## Avodah Zarah 75a<sup>1</sup> - Cleaning Parts of a Winepress - and Your Tablecloth

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## Cleaning other parts of a winepress

- Gorgi retaining frames for the grape pile
  - Rabbi Avahu cited a braita which deals with removing impure materials prior to mikvah
- The braita
  - Non-braided materials Rinse
    - Boards
    - Adashim<sup>1</sup>
    - Brooms
  - Braided materials [akalin, which are retaining frames]
    - Akalin Dry them<sup>2</sup>
    - Akalin made of reeds Age them 12 mths<sup>3</sup>
      - Rabban Shimon ben Gamliel Wait from one pressing to the next
        - o Which is different, as sometimes grapes ripen earlier or later
      - Rabbi Yosi If you don't want to wait:
        - o Do Hagalah in boiling water
        - Or do Chalatah<sup>4</sup> in olive water water that was used to boil olives before pressing them, to soften them<sup>5</sup>
      - Rabban Shimon ben Gamliel cited Rabbi Yosi: Put them under a pipe with flowing water, or in a racing spring, for an *onah*.
  - o And all of these rules apply not only for yayin nesech, but also regarding impurity well.
    - Actually: All of these rules apply not only for impurity, but for *yayin nesech* as well.
  - What is an "עונה?
    - R' Chiya bar Abba/R' Yochanan A day or a night
    - R' Chana She'eina or R' Chana She'eina/R' Chiya bar Abba/R' Yochanan Half-day or halfnight
    - Rav Shemuel bar Yitzchak: The first is in Nisan/Tishrei, the second is in Tammuz/Tevet<sup>6</sup>
- Fibrous kelim from the winepress<sup>7</sup>
  - Sieve used to filter wine from grapes
    - Human hair Rinse it
    - Wool Dry it<sup>8</sup>
    - Flax Let it sit for a year
    - And until any knots<sup>9</sup>
  - Reed baskets
    - Sewn (הייט) from palm branches rinse
    - (75b) Sewn from reeds Dry it 10
    - Flax Let it sit for a year
    - And until any knots 11

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The press (Rashi); Pools in which grapes are ground (Ramban, Meiri)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Meaning – rinse and ash

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> We follow the Tanna Kama, as this is a braita, not a mishnah (Rashba)

<sup>4</sup> Scalding

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Rashi cites a Tosefta: Chalatah in boiling water, or Meligah in olive water

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> In other words: 12 stadard hours; and see Niddah 63b re עונה הסמוכה לווסת

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> What about our tablecloths? (Tosafot, Rosh Avodah Zarah 5:33, Mordechai Avodah Zarah 858, Rama Yoreh Deah 138:8)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Meaning – rinse and ash

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Is this for all of them? (Raavad vs. Rashba)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Meaning – rinse and ash

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> Why didn't they just say "all implements made of X"?