

“רבים לוחמים לי מרום”

(תהלים נ:ג)

Many Fight Against Me from on High

THE TEACHING

One of the shortest Torahs in the book: a single line on a verse in Tehillim. King David says “רבים לוחמים לי מרום”, “many fight against me from on high”: a person can have enemies (שונאים) above, in the heights.

MAIN POINTS

- “מרום”, “on high”, means that he has adversaries above, in the heavens.
- As the Sages teach: “כַּךְ יֵשׁ צָרִים מִלְּמַעְלָה, כַּךְ יֵשׁ צָרִים לְמַטָּה”, “just as there are oppressors below, so there are oppressors above.”
- So a struggle we feel down here may have its source on high.

A PRACTICAL TAKEAWAY · OUR OWN REFLECTION

When obstacles seem to come from nowhere, they may come from above. The answer is prayer, and not giving up.

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