

Hebrews

Chapter 11 (Part 1)

(v.) אמן *amen* "believe"

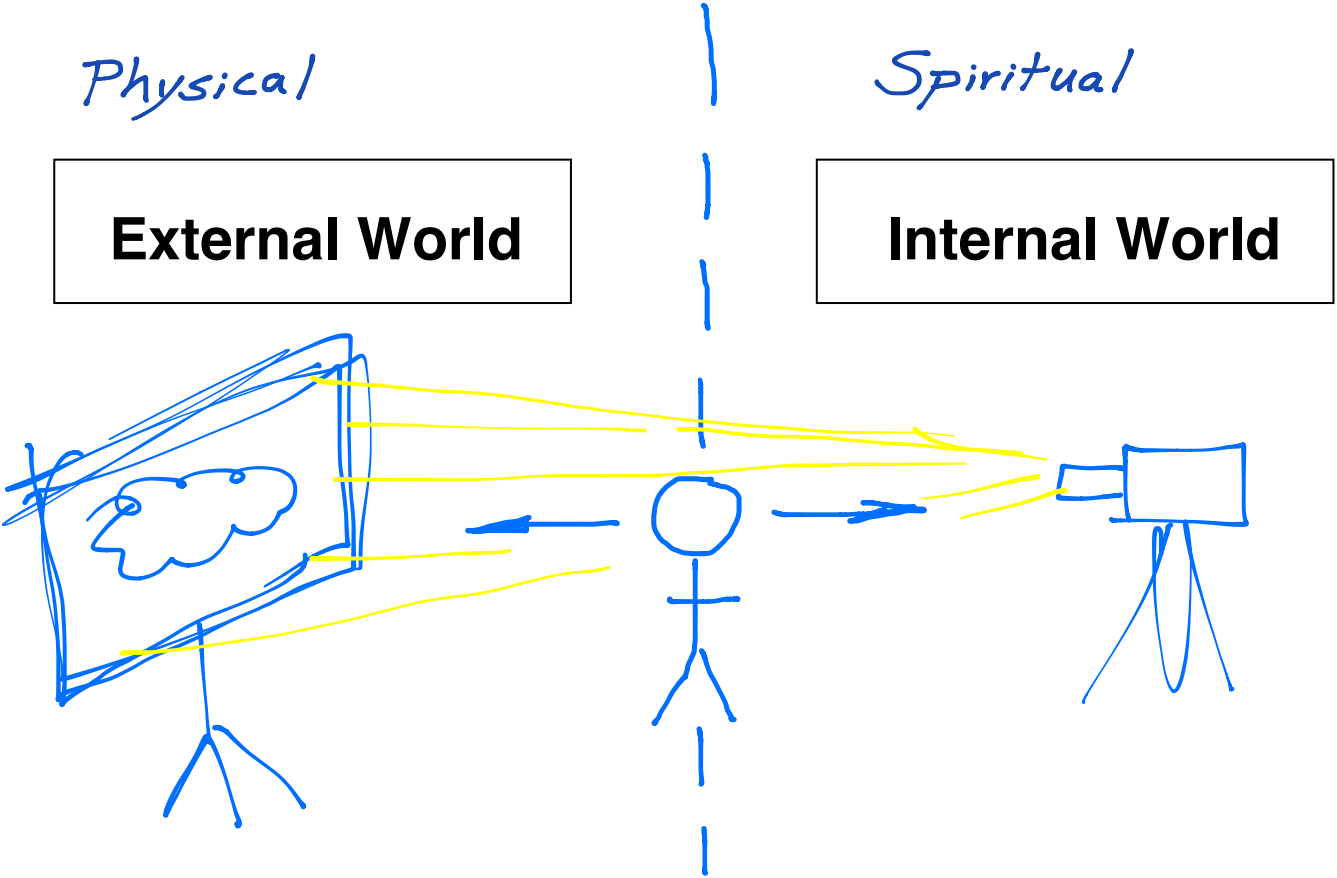
(n.) אמונה *amunah* "faith"

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FAITH = SUBSTANCE + EVIDENCE
(hoped for) (unseen)

Romans 8:24-25

Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what he sees? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.



STAGES OF FAITH

#1 – PURE BELIEF – Inner Awareness

- **The 10 utterances** (Genesis 1)
The 1st is unrevealed
- **The 10 commandments** (Exodus 20)
The 1st is unrevealed
- **The 22 letters of the *Alef-Beit***
The 1st is silent



#2 – SPONTANEOUS ACTION – Response to Faith

ABEL (הַבֵּל)

- Murdered
- Brings a sacrifice pleasing to God
- Obtains a testimony

μαρτυρέω

- Relative righteousness

(better than Cain)

One Act

ENOCK (הֲנוֹךְ)

- Translated
- Lives a life of self-sacrifice
- Obtains a testimony

μαρτυρέω

- Absolute righteousness

(pleasing to God)

Lifestyle

#3 – FAITH IN GOD’S WORDS – Self Benefit

- “Noah” – 55x in Bible. But no mention of obedience!
- Motivated by self-preservation

#4 – OBEDIENCE – Pursuit of God

Abraham (אברהם) –

The first person in the Bible with whom the word “faith/believe” is used.

Genesis 15:5-6

(v.)

And He brought him outside and said, “Look toward heaven, and number the stars, if you are able to number them.” Then He said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” And he believed Adonai, and He counted it to him as righteousness.

Exodus 17:12

(n.)

But Moses’ hands grew weary, so they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it, while Aaron and Hur held up his hands, one on one side, and the other on the other side. So his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. ...

...ויהי ידיו אמונה עד בא השמש :