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עֲשֵׂה
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 We learn this mitzvah from Parshas Behar: (ויקרא כה:יד)

וְכִי תִמְכְּרוּ מִמְכָּר לְעַמִּיתְךָ

This section of halachos in Rambam is about getting something from *hefker* or a gift. It doesn't have any new mitzvos, but keeping these halachos is connected to this mitzvah about buying and selling. So we review this mitzvah that we learned before.

Today's mitzvah is one that we learned not too long ago! We need to follow the *halachos* about buying and selling things. If we do, then we're doing a mitzvah every time!

 The details of this mitzvah are explained in Mishnayos & Gemara: Mesechta Kiddushin perek Alef, Mesechta Bava Metziah perakim Daled and Ches, and Mesechta Bava Basra perakim Gimmel, Daled, Hey, Vov and Zayin

Rambam: Hilchos Zechiya U'Matana

PEREK ALEF

In today's Rambam, we start to learn a new set of *halachos*, about getting things that are "*hefker*," and about giving or getting presents.

This first *perek* teaches us about when something is called *hefker*, that it has no owner. Fruit that grows in a forest is one example of *hefker* things. Whoever picks it up first — it belongs to him!

PEREK BEIS

The Rambam explains how we can show that a *hefker* field is ours. We need to do something to make the field better, and have in mind that we are doing it to make the field ours!

PEREK GIMMEL

In this *perek* we learn about presents. When a person gives someone a present, he needs to make sure that the other person understands what belongs to him! If he just says "I'm giving you a field," the person doesn't get anything, because we're not sure which one we're supposed to give him!