

## He will never be treated well

## לעולם אין מטיבין לו -

### Overview

תוספות stated that one who is treated badly, will never be treated well. ר"א reconciles this statement of ר"א with a seemingly contradictory statement of ר"א.

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anticipates the following difficulty:

והא דקאמר איהו גופיה בעובדא זידיה<sup>1</sup> לא במהרה מטיבין לו<sup>2</sup> בפרק קמא דבבא בתרא (דף יב, ב) -  
מסכת ב"ב of פרק ר"א himself stated in the first פרק concerning his situation that 'he will not be treated well quickly' –

responds:

זה אמר בשעה שהיה סבור עדיין שיחזירו וימנו אותו ראש ישיבה<sup>3</sup> -  
said this (ב"ב in, לא במהרה מטיבין לו) ר"א at the time that he assumed that they will still go back and appoint him ראש ישיבה -  
אבל לבסוף שלא החזירוהו אמר לעולם אין מטיבין לו:  
But eventually when they did not go back and appoint him he stated (here in ב"ק) 'they will never treat him well'.

### Summary

ר"א made two statements; לא במהרה, when he still had hope. And לעולם וכו' when there was no longer any hope.

### Thinking it over

states that the statement of ר"א לא במהרה מטיבין לו was said by ר"א when he assumed that they would reappoint him as ראש ישיבה<sup>4</sup>. If that is the case why would he say it in the negative (לא במהרה מטיבין לו), he should have said it in the positive, במשך זמן (or something similar)?!

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<sup>1</sup> The גמרא there relates how this ר"א was supposed to be appointed as ראש הישיבה, and because of events, ר"א was appointed instead. When ר"א became aware he stated לו לא במהרה מטיבין לו.

<sup>2</sup> This indicates that eventually he will be treated well, just not right away, however here he stated that he will never be treated well.

<sup>3</sup> See 'Thinking it over'.

<sup>4</sup> See footnote # 3.