

*Though bright and entrepreneurial, Yaakov still had not achieved financial success. His lack of any successful businesspeople among his circle of friends was in his view, the main reason for this. He had great ideas and ambition but without someone with the financial capability backing him he just couldn't get off the ground. He dreamed of the day when he would partner with a billionaire who would provide him with the ability to take his ideas to fruition. He would no longer have to stagnate in worry over where the money for the next part of any given project would come from. He would be able to throw himself completely into bringing his plans to reality knowing that the billionaire's own skin in the game would assure his commitment to seeing his plans through to success. As luck would have it that day finally came. He succeeded in convincing Mr. Jacobs, one of the wealthiest Jews in the country, of the merit in his latest business idea and he had agreed to partner with him in full, investing a big portion of his wealth in the business. The following day, as Yaakov began getting the business underway, his feelings had no resemblance to how he felt when he had begun all his other attempts at financial success. This time he was certain he would succeed. One of the wealthiest and most powerful Jews in the world was now bound with his and there could be no more secure and comforting feeling in the world.*

How much less worried would we be if we knew that an all-powerful billionaire was heavily invested in our success in any given aspect of our lives? If our success was His, as well as our failure, we would know we have a whole different level of wherewithal to accomplish what we seek.

That dream offer of such a full-fledged partnership is in truth just waiting for us to accept it. The Almighty Creator of the world, the sole decider of all that takes place, tells us: *I am with you in your tzarah* (see *Tehillim* 91:15). How much more peace of mind, security and happiness would we have in every aspect of our lives if we just accepted His offer! As Rav Meir Simchah M'Dvinsk writes (*Meshech Chochma Devarim* 10:20): *When one visualizes the fact that he is attached to Divine providence and Hashem senses his issues more than he senses them himself, and Hashem wants him to succeed more than his own heart wants it... then he will be confident, calm and absent of any worry regarding his own matters, for what will his abilities help in relation to the capabilities of Hashem Who is attached to him and feels for all he lacks...*

His hand is outstretched... Will we accept the partnership?!

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