

Significance of Words in the Book of Mormon Emuna

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Jacob 2:49 Look unto God with **firmness of mind** and pray unto Him with exceeding faith, And He will console you in your afflictions, And He will plead your cause and send down justice upon those who seek your destruction;

Helaman 2:118 And it came to pass that when the sixty and second year of the reign of the judges had ended, all these things had happened; And the Lamanites had become, the more part of them, a righteous people, Insomuch

that their righteousness did exceed that of the Nephites because of **their firmness and their steadiness in the faith.**

Helaman 5:100 "And now because of their steadfastness-when they do believe in that thing which they do believe- **For because of their firmness when they are once enlightened,** Behold, the Lord shall bless them and prolong their days, notwithstanding their iniquity;

Mormon 4:94 Be wise in the days of your probation; Strip yourselves of all uncleanness; Ask not that ye may consume it on your lusts; **But ask with a firmness unshaken,** that ye will yield to no temptation, But that ye will serve the true and living God.

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◀ 530. emunah ▶

Strong's Concordance

emunah: firmness, steadfastness, fidelity

Original Word: אֱמוּנָה

Part of Speech: Noun Feminine

Transliteration: emunah

Phonetic Spelling: (em-oo-naw')

Definition: firmness, steadfastness, fidelity

NAS Exhaustive Concordance

Word Origin

from [aman](#)

Definition

firmness, steadfastness, fidelity

NASB Translation

faith (1), faithful (3), faithfully (8), faithfulness (25), honestly (1), responsibility (1), stability (1), steady (1), trust (2), truth (5).

Notice in all these various translations where the Hebrew word EMUNAH is used, The word in English ALWAYS appears as FAITHFUL/FAITHFULNESS, but FIRMNESS DOES NOT APPEAR IN ANY ENGLISH TRANSLATION.

Exodus 17:12

HEB: וַיְהִי יָדָיו אֶמּוּנָה עַד־ כָּאֵ

NAS: Thus his hands *were steady* until

KJV: and his hands *were steady* until the going down

INT: Thus his hands *were steady* until set

Deuteronomy 32:4

HEB: מִשְׁפָּט אֵל אֶמּוּנָה וְאֵין עוֹל

NAS: A God *of faithfulness* and without

KJV: a God *of truth* and without iniquity,

INT: are just A God *of faithfulness* and without injustice

1 Samuel 26:23

HEB: צְדָקָתוֹ וְאֵת־ אֶמּוּנָתוֹ אֲשֶׁר נָתַן־

NAS: [for] his righteousness *and his faithfulness*; for the LORD

KJV: his righteousness *and his faithfulness*: for the LORD

INT: each his righteousness *and his faithfulness* after delivered

2 Kings 12:15

HEB: הַמְּלָאכָה כִּי בָאֵמּוּנָה הָם עָשִׂים:

NAS: the work, for they dealt *faithfully*.

KJV: on workmen: for they dealt *faithfully*.

INT: the work for *faithfully* they dealt

2 Kings 22:7

HEB: יָדָם כִּי בָאֵמּוּנָה הָם עָשִׂים:

NAS: for they deal *faithfully*.

KJV: because they dealt *faithfully*.

INT: their hands for *faithfully* they deal

1 Chronicles 9:22

HEB: וַיִּשְׁמוּאֵל הַרְאָה בְּאֵמּוּנָתָם:

NAS: appointed *in their office of trust*.

KJV: did ordain *in their set office*.

INT: and Samuel the seer *of trust*

1 Chronicles 9:26

HEB: כִּי בְּאַמוּנָה הָמָּה אַרְבַּעַת

NAS: [were] Levites, *were in an office of trust*, and were over

KJV: porters, *were in [their] set office*, and were over the chambers

INT: for *of trust* who the four

1 Chronicles 9:31

HEB: לְשֵׁלֶם הַקֶּרְחִי בְּאַמוּנָה עַל מַעֲשֵׂה

NAS: the Korahite, *had the responsibility* over

KJV: the Korahite, *had the set office* over the things that were made

INT: of Shallum the Korahite *had the responsibility* over the things

2 Chronicles 19:9

HEB: בְּיִרְאַת יְהוָה בְּאַמוּנָה וּבְלִבְבֵּי שְׁלֵם:

NAS: of the LORD, *faithfully* and wholeheartedly.

KJV: of the LORD, *faithfully*, and with a perfect

INT: the fear of the LORD *faithfully* heart A perfect

2 Chronicles 31:12

HEB: וְהַמְעִשָּׂר וְהַקְדָּשִׁים בְּאַמוּנָה וְעָלִיָּהֶם נָגִיד

NAS: *They faithfully* brought

KJV: and the dedicated *[things] faithfully*: over which Cononiah

INT: and the tithes and the consecrated *faithfully* charge the officer

2 Chronicles 31:15

HEB: בְּעָרֵי הַכֹּהֲנִים בְּאַמוּנָה לְתֵת לְאַחֵיהֶם

NAS: to distribute *faithfully* [their portions] to their brothers

KJV: of the priests, *in [their] set office*, to give

INT: the cities of the priests *faithfully* to distribute their brothers

2 Chronicles 31:18

HEB: קָהָל כִּי בְּאַמוּנָתָם יִתְקַדְּשׁוּ קֹדֶשׁ:

NAS: for they consecrated *themselves faithfully* in holiness.

KJV: through all the congregation: *for in their set office* they sanctified

INT: assembly themselves *faithfully* consecrated holiness

2 Chronicles 34:12

HEB: וְהָאֲנָשִׁים עֹשִׂים בְּאַמוּנָה בְּמְלָאכָה וְעָלִיָּהֶם |

NAS: the work *faithfully* with foremen

KJV: the work *faithfully*: and the overseers

INT: and the men did *faithfully* the work over

Psalms 33:4

HEB: וְכָל־מַעֲשָׂהוּ בְּאַמוּנָה:

NAS: His work *is [done] in faithfulness*.

KJV: and all his works *[are done] in truth*.
INT: and all his work *faithfulness*

Psalm 36:5

HEB: בְּהַשְׁמִימִים חֶסֶדְךָ אֱמוּנָתְךָ עַד-שְׁחַקִּים:
NAS: extends to the heavens, *Your faithfulness* [reaches] to the skies.
KJV: [is] in the heavens; *[and] thy faithfulness* [reacheth] unto the clouds.
INT: to the heavens your lovingkindness *your faithfulness* to the skies

Psalm 37:3

HEB: אֶרֶץ וְרִיעָה אֱמוּנָה:
NAS: and cultivate *faithfulness*.
KJV: in the land, *and verily* thou shalt be fed.
INT: the land and cultivate *faithfulness*

Psalm 40:10

HEB: בְּתוֹךְ לִבִּי אֱמוּנָתְךָ וּתְשׁוּעָתְךָ אִמְרָתִי
NAS: I have spoken *of Your faithfulness* and Your salvation;
KJV: I have declared *thy faithfulness* and thy salvation:
INT: within my heart *of your faithfulness* and your salvation have spoken

Psalm 88:11

HEB: בְּקִבְרֵי חֶסֶדְךָ אֱמוּנָתְךָ בְּאֲבְדוֹן:
NAS: in the grave, *Your faithfulness* in Abaddon?
KJV: in the grave? *[or] thy faithfulness* in destruction?
INT: the grave will your lovingkindness *your faithfulness* destruction

Psalm 89:1

HEB: וְדַר אֶזְכֵּר אֱמוּנָתְךָ בְּפִי:
NAS: I will make known *Your faithfulness* with my mouth.
KJV: will I make known *thy faithfulness* to all
INT: generations will make *your faithfulness* my mouth

Psalm 89:2

HEB: שָׁמַיִם | תִּכְוֶן אֱמוּנָתְךָ בְּהֵם:
NAS: You will establish *Your faithfulness*.
KJV: for ever: *thy faithfulness* shalt thou establish
INT: the heavens will establish *your faithfulness*

Psalm 89:5

HEB: יְהוָה אֵף-אֱמוּנָתְךָ בְּקִהְלֵי קְדוֹשִׁים:
NAS: O LORD; *Your faithfulness* also
KJV: O LORD: *thy faithfulness* also in the congregation
INT: LORD also *your faithfulness* the assembly of the holy

Psalm 89:8

HEB: : חֲסִין אֶל־אֱמוּנָתְךָ סְבִיבוֹתֶיךָ

NAS: LORD? *Your faithfulness* also surrounds

KJV: LORD *like unto thee? or to thy faithfulness* round about

INT: mighty LORD *faithfulness* surrounds

Psalm 89:24

HEB: : אֱמוּנָתִי וְחַסְדִּי עִמּוֹ

NAS: *My faithfulness* and My lovingkindness

KJV: *But my faithfulness* and my mercy

INT: *my faithfulness* and my lovingkindness and in

Psalm 89:33

HEB: : וְלֹא־אֶשְׁקֵר בְּאֱמוּנָתִי

NAS: deal falsely *in My faithfulness*.

KJV: will I not utterly take *from him, nor suffer my faithfulness* to fail.

INT: Nor deal *my faithfulness*

Psalm 89:49

HEB: : נִשְׁבַּעְתָּ לְדָוִד בְּאֱמוּנָתְךָ

NAS: to David *in Your faithfulness?*

KJV: unto David *in thy truth?*

INT: swore to David *faithfulness*

<https://www.ancient-hebrew.org/ahlb/adopted.html>

𐤀𐤓+ (תקן)

𐤀𐤓+ (common, תקן) **Translation:** FIRM (V) **Definition:** [To be verified]
To be firm in strength and authority. **KJV Translations:** prevail, strong,
harden, firm **Strong's Hebrew #:** h.8630 **Strong's Aramaic #:** a.8631

𐤀𐤓+ (masc., תקן) **Translation:** FIRMNESS **KJV Translations:** strength,
might **Strong's Aramaic #:** a.8632

𐤀𐤓𐤀+ (masc., תקין) **Translation:** MIGHTY **KJV Translations:** mightier,
strong, mighty **Strong's Hebrew #:** h.8623 **Strong's Aramaic #:** a.8624

𐤀𐤓𐤁+ (masc., תוקן) **Translation:** AUTHORITY **Definition:** [To be verified]
In the sense of firmness. **KJV Translations:** strength, power,
authority **Strong's Hebrew #:** h.8633

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WHICH MEANS FIRM AND STEADFAST.

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Do we have the *emuna*, faith in the Sovereignty of G-d that He has the ability to alter the course of history and convince even the invincible? Are we willing to accept that Almighty Creator of the Universe might have to give us some options we cannot refuse, and take away some of our arrogance and free will that was stolen from us by the “*nachash*”, the power of illusion first created in the Garden of Eden (*Gan Eden*), by the wily serpent at the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil (*Etz HaDaat Tov vaRa*) that led to Adam and Eve’s fall.

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BUT MANY INSTANCES IN THE COMPLETE JEWISH BIBLE:

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6 Bible results for “Steadfast” from

Complete Jewish Bible.

Results 1-6.

SUGGESTED RESULT

[1 Corinthians 15:58](#)

So, my dear brothers, stand firm and immovable, always doing the Lord’s work as vigorously as you can, knowing that united with the Lord your efforts are not in vain.

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BIBLE SEARCH RESULTS

1. [Psalm 57:8](#)

My heart is **steadfast**, God, **steadfast**. I will sing and make music.

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2. [Psalm 108:2](#)

My heart is **steadfast**, God. I will sing and make music with my glory.

[In Context](#) | [Full Chapter](#) | [Other Translations](#)

3. [Proverbs 29:14](#)

If a king **steadfastly** gives justice to the poor, his throne will be secure forever.

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4. [Romans 12:12](#)

Rejoice in your hope, be patient in your troubles, and continue **steadfastly** in prayer.

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5. [1 Timothy 6:11](#)

But you, as a man of God, flee from these things; and pursue righteousness, godliness, faithfulness, love, **steadfastness**, gentleness.

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6. [2 Timothy 3:10](#)

But you, you have closely followed my teaching, conduct, purpose in life, trust, **steadfastness**, love and perseverance —

[In Context](#) | [Full Chapter](#) | [Other Translations](#)

422. אֱמוּנָה / עִמּוּנָה / e-mu-nah **Translation:** Firmness
Definition: Securely fixed in place. **AHLB:** 1290-C (d1)
Strong's: 530

More about the word אֱמוּנָה

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Introduction Ancient Hebrew Dictionary, Jeff A. Benner, 2009: