

Today's Daf In Review is being sent l'zecher nishmas Habachur Yechezkel Shraga A"H ben R' Avrohom Yehuda

Gittin Daf Samach Tes

- The Gemara lists many ailments and the cures for these ailments.
 - o For a headache caused by blood in the head, there is a mixture to be boiled and then the person is to pour 300 cups of this mixture on each side of the head. If that doesn't work, he should boil a certain white rose and pour 60 cups on each side of the head.
 - For a headache in half the head, a wild rooster should be shechted with a sharp, silver zuz, and the blood should be let to spill over the side of the head that hurts. The carcass should then be hung on the door so that he brushes against it on his way in and on his way out.
 - For an eye ailment (cataract) he should make a mixture using a specific scorpion and other ingredients, grind it up, and put 3 doses of the powder in each eye.
 - For night blindness, he is to tie his leg to the leg of a dog using hair of an animal's tail, should have children follow him saying some incantation as he collects 7 pieces of raw meat, eats them near the garbage dump, must then say some more incantations, and then blow into the eye of the dog.
 - For daytime blindness, he follows a specific process of getting and cooking seven fresh spleens, and then eating them with some incantations.
 - o For nosebleeds, there are incantations that should be written by other people or himself. If that doesn't work he makes a mixture and burns it into ashes, rolls a vinegar soaked wool into the ashes, and places it in his nose. If that doesn't work, he should straddle a stream that flows east to west, take mud from beneath his feet, take wool and cover it with this mud and put the wool into his nose. If that doesn't work, he should sit under a water spout, have people pour water on him and they should say, just like the water stops flowing, the nose of this person should stop bleeding.
 - For bleeding in the mouth, we check with a wheat straw to see if the blood is sticky. If it
 is, it means the blood is from the lungs and can be healed. If it is not, it means it is from
 the liver and cannot be healed.
 - Q: R' Ami asked R' Ashi, a Mishna says that an animal is a treifah if it is missing all of its liver or even part of its lungs. This suggests that a problem in the lungs would be more severe than in the liver!? A: He said, if blood is coming from the mouth and we determine that it is from the liver, it would mean that the entire liver has dissolved.
 - The remedy for the blood that comes from the lungs is a mixture of a number of ingredients to be cooked and eaten along with drinking strong beer that was made in Teves.
 - For a toothache there is a garlic mixture which should be ground, put on the thumb nail
 of the side that has the toothache and the mixture should then be surrounded with
 dough.
 - For a tonsil ailment, R' Yochanan says, first a process should be done to reduce the swelling, then a process should be done to collect the pus, then a process should be done to make the pus burst out, and then a process should be done to heal the burst skin.
 - For a head/nose ailment, there is a potion to be mixed, cooked, and drank. If that doesn't work, there is a second potion. If that doesn't work there is a third.
 - For piercing pains of the heart, one should pour water over a specific upside down stone, and drink the water. If that doesn't work, he should drink from water that a dog drank from at night, but making sure it was not left uncovered for snakes to drink from.

- If one drank water that was left uncovered, he should drink a certain keili filled with undiluted wine.
- o To heal "mursa", one should drink a keili of wine with aloe.
- For fluttering of the heart, one should eat barley bread that was soaked in kutach and then drink heavily diluted wine.
 - Q: R' Acha Midifti asked Ravina, that will cause even more fluttering!? A:
 Ravina said, this remedy was for a heavy heart. For fluttering, one should eat wheat bread soaked in honey and then drink undiluted wine.
- o For heart pain, one should eat a potion made of different spices.
- For stomach pain, one should get 300 long peppers and drink 100 of them per day in wine.
 - Ravin of Narish used 150 peppers for R' Ashi's daughter and it worked.
- o For worms in the stomach he should drink a keili of wine with a certain leaf.
- o For white worms in the stomach, ingredients should be soaked in water, and he should then drink the water.
- For dealing with going to the bathroom, there is one mixture that loosens the bowels and one that dries up the bowels.
- o For a spleen ailment, there is a potion using leeches and wine. If that doesn't work, he should take the spleen of a goat that never gave birth, put it in the oven and say an incantation. If that doesn't work, he should take the goat's spleen and put it in between the bricks of his house and say the incantation. If that doesn't work, he should take the hand of someone who died on Shabbos, put it on his spleen, and say the incantation. If that doesn't work, he should roast a fish on a blacksmith's coals, dip it in his water, eat it, and drink the blacksmith's water as well. If that doesn't work, he should drink a lot of wine. R' Acha the son of Rava said to R' Ashi, if someone has a lot of wine, he will not get sick. If someone can't afford so much wine, he should make sure to eat bread in the morning, because it is beneficial for the entire body.
- For hemorrhoids, there is a potion that should be placed topically onto the affected area. If that doesn't work, he should drink diluted beer.
- o For a hip ailment, one should take fish brine and rub it 60 times on each hip.
- For urinary tract stones, there is a mixture that should be placed in that area. If that doesn't work, a certain keili should be hung from the person. If that doesn't work, red string spun by a particular woman should be hung from the person. If that doesn't work, a louse from a man and a woman should be hung from the person. He should then urinate on dry thorns in a doorway, and should pay attention to find the stone when it exits, because it is an effective remedy for all types of fever.
- For an outside fever, he should boil up two potions and sit in between them, then put them into bowls and sit on a table on top of them until the steam enters his body. He should then wash with this water and drink from one of them.
- For an internal fever, he should eat beets cooked with the earth in which they were grown and drink beer with leaves in it, or grapes of a vine hanging over a palm tree, with water.
- For a moist boil, a potion is made and applied topically. R' Simi bar Ashi used this remedy to heal a goy from tzaraas.