosen:

Bamot became **assur forever**

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5 Ma'aser Sheini — Why Not in Nov and Givon?

Question:

- If korbanos were brought in Nov and Givon,
  why wasn't **Ma'aser Sheini** eaten there?

Answer:

- Learned via **gezeirah shavah**:
  - "שָׁם" by Ma'aser
  - "שָׁם" by the Aron
- Since there was **no Aron** in Nov/Givon,
  → no Ma'aser Sheini

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6 But What About Korbanos?

Challenge:

- Korbanos also say "שָׁם"
- So why were they allowed?

Answer:

- Korbanos with a **fixed time** (e.g. Pesach)
  were still brought
- Ma'aser Sheini has **no fixed time**
  → delayed until Yerushalayim

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7 Ma'aser Behemah and Ma'aser Dagan

Via **hekesh**:

- Ma'aser Behemah ↔ Ma'aser Dagan

Just as:

- Ma'aser Behemah (a chovah without fixed time)
  was not brought on a bamah,

So too:

- Ma'aser Dagan (produce tithe)
  was not eaten in Nov and Givon

This fits **Rabbi Yehudah's view**.

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8 Aggadah — Yerushalayim as a "Hated Bird"

The Gemara compares Yerushalayim to a **striking bird**:

- All eyes are drawn to it
- Nations are attracted — yet hostile

This metaphor reflects:

- Yerushalayim's beauty
- And the jealousy it provokes

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9 Shimshon's Korban on a Bamah

Question:

- How could **Manoach** bring a korban on a rock?

Answer:

- It was a **hora'as sha'ah** (one-time divine instruction)
- Not a general permission

Rule:

Exceptional prophetic instruction does not set halacha.

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10 Hekdesh During Heter Bamot — When Is There Kares?

Four key scenarios:

1. **Hekdesh + Hakravah both during issur bamot**
   → **Chayav kares**
2. **Hekdesh during issur, hakravah during heter**
   → **No kares**
3. **Hekdesh during heter, hakravah during issur**
   → Machlokes
4. **Hekdesh + hakravah during heter**
   → **Patur**

Rav Kahana suggested:

- Even case #3 is chayav kares

The Gemara rejects this:

Teyuvta d'Rav Kahana — refuted

Conclusion:

- If the animal was sanctified **when bamot were permitted**,
  → there is **no kares**, even if later offered when prohibited

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✨ **Takeaway – Zevachim 119**

- The Mishkan-to-Mikdash timeline is precise and intentional
- Shiloh was temporary; Yerushalayim is eternal
- Bamot were permitted only in the absence of full Menuchah
- Ma'aser Sheini requires the Aron
- Only fixed-time korbanos override bamah restrictions
- Hekdesh timing determines kares liability
- A korban sanctified during heter bamot never incurs kares

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