

איקלע פירס מפה וקידוש –

He arrived, spread the cloth and made *Kiddush*

Overview

The גמרא relates that רב הונא בר רב רבה arrived at the house of the ריש גלותא (on שבת), they brought bread, and רב ר"ה spread a cloth over the bread and made קידוש. Our תוספות explains when the קידוש was made.

בהתחלת סעודה איירי¹ כדפירש² רשב"ם:

This episode took place in the beginning of the meal as the רשב"ם explained.

Summary

The episode with רב הונא בר רב רבה was בתחילת הסעודה.

Thinking it over

What proof can we offer that the story of רב ר"ה and the ensuing ברייתא (which supports his action) is בתחילת הסעודה; perhaps both cases are באמצע הסעודה?

¹ תוספות is negating that רב הונא בר רב רבה was פורס מפה ומקדש in the middle of a meal which began Friday afternoon (see (רש"י ד"ה איקלע), but rather (as the רשב"ם makes clear) that this took place after they came from Shul, and were beginning their שבת meal. See 'Thinking it over'.

² בד"ה ה"ג רבה. See also תוס' ק,א ד"ה אלא (TIE footnote # 4) that the ברייתא which was cited as a support for רב ר"ה, is discussing the beginning of a meal, not an interruption of a meal in progress (from ע"ש).