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A weekly Dvar Torah on the Parsha by Rabbi Dovid Horwitz
and the Rabbanim of the Ra'anana Kollel

Parshat Ki Teitzei 5785

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Parshat Ki Teitzei discusses the mitzvah of returning a lost object to one's fellow Jew. The Torah instructs us to pick up objects, keeping them until the rightful owner is located. Even if the owner fails to come forward, the finder needs to keep the object safe until it can be returned. What happens if the owner cannot be located? The gemara says that one must keep the object until Eliyahu HaNavi comes and clarifies the rightful owner!

The exception to this rule would be if the owner makes "yi'ush", expresses despondancy, over the object. If the owner was heard to have given up hope **before** the finder picked up the object, then and only then, can the finder keep the item for himself.

One of few items that if found can be kept, under the assumption that the owner realized and despaired quickly before the finder found it, is money.

The halacha states that anyone finding money without an identifying mark on it, or even if it has a unique mark, but it is found in a public area that is frequented mostly by non Jews, may keep it, even if the owner can prove that it was he who lost it. Although the halacha praises those who return the item even when yi'ush was expressed, the letter of the law allows the finder to keep it since yi'ush was indeed made by the owner.

Rav Galinsky recounts how there was once a Torah observant Jew who endured tremendous hardships in Siberia and he came totally despondant to the Chazon Ish, wishing to end his life.

The Chazon Ish told him a story about a man who saved his money to buy goods at the city fair, from which he would do business over the year. One year he was too sick to travel, so he gave his cash to his wife and she went in his stead. Upon arrival at the fair about to close a

deal, she reached into her pocket for her money only to realize that it was missing. Shortly after, a poor Jewish man claimed to have found her money, but since he too was poor, he refused to give it back.

He argued that since she clearly had despaired before he picked it up and it was found in a place that was mostly frequented by non Jews, the law was in his favor to keep the money.

Although the noble thing to do would have been to return it anyway, he was too much in need of the money himself to give away a fortune based on nobility.

When they brought the dispute to the Kovner Rav, the Rav ruled that the money must be returned! "But surely that is against the clear halacha," said the finder! The Rav answered that although the woman did indeed make yi'ush over the money, it wasn't truly hers to make yi'ush on! The money technically belonged to her husband, and since he was unaware that she dropped it, **he** never despaired of **his** money.

This moral of the story, said the Chazon Ish to the despondant man, is that only the owner of the item can despair and make yi'ush over it. "You cannot despair of losing something that was not yours to begin with.

Your life is not your own that you can give up on.

Your neshama, your life, belongs to Hashem and if Hashem has challenged you with these hardships, who are you to give up hope!"

As we approach the Days of Judgment of Rosh Hashana, we may feel despondant based on our performance last year.

Let's remember, we do not have the authority to give up.

Hashem, the giver and sustainer of life, believes in us!

Let's remember to believe in ourselves, too!

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Ask the Rabbi

Rosh Beit Midrash: Rabbi Shabtai Yogel

Question: We are now leaving a rented apartment that we have lived in for several years. When we first moved in, we saw that the mezuzot that were there were completely invalid, so we invested and purchased beautiful, mehudar mezuzot from a reliable sofer. Now that we are moving out, can we take these mezuzot with us to our new home?

Answer: The obligation to place mezuzot in a rented home falls on the tenant, not the landlord. However, when the tenant leaves, he may not remove the mezuzot, but must leave them in the apartment—unless the landlord or the new tenant is not Jewish. The reason is that the mezuzah provides protection for the home. If it is removed, spiritual harm may enter and affect the new tenants. The Gemara even tells a story of someone who took his mezuzot with him when moving, and as a result, a great tragedy befell his family—measure for measure—because he caused harm to the new residents.

Many poskim write that while you cannot leave the home without mezuzot, you do not have to leave your own expensive ones. A common practice is to remove your fancy mezuzot a few days before moving “for checking,” affixing basic kosher mezuzot, in their stead, that are less costly. After receiving your original mezuzot back, you take them with you, leaving the basic ones behind. In addition, if the new tenants themselves remove your mezuzot, you may collect them, since they remain your property. Even if they don't remove them, according to monetary law you may ask to be compensated. Still, some gedolim were not pleased with these types of workarounds, pointing out that the Gemara associates this with danger. As the Brisker Rav put it: “With mezuzot one does not take chances.”

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Question: When mezuzot are removed for checking (as is customary in Elul), does one recite a new blessing when putting them back up?

Answer: The poskim debate this. Here is the general accepted practice:
1. If one mezuzah is found to be invalid and a new one is put in its place, and the spot is unquestionably obligated in mezuzah, then a blessing is recited.

2. If all mezuzot are kosher, the ruling is that if at least a full day passed between removing and reaffixing them, you should recite the berachah again, since the original blessing is no longer valid.

If it was all done on the same day, no new blessing is made.

However, Rav Ovadia Yosef zt”l ruled that even if it is done on the same day, a new blessing should be recited, and one may rely on this opinion.

3. When making a new blessing, recite one berachah before putting up the mezuzah in a room that is unquestionably obligated, and rely on that blessing for the rest of the mezuzot, provided you do not interrupt with unrelated speech in between.

One more important point: when mezuzot are removed for checking, each one should be labeled with its location, so that when returned, the mezuzah that was in a room unquestionably obligated (such as a main entrance or living area) will not be placed in a room where the obligation is only partial or questionable (such as a small room, balcony, or doorway without a proper frame).

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