

מתני' נערה שנתפתתה – בושטה
ופגמה וקנסה של אביה, והצער
בתפוסה, עמדה בדין עד שלא מת
האב – הרי הן של אב. מת האב –
הרי הן של אחיו.

MISHNA In the case of a young woman who was seduced,^H the compensation for her humiliation and her degradation and her fine belong to her father. And the same applies to the compensation for pain in the case of a woman who was raped. If the young woman stood trial^N against the seducer or rapist before the father died,^H these payments belong to her father, as stated above. If the father died before he collected the money from the offender, the payments belong to her brothers. As the father's heirs, they inherit the money to which he was entitled before he passed away.

לא הספיקה לעמוד בדין עד שמת
האב – הרי הן של עצמה, עמדה
בדין עד שלא בגרה – הרי הן של
אב. מת האב – הרי הן של אחיו. לא
הספיקה לעמוד בדין עד שבגרה –
הרי הן של עצמה. רבי שמעון אומר:
אם לא הספיקה לגבות עד שמת
האב – הרי הן של עצמה.

However, if she did not manage to stand in judgment before the father died, and she was subsequently awarded the money, the compensation belongs to her,^N as she is now under her own jurisdiction due to the fact that she no longer has a father. If she stood trial before she reached majority, the payments belong to her father, and if the father died, they belong to her brothers, who inherit the money notwithstanding the fact that she has become a grown woman since the trial. If she did not manage to stand in judgment before she reached majority, the money belongs to her. **Rabbi Shimon says:** Even if she stood trial in her father's lifetime but did not manage to collect the payments before the father died, the brothers do not inherit this money, as it belongs to her.

HALAKHA

A young woman who was seduced, etc. – נערה שנתפתתה – וכו': The fine and the compensation for the humiliation and degradation of a seduced young woman and the pain of a raped young woman all belong to her father. If she has no father, she herself is entitled to the money (Rambam *Sefer Nashim*, *Hilkhot Na'ara Betula* 2:14).

woman who sued only after she reached majority or married, or after her father's death, the fine and the compensation for humiliation, degradation, and, in a case of rape, the pain, all belong to the woman. If she stood trial when she was under her father's authority, the money belongs to her father. If she subsequently reached majority or married, or her father passed away, her brothers collect the money as his heirs, as the father is entitled to them as soon as the court delivers its verdict (Rambam *Sefer Nashim*, *Hilkhot Na'ara Betula* 2:15).

עמדה בדין עד – שאלא מת האב וכו': In the case of a seduced or raped young

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She stood trial, etc. – עמדה בדין וכו' – Some commentaries note that the phrase: She stood trial, does not prove that the father himself cannot sue the offender. Rather, the *tanna* formulates his statement in this manner because the young woman is the sole claimant in the case that follows in the mishna, where the father already died (*Shita Mekubbetzet*). In fact, some early authorities claim the very opposite, that she cannot pursue this claim on her own, as the fact that the money will go to her father indicates that he is the appropriate litigant (Ra'avad; see Rambam).

Belongs to her – הרי הן של עצמה – Some authorities rule that in this case all of the compensation belongs to her (Rambam; *Tosafot*). Others maintain that with regard to the payments for humiliation and degradation, which are compensation for actual damage caused, the obligation is created automatically at the time of the rape or seduction, which was before the father died. Consequently, the sum belongs to the father even after he has passed away, and the brothers are entitled to this payment as his heirs. It is only the fixed monetary fine that comes into effect due to the court ruling and therefore belongs to the woman (Ramban).

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אף על פי שלא נבקה – אף על פי שלא נבקה – Although she has not collected them – The Gemara will inquire into the suitability of the use of the term collected, with regard to a lost object she found. As for the reason why the mishna employs this term, some commentaries write that typically there is no need for a trial in order for someone to collect wages owed to them, whereas in the cases of a rapist and a seducer, the sum due for humiliation and degradation must be determined by the court (*Bah* on Rif).

He acted with her consent – מדעתה עבר – The commentaries point out that this cannot be speaking of the seduction of a minor. She is not considered to have acted with consent because she is not legally competent to make these decisions.

מעשה ידיה ומציאתה, אף על פי
שלא גבתה, מת האב – הרי הן של
אחיו.

By contrast, with regard to her earnings and the lost items that she has found, although she has not collected them,^N e.g., she had yet to receive her wages, if the father died they belong to her brothers. These payments are considered the property of their father, as he was entitled to them before he passed away.

גמ' מאי קא משמע לן? תנינא:
המפתה נותן שלשה דברים, והאונס
ארבעה, המפתה נותן בושטה ופגם
וקנס, מוסף עליו אונס שנותן את
הצער! לאביה איצטריך ליה. לאביה
נמי פשיטא, מדקא יהיב מפתה.
דאי לעצמה – אמאי יהיב מפתה?
מדעתה עבר!

GEMARA The Gemara asks: What is the mishna teaching us? We already learned this in a mishna (*Ketubot* 39a): The seducer pays three types of indemnity and the rapist pays four. The seducer pays compensation for his victim's humiliation and degradation and for the fine the Torah imposes on a seducer. A rapist adds an additional payment, as he pays compensation for the pain she suffered. The Gemara answers: It is necessary for the mishna to teach that the money is given to her father. The Gemara asks: It is also obvious that the money goes to her father, from the fact that a seducer pays these types of indemnity, as, if one claims that the money goes to her, why does a seducer pay her at all? After all, he acted with her consent,^N how can she then claim compensation?

אָנְסֵת – You raped or you seduced my daughter, etc. – **אָנְסֵת**: In a case of one who is accused of perpetrating a crime that would render him liable to pay compensation for the damage he caused, if he falsely swears that he is innocent, he is liable to bring a guilt-offering. However, if he was accused of a crime that would render him liable to pay a fixed monetary fine and he falsely swears that he is innocent, he is not liable to bring a guilt-offering. The reason for this is that his false denial of the claim is not significant, because he would not have been obligated to pay the fine even if he had admitted his guilt. If one was accused of a crime that would render him liable to pay compensation for damage he caused and also a fixed monetary fine, and he swears falsely that he is innocent, he is liable to bring a guilt-offering due to his denial of the regular monetary claim. Consequently, if one accused another of raping his daughter, which includes liability for both a fine as well as compensation for the humiliation and degradation caused to the victim, and the accused swore falsely that he was innocent, he is liable to bring a guilt-offering (Rambam *Sefer Hafla'a, Hilkhot Shevuot* 8:3).

יֵצְאוּ אֵלָיו שְׁהוֹן – Which excludes these, as they are fines – **יֵצְאוּ**: In a case where one who is sued for a payment he would not have to pay based on his own admission, e.g., a fine, if he denied the claim and swore falsely, he is exempt from bringing a guilt-offering for falsely taking an oath in denial of a monetary claim. However, he is liable for having violated the general prohibition of taking a false oath (Rambam *Sefer Hafla'a, Hilkhot Shevuot* 7:2).

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אָנְסֵת – I administer an oath to you, etc. – **אָנְסֵת**: The oath referred to here is the oath on a deposit (see Leviticus 5:20–26). The *halakhot* of this oath are elucidated mainly in tractate *Shevuot*. Although the *halakhot* concerning this oath are numerous and detailed, the basic idea is as follows: When someone has in his possession a deposit belonging to another person or that person's stolen property, and he falsely swears that he does not owe him anything, and he later admits that he lied, he must pay what he owes plus an extra one-fifth of its value. In addition, he must bring an offering, the guilt-offering for robbery. The offender is obligated in the one-fifth and is liable to bring the guilt-offering only if all the conditions of this case are fulfilled. Some commentaries contend that one of these conditions is that the claim must refer to a particular, defined object from which the payment was to be collected (*Tosafot*). In any case, even if the conditions are not precisely fulfilled, he is liable to bring a different offering for his false oath.

או דלמא אף על – Or perhaps, although he stood trial, etc. – **או דלמא אף על**: The early authorities had other versions of the text that read: Or perhaps, although he stood trial it is a fine, and one who admits to a fine is exempt (see Rabbeinu Hananel). However, Rashi does not accept this reading, and the standard text of the Gemara is in accordance with Rashi's version. This difference in the text affects the meaning of both Abaye's question and the rest of the passage.

According to Rashi, the question refers to one issue alone: Do the *halakhot* of a guilt-offering for robbery apply in a case where the source of the monetary obligation was a fine, but the obligation is currently viewed as a regular monetary obligation because the court has already ordered the perpetrator to pay?

Conversely, according to the other reading, Abaye's question refers not only to the *halakhot* of a guilt-offering for robbery, but also to whether the obligation is viewed as a regular monetary obligation with regard to other *halakhot* once the court has ordered him to pay. For instance, if the court that ordered him to pay cannot be contacted to verify its ruling, would the perpetrator be obligated to pay if he admits that he was found guilty in court, or would the *halakha* that one is not liable to a fine by his own admission be relevant in this case as well (see *Tosafot*, Ramban, Rabbeinu Aharon HaLevi, Rashba, and Ritva)?

עַמְדָה בְּדִין אֵינְטְרִיכָא לִיהּ, פְּלוּגְתָא דְרַבִּי שְׁמַעוֹן וְרַבָּנִי.

הֲנֵן הָתֵם: "אָנְסֵת וּפִיתִית אֶת בְּתִי",
וְהוּא אָמַר: "לֹא אָנְסֵתִי וְלֹא פִיתִיתִי".
"מְשַׁבְּעֵךְ אֲנִי", וְאָמַר: "אָמֵן", וְאַחַר
כֵּן הוֹדָה – חֲטִיב.

רַבִּי שְׁמַעוֹן פּוֹטֵר, שְׂאִינוּ מְשַׁלְּם
קֶנֶס עַל פִּי עֲצָמוֹ. אָמְרוּ לוֹ אֵף עַל פִּי
שְׂאִינוּ מְשַׁלְּם קֶנֶס עַל פִּי עֲצָמוֹ, אָבָל
מְשַׁלְּם בּוֹשֶׁת וּפְגָם עַל פִּי עֲצָמוֹ.

בְּעָא מִינֵיהּ אַבְיִי מַרְבָּה: הָאֹמֵר
לְחַבְרֹו: "אָנְסֵת וּפִיתִית אֶת בְּתִי
וְהֵעֵמְדִיתִךְ בְּדִין וְנִתְחַיֵּבְתָּ לִי מִמּוֹן",
וְהוּא אָמַר: "לֹא אָנְסֵתִי וְלֹא פִיתִיתִי
וְלֹא הֵעֵמְדִיתִי בְּדִין וְלֹא נִתְחַיֵּבְתִּי
לָךְ מִמּוֹן", וְנִשְׁבַּע, וְהוֹדָה, לְרַבִּי
שְׁמַעוֹן מֵאֵי?

כִּיֵּן דְעֵמֵד בְּדִין – מְמוֹנָא הוּא,
וּמִיחַיִּיב עֲלֵיהּ קֶרְבַּן שְׁבוּעָה, או
דְּלִמָּא: אֵף עַל גַּב דְעֵמֵד בְּדִין – קֶנֶס
הוּי? אָמַר לִיהּ: מְמוֹנָא הוּי, וּמִיחַיִּיב
עֲלֵיהּ קֶרְבַּן שְׁבוּעָה.

אֵיתִיבֵיהּ: רַבִּי שְׁמַעוֹן אָמַר: יְכוּל
הָאֹמֵר לְחַבְרֹו: "אָנְסֵת וּפִיתִית אֶת
בְּתִי", וְהוּא אָמַר: "לֹא אָנְסֵתִי וְלֹא
פִיתִיתִי". הֲמִית שׁוֹרְךָ אֶת עַבְדִּי,
וְהוּא אָמַר: "לֹא הִמִּית". או שְׂאֵמֵר
לוֹ עַבְדּוֹ: "הִפְלַת אֶת שִׁנֵּי וְסִימִית
אֶת עֵינִי", וְהוּא אָמַר: "לֹא הִפְלַתִי
וְלֹא סִימִיתִי", וְנִשְׁבַּע, וְהוֹדָה, יְכוּל
יְהֵא חֲטִיב,

תַּלְמוּד ל״מֵר וּכְחַשׁ בְּעֵמִיתוֹ בְּפִקְדוֹן
אוּ בְתִשׁוּמַת יָד אוּ בְגִיל אוּ עֵשֶׂק אֶת
עֵמִיתוֹ אוּ מֵצָא אֲבִידָה וְכַחַשׁ בָּהּ
וְנִשְׁבַּע עַל שִׁקְרָהּ. מָה אֵלּוּ מִיּוֹחַדִּין –
שְׁהוֹן מִמּוֹן, אֵף כָּל – שְׁהוֹן מִמּוֹן, יֵצְאוּ
אֵלּוּ שְׁהוֹן קֶנֶס.

The Gemara answers: It was necessary for the mishna to mention these cases in order to address the case where she stood for judgment before her father died, and then he died before collecting payment. In this case, there is a dispute between Rabbi Shimon and the Rabbis as to whether the sons inherit these payments from the father or whether the money belongs to the young woman.

S We learned in a mishna there (*Shevuot* 36b) that if someone said to another: **You raped my daughter, or: You seduced my daughter,**^H and the other says: **I did not rape and I did not seduce,** to which the father replied: **I administer an oath to you,**^N and the defendant said: **Amen, and afterward he admitted** that he had raped or seduced the man's daughter, he is **obligated** both in the payments of a rapist or a seducer as well as an additional one-fifth, and he must bring an offering for swearing falsely that he did not owe the money.

Rabbi Shimon exempts him, as he does not pay the fine on his own admission. The accused individual is not considered to have taken a false oath in denial of a monetary charge because he would not have been obligated to pay the fine on the basis of his own admission of guilt. The Rabbis said to him: **Although he does not pay the fine on his own admission, indeed he does pay compensation for the humiliation and degradation on his own admission.** Consequently, he has denied a monetary claim, and therefore his false oath obligates him to add one-fifth and to bring an offering. This concludes the mishna.

In light of this mishna, Abaye raised a dilemma before Rabba: With regard to one who says to another: **You raped my daughter, or: You seduced my daughter, and I made you stand in judgment** for your actions, and you were found obligated to pay me money but you did not do so, and the defendant says: **I did not rape, or: I did not seduce, and you did not make me stand in judgment, and I was not found obligated to pay you money, and the defendant took an oath** that he was telling the truth and subsequently admitted his guilt, according to the opinion of Rabbi Shimon, what is the *halakha*?

Abaye explains the two sides of the dilemma: **Since he stood trial** and was found liable, is this considered a regular monetary obligation, and therefore he is liable to bring the offering for taking a false oath to deny a monetary claim? **Or perhaps** one can argue that **although he stood trial^N** and the court ordered him to pay, the payment is in essence a fine. Rabba said to him: Since he has already stood trial, it is considered a regular monetary payment, and he is liable to bring the offering of an oath.

Abaye raised an objection to Rabba from the following *baraita*. Rabbi Shimon says: One might have thought that in the case of one who says to another: **You raped my daughter, or: You seduced my daughter, and he says: I did not rape her, or: I did not seduce her,** or if he claimed: **Your ox killed my slave, and he says: It did not kill him, or if his slave said to him: You knocked out my tooth, or: You blinded my eye** and you are therefore obligated to emancipate me, and he says: **I did not knock it out, or: I did not blind your eye, and he takes an oath but later admitted** to the truth of the accusation, one might have thought that he should be liable to bring an offering for a false oath denying a monetary claim.

Therefore, with regard to the offering for a false oath in denial of a monetary claim, the verse states: "If anyone sin, and commit a trespass against the Lord and deal falsely with his neighbor in a matter of a deposit or of a pledge or of a robbery or have oppressed his neighbor, or have found that which was lost and deal falsely with it, and swear to a lie" (Leviticus 5:21–22). Just as all these matters listed in the verse are unique in that they are monetary obligations equal in value to the loss one has caused another individual, so too, this *halakha* applies to all obligations that are monetary claims, which excludes these payments of a rapist, a seducer, and the like, as they are fines.^H

מאי לאו בשעמד בדין! לא, בשלא
עמד בדין.

What, is it not referring to a case where he has stood trial, and yet Rabbi Shimon does not render him liable for the oath as the payment was originally a fine? Rabba refutes this argument: No, that *baraita* is referring to a situation where he has not stood trial.

והא מדרישא בשעמד בדין, סיפא
נמי בשעמד בדין! דקתני רישא: אין
לי אלא דברים שמשלמין עליהם את
הקרן, תשלומי כפל, תשלומי ארבעה
וחמשה, והאונס, והמפתה ומוציא
שם רע – מנין? תלמוד לומר "ומעלה
מעלה, ריבה.

Abaye persists: **But from the fact that the first clause of the *baraita* deals with one who has stood trial, it follows that the latter clause also deals with one who has stood trial.** As the *baraita* teaches in its first clause: **I have derived the *halakha* only for matters for which one pays the principal.** With regard to the payments that are double the principal, and payments that are four and five times the principal, and those of the rapist, and the seducer, and the defamer, from where is it derived that all these are included in the liability to bring an offering for falsely taking an oath on a deposit? **The verse states:** "If anyone sin and commit a trespass [*ma'ala ma'al*]" (Leviticus 5:21). The doubled usage of the word trespass serves to amplify and include any false oath taken in denial of monetary liability.

היכי דמי? אי דלא עמד בדין – כפילה
מי איכא? אלא פשיטא – בשעמד
בדין, ומדרישא בשעמד בדין – סיפא
נמי בשעמד בדין!

Abaye analyzes this statement: **What are the circumstances?** If this is referring to a situation when he has not stood trial, is there double payment in that case? Everyone agrees that one who admits his guilt is exempt from the double payment, and yet this obligation is mentioned in the *baraita*. **Rather, it is obvious that the *baraita* is referring to a case where it is claimed that he has already stood trial and was declared liable to pay the double payment, and the accused individual denies this claim.** Abaye summarizes his question: **And from the fact that the first clause of this *baraita* deals with one who has stood trial, the latter clause also deals with one who has stood trial, and even so Rabbi Shimon does not deem him liable to bring an offering for his oath.**

אמר ליה: ובילגא לשנוויי לך: רישא –
בשעמד בדין, וסיפא – בשלא עמד
בדין, וכולה רבי שמעון היא, ושנינו
דחיקי לא משנינן לך. דאם בן אמרת
לי: ליתני רישא "רבי שמעון אומר"
או ליתני סיפא "דברי רבי שמעון".

Rabba said to him: **I could answer you that the first clause deals with one who is accused of already having stood trial and been deemed liable, and the latter clause deals with one who has not stood trial, and this entire *baraita* is in accordance with the opinion of Rabbi Shimon.** According to this answer, Rabbi Shimon concedes that after one has been deemed liable in court, the double payment attains the status of a regular monetary obligation rather than a fine, and therefore in the first case in the *baraita* he is liable to bring an offering and a payment for his admission. **But I will not answer you a far-fetched answer, for if it is so, that the entire *baraita* represents the opinion of Rabbi Shimon, you could say to me: Let the *tanna* of the *baraita* either teach explicitly in the first clause: Rabbi Shimon says, or let him teach in the latter clause: This is the statement of Rabbi Shimon.**

אלא, כולה בשעמד בדין, ורישא רבנן
וסיפא רבי שמעון.

Rabba continued: **Rather, I will say that the entire *baraita* is referring to one who has stood trial, and as for the difference in *halakha*, the first clause is in accordance with the opinion of the Rabbis, who deem one liable to bring the offering of an oath in a case where the plaintiff says that the defendant stood trial, was found liable, and swore falsely. And the latter clause represents the opinion of Rabbi Shimon, who exempts one who confesses from bringing the offering of an oath.**

ומודינא לך לענין קרבן שבועה,
דרחמנא פטריה מ"ובחש".

And I concede to you, Abaye, with regard to the liability to bring an offering for falsely taking an oath on a deposit, that the Merciful One exempts him from this offering here, based upon the verse "And deal falsely with his neighbor in a matter of a deposit," (Leviticus 5:21), which indicates that one is liable to bring an offering only if he lied about a claim that was originally a monetary obligation.

Until Rav Yosef sat at the head – עד דיתביב רב יוסף ברישא – The Talmud relates how Rav Yosef assumed leadership of the school (see *Berakhot* 64a; *Horayot* 14a). After Rav Yehuda's passing, there were two possible candidates to succeed him as head of the school in Pumbedita, Rabba and Rav Yosef. The younger Rabba was known for his brilliance, whereas Rav Yosef was famed for the breadth of his Torah knowledge. Not knowing who to choose, they asked the Sages of Eretz Yisrael a general question: Who is preferable: Sinai, i.e., a scholar with vast expertise, or one who uproots mountains, i.e., a Sage with a sharp mind? The answer they received was that Sinai is preferable. Nevertheless, Rav Yosef refused the appointment for various reasons, and for the twenty-two years during which Rabba served as head of the school, Rav Yosef did not claim for himself any position of greatness. Rav Yosef agreed to take his place as head of the school only after Rabba passed away.

וכי קאמינא ממון הוי – להורישו לבניו.

איתיביה: רבי שמעון אומר: אם לא הספיקה לגבות עד שמת האב – הרי הן של עצמה. ואי אמרת ממון הוי להורישו לבניו – לעצמה אמאי? דאחין בעי מיהו!

אמר רבא, האי מילתא קשאי בה רבה ורב יוסף עשרין ותרתין שנין, ולא איפרק, עד דיתביב רב יוסף ברישא ופירקה: שאני התם דאמר קרא "ונתן האיש השוכב עמה לאבי הנערה חמשים כסף" – לא ויקתה תורה לאב אלא משעת נתנה.

וכי קאמר רבה ממוןא הוי להורישו לבניו – בשאר קנסות.

אלא מעתה, גבי עבד, דכתיב "כסף שלשים שקלים יתן לאדוניו" הכי נמי לא ויקתה תורה לאדון אלא משעת נתנה? "יתן" לחוד ו"נתן" לחוד.

And when I say that Rabbi Shimon maintains that after one is declared liable in court his obligation to pay is considered a regular **monetary** payment rather than a fine, that is not to say that he is liable to bring an offering for falsely denying a monetary claim, but rather to say that the recipient of the payment **bequeaths it to his sons**. Unlike a fine, which does not pass by inheritance to one's heirs, this is classified as a regular monetary payment. Consequently, if the perpetrator was deemed liable in court and ordered to pay the father of the girl he raped or seduced, and the father died before receiving payment, his sons inherit the right to that payment.

Abaye raised an objection to this last point from the mishna. **Rabbi Shimon says: If the daughter did not manage to collect the payments before the father died, they belong to her. And if you say that this fine is a monetary payment to the extent that one can bequeath it to his sons after the trial, why does the money belongs to her?** Since the trial has taken place, it **should be the property of the brothers** by inheritance from their father, as it is already considered a regular monetary obligation that is owed to the father.

Rava said: **This matter was difficult for Rabba and Rav Yosef for twenty-two years without resolution, until Rav Yosef sat at the head^b of the academy and resolved it in the following manner: There, in the case of a rape, it is different, as the verse states: "And the man who laid with her shall give the young woman's father fifty shekels of silver"** (Deuteronomy 22:29), from which it is inferred: **The Torah entitled the father to this money only from the time of giving.** Consequently, if the father dies before receiving the money, he does not bequeath his right to the money to his sons. Instead, the daughter is considered to take her father's place as the plaintiff, because she was the victim, and the money is paid to her.

And when Rabba said that the fine imposed by a court is considered a regular **monetary obligation** with regard to one's ability to **bequeath it to his sons**, he was not referring to this particular case of a rapist or seducer, but only to **other fines**,ⁿ which do have the status of regular monetary obligations after the court delivers its verdict.

The Gemara asks: **However, if that is so, that the verb "give" is explained in this manner, with regard to an ox that killed a slave, where it is written: "He shall give to their master thirty shekels of silver"** (Exodus 21:32), **so too will you say that the Torah entitled the master only from the time of giving?** The Gemara answers: **"Shall give [yiten]," is distinct, and "shall give [venatan]," is distinct.**ⁿ The first expression, which is stated with regard to an ox that killed a slave, does not indicate that the recipient acquires the right to the money only from the moment it is given, whereas the formulation employed in the case of rape does indicate that this is the case.

NOTES

And when Rabba said that the fine imposed by the court is considered a regular monetary obligation...only to other fines – בשאר קנסות הוי...וכי קאמר רבה ממוןא הוי... The early authorities disagree with regard to Abaye's opinion throughout this discussion. It is unclear whether he even means to express an independent position or whether he raised his question merely for the purpose of clarification. Similarly, it is not entirely clear what Rabba himself holds at the end of the discussion.

Some commentaries maintain that according to Rabba, a father bequeaths all fines to his sons aside from the fine due to be paid by a rapist or seducer, whereas Abaye disagrees. According to this interpretation, this issue is dependent on a dispute in the Jerusalem Talmud over whether the recipient of the payment is considered to be entitled to the money from the time the court issues its verdict or from the time the payment is actually given.

The Ri HaLavan states that everyone agrees that a son inherits all of his father's rights, including fines, with the exception of the fine paid by a rapist or seducer. In his opinion, the discussion does not concern the question of whether the fine is considered a regular monetary obligation for the purposes of inheritance, but only whether it is a monetary payment with regard to an oath imposed by one's sons. In other words, if the sons claim that a certain individual was already pronounced liable to pay their father a fine for having raped his daughter, and the accused man denies the charges and falsely swears to that effect, would he be liable to bring a guilt-offering?

The Ramban argues that although this interpretation fits the logic of the discussion, the phrase: To bequeath it to his sons, indicates that the discussion is about whether the sons inherit the rights to the fine at all. Furthermore, in the Jerusalem Talmud the dispute is understood to pertain to whether or not the sons inherit the rights to the fine.

Shall give [yiten] is distinct, and shall give [venatan] is distinct – יתן לחוד ונתן לחוד – Rashi explains that the difference between these two expressions lies in their grammatical tense. In the word *venatan*, the verb *natan* appears in past tense, and future tense is indicated by the prefix *ve*. This alludes to the fact that the father fully acquires the right to the money only once it has already been given. Conversely, in the word *yiten*, the verb itself is formulated in the future tense.

Alternatively, the Ritva understands the general context of the verses as follows: *Yiten* is referring to the court's order to the aggressor to pay the owner of the slave and indicates that the master has a right to the money from the time of the court's decision. The word *venatan* is referring to the actual payment and indicates that the father of the rape victim is entitled to the money only from the time of the payment.

מינה דידה קא גרית – It is from her that he inherits – According to Rabbi Shimon, if the young woman reaches majority before the penalty is paid, she becomes the recipient of the payment. Furthermore, since the phrase “shall give” is stated with regard to money paid to the father, it is limited to that case. If the woman is the recipient, the payment is considered a regular monetary payment rather than a fine, and therefore when she dies, her father inherits the rights to this regular monetary payment. Consequently, the verse states “and deal falsely” to teach that even in this case, where the money has the status of a regular monetary payment rather than a fine, if the rapist denies that he owes the money, he is exempt from bringing an offering because the payment originated as a fine.

אי הכי, תלמוד לומר “וכחש”? תלמוד לומר “ונתן” מיבעי ליה!

The Gemara raises a difficulty: **If so**, that the main source for this *halakha* is the phrase “shall give [venatan],” when it was taught in the *baraita* that a man who rapes or seduces a woman is not liable to bring the offering for a false oath in denial of a monetary claim, rather than saying that this is derived from the fact that **the verse states “and deal falsely,”** he should have said that it is derived from the fact that **the verse states “shall give,”** as this is the phrase that teaches that the payment is considered a fine even after he has stood trial.

אמר רבא: כי איצטריך “וכחש” – בגון שעמדה בדין, ובגרה ומתה. דהתם כי קא גרית אביה – מינה דידה קא גרית.

In answer to this question, **Rava said: When it was necessary to cite a proof from “and deal falsely,”** it was with regard to a situation where the young woman’s case was **brought to trial**, and the court ruled in her favor, **and she reached majority and subsequently died** before the money was paid. The reason that “and deal falsely” is necessary in that case is because **there, when the father inherits, it is from her that he inherits.**^N

אי הכי יצאו אלו שהן קנס? ממון הוא! אמר רב נחמן בר יצחק: יצאו אלו שעיקרן קנס.

The Gemara raises another difficulty: **If so**, the language of the *baraita*: **Excluding these, as they are a fine**, is inaccurate, as it is a regular **monetary** payment, not a fine. In answer to this question, **Rav Nahman bar Yitzhak said** that this phrase means: **Excluding these, as they are originally a fine**, and it is only once the court orders the man to pay that they are viewed as regular monetary payments.

איתיביה: רבי שמעון פוטר, שאינו משלם קנס על פי עצמו. טעמא, דלא עמד בדין. הא עמד בדין, דמשלם על פי עצמו – קרבן שבועה נמי מיחייב!

Abaye raised an objection to this explanation of the opinion of Rabbi Shimon, based upon the mishna in *Shevuot* cited above (42a), which states: **Rabbi Shimon exempts him, as he does not pay a fine on his own admission.** The Gemara infers: **The reason that he is not liable to bring a guilt-offering is because he has not stood trial.** However, if **he has stood trial** and been found guilty, **in which case he pays on his own admission** when he later admits that he was already convicted in court, **he should also be liable to bring an offering** if he denies that he was convicted in court and takes an **oath** to that effect. This contradicts the claim that, according to Rabbi Shimon, even after one is convicted in court, the payment is still considered a fine.

רבי שמעון לדבריהם דרבנן קאמר להו: לדידי, אף על גב דעמד בדין רחמנא פטריה מ’וכחש’. אלא לדידכו, אודו לי מיהת היכא דלא עמד בדין, דכי קא תבע – קנסא קא תבע.

The Gemara answers: **Rabbi Shimon stated his opinion to them in accordance with the statement of the Rabbis themselves**, as follows: **According to my opinion, although he has stood trial, the Merciful One exempts him** from the offering, as derived from the verse: “**And deal falsely with his neighbor in a matter of a deposit**” (Leviticus 5:21), which indicates that he is liable only for a claim that originally concerned regular a monetary payment. **However, according to your opinion, you should at least concede to me in a case where he has not stood trial, that when one claims the money, he claims a fine and not a regular monetary payment.**

Perek IV

Daf 43 Amud a

ומודה בקנס פטור. ורבנן סברי: כי קא תבע – בושת ופגם קא תבע.

And the principle is that **one who admits** that he is liable to pay a **fine is exempt**. Since the man would not have been liable to pay even if he had admitted his guilt, his denial of guilt is not considered a denial of monetary liability, and even if he swears falsely that he is not liable, he still does not become liable to bring an offering. **And the Rabbis hold that when the father claims payment in court, it is the compensation for the humiliation and degradation that he claims.** His main focus is not on the fine, and therefore the denial refers to a regular monetary claim.