FA34. Praying for Wisdom.

We are to pray for wisdom.

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

Key New Testament Scriptures

James 1:5

Now if any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives to all generously and without reproach; and it will be given to him.

Additional New Testament Scriptures

James 3:17

Related New Testament Mitzvot

None

Supportive Tanakh Scriptures

2 Chronicles 1:9-10

Now, ADONAI, God, you have been faithful to your promise to David my father; for you have made me king over a people as numerous as the grains of dust on the earth. So now, give me wisdom and knowledge; so that I will be able to lead this people. For who is equal to judging this great people of yours?

Psalms 51:8

Still, you want truth in the inner person; so make me know wisdom in my inmost heart.

Daniel 2:23

I thank and praise you, God of my ancestors, for giving me wisdom and power, and revealing to me what we wanted from you, for giving us the answer for the king.

Comment

Scripture extolls the value of wisdom and is clear that wisdom comes from God. Solomon prayed for wisdom to enable him to lead Israel, and he received it. He is an example for us in that we too can receive wisdom by praying for it and, inferring from James 1:5, we are commanded to do so.

Related Mitzvot in Volumes 1 & 2

None