

NOTES

When one intentionally killed him in an upward motion – היכא דהרגו דרך עלייה: *Tosafot* note that killing in an upward motion is considered a less severe crime than killing in a downward motion. The Rambam maintains that this is because an accident of this kind is unusual and it cannot be attributed to negligence. However, *Tosafot* continue, here only one particular aspect of the comparison is under consideration, whether or not atonement is available to one who commits this transgression. Other stringent or lenient elements are not taken into account. The reasoning is that if the Torah provided a remedy for the sin other than the prescribed punishment, it stands to reason that atonement for his transgression could be achieved through monetary payment.

It is derived from that which the Sage of the school of Hizkiyya taught – מדתנא דבי חזקיה נפקא: Rashi follows his earlier explanation: The main point of the derivation of the Sage of the school of Hizkiyya is that there is no monetary payment for violating any prohibition whose violation is punishable by death when it is performed intentionally. According to this, clearly no special derivation is required with regard to one who kills in a downward motion. However, according to the Rambam and others, who maintain that the Sage of the school of Hizkiyya is teaching that one does not receive two punishments, the Gemara's statement is difficult, as theoretically, one could be obligated to pay money and at the same time be exempt from any other punishment. The commentaries answer that according to all opinions, the *halakha* is derived from both the statement of the school of Hizkiyya and the derivation from the verse "And yet no harm follow" (Exodus 21:22).

An eye for an eye, but not an eye and a life, etc. – עין תחת עין ולא עין ונפש וכו': This statement of the school of Hizkiyya is unrelated to liability for two punishments; rather, as explained by Rashi, it is one of the proofs that the verse "An eye for an eye" is not to be interpreted literally. Were the punishment of one who injured another's eye to have his own eye injured, there is the risk that he might die as a result, meaning that it was an eye and a life for an eye. The early commentaries therefore questioned the relevance of this source to the matter under discussion.

Various explanations of that relevance were proposed. *Tosafot* maintain that the point is from the continuation of the statement of the school of Hizkiyya. Just as one does not punished with an eye and a life for an eye, so too, one is not punished with a life and an eye for a life. Others explain that the principle underlying this statement of the school of Hizkiyya is that one does not receive two punishments for transgressions committed simultaneously (Rosh; Rabbi Aharon HaLevi; Ritva). An additional interpretation, attributed to one of the *Tosafists*, is that this is a form of juxtaposition: Just as with regard to the eye of the attacker, he is punished only with payment for one eye, so too, with regard to the eye of the victim, only one punishment is meted out. The Ritva cites Rabbeinu Menahem's version of the text: And not an eye for an eye and a life, which is explained like the explanations of the early commentaries.

הני מילי היכא דהרגו דרך עלייה, שלא ניתנה שגגתו לכפרה. אבל הרו דרך ירידה, דניתנה שגגתו לכפרה, אימא נישקול ממונא מיניה ונפטריה, קא משמע לן.

אמר ליה רבא: הא – מדתנא דבי חזקיה נפקא, דתנא דבי חזקיה: מכה אדם ומכה בהמה,

מה מכה בהמה לא חלקת בו בין שוגג למזיד, בין מתכוין לשאין מתכוין, בין דרך ירידה לדרך עלייה, לפוטרו ממונא אלא לחייבו ממונא, אף מכה אדם לא תחלוק בו בין שוגג למזיד, בין מתכוין לשאין מתכוין, בין דרך ירידה לדרך עלייה, לחייבו ממונא אלא לפוטרו ממונא!

אלא אמר רמי בר חמא: איצטרין; סלקא דעתך אמינא: הני מילי – היכא דסימא את עינו והרגו בה, אבל היכא דסימא את עינו והרגו בדבר אחר – אימא נישקול ממונא מיניה. אמר ליה רבא: הא נמי מאידך תנא דבי חזקיה נפקא, דתנא דבי חזקיה: "עין תחת עין" ולא עין ונפש עין!

this principle, that one cannot pay in lieu of execution, applies only when one intentionally killed him in an upward motion,^{NH} for which no atonement is designated in the Torah for its unwitting performance. However, with regard to one who intentionally killed him in a downward motion, for which atonement, i.e., exile, is designated in the Torah for its unwitting performance, say: Let us take money from him and exempt him. Therefore, the phrase "any *herem*" teaches us that even in that case there is no payment in lieu of execution.

Rava said to him: That principle is derived from that which the Sage of the school of Hizkiyya taught,^N as the Sage of the school of Hizkiyya taught: The verse juxtaposes the cases of one who smites a person, and one who smites an animal (Leviticus 24:21).

Just as in the case of one who smites an animal, you did not distinguish between one who did so unwittingly and one who did so intentionally; between one who acted with intent and one who acted with no intent; between one who smites in the course of a downward motion and one who smites in the course of an upward motion; and in all those cases it is not to exempt him from paying money but rather to obligate him to pay money; so too in the case of one who smites a person: Do not distinguish between one who did so unwittingly and one who did so intentionally; between one who acted with intent and one who acted with no intent; between one who smites in the course of a downward motion and one who smites in the course of an upward motion; and in all those cases it is not to obligate him to pay money but rather to exempt him from paying money. Apparently, one who kills another in any manner is exempt from payment, and therefore no additional verse is required to derive that principle.

Rather, Rami bar Hama said that the phrase "any *herem*" (Leviticus 27:29) is necessary, as it might enter your mind to say that this *halakha*, that one who is liable to be executed is exempt from payment, applies only in a case where one blinded another's eye and killed him with that same blow. However, in a case where one blinded another's eye and killed him by means of a different blow, say: Let us take money from him to pay the damage inflicted to the eye. Therefore, the verse teaches that this is not the case. Rava said to him: This case of one who blinded another's eye and killed him is also derived from that which another *tanna* of the school of Hizkiyya taught, as the Sage of the school of Hizkiyya taught that the verse states: "An eye for an eye" (Exodus 21:24), from which it may be inferred, but not an eye and a life^{NH} for an eye. When he gives his life for killing another while blinding him, he need not pay the worth of the eye as well.

HALAKHA

Killed him in an upward motion – הָרְגוּ דָּרֶךְ עֲלִיָּיָהּ: One who unintentionally kills another in an upward motion is not liable to be exiled, as detailed in the second chapter of tractate *Makkot* (Rambam *Sefer Nezikim, Hilkhot Rotze'ah* 6:13).

Not an eye and a life – לֹא עֵין וְנֶפֶשׁ: One who injures another is not punished by having the same injury inflicted upon him; rather, he pays for the damage he caused. The reason is that inflicting an injury could cause the attacker's death. See *Bava Kama* 84a, where the Gemara derives this principle from this verse (Rambam *Sefer Nezikim, Hilkhot Hovel* 1:3).

Rather, Rav Ashi said, etc. – אֵלֶּיָא אִמְר רב אִשִּׁי וכו' – If, as Rav Ashi claims, the phrase “Any *herem*” refers to the case of one who is liable to be executed and to pay a fine, it should have been cited as proof in the mishna, which deals with the fine of a rapist. Why did the mishna cite proof from the verse “And yet no harm follow”? One answer is that the mishna established a principle that one is exempt from payment, even payment of a fine, for a transgression punishable by death, and the *tanna* did not cite all relevant verses. Alternatively, since there is proof for the basic *halakha* from the verse that he cited, the *tanna* did not cite the verse that refers to that particular detail (Rabbi Aharon HaLevi; Ritva).

שְׁנֵי תַּאֲרָסָה וְנִתְּנָה שֶׁהָיָה וְנִתְּנָה שֶׁהָיָה – The same *halakha* applies if she was betrothed and widowed. Rabbi Yosei HaGelili does not agree with Rabbi Akiva even in that case, but consistently maintains that a young woman who was once betrothed is not entitled to the fine (*Shita Mekubbetzet*).

A young woman and not a grown woman, etc. – נַעֲרָה וְלֹא בִּגְוֹנָה וְכו' – Rashi notes that since there is no source that requires payment of a fine to a grown woman or a non-virgin, even Rabbi Akiva agrees with this *halakha*. He does not, however, explain why Rabbi Akiva agrees with this *halakha*. One approach is that since ultimately there is a verbal analogy between the seduced and raped woman, the words “young woman” and “virgin” that appear in both passages come to emphasize that only a young woman who is a virgin is entitled to the fine (see *Or Same'ah*).

Since her father is entitled to the money of her betrothal – הוֹאִיל וְאָבִיהָ זְכָאֵי בְּכֶסֶף קִידוּשֶׁיהָ – This is problematic, as there is a distinction between a father's right to the money received for his daughter's betrothal and his right to her fine if she is raped. In the case of betrothal, he has the right to betroth her to the man of his choice, but he does not have the right to give her to a man for intercourse outside the context of marriage. Why, then, does he receive the money paid as a fine for her rape? One answer is that Rabbi Akiva maintains that the father's right to the money received for his daughter's betrothal is based on a source other than his discretionary rights with regard to her betrothal, and therefore just as the money of her betrothal goes to her father, so does her fine. As the Meiri stated, betrothal does not release a daughter from her father's authority (see *Shita Mekubbetzet*).

HALAKHA

A young woman who was betrothed and divorced – נַעֲרָה וְנִתְּנָה שֶׁהָיָה וְנִתְּנָה שֶׁהָיָה – The fine of one who raped or seduced a girl who was betrothed and divorced is paid to her, as the *halakha* is in accordance with the opinion of Rabbi Akiva in disputes with an individual *tanna* (Rif; Rambam *Sefer Nashim*, *Hilkhot Na'ara Betula* 2:16).

The money of her betrothal is paid to her father – כֶּסֶף קִידוּשֶׁיהָ לְאָבִיהָ – With regard to a daughter who was betrothed and divorced or widowed, as long as she remains a young woman, the money of any subsequent betrothal belongs to her father (Rambam *Sefer Nashim*, *Hilkhot Ishut* 3:11; *Shulhan Arukh*, *Even HaEzer* 37:1).

אֵלֶּיָא אִמְר רב אִשִּׁי: אִיִּצְטְרִיךְ; סְלִקָא דַּעֲתִיךְ אָמְנָא: הוֹאִיל וְחִידוּשׁ הוּא שְׁחִידָה תוֹרָה בְּקָנָם, אִף עַל גַּב דְּמִיקְטִיל מְשֻׁלָּם – קָא מְשַׁמַּע לָן. וְלִרְבָּה דְאָמַר: חִידוּשׁ הוּא שְׁחִידָה תוֹרָה בְּקָנָם, אִף עַל גַּב דְּמִיקְטִיל מְשֻׁלָּם, הָאֵי כָּל חֵרָם “מֵאֵי עֵבִיד לִיָּה? סָבַר לָהּ כְּתָנָא קָמָא דְרַבֵּי חֲנִנְיָא בְּן עֲקִיבָא.

מתני' נערה שנתארסה ונתגרשה, רבי יוסי הגלילי אומר: אין לה קנס, רבי עקיבא אומר: יש לה קנס, וקנסה לעצמה.

גמ' מאי טעמא דרבי יוסי הגלילי? אמר קרא “אשר לא אורשה”, הא אורסה – אין לה קנס. ורבי עקיבא: “אשר לא אורשה” – לאביה, הא אורסה – לעצמה.

אֵלֶּיָא מַעֲתָה נַעֲרָה וְלֹא בִּגְוֹנָה, הֵכִי נִמְי דְלַעֲצָמָה? “בְּתוּלָה” וְלֹא בְּעוּלָה, הֵכִי נִמְי דְלַעֲצָמָה? אֵלֶּיָא, לְגַמְרֵי – הֵכִי נִמְי לְגַמְרֵי!

אָמַר לָךְ רַבִּי עֲקִיבָא: הָאֵי “לֹא אֹרְשָׁה” מִיִּבְעֵי לִיָּה לְכַדְתֵּנָא: “אֲשֶׁר לֹא אֹרְשָׁה” – פְּרִט לְנַעֲרָה שְׁנֵי תַּאֲרָסָה וְנִתְּנָה שֶׁהָיָה, שְׂאִין לָהּ קָנָם, דְּבָרֵי רַבִּי יוֹסִי הַגְּלִילִי. רַבִּי עֲקִיבָא אֹמְרִי: יֵשׁ לָהּ קָנָם, וְקָנְסָה לְאָבִיהָ. וְהַדִּין נוֹתֵן: הוֹאִיל וְאָבִיהָ זְכָאֵי בְּכֶסֶף קִידוּשֶׁיהָ, וְאָבִיהָ זְכָאֵי בְּכֶסֶף קָנְסָה, מַה כֶּסֶף קִידוּשֶׁיהָ, אִף עַל פִּי שְׁנֵי תַּאֲרָסָה וְנִתְּנָה שֶׁהָיָה – לְאָבִיהָ, אִף כֶּסֶף קָנְסָה, אִף עַל פִּי שְׁנֵי תַּאֲרָסָה וְנִתְּנָה שֶׁהָיָה – לְאָבִיהָ.

Rather, after the Gemara rejected the above explanations, Rav Ashi said:^N The phrase “any *herem*” is nonetheless necessary, as it might enter your mind to say: Since it is a novel element that the Torah introduced with regard to the payment of a fine, which is not payment for any damage caused but is a Torah decree, in that case, even though he is killed he pays the fine. Therefore, the verse teaches us that one who is executed is exempt from payment of the fine. The Gemara asks: And according to Rabba, who said that this is indeed the *halakha*: Since it is a novel element that the Torah introduced with regard to the payment of a fine, even though he is killed he pays the fine, what does he do with this phrase: “Any *herem*”? The Gemara answers: Rabba holds with regard to this matter in accordance with the opinion of the first *tanna*, who disagrees with Rabbi Hananya ben Akavya and explains that the phrase “Any *herem*” teaches that the vow one takes to donate the valuation of one being taken to his execution is not binding.

MISHNA With regard to a young woman who was betrothed and divorced,^{NH} and then raped, Rabbi Yosei HaGelili says: She does not receive payment of a fine for her rape. Rabbi Akiva says: She receives payment of a fine for her rape and her fine is paid to herself, not her father, as since she was betrothed and divorced she is no longer subject to her father's authority.

GEMARA What is the rationale for the opinion of Rabbi Yosei HaGelili? It is as the verse states: “If a man finds a young woman who is a virgin who was not betrothed” (Deuteronomy 22:28), from which it may be inferred: If she was betrothed she does not have a fine for rape. The Gemara asks: And how does Rabbi Akiva explain this verse? The Gemara answers that the verse states: If it is a young woman who was not betrothed, the fine is paid to her father, from which it may be inferred: If she was betrothed, the fine is paid to the betrothed woman herself.

The Gemara asks: But if that is so, that the inference from the verse is that the fine is levied on one who rapes a young woman and not on one who rapes a grown woman,^N so too, there is the *halakha* in the latter case that the fine is paid to the grown woman herself. Similarly, with regard to the inference that the fine is levied on one who rapes a virgin and not on one who rapes a non-virgin, so too, there is the *halakha* that in the latter case the fine is paid to the non-virgin herself. A distinction of that kind has never been encountered. Rather, with regard to a grown woman and a non-virgin, the rapist is completely exempt from paying the fine; here too, with regard to a betrothed woman, the rapist is completely exempt from paying the fine.

The Gemara answers: Rabbi Akiva could have said to you that this verse: “Who was not betrothed,” is required by him to teach another *halakha* that is taught in a different *baraita*. “Who was not betrothed” (Deuteronomy 22:28) comes to exclude a young woman who was betrothed and divorced and establish that she does not receive payment of a fine for her rape; this is the statement of Rabbi Yosei HaGelili. Rabbi Akiva says: She receives payment of a fine for her rape, and her fine goes to her father, contrary to the ruling attributed to Rabbi Akiva in the mishna. And ostensibly, no verse is required to derive this *halakha*, as logic dictates that it is so: Since her father is entitled to the money of her betrothal^N if she is betrothed before she becomes a grown woman, and likewise her father is entitled to the money of her fine; just as the money of her subsequent betrothal as a young woman, even though she was betrothed and divorced, is paid to her father,^H so too, the money of her fine, although she was betrothed and divorced, is paid to her father.

אם כן, מה תלמוד לומר "אשר לא אורשה" – מופנה להקיש לו, ולדון הימנו גזירה שוה: נאמר כאן "אשר לא אורשה" ונאמר להלן "אשר לא אורשה" מה כאן חמשים – אף להלן חמשים; ומה להלן שקלים – אף כאן שקלים.

ורבי עקיבא, מאי חזית ד"אשר לא אורשה" לגזירה שוה, ו"בתולה" למעוטי בעולה.

If so, and the *halakha* can be logically inferred, why does the verse state: "Who was not betrothed"? This verse is free, as it is superfluous in its own context, and it is written to liken another case to it, and to derive from it a verbal analogy: It is stated here with regard to a woman who was raped: "Who was not betrothed," and it is stated below: "And if a man seduce a virgin who was not betrothed" (Exodus 22:15). Just as here, with regard to rape, the Torah specifies that the payment is fifty silver pieces (Deuteronomy 22:29), so too below, with regard to seduction, the payment is fifty. And just as below, with regard to seduction, the payment is in shekels, as it is written: "He shall weigh [*yishkol*] money" (Exodus 22:16), so too here, the payment is in shekels.

The Gemara asks: And Rabbi Akiva, what did you see that led you to utilize the phrase: "Who was not betrothed" for a verbal analogy, and the term "virgin" to exclude a non-virgin from the fine?

אימא בתולה – לגזירה שוה ו"אשר לא אורסה" – פרט לנערה שנתארסה ונתגרשה!

מסתברא "אשר לא אורסה" לגזירה שוה, שהרי אני קורא בה "נערה בתולה". אדרבה, "בתולה" לגזירה שוה, שהרי אני קורא בה "אשר לא אורסה"! מסתברא, הוה – אישתני גופה.

ורבי יוסי הגלילי האי סברא מנא ליה? נפקא ליה מדתנא: "כסף ישקול כמוהר הבתולות" – שיהא זה כמוהר הבתולות, ומוהר הבתולות כוה.

Say to the contrary; the term "virgin," written with regard to both rape and seduction, is to derive a verbal analogy,ⁿ and not to exclude a non-virgin, and the phrase "Who was not betrothed" will be interpreted as Rabbi Yosei HaGelili interpreted it, to exclude a young woman who was betrothed and divorced.

The Gemara answers: It stands to reason that the phrase "Who was not betrothed" is utilized to derive a verbal analogy, and not to exclude one who was betrothed and divorced, as even after the divorce I can still read the phrase "A young woman who is a virgin" as applying to her. The Gemara asks: On the contrary, utilize the term virgin to derive a verbal analogy, as even if she is not a virgin, I can still read the phrase "Who was not betrothed" as applying to her. The Gemara answers: It stands to reason that the term "virgin" excludes a non-virgin, and the phrase "Who was not betrothed" is utilized to derive a verbal analogy, as this woman who engaged in relations, her body changed,ⁿ and that woman who was betrothed and divorced, her body did not change, and therefore her status with regard to the fine should similarly not change.

The Gemara asks: And from where does Rabbi Yosei HaGelili derive this conclusion with regard to the amount of the payment for seduction and the type of money used in the payment for rape? The Gemara responds: He derives it from that which was taught in a *baraita* that it is written with regard to seduction: "He shall weigh money like the dowry of the virgins" (Exodus 22:16), from which it is derived that this fine for seduction will be like the dowry paid to the virgins elsewhere for rape, fifty silver coins, and the dowry paid to the virgins for rape will be like this fine for seduction in shekels.

NOTES

Say virgin is to derive a verbal analogy – אימא בתולה לגזירה שוה: There is a fundamental difficulty, as this question runs counter to one of the basic principles of verbal analogy, i.e., one may not derive a verbal analogy on his own; only those he has received as a tradition from his teachers are valid. All verbal analogies are based on ancient tradition, like a *halakha* transmitted to Moses from Sinai. Yet here, and in several other places, there appears to be no established tradition. The early commentaries suggest several answers. One approach (Ritva) is that there was a tradition linking two verses by verbal anal-

ogy, but it was not clear which particular words served as the basis of the analogy (see *Tosafot*). Others maintain that the terms in the analogy were also part of the tradition, but the meaning of the analogy was not always clear (see *Shita Mekubbetzet*).

היא אישתני גופה – This change is obvious in the case of a non-virgin. With regard to a grown woman, some commentaries explain that her body is also considered to have undergone changes over time, affecting her status as a virgin (see *Shita Mekubbetzet*).

קָשָׁיָא דְרַבִּי עֲקִיבָא אֲדַרְבֵּי עֲקִיבָא!
תַּרְי תַּנְיָא וְאֵלִיבָא דְרַבִּי עֲקִיבָא.

S The Gemara comments: It is **difficult** as there is a contradiction between one statement of **Rabbi Akiva** and another statement of **Rabbi Akiva**.^N In the mishna he ruled that the fine for the rape of a young woman who was betrothed and divorced is paid to the woman, and in the *baraita* he ruled that it is paid to her father. The Gemara answers: These are conflicting traditions of **two tanna'im** in accordance with the opinion of **Rabbi Akiva**.

בְּשִׁלְמָא רַבִּי עֲקִיבָא דִּמְתַנִּיתִין – לֹא
אֲתֵי גִזְרָה שְׂוָה וּמִפְקָא לִיה לְקָרָא
מִפְשְׁטִיָּה לְגַמְרִי, אֲלֵא לְרַבִּי עֲקִיבָא
דְּבְרֵייתָא – אֲתֵי גִזְרָה שְׂוָה וּמִפְקָא
מִפְשְׁטִיָּה לְגַמְרִי!

The Gemara observes: **Granted**, the statement of **Rabbi Akiva** of the *mishna* is reasonable, as a **verbal analogy does not come and divert the verse from its plain meaning entirely**. The plain meaning of the phrase: “Who was not betrothed” is that there is a difference between a young woman who was betrothed, who receives payment of the fine, and one who was not, whose father receives payment of the fine. **However**, according to **Rabbi Akiva** of the *baraita*, does a **verbal analogy come and divert the verse from its plain meaning entirely**,^N and teach that there is no difference at all between a young woman who was betrothed and one who was not?

אָמַר רַב נַחֲמָן בַּר יִצְחָק: קָרִי בֵּיה “אֲשֶׁר
לֹא אָרוּסָה.” אָרוּסָה בַּת סְקִילָה הִיא!
סְלָקָא דְעַתְדָּא אֲמִינָא: הוּאִיל וְחִידוּשׁ
הוּא שְׁחִידָהּ תוֹרָה בְּקָנָם, אִף עַל גַּב
דְּמִיקְטִיל – מְשֻׁלָּם.

Rav Nahman bar Yitzhak said: **Interpret the verse as: Who is not betrothed**.^N It does not mean that the young woman was not betrothed in the past, rather, that she is not currently betrothed. The Gemara asks: There is no need for a verse to derive that the rapist is exempt from paying a fine if the young woman is betrothed, as the rape of a **betrothed** young woman is punishable by **stoning**, and the rapist is certainly exempt from paying the fine. The Gemara answers: **As it might enter your mind to say: Since it is a novel element that the Torah introduced with regard to the payment of a fine, even though he is killed he pays the fine**. Therefore, the verse **teaches us** that one who is executed is exempt from payment of the fine.

וְלִרְבָּה, דְאָמַר: חִידוּשׁ הוּא שְׁחִידָהּ
תוֹרָה בְּקָנָם, אִף עַל גַּב דְּמִיקְטִיל
מְשֻׁלָּם – מַאי אֵיבָא לְמִימַר? סָבַר לָהּ
כְּרַבִּי עֲקִיבָא דִּמְתַנִּיתִין.

The Gemara asks: **And according to Rabba**, who said that this is indeed the *halakha*: **Since it is a novel element that the Torah introduced with regard to the payment of a fine, even though he is killed he pays the fine, what is there to say?** What is derived from the verse that says that there is no fine if the young woman is betrothed? The Gemara answers: **Rabba holds in accordance with the opinion of Rabbi Akiva of the mishna**, who interpreted the verse as it is written, meaning that it is referring to one who was betrothed and divorced.

תַּנּוּ רַבָּנִין: קְנִסָה לְמִי – לְאֲבִיהָ, וְיֵשׁ
אוֹמְרִים: לְעֵצְמָהּ. לְעֵצְמָהּ אֲמַאי? אָמַר
רַב חֲסִדָּא: הִכָּא בְּנֵעֶרָה שְׁנַתְאָרְסָה
וְנִתְגַּרְשָׁה עֲסָקִינָן, וְקָמִיפְלָגִי בְּפִלּוּגְתָא
דְּרַבִּי עֲקִיבָא דִּמְתַנִּיתִין וְרַבִּי עֲקִיבָא
דְּבְרֵייתָא.

The Sages taught: With regard to a young woman who was raped, **to whom is her fine paid?** It is paid to her father; and some say: It is paid to her. The Gemara asks: **To her? Why?** The verse explicitly states that the fine is paid to her father. **Rav Hisda** said: **Here we are dealing with a young woman who was betrothed and divorced, and these tanna'im in the baraita disagree in the dispute between Rabbi Akiva of the mishna and Rabbi Akiva of the baraita**, with regard to whom the rapist pays the fine in that case.

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It is difficult as there is a contradiction between one statement of Rabbi Akiva and another statement of Rabbi Akiva – קָשָׁיָא דְרַבִּי עֲקִיבָא אֲדַרְבֵּי עֲקִיבָא: Why did the Gemara postpone raising this contradiction instead of raising it immediately, especially as it provides no novel resolution but merely affirms that these are two opinions? In the *Shita Mekubbetzet* it is explained that since the Gemara elaborates on and provides a source for Rabbi Akiva's opinion, it was necessary to cite the *baraita* in order to explain his reasoning, which appears contrary to the verses. As the *baraita* includes a detailed explanation, the Gemara cannot be dismissed as corrupted and thereby rejected in favor of the *mishna* (*Shita Mekubbetzet*).

Divert the verse from its plain meaning entirely – מִפְקָא מִפְשְׁטִיָּה לְגַמְרִי: Even though the ideal verbal analogy is free, i.e., the words that serve as the basis of the analogy are superfluous

in their context, the meaning of these words cannot be entirely disregarded just because they were written primarily for the verbal analogy. *Tosafot* note that there are other cases where this is more problematic, as here it is merely the inference of the verse, that a young woman who was betrothed and divorced does not receive the fine, that runs counter to the halakhic conclusion. In other places, the verbal analogy appears to subvert the meaning of the verse entirely (see *Shita Mekubbetzet*).

Interpret the verse as: Who is not betrothed – קָרִי בֵּיה אֲשֶׁר לֹא: This does not require adapting the letters or vowels of this word. Rather, the expression “not betrothed” should not be understood in the past tense: Who was not betrothed; rather it is a kind of present participle: One who is not betrothed. This is a common usage in the Bible, particularly in the language of the prophets (Ritva; Rabbeinu Crescas Vidal).

If one had intercourse with a young woman, and she died – **בָּא עָלֶיהָ וּמָתָה**: If the young woman died before the rapist or seducer stood trial, he is exempt from the fine. The *halakha* is in accordance with the opinion of Abaye, as his conclusion is not rejected due to Rava's dilemma (Rambam *Sefer Nashim*, *Hilkhot Na'ara Betula* 1:15 and the *Kesef Mishna* there; *Tur*, *Even HaEzer* 177).

אָמַר אַבְיֵי: בָּא עָלֶיהָ וּמָתָה – פָּטוּר, שְׁנֵאֵמַר "וְנָתַן לְאָבִי הַנְּעֻרָה" – וְלֹא לְאָבִי מִתָּהּ. מִלְּתָא דְפְּשִׁיטָא לִיהּ לְאָבִי, מִיַּבְעִיא לִיהּ לְרַבָּא.

דְּבַעֵי רַבָּא: יֵשׁ בְּגֵר בְּקֶבֶר אוֹ אֵין בְּגֵר בְּקֶבֶר? יֵשׁ בְּגֵר בְּקֶבֶר – וְדַבְּנָה הָיִי, אוֹ דְלִמָּא אֵין בְּגֵר בְּקֶבֶר – וְדַבְּנָה הָיִי?

S Abaye said: If one had intercourse with a young woman, and she died¹⁸ before he was sentenced, he is exempt from paying the fine, as it is stated: “And the man who lay with her shall give to the father of the young woman” (Deuteronomy 22:29), from which it is inferred, and not to the father of a dead girl.¹⁹ The Gemara comments: This matter that was obvious to Abaye was raised as a dilemma to Rava.²⁰

As Rava raised a dilemma: Is there achievement of grown-woman status in the grave or is there not achievement of grown-woman status in the grave?²¹ The *halakha* is that if a young woman is raped and the rapist did not pay the fine until she became a grown woman, the rapist pays the fine to her and not to her father. Rava's dilemma is in a case where a young woman dies and her rapist was convicted only after the time elapsed that were she alive she would have reached grown-woman status. Is there achievement of grown-woman status in the grave, and therefore she is entitled to the fine and it is the property of her son²² as his mother's heir? Or perhaps there is no achievement of grown-woman status in the grave, and the fine is the property of her father, as she was a young woman when she died.

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And not to the father of a dead girl – וְלֹא לְאָבִי מִתָּהּ – The early commentaries point out that the Gemara does not interpret the term young woman consistently. Sometimes it interprets a young woman as referring to one who was a young woman, even though she is already a grown woman. *Tosafot*, the *Rosh*, and others explain that it would have been sufficient for it to have been written in the verse: And he gives to her father. The use of the phrase “To the father of the young woman” indicates that she remains a young woman at the time of the rapist's conviction. The *Penei Yehoshua* asks: Wasn't it necessary to write: “To the father of the young woman” to exclude the father of a grown woman? Conceivably, both conclusions may be derived as they emanate from the same principle: The time that determines the father's right to the payment is when the rapist is convicted. If his daughter's status then is no longer what it was at the time of the rape, he forfeits that right.

Raised as a dilemma to Rava – מִיַּבְעִיא לִיהּ לְרַבָּא – Rashi explains later that Rava's dilemma exists neither according to the first version nor according to the second version of Rava's teaching, as in both versions he clearly maintains that death does not release the rapist from the obligation to pay the fine. Rather, the dilemma raised is according to Mar bar Rav Ashi's explanation of Rava's statement.

Is there achievement of grown-woman status in the grave – יֵשׁ בְּגֵר בְּקֶבֶר: There are different aspects to the definition of the daughter as a grown woman, both in terms of the changes to her body and in terms of her legal status. The dilemma of whether there is achievement of grown-woman status in the grave is not in terms of her physical state but in terms of her legal status. More specifically, it is with regard to the fact that a grown woman is entirely removed from her father's authority. The problem stems from the fact that a young woman is transformed into a grown woman six months after puberty, which is the time at which she becomes a young woman. The dilemma is as follows: Is the daughter's exit from her father's authority dependent on her development during those six months, which would lead to the conclusion that there is no achievement of grown-woman status in the grave; or is it merely dependent on the passage of time, and once the six months pass she is no longer subject to her father's authority, leading to the conclusion that there is achievement of grown-woman status in the grave (*Birkat Avraham*)?

It is the property of her son – דְּבַנְהָ הָיִי: The Meiri notes that this son must have been born out of wedlock, as had the daughter been married, her marriage itself would have fully removed her from her father's authority, leaving him with no rights over her.

Many early commentaries question the matter of the son inheriting his mother's fine, as it appears to contradict the principle that one does not bequeath a fine to his heirs, as stated at the start of the next chapter. *Tosafot* discuss this issue at length and provide various resolutions. One approach, attributed to Rabbeinu Yitzhak, and cited by the Ritva and other early commentaries, is that the principle that one does not bequeath a fine to his heirs refers only to a fine that is not his by right, but which he receives due to actions done to others. Consequently, a father's right to the fine paid by the man who raped his daughter is not inherited by his sons. However, since the rape victim is herself entitled to the fine, she does bequeath it to her heirs. *Tosafot* explain that the discussion here is with regard to payments accompanying the fine, e.g., compensation for humiliation and degradation, and not the fine itself. These are standard monetary payments and therefore are bequeathed to others.

Rabbi Aharon HaLevi states, in the name of Rabbi Zerahya HaLevi, that this statement in the Gemara is according to Rabbi Shimon's opinion that if she became a grown woman after the trial she receives the fine herself. Here too, she died after the trial but before she became a grown-woman. The dilemma then is whether she is considered to have achieved grown woman status in the grave, and therefore the money is transferred to her heirs, or perhaps she did not achieve that status, and the money remains her father's. The Rashba rejects this approach. A different interpretation is suggested by the Ramban. He contends that the statement: It is her son's, does not mean literally that it belongs to her son, as a fine cannot be bequeathed. Instead, it means that if there is achievement of grown-woman status in the grave the father no longer has rights to it, as she would have received it, which would have afforded her the theoretical right to give it away or bequeath it. The Ra'avad suggests simply that initially, Rava maintained that a person can bequeath his rights to a fine, and the Gemara could have responded by challenging that assumption. However, the Gemara cited better reasons for rejecting the dilemma. Many early commentaries, including the Ramban and the Rashba, believe that the Ra'avad's answer is the most suitable in the context of the discussion in the Gemara.