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MENDEL BREITSTEIN: NAIL CLIPPINGS – A CROSS CULTURAL AND TALMUDIC CONSIDERATION

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How should one dispose of their finger nails after clipping them? This has been a topic of concern in many different times and places. In this lecture, we will look at some of the different approaches found throughout the world, and suggest how we might classify these practices. We will also take a closer look at a number of Jewish sources that discuss what ought to be done with nail clippings, and consider a number of possible explanations for what lies behind the Talmudic concern.

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