

**אכסניא; is it according to the doors, etc.**

**אכסניא לפי פתחים כולי -**

### **OVERVIEW**

asked of רב אמי is an אכסניא divided according to the doors or according to the people. There is a dispute between רש"י<sup>1</sup> and the ר"ה as to the meaning of אכסניא (and [therefore the meaning of] this query).

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**פירש רבינו חננאל דמיבעיא ליה שיירא<sup>2</sup> שחנתה במקום אחד הזבל איך חולקין:**

**The ר"ה explained that the query was regarding a caravan which camped in one place (in a חצר); how is the manure, which the אכסניא left over, divided amongst the בני החצר.**

### **SUMMARY**

רש"י maintains that אכסניא refers to an army, and the question is how we divide the obligation to feed and house them. The ר"ה maintains that אכסניא is a caravan and the issue is how the בני החצר divide the manure.

### **THINKING IT OVER**

1. The גמרא cites a ברייתא, which states אכסניא לפי בנ"א. Is this ברייתא more favorable to פרש"י or פר"ח?<sup>3</sup>
2. According to the ר"ה (that both cases [of זבל and אכסניא] are regarding זבל), why is the זבל divided לפי פתחים and אכסניא לפי בנ"א?<sup>4</sup>
3. According to רש"י and the ר"ה how do we understand both sides of the query regarding an אכסניא?<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> בני interprets רש"י בד"ה אכסניא to mean the king's army, which is quartered in the city. The query is, do the בני divide the obligation to house and feed the soldiers לפי פתחים or לפי בנ"א.

<sup>2</sup> According to the ר"ה, the word אכסניא (here) means a caravan.

<sup>3</sup> See מטה יוסף אות רנז בד"ה והטעם.

<sup>4</sup> See נח"מ.

<sup>5</sup> See מטה יוסף and נח"מ (בגמ' ד"ה אכסניא וד"ה זבל).