

Talmud Makos. Review Lesson 53 - Daf 11A-B:

1. **R. Avahu:** The curse of a Chacham is fulfilled, even if it was conditional (and the condition was not fulfilled). We learn from Eli:
2. Eli told Shmuel "Ko Ya'aseh Lecha Elokim... Im Techached Mimeni Davar";
3. Even though Shmuel told him everything, "va'Yaged Lo Chiched Mimenu", the curse came true. Shmuel's children went astray - "v'Lo Holchu Vanav bi'Drachav."

11B:

4. **Rav Yehudah:** Niduy (excommunication) must be annulled, even if it was conditional (and the condition was not fulfilled). We learn from Yehudah - "Im Lo Havi'osiv (... v'Chatasi Lecha Kol ha'Yamim)."
5. **R. Shmuel bar Nachmani:** "Yechi Reuven v'Al Yamos... v'Zos li'Yehudah" - all 40 years in the Midbar, Yehudah's bones were dissembled in his coffin (due to the Niduy he accepted on himself) until Moshe prayed for him;
6. **Moshe:** It was Yehudah who (through his admission about Tamar) caused Reuven to admit (about Bilhah)!
7. Moshe said "Shma Hash-m Kol Yehudah." His bones assembled, but he could not enter the Heavenly Yeshiva.
8. "V'El Amo Tevi'enu" - (he entered), but could not understand and debate with the Rabanan.
9. "Yadav Rav Lo" - he could argue with them, but he did not merit that the Halachah follows him.
10. "V'Ezer mi'Tzarav Tihyeh" - he merited that the Halachah follows him.
11. **Question:** Does exile end when all the Kohanim Gedolim die, or when even one of them dies?
12. **Answer from Mishnah:** If he was sentenced to Galus when there was no (Rashi - Mashu'ach) Kohen Gadol, he never leaves. We do not say that he can go free if one of the others dies!
13. **Rejection:** The Mishnah means, he was sentenced when there was not any Kohen Gadol

Halacha: Exile ends even if only one Kohanim Gadol dies.