



If His Wife is Not Home

5. If a man's wife left the house but will be coming right back — for example, she went to quickly borrow something from a neighbor or to take out the garbage — one can rely on the leniency of *ishto*

meshamraso. (See Meiri, Kiddushin 80b; Dvar Halachah 6:2, note 2; Bnei Chayil, cited by the Dvar Halachah *ibid*; also see Pnei Yehoshua Kiddushin 80b; Yesod Hataharah – Yichud *ibid*. :9)

6. However, if she leaves the house for an extended period of time, one cannot rely on this leniency. (*ibid*.; see also *Shu"t Imrei Yosher* vol. 2, 9:8; *Shevet Halevi* vol. 5, 206:1 and vol. 9, 261)



Doeihu Readers Write:

I had always thought it was an employee's market. I used to see ads attracting potential employees with all the benefits in the world, and I assumed it would be a cinch when my turn would come. My skills, experience, motivation and determination would be a catch to any boss.

That is, until it I found myself poring through the classifieds, mustering up the nerve to schedule interview after interview. A hiring slump must have hit my playing field right then, just in time for me to take a downward slide in optimism, confidence and self-assurance. It was a depressing and unsuccessful period of pursuit for an income.

And then the perfect opportunity came my way.

I heard of a good job at a company looking for someone with exactly my personality, offering generous benefits and perks along with the substantial salary I knew I deserved.

I did my research and did it well. Everything I was told was true; the business in question was not a product of fantasy. The benefits were real and the opening existed. I started to get excited.

With more enthusiasm than I had felt in a very long time, I attended the interview

with high hopes. The communication with the prospective bosses went smoothly-
That is , until they mentioned that their employees were expected to utilize
WhatsApp for business purposes.

Despite all the attractive details the job entailed, the WhatsApp problem placed a
damper on the whole deal. It just didn't sound so great anymore. I could not bring
myself to sign the contract that would give me the peace of mind I so desperately
desired, as I was not willing to compromise on my standards in kedusha and
gedarim in technology because of a job offer.

My courage and clarity on this matter were a direct result of my constant exposure
to the Doeihu emails, especially the personal stories shared in them. These emails
raised my awareness of the proper clarity in this area and gave me the courage not
to compromise in kedusha and to remain strong with bitachon that Hashem would
send me the job best suited for me.

Perhaps it was irresponsible, but I felt that I just could not take the job. (I'm not
saying that everyone must do this, it's just how I felt about it; everyone must
consult their own Rav in such a situation.)

I have since found an amazing job at a different company. Thank you, Doeihu, for
your amazing daily emails.

A happy reader.