

# Endless Possibilities

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## Rebbe Nachman of Breslov taught...

*"No matter how far you've strayed, returning to G-d is always possible.*

*Agree therefore that there is absolutely no place for despair."*

(The Empty Chair\*, p. 111)

## What does this mean to me?

"Never despair!" was Rebbe Nachman's clarion call to our generation. Looking ahead to a time when the Jewish world would suffer from spiritual malaise and what seem to be insurmountable obstacles to fulfilling our spiritual potential and destiny, he offered "the remedy before the illness." Despair is a human failing, and its underlying assumption is that since the solution is mine to devise and carry out, when I am stuck deep in a hole there is just no hope. Rebbe Nachman taught that, quite the contrary—the solution and its implementation is produced hand in hand with G-d, and even if I am in the hole, G-d is never limited. With Him, everything is possible.

**A prayer:**

*"G-d, You've given me  
the physical, emotional  
and spiritual will  
to overcome so many obstacles  
that have risen before me.  
How many times have I faced  
what I perceived to be  
impossible, hopeless situations  
and withstood them—  
and discovered creative solutions  
through which to surmount  
and master them.  
You've strengthened me  
again and again.  
I know that You  
will never fail me."*

(The Gentle Weapon, p. 91\*)

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