

AA48. Not Pursuing Righteousness through Our Own Power.

We are not to pursue righteousness through our own power.

This precept is derived from His Word (blessed is He):

Key New Testament Scriptures

Galatians 3:3

Are you that stupid? Having begun with the Spirit's power, do you think you can reach the goal under your own power?

Philippians 4:13

I can do all things through him who gives me power.

Additional New Testament Scriptures

1 Corinthians 2:3-5

Ephesians 6:10

Colossians 1:11

2 Timothy 1:7

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Supportive Tanakh Scriptures

Leviticus 26:19

I will break the pride you have in your own power. I will make your sky like iron, your soil like bronze-

Deuteronomy 8:17-18

.. you will think to yourself, 'My own power and the strength of my own hand have gotten me this wealth.' No, you are to remember ADONAI your God, because it is he who is giving you the power to get wealth, in order to confirm his covenant, which he swore to your ancestors, as is happening even today.

Job 40:12-14

Look at all who are proud, and bring them down; tread down the wicked where they stand. Bury them in the ground together, bind their faces in the hidden world. If you do this, then I will confess to you that your own power can save you.

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This Mitzvah #AA48 is about pursuing righteousness, but relying on God's power and not our own is a requirement for all pursuits done in faith. The degree to which we rely on God's power and not our own is a measure of how disciplined a believer we are.

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