

UNDERSTANDING OUR FAITH

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SMASHING IDOLS

The first level of revealing our faith is changing our world view. It is one thing to believe that G-d guides our lives, but we might still fear the world, viewing it as a force that, at times, seeks to stop us from doing what is right. This view is a form of idolatry, believing that there are other forces that rival G-d's will and dominion, and believing that we must be wary of them.

This was the case in the time of the First Temple. The Jews at that time kept the Torah; yet, they worshiped idols.

Chassidus teaches us how G-d's providence extends to every detail of creation. By studying these teachings, we strengthen our faith, and free ourselves of our fear of the world.

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