

Must a Metzora become Tahor Immediately?

An Overview of a *Shiur* by Rav Moshe Zev Granek on *Parshas Metzora*

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Why does the *pasuk* say he is brought to the *kohen* if he may not enter the *machaneh*?

- Ramban interpreting *Toras Kohanim* - It means he must make himself *tahor* as soon as possible.
- *Binyan*  
*Tzion* (*Chadashos* 127) interpreting *Toras Kohanim* — There is no *chiyuv* to wait like there is for a *zav* (who waits *shiva nekiyim*).  
Are there other sources that a *metzora* must become *tahor* immediately?
- Gemara (*Chullin* 141a) - *Hava Amina* that mitzva of *taharas metzora* would override the mitzva of *shiluach hakein* and one may take a mother bird and chicks if no other birds are available.
- *Kehilos*  
*Yaakov* (*Yoma* 21) - This proves that *metzora* must become *tahor* immediately.
- *Dvar*  
*Avraham* - It only proves that *shalom bayis* of *metzora* (who hasn't been with his wife) is *doche shiluach hakein*, but not mitzva of *taharas metzora* alone.
- Gemara (*Yevamos* 5b) - *Metzora* must shave all of his hair including the *pe'os*, showing *aseh doche lo taaseh*.
- *Chazon*  
*Ish/Gra* - the *aseh* is *taharas metzora*.