He Was A Kosher Person

וּכְשֶׁמֵת טַבִּי עַבְדּוֹ קִבֵּל תַּנְחוּמִין. אָמְרוּ לוֹ תַּלְמִידָיו: לֹא לִמַּדְנוּ רַבִּינוּ שֶׁאֵין מְקַבְּלִין תַּנְחוּמִין עַל הָעֲבָדִים! אָמַר לָהֶם: אֵין טַבִי עַבִדִּי כִּשָׁאָר הָעֵבָדִים, כָּשֵׁר הָיָה.

And when Tabi his [Rabban Gamliel's] slave died, Rabban Gamliel accepted the consolation of mourners. His students said to him: Have you not taught us, master, that we do not accept consolation for slaves? He replied: My slave, Tabi, was not like other slaves, he was *kosher*.

Mishnah Berachot 2:7