

Chavakuk came and established the entirety of Torah on one principle: “And the righteous will live within one’s faith.”
(Chavakuk 2:4, Makos 24a)

What does “live within one’s faith” – upon which the *Navi, Chavakuk*, established entire Torah - mean?

The *Chazon Ish (Emunah U’Bitachon 2:2)* explains the difference between *emunah* and *bitachon* as follows: “*Emunah is the general outlook of the believer whereas bitachon is the outlook of the believer upon himself. Emunah is the halachic aspect whereas bitachon is its actuality.*” In other words, ***emunah is the theory, bitachon is actualizing this emunah in one’s day to day life.*** Based on this, it would seem that “living within one’s faith” is in fact what we generally refer to as *bitachon*.

This idea can be found explicitly in the words of the *Vilna Gaon* in his work on *Mishlei (22:19)* where he says: “*The primary reason for the giving of the Torah is so that we will have bitachon in Hashem.*”

We see clearly from the *Gaon*, that **through us placing our trust in Hashem, “living within our faith,” we are bringing out the primary purpose of the giving of the Torah.**

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