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לֹא תִעָשֶׂה
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 We learn this mitzvah from Parshas Vayakhel: (שמות להג)

לֹא תִבְעֶרוּ אֵשׁ

Today's *mitzvah* is the same as yesterday's — that a *Beis Din* is not allowed to punish anyone on Shabbos. We learn this *mitzvah* from the *posuk* that says, “You shouldn't burn a fire on Shabbos.”

Really, this *posuk* seems strange — we already know that we can't burn a fire on Shabbos, because it's one of the *Lamed-Tes Melachos*! The *Mechilta* explains that this is talking about one of the types of punishment, called *Sereifah*, that a *Beis Din* sometimes needs to give. We are not allowed to do this type of punishment, or any of the other punishments, on Shabbos.

The *Talmud Yerushalmi* says that we learn from the end of this *posuk* (“*Bechol Moshvoseichem*,” in all of your dwellings) that the *Beis Din* can't judge at all on Shabbos.

Rambam: Hilchos Shabbos

PEREK TES-VOV

Today's *perakim* in Rambam are continuing to teach us about the *melacha* of *Hotza'ah*, carrying. We are not allowed to transfer things from one *reshus* (type of area) to another, or to carry things inside some types of *reshus*.

We learn the *halachos* about when someone is in one *reshus*, and is moving something in a different *reshus*. For example, sticking your hand out through a window and drawing up water from a well.

PEREK TES-ZAYIN

We learn the *halachos* about what types of walls can surround an area to make it into a different type of *reshus*. (*Halacha* calls these walls *mechitzos*, and nowadays many people call it an “*eruv*.”)

PEREK YUD-ZAYIN

In those days, most houses were inside of courtyards, and most courtyards were in an alleyway (*mavui*). We learn what needs to be done to the *mavui* to make it into a *Reshus Hayochid*. We also learn about *pasim*, small dividers that can sometimes act as a *mechitza* to make it into a different *reshus*.