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Halacha Highlight

Fruit grown in and out of Eretz Yisroel

Shulchan Aruch Siman 208 Seif 10
ובארץ ישראל חותם על הארץ ועל פרותיה
In Eretz Yisroel one concludes:
על הארץ ועל פרותיה

Shulchan Aruch teaches that when one eats fruit of the seven species the exact wording of the conclusion to the beracha will change depending upon where the fruit was grown. If the fruit was grown outside of Eretz Yisroel one recites על הארץ ועל הפרות—for the land and the fruit. If the fruit was grown in Eretz Yisroel the wording is: על הארץ ועל פרותיה—for the land and its fruit. The reason the wording changes for fruit that was grown in Eretz Yisroel is that it adds praise to Hashem that He gave us land that produces this fruit. Similarly, when drinking wine from Eretz Yisroel one concludes ועל פרי גפנה rather than ועל פרי הגפן also to give praise to Hashem for giving us land that produces wine (ע' חיי משה לסע' י"א משי"כ ע"ז). Many Poskim question why when eating grain grown in Eretz Yisroel we do not say ועל מחייתה. (חיי משה) Ohr Sameach (פ"ח מברכות הל' י"ז) explains that the grain has been ground into flour before it is made into bread or cake and as such is no longer recognizable as produce that grew in Eretz Yisroel.

Sefer Badei HaShulchan (סי' ס' סק"ה) expresses uncertainty regarding someone who ate fruit grown outside of Eretz Yisroel but added the conclusion על פרותיה rather than על הפרות. The basis of his uncertainty is that the phrase על פרותיה indicates that one ate fruit that grew in Eretz Yisroel when in fact one did not. Teshuvas Dvar Yehoshua (ח"ב סי' כ"ח) suggests that if one ate the fruit in Eretz Yisroel he has, b'dieved, fulfilled his obligation. His reasoning is based on the fact that there are authorities who maintain that even when eating fruit grown outside of Eretz Yisroel in Eretz Yisroel one says על פרותיה so certainly in this case, b'dieved one fulfilled his obligation. Sefer Badei HaShulchan rules that one who recited על הפרות on fruit that was grown in Eretz Yisroel has fulfilled his obligation.

Overview

Siman 208 Seif 10:

When reciting the beracha מעין שלש on fruit from outside of Eretz Yisroel the beracha concludes על הארץ ועל הפרות and on fruit from Eretz Yisroel one concludes על הארץ ועל פרותיה. One who is outside of Eretz Yisroel who eats fruit from Eretz Yisroel also concludes על פרותיה.

- One cannot say "its fruit" since they are not fruit from Eretz Yisroel. This is true even if they were brought into Eretz Yisroel and are being eaten there since they grew outside of Eretz Yisroel. (M.B. 52)
- It is a praise of Hashem that He gave us land that produces these fruits. (M.B. 53)