

III

BAVLI TAMID CHAPTER THREE

FOLIOS 30A-30B

3:1-9

3:1

- A. The superintendent said to them, “Come and cast lots [to determine] (1) who executes the act of slaughter, (2) who tosses the blood, (3) who removes the ashes of the inner altar, (4) who removes the ashes of the candlestick, (5) who carries up the limbs to the ramp:
- B. “(1) the head, (2) the [right] hind leg, (3) the two forelegs, (4) the rump, and (5) the [left] hind leg, (6) the breast, (7) the neck, (8) the two flanks, (9) the innards, (10) the fine flour, (11) the cakes, (12) the wine.”
- C. They drew lots.
- D. Whoever won won.

3:2

- A. The superintendent said to them, “Go and see whether the time for carrying out the act of slaughter has come.”
- B. If it had come, the one who sees it says, “It is daylight.”
- C. Matya b. Samuel says, “[He who sees it says,] ‘The whole eastern horizon is light.’
- D. “‘Up to Hebron?’
- E. “And he says, ‘Yes.’”

3:3

- A. He said to them, “Go and bring a lamb from the lamb office.”
- B. Now lo, the lamb office was located at the northwestern corner.
- C. And there were four offices there: (1) one was the lamb office; (2) and one was the seal office; (3) and one was the hearth office; (4) and one was the office in which they would prepare the show bread.

3:4

- A. They went in the office for utensils and brought out from there ninety-three silver and gold utensils.

- B. They gave [the lamb which was to be] the daily whole offering a drink from a golden cup.
- C. Even though it was inspected the preceding night, they inspect it again by the light of the torches.

3:5

- A. He who had won [the right to carry out the rite] of the daily burnt offering drags it along down to the shambles, and those who had won the right to offer up the limbs go after him.
- B. The shambles was located at the north of the altar, and on it were eight short pillars, and square blocks of cedar wood were on them.
- C. And iron hooks were set into them.
- D. And there were three rows [of hooks] on each one [block], on which they would suspend [the slaughtered beasts] —
- E. And they flay them on marble tables between the pillars.

3:6

- A. Those who had won the right to remove the ashes of the inner altar and of the candlestick would go first,
- B. with four utensils in their hand, the ash bin, the oil jar, and two keys.
- C. The ash bin is like a large golden three — qab measure. It holds two and a half qabs.
- D. The oil jar is like a large golden flagon.
- E. The two keys — one goes down [into the lock] as far as its armpit, and one opens [the door] forthwith.

3:7

- A. He came to the northern door.
- B. And the great gate had two [such] doors, one at the north, and one at the south.
- C. Into that at the south no man ever entered. And this is expressly stated concerning it by Ezekiel: And the Lord said to me, This gate shall be shut, it shall not be opened, neither shall any man enter in by it, for the Lord, the God of Israel, hath entered in by it: therefore it shall be shut (Eze. 44: 2).
- D. He took the key and opened the door.
- E. He went into the cell, and from the cell into the hekhal until he came to the great gate.
- F. He came to the great gate.
- G. He removed the bolt and the locks and opened it up.
- H. The one who was going to execute the act of slaughter did not perform the act of slaughter until he heard the sound of the great gate opening.

3:8

- A. (1) From Jericho did they hear the sound of the great gate opening.
- B. (2) From Jericho did they hear the sound of the shovel [M. 5:6].

- C. (3) From Jericho did they hear the sound of the wooden device which Ben Qatin made for the laver.
- D. (4) From Jericho did they hear the sound of Gabini, the crier.
- E. (5) From Jericho did they hear the sound of the flute.
- F. (6) From Jericho did they hear the sound of the cymbal.
- G. (7) From Jericho did they hear the sound of the singing.
- H. (8) From Jericho did they hear the sound of the shofar
- I. There are those who say, "Also the voice of the high priest when he made mention of the divine name on the Day of Atonement."
- J. (9) From Jericho did they smell the scent of the compounding of the incense.
- K. Said R. Eleazar b. Diglai, "My father's house and goats were on the mountain of Mikhwan And they sneezed from the smell of the compounding of the incense."

3:9

- A. He who had won the right to collect the ash of the inner altar entered in.
- B. And he took the ash bin, put it down before him, and scooped up ashes with both hands and put them into it,
- C. And at the end he swept the rest into it.
- D. And he left it and went out.
- E. He who had won the right to clean the candlestick entered, and, [if] he found the two eastern lights flickering, he cleaned the rest and left those flickering in their place.
- F. [If] he found that they had gone out, he cleaned them and lit them from those which were [yet] flickering,
- G. A stone was before the candlestick, and on it were three steps, on which the priest stands and fixes up the lamps.
- H. And he left the oil jar on the second step and went out.