

Hebrews 10:32 (NLT)

Think back on those early days when you first learned about Christ. Remember how you remained faithful even though it meant terrible suffering...

Hebrews 10:34 (NLT)

You suffered along with those who were thrown into jail, and when all you owned was taken from you, you accepted it with joy. You knew there were better things waiting for you that will last forever

Hebrews 11:1-2 (HCS)

Now faith is the reality of what is hoped for,
the proof of what is not seen. ² For our
ancestors won God's approval by it.

Hebrews 11:3 (HCS)

By faith we understand that the universe was created by God's command, so that what is seen has been made from things that are not visible.

**FAITH, Reality, HOPE
Certainty?**

Hebrews 11:1-3

Jesus is **BETTER**

Don't GO **BACK**

You Must **PERSEVERE**

10:32 Remember those earlier days after you had
received the **LIGHT**, when you stood your ground
in a great contest **in the face of suffering**.

33 Sometimes you were publicly **exposed to insult**
and **persecution**; at other times you **stood side**
by side with those who were so treated

34 You sympathized with those in prison **and joyfully accepted the confiscation of your property,** because **you KNEW** that you yourselves had **BETTER and lasting possessions.**

10:35 So **DO NOT** throw away **your Confidence...**

10:36 You need to **PERSEVERE...**

¹ Now **faith** is being **sure** of what we **hope** for and **certain** of what we do not see.

² This is what the ancients were commended for.

³ By **FAITH** we **understand** that the universe was **FORMED** at God's command, so that **what is SEEN** was **NOT** made out of **what was visible.**

- Faith is to be **SURE** - the **Foundation** (substance) of what we **HOPE** for
- Faith is to be **CERTAIN**- it is the **Conviction** (evidence) of things we do **NOT** see

¹ **FAITH** is the confidence that what we hope for **WILL** actually happen; **IT** gives us assurance about things we **CANNOT** see. (NLT)

FAITH is **confidence** in the trustworthiness of God. It is the **conviction** that **what God says** is **TRUE** and that **what He promises** **WILL come to pass.** BBC

FAITH makes the things **HOPED for as REAL**
as if we **already had them**, and it provides
unshakable evidence that the **UNSEEN**,
spiritual blessings of Christianity are
absolutely CERTAIN and REAL. BBC

Hebrews 10:34-36 (NLT)

You suffered along with those who were thrown into jail, and when **ALL YOU OWNED** was **TAKEN from you**, you **ACCEPTED it with joy**.

You knew there were better things waiting for you that will last forever.

³⁵ So do not throw away this **CONFIDENT** trust
in the Lord. Remember the great reward it
brings you! ³⁶ **Patient ENDURANCE** is what
you need now, **SO THAT** you will **continue**
to do God's will...

Keep on **TRUSTING**- do NOT give in to **FEAR**

Keep on **BELIEVING**- do NOT be overcome by
DOUBT

Keep on ¹...being **SURE** of what we hope for and
CERTAIN of what we do not see.

Matthew 14:30-31 (NIV) But when **he saw the wind, he was afraid** and, beginning to sink, cried out, Lord, save me! ³¹ Immediately Jesus reached out his hand and caught him. **You of little faith, he said, why did you doubt?**

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Genesis 1:3 (NIV) And **God said**, Let there be light, and **there was light**.

Genesis 1:11 (NIV) **God said**, Let the land produce vegetation ...**And it was so**.

Genesis 1:24 (NIV)

And **God said**, Let the land produce living creatures according to their kinds: livestock... and wild animals, each according to its kind.

And it was so.

Romans 1:20 (NIV) For since the creation of the world **God's invisible qualities** - His eternal power and divine nature - have been **CLEARLY seen, being understood** from what has **been made**, so that men are without excuse.

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HOPE for and **CERTAIN** of what we
DO NOT see.

FAITH deals with things **FUTURE**

(what we **hope** for)

...and things **UNSEEN**

(what we **cannot** observe)

³ **By FAITH** we **UNDERSTAND** that the
universe was
FORMED at **God's command...**

John 1:3 (NIV) **Through Him**

ALL things were **MADE**; without **Him**
nothing was **made** that has been made.

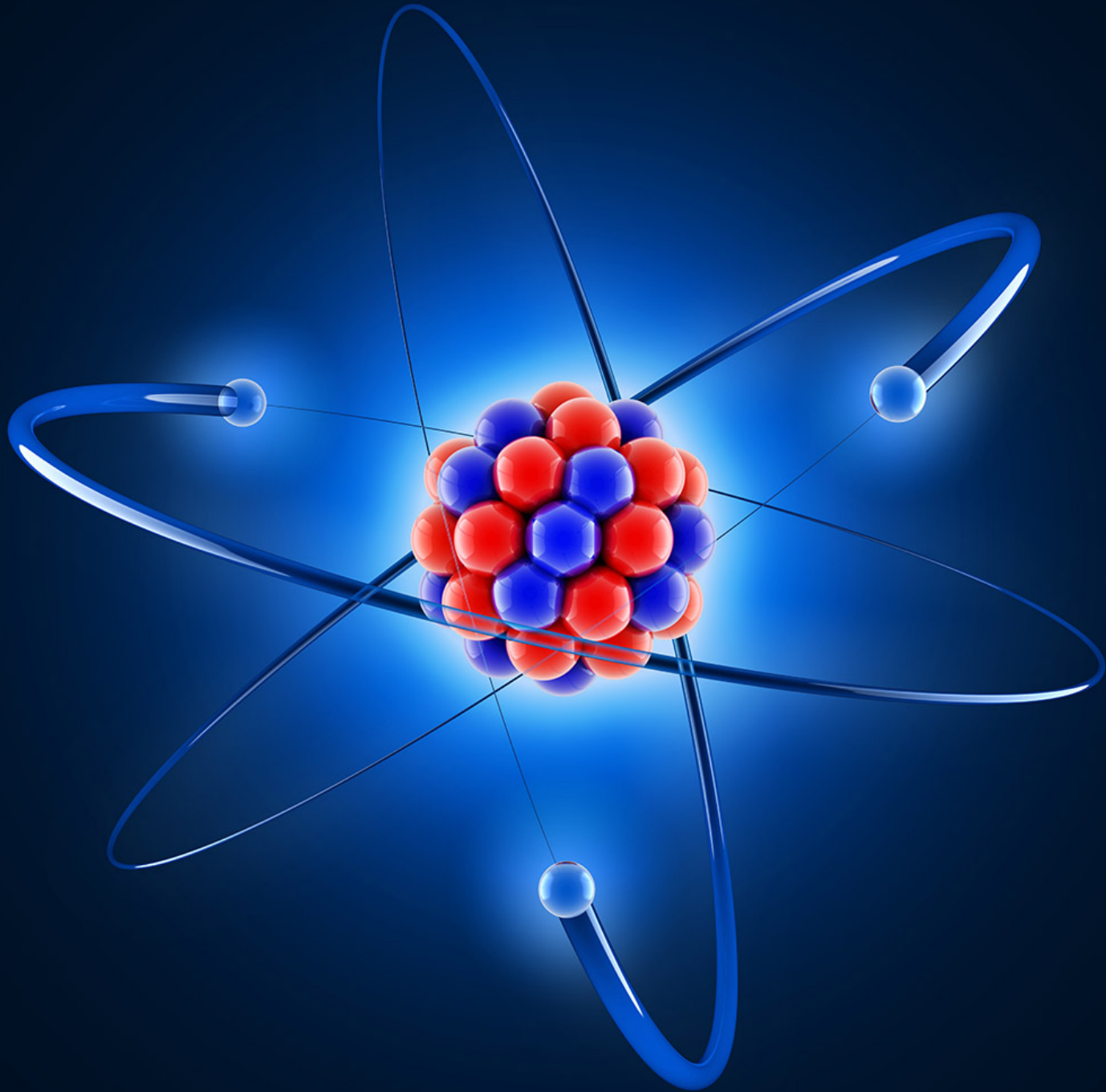
Colossians 1:15-17 (NIV) **He** is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶ For **by Him ALL things were CREATED**: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities...

Colossians 1:15-17 (NIV) ¹⁶...**ALL** things were

CREATED by **Him** and **FOR Him**.

¹⁷ He is before all things, and in Him

ALL things **HOLD TOGETHER**.



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The World says - **Seeing IS believing**

God says - **Believing IS Seeing**

John 11:40 (NLT)

...Didn't I tell you that you would

SEE God's glory IF you BELIEVE?

1 John 5:13 (NIV)

I write these things **to you who BELIEVE** in
the Name of the Son of God **SO THAT** you may
KNOW that you have **Eternal Life**.



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Romans 1:19-20 (NIV)

¹⁹ ...what may be known about God is **PLAIN** to them, because **God has** made it **plain** to them.

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