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1. A married woman can only choose which korban pesach she is part of before it is slaughtered.

The Mishna states that if a newly married woman went to her parent's house for Pesach, but both her father and her husband included her in their korban pesach, she can eat from either korban. The Gemora at first assumes that this means that the woman can choose which one to eat from after they have already been slaughtered. This would mean "yesh bereirah," that she could choose retroactively which group she belonged to for the korban pesach. The Gemora concludes that this is incorrect. She can merely choose before the korban is slaughtered, and say she is part of one of their groups.

2. There were four major prophets during the times of the nevi'im who prophesized at the same time.

The Gemora quotes the verse, "First Hashem spoke to Hoshea." The Gemora asks, did Hashem first speak to him? Weren't there many

prophets prior to his days? Rather, the Gemora explains, he was the first spoken to out of the four major prophets in his time. They were: Hoshea, Yeshaya, Amos, and Michah.

3. Hoshea was taught a lesson by Hashem regarding why He will not replace Bnei Yisroel.

When Hoshea questioned Hashem's keeping Bnei Yisroel as His chosen people, Hashem instructed him to marry a prostitute, from whom he had three children. When Hashem then instructed him to separate from them, Hoshea had a hard time doing so. Hashem said, "If you are attached to these children, who are not even clearly your children, certainly it is understandable that I should be attached to the children of Avraham, Yitzchak, and Yaakov etc."

4. Nevi'im, on average, outlived four kings.

The Gemora explains that when people are in positions of leadership they tend to die young. This is one of the reasons why many prophets,



such as Yeshaya, outlived four kings (see INSIGHTS).

5. Hashem placed Bnei Yisroel in exile in order that they should gather the converts.

The Gemora quotes the verse in Hoshea, "And I have planted them in the land," implying that Hashem plants Bnei Yisroel in exile in order that the righteous gentiles of the world who want to convert will be able to join Bnei Yisroel. [Of course, they may only do so if they show a true sincerity and willingness to join Bnei Yisroel.]

## INSIGHTS TO THE DAF

The Ksav Sofer (Al Hatorah) asks that even though our Gemora explains that when people are in positions of leadership they tend to die young, we see many Rabbanim who live long lives. Why then does the Gemora say, "Woe to the Rabbanus as it buries its owners?"

The Ksav Sofer answers that there are two types of leaders. There are leaders who look at their position as a position of power. These are the leaders who die young, as they act as if they are the "owner" of the public. This is why the

Gemora specifically said, "It buries its owners." However, if someone realizes he is merely a public servant and is not an owner of the public, he can indeed merit to live a very long life.