**Kelim, Chapter Two, Mishnah Eight**

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1. A torch is susceptible to impurity.
2. And the reservoir of a lamp contracts impurity through its air- space.
3. The comb of a *tzartzur*:
   1. Rabbi Eliezer says: it is not susceptible to impurity,
   2. But the sages say that it is susceptible.

***Explanation***

**Section one**: A torch made of earthenware has a receptacle and is therefore susceptible to impurity.

**Section two**: The reservoir of an earthenware lamp is considered a "receptacle" and therefore if something defiling comes within its airspace, it is defiled.

**Section three**: A *tzartzur* is some sort of bottle whose mouth is covered with netting made of earthenware. Around the mouth are teeth that look like those of a comb. Rabbi Eliezer holds that if impurity goes into the airspace of the comb, the comb is not defiled. But the sages hold that this area is considered a receptacle, and the comb can therefore be defiled.