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Megilla Daf Chuf Aleph

PEREK HAKOREI OMEID -- PEREK SHLISHI

MISHNA

- One may read the megilla while standing or sitting. It may be read by one person or even by 2 people reading simultaneously. Where the minhag is to make a bracha on the megilla, one should be made. If it is not the minhag, it should not be made.
- On Monday, Thursday, and Shabbos mincha, we call up 3 people to read from the Torah. No less and no more, and we do not read a haftorah. The first one called up makes a bracha before he begins and the last one makes a bracha when he concludes. On Rosh Chodesh and Chol Hamoed we call up 4 people, no less and no more, and again there is no haftorah read. Again, the first one called up makes a bracha before he begins and the last one makes a bracha when he concludes. The general rule is, any day that there is mussaf, but it is not a Yom Tov, we call up 4 people. On Yom Tov we call up 5 people. On Yom Kippur we call up 6. On Shabbos we call up 7. We may not call up less, but we may call up more people. After the Torah reading, we read from the haftorah as well. Again, the first one called up makes a bracha before he begins and the last one makes a bracha when he concludes.

GEMARA

- A Braisa says, reading from the Torah may not be done while sitting.
 - **R' Avahu** learns this from the pasuk where Hashem told Moshe "V'atah poh amod imadi" (You stand here with Me).
 - **R' Avahu** said, this pasuk also teaches that a rebbi should not be sitting at a higher level than his talmidim (as we see that Hashem "stood" just like Moshe stood).
 - A Braisa says, from the days of Moshe to the days of **R' Gamliel**, they would always stand when they learned Torah. When **R' Gamliel** passed away, people became weak, and they began to learn while sitting.
 - This is what is meant by the Mishna that says that after **R' Gamliel's** passing, the honor of Torah became batul.
 - **Q:** In one pasuk Moshe says that he sat on the mountain (while learning the Torah) and another pasuk says that he stood!? **A: Rav** said, he stood when he learned, and then sat when he reviewed what he had learned. **R' Chanina** said, he stayed in a bent over, leaning position (which was not quite standing or sitting). **R' Yochanan** said that "sitting" means that he "remained" there, not that he actually sat down. **Rava** said, he stood during the parts that were easier to learn, and sat for the more difficult parts.

KERA'AH ECHAD KERUHAH SHNAYIM YATZU...

- A Braisa says, we would not be yotzeh if 2 people read simultaneously from the Torah.
 - A Braisa says, one person reads from the Torah and another translates, but not 2 simultaneously. When reading from the Nevi'im, one should read and even 2 may translate together, but 2 may not read together. Regarding Hallel and megilla, even 10 people may read together and 10 may translate together.
 - Hallel and megilla are treated differently, because they are beloved to people, and people will therefore make sure to hear what is being said in any case.

MAKOM SHENAHAGU LIVAREICH YIVAREICH

- **Abaye** said, this is referring to the bracha made after the megilla reading. However, a bracha must surely be made before the reading, as **R' Yehuda in the name of Shmuel** said, all brachos on mitzvos should be said "over laasiyason" (before being performed).
 - **Q:** Where do we see the word "oiver" means "before"? **A: R' Nachman bar Yitzchak** said, a pasuk says "vayavor es hakushi" (he went before the kushi). **Abaye** said, a pasuk says "vehu ovar lifneihem" (he went before them). Another pasuk says "vayavor malkam lifneihem" (their king went before them).
 - **Q:** What bracha is made before reading the megilla? **A: R' Sheishes of Katrazya** was by **R' Sheishes** and he made the brachos of "ahl mikra megilla", "she'asa nissim", and "shehechyanu".
 - **Q:** What bracha is made after reading the megilla? **A:** "Baruch Ata Hashem harav es riveinu...baruch Ata Hashem hanifra l'Yisrael mikol tzareihem". **Rava** said to end with "Hakeil hamoshiya". **R' Pappa** therefore said, to combine both these endings together.

B'SHEINI UVACHAMISHI B'SHABBOS B'MINCHA KORIN SHLOSHA...

- **Q:** What do the 3 aliyos correspond to? **A: R' Assi** said, to Torah, Nevi'im, and Kesuvim. **Rava** said, to Kohanim, Levi'im, and Yisraelim.
- **Q: R' Simi** taught that a minimum of 10 pesukim must be read. What do these 10 pesukim correspond to? **A: R' Yehoshua ben Levi** said, to the 10 people who sit all day in Beis Medrash and learn Torah. **R' Yosef** said, to the Aseres Hadibros. **R' Yochanan** said, to the 10 statements that Hashem used to create the world, which are the times that it says "Vayomer" in the story of Creation.
 - **Q:** There are only 9 times that it says "Vayomer" over there!? **A:** The word "Bereishis" is also considered to be a statement, with which Hashem created heaven and earth.
 - **Rava** said, if when these 10 pesukim are divided among the 3 people, the first person reads 4 (leaving only 3 each for the other people), he is praiseworthy (as we find that the boxes used to collect the machtzis hashekel were labeled in numerical order so that the first ones given should be used first, which shows that it is praiseworthy to be first), if the second person reads 4 he is praiseworthy (as we find that the lights of the Menorah all leaned towards the middle light, showing that the middle is praiseworthy), and if the third person is the one who reads 4 he is praiseworthy (as we know that we go higher in matters of kedusha, and never lower).
 - **R' Pappa** was once in the Beis Medrash of Avi Gover, and he praised the first person for having read 4 pesukim.

EIN POCHSIN MEIHEN V'EIN MOSIFIN

- A Braisa says, the first person makes a bracha before he begins to read, and the last person makes a bracha when he concludes.
 - Today, the reason why each person makes a bracha before and after is to prevent the latecomers and the people who leave early from thinking that a bracha need not be made.