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 We learn this mitzvah from Parshas Metzora: (ויקרא טו:טז)

וְרַחֵץ בַּמַּיִם אֶת כָּל בְּשָׂרוֹ

Today we finally learn a new *mitzvah*! Today's *mitzvah* is about how we can become *tahor* from the kinds of *tumah* we were just learning about. Do you know how? By going into (or putting our *keilim* into) a *mikvah*!

 The details of this mitzvah are explained in Mishnayos & Gemara: **Mesechta Mikvaos and Mesechta Tvuil Yom**

Rambam: Hilchos Keilim, Hilchos Mikvaos

PEREK CHOF-ZAYIN

In this *perek*, the Rambam reviews the rules about *tumah*, by giving us three examples of many types of *keilim*, and telling us what the *halacha* is for each of them. Here's one example: There are three kinds of sheets:

- 1) A sheet that goes on a bed — this can get *Midras* (the *tumah* of when a *Zav* rests on it)
- 2) A sheet that we hang up like a curtain — this can get *Tumas Meis*
- 3) A sheet that has sewing designs on it to teach how to sew — this stays *tahor*

PEREK CHOF-CHES

Now the Rambam explains what happens if *tumah* touches the outside of a *keili* — does the inside become *tomei*? What about if the *tumah* touched the inside — is the outside *tomei*? (It depends what the *keili* is made of.)

PEREK PEREK ALEF

This *perek* explains the general rules about a *mikvah* — like that a person doesn't become *tahor* until nighttime, even if they went to the *Mikvah* during the day, and that a person can't have anything between them and the *mikvah* water (for example, a bandaid) — this is called a *chatzitzah*.