To Believe in Oneself

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Reb Noson would often teach that each person must believe in oneself, no matter what lowly spiritual level they find themselves. God wants *him* and yearns for *his* prayers and praise; because this is God's ultimate truth!

King David declared, "I will also thank you for your truth with a stringed instrument, my God…" (Psalm 71:22) [Reb Noson would paraphrase,] "Master of the Universe, such is your truth that even I will also praise You! Even in my insignificant and lowly stature, still You want me to praise You — for such is Your truth! (Quoted from Rabbi Levi Yitzchok Bender)

The Hebrew words *kli nevel* mentioned in the verse above, which usually means a *stringed instrument*, can also be translated as a *withered and ugly vessel*. This means that even with my perceived impure and unholy *spiritual vessels*, it is Your will and truth that I still endlessly thank you.

~ Otzer Nachmani, Volume I, 51, (Page 62)