

VII

BAVLI TAMID CHAPTER SEVEN

FOLIO 33A

7:1

- A. [33B] When the high priest enters to prostrate himself, three [priests] support him: one by the right hand, one by the left, and one by the precious stones [on the shoulder pieces of the ephod, Exo. 28:9].
- B. And as soon as the superintendent heard the sound of the feet of the high priest, that he goes out [of the hekhal], he raised the curtain for him.
- C. He went in and prostrated himself and went out.
- D. And his brethren the priests went in and prostrated themselves and went out.

7:2

- A. They [the priests who had participated] came and stood on the steps of the porch.
- B. They who were first [the one who removed the ashes of the inner altar, and the one who cleaned up the candlestick, the one who carried the shovel and the one who offered the incense and his associate] took up a position at the south of their brethren, the priests.
- C. And five utensils were in their hand: (1) the ash bin in the hand of one, and (2) the oil jar in the hand of one, and (3) the fire shovel in the hand of one, and (4) the [incense] dish in the hand of one, and (5) the ladle and its cover [M. 5:4] in the hand of one.
- D. They said one [priestly] blessing for the people [Num. 6:24-26].
- E. But: In the provinces they say it as three blessings, and in the sanctuary, as one blessing.
- F. In the sanctuary they would pronounce the [divine] name as it is written, and in the provinces, by an epithet.
- G. In the provinces the priests raise up the palms of their hands as high as their shoulders, and in the sanctuary, over their heads,
- H. except for the high priest, who does not raise his hands higher than the frontlet.
- I. R. Judah says, “Even the high priest raises his hands above the frontlet,

- J. “since it is said, ‘And Aaron lifted up his hands toward the people and blessed them (Lev. 9:22)’ [M. Sot. 7:6].

7:3

- A. When the high priest wants to burn the offerings, he would go up on the ramp, with the prefect at his right.
- B. [When] he reached the half way point of the ramp, the prefect took him by the right hand and led him up.
- C. The first [of the nine priests, M. 4:3] handed him the head leg, and he laid his hands on them and tossed them [into the altar fire].
- D. The second handed over to the first the two forelegs. He gives them to the high priest. And he laid his hands on them and tossed them [into the altar fire].
- E. The second departed, going on his way.
- F. And so did they hand over to him all the rest of the limbs, and he lays his hands on them, and tosses them [into the altar fires].
- G. And when he wants, he lays on his hands, but others throw [the pieces into the fire].
- H. He comes then to walk around the altar [toward the right, to the southwestern corner].
- I. From what point does he begin?
- J. From the southeastern corner, then northeastern one, northwestern, and southwestern [see M. Zeb. 5:3].
- K. They gave him wine to pour out.
- L. The prefect stands at the corner, with a flag in his hand, and two priests stand at the table of the fat pieces, with two silver trumpets in their hands.
- M. They sounded a prolonged sound, a wavering sound, and a prolonged sound.
- N. They came and stood near Ben Arza, one on his right, one on his left.
- O. He stepped down to pour out the wine, and the prefect waved the flag, and Ben Arza dashed the cymbal, and the Levites broke out in song.
- P. [When] they reached a break [in the singing], they sounded a prolonged sound, and the people prostrated themselves.
- Q. At every break [in the singing] was a prolonged blast, and at every prolonged blast, a prostration.
- R. This is the order of the daily whole offering in the liturgy of the house of our God. May it be [his] will that it be rebuilt, soon, in our own days. Amen.

7:4

- A. The singing which the Levites did sing in the sanctuary:
- B. On the first day they did sing, “The earth is the Lord’s and the fulness thereof, the world and they who live therein” (Psa. 24).
- C. On the second day they did sing, “Great is the Lord and highly to be praised in the city of our God, even upon his holy hill” (Psa. 48).
- D. On the third day they did sing, “God stands in the congregation of God, he is a judge among the gods” (Psa. 82).

- E. On the fourth day they did sing, “O Lord God to whom vengeance belongs, thou God to whom vengeance belongs, show yourself” (Psa. 94).
- F. On the fifth day they did sing, “Sing we happily to God our strength, make a joyful noise to the God of Jacob” (Ps 81).
- G. On the sixth day they did sing, ‘The Lord is king and has put on glorious apparel” (Psa. 93).
- H. On the Sabbath day they did sing, “A Psalm, A song for the Sabbath day” (Psa. 92) —
- I. A psalm, a song for the world that is to come, for the day which is wholly Sabbath rest for eternity.