

PRAYER POINTS

HAVE CONFIDENCE IN YOUR PRAYERS

The prayer one utters when his heart is filled with confidence that prayer brings an answer is a far more powerful prayer than the prayer one utters in the hopes that “it just might work this time.” Confidence in the power of prayer is a powerful tool in crafting a prayer that the Almighty will accept.

A complete prayer, on the other hand, is recited with confidence that prayer is the most powerful means to heal the sick or free the condemned. It expresses complete faith that the entire world is in the Almighty’s hands, and that He has at His disposal every salvation and every cure that will ever be needed.

The words of *Tehillim* (Psalms): *The Almighty is close to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him sincerely*, refer to those whose prayers are a harmony of heart, (mind), and words. Rav Mattisyahu Salomon explains that when one prays a complete prayer with faith and confidence that prayer to the Almighty can do it all, he imbues his prayer with the greatest harmony, which makes it all the more acceptable to the Almighty.

POINTS TO PONDER

Confidence in the efficacy of prayer is a powerful tool in crafting a prayer that the Almighty will accept.

A complete prayer expresses faith that everything is in the Almighty’s hands.

The Gemara teaches that one who prays a tefillah sheleimah (complete prayer) is answered.

Psalm 69:14 As for me, may my prayer come to You, O LORD, at a favorable moment; O God, in Your abundant faithfulness, answer me with Your sure deliverance. (TNK)