

Last week we brought from the Ariz"l that a plague can only affect those who are fearful. However, regarding those who strengthen their hearts in *Bitachon* in Hashem and overcome their fear, nothing bad can happen to them.

Although there may be other reasons for the above, it can also be explained based on the basic principle of *Bitachon* espoused by the Chovos HaLevavos in his introduction to Shar HaBitachon: *One who places his trust in someone else, Hashem removes his Divine providence, so to speak, from upon him, placing him under he who he has placed his trust in.* So, when one is fearful of the plague, Hashem may place him under the natural powers of the plague. Nevertheless, as long as he places Himself solely under the Divine providence of He Who created the entire universe out of His infinite love for him, a mere virus has as much power over him as it has over Him.

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