



Mixture of a Korban Pesach and Bechorot

The *Mishnah* (9:8) discusses cases where a *korban Pesach* was mixed with other *korbanot*. One case highlighted is where a *korban Pesach* was mixed with *bechorot*. The *Mishnah* cites the opinion of R' Shimon who explains that if the *chaburah* - the individuals part of the *korban pesach* – were all *kohanim*, then all the *korbanot* may be offered and then consumed that evening.

An unblemished *bechor* (kosher, first-born animal) must be brought to *Yerushalaim* and offered as a *korban*. The parts that can be consumed are only permissible to the *kohanim*. The requirements and manner in which both *korbanot* are offered is the same. One important difference is that one only has until midnight to consume the *korban pesach*, whereas the *kohanim* can consume the *bechor* that day, night and following day.

The *Bartenura* explains that despite the fact that if the entire mixture is offered one will effectively be reducing the amount of time that the *bechor* (in the mixture) can be consumed, R' Shimon is not bothered. The *Chachamim* however are. They maintain that the mixture must be treated like any other mixture of a *korban pesach* and other *korbanot*. The animals must all be left until they develop blemishes that invalidate them from being used as *korbanot*. The *korban pesach* must then be redeemed and a new animal purchased, with a value equal to the most expensive animal from the original mixture. (Unlike other *korbanot*, once a *bechor* develops a *mum* it does not need to be redeemed and is given to a *kohen*.)

The *Tosfot* (*Yoma* 29a) however are bothered. We have learnt that the *korban pesach* was offered after the *korban tamid*. Furthermore, no *korban* other than the *korban pesach* can be offered after the *korban tamid*. Doing so would violate the positive *mitzvah* of *hashlama*. According to R' Shimon, when was the mixture of *korbanot* offered?

The *Sefat Emet* answers that the mixture was slaughtered after midday, but prior to the *korban tamid*. Even though, ideally the *korban pesach* should be offered after the *korban tamid*, the *korban* is nonetheless valid (see 5:3, and Vol. 14, Iss. 20). He explains that offering the mixture in this manner is preferable to offering the mixture after the *korban tamid* which would then violate the positive *mitzvah*.

The *Tifferet Yisrael* explains similarly that the entire mixture would be slaughtered. The blood from the *korbanot* however would be stirred in order that they could be thrown on the *mizbeach* after the blood of the *korban tamid*. Recall that this consistent with the earlier *Mishnah* (8:3) that if the *korban pesach* was slaughtered before the *korban tamid*, that the blood should still be thrown on the *mizbeach* after the blood of the *korban tamid*.

The *Sefat Emet* however asks why the *Mishnah* did not select a simpler case with a broader scope. Consider the case of a mixture of *maaser beheima* and a *korban pesach*. *Maaser beheima* refers to every tenth new-born (*kosher*) animal, that must be offered as a *korban*. Its requirements and way it is offered is the same as the *bechor*, yet it is consumed by the owners – even non-*kohanim*. In that case, R' Shimon would rule that the entire mixture could be offered and consumed by the members of the *chaburah*, even if the *chaburah* consisted of non-*kohanim*.

The *Tifferet Yisrael* answers, that it was important to teach the case of the mixture including *bechorot*. One might have thought that in that case R' Shimon would agree with the *Chachamim* out of concern that one would mistakenly apply the same rule for such a mixture where the *chaburah* included people who were not *kohanim*.

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Revision Questions

פסחים ט' ב' – י' ד'

- What are the two opinions regarding the meaning of “*derech rechokah*”? (ט' ב')
- What are the two differences between *Pesach* and *Pesach Sheni*? (ט' ג')
- What are the three similarities between *Pesach* and *Pesach Sheni*? (ט' ג')
- If a majority of the nation is *tameh*, which *tameh* people are still unable to eat from the *korban pesach*? (ט' ד')
- What is the difference between the *Pesach* experienced in *Egypt* and *Pesach* today? (ט' ה')
- How does *R' Akiva* explain the statement received by *R' Yehoshua* that sometimes a *temurat pesach* is offered (as a *shlamim*) and sometimes it cannot? (ט' ו')
- What is the law regarding a two-year old animal that was separated for the purpose of a *korban pesach*? (ט' ז')
- What should one do if the animal they set aside for a *korban pesach* got mixed up with other animals that were set aside for other *korbanot*? (ט' ח')
- A group lost their *korban pesach* and told one member of the group to find it. What is the law if he finds it and slaughters it and the group take a replacement sacrifice and slaughter it? (List all eight scenarios.) (ט' ט')
- What is the law regarding a case where two different groups' *korbanot* got mixed together? (ט' י')
- What is the law regarding a case where two individuals' *korbanot pesach* got mixed together? (ט' י"א)
- From what time on *erev Pesach* should one refrain from eating? (ט' י"ב)
- What *mitzvah* is listed in the *Mishnah* as obligatory irrespective of one's financial means? (ט' י"ג)
- Explain the debate regarding the order of *brachot* on the first cup of wine? (ט' י"ד)
- Who are the *Tana'im* that are involved in the debate described in the previous question? (ט' י"ה)
- What food is eaten immediately after *kiddush* at the *seder*? (ט' י"ו)
- Which five foods are placed before the *ba'al ha'seder*? (ט' י"ז)
- What occurs immediately after the second cup is poured at the *seder*? (ט' י"ח)
- What are the four question of *mah nishtanah* listed in the *Mishnah*? (ט' י"ט)
- Complete the following formula of how one should teach the story of *Pesach*: (ט' כ')

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