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One does not stand to pray –	אֵין עוֹמְדִין לְהָתְפַּלֵּל
unless they have a serious mind.	. אֶלָּא מִתּוֹךְ כֹּבֶד רֹאשׁ
The first <i>chassidim</i> (pious ones)	חָסִידִים הָרָאשׁוֹנִים
would wait	הָיוּ שׁוֹהִים
one hour	שֶׁעָה אַחַת
and (then) pray	וּמִתְפַּלְּלִים,
in order that they should direct their heart (i.e. concentrate)	כְּדֵי שֶׁיְּכַוְּנוּ אֶת לְבָּם
to Hashem.	לַפֶּקוֹם.
Even if the king inquires about his welfare	ָאָפָלוּ הַמֶּלֶךְ שׁוֹאֵל בִּשְׁלוֹמוֹ,
he should not answer him.	ָלֹא יְשִׁיבֶנּוּ.
And even if a snake	וַאָפָלוּ נָחָשׁ
is wrapped around his heal	כָּרוּךְ עַל עֲקַבוֹ,
he should not interrupt.	ָלְא יַפְּסִיק: