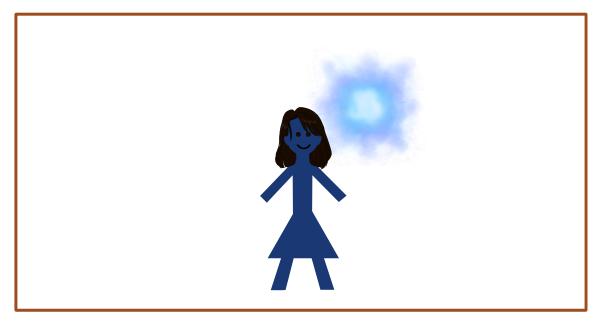
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## The Vision

# The First Step: What Is The Desired Outcome?

Jump Into The Future And See Your Life
As You Would Want It To Be.

- 1. What are the Character Traits that I would love to have?
- 2. What is the Impact that I want to have on others?
- 3. What does my relationship with Hashem look like?
- 4. In this Picture of myself that I want to grow into...
  - A. What Am I Doing?
  - B. How Do I Feel?
  - C. What Does My World Look Like?
  - D. Listen to Your 'Dreamer' Voice.
    Shut down the 'Realist' and the 'Critic' for now.



Draw out every aspect of your Vision: Physical. Emotional. Spiritual. Mental.

KEEP Looking At This Vision!
KEEP Tweaking This Vision
KEEP Rehearsing The Desired Outcome





What Is My Relationship With Hashem?

What Am I Doing? How Do I Feel? How Do I Impact Others? Physical. Emotional. Spiritual. Mental.

Keep Updating Your Vision As You Continue To 'Learn' Yourself



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What Is My Relationship With Hashem?

### Stop. Think. Now You Can Act!

... אבל בשרשם אין

כאן רק מדם אחת טובה ומדם אחת רשה, כמדם הרשה כיא סכזנחה את החיים בטבעים על מהלכם הטבעי, ובלי כל השתדלות ישתלם במדות הרשות כולן, יהי כטסן מצוין, נוקם מצוין, גאה מצוין וכן הלאה, לא יחסר לו מכל המדות הרשות שמנו חכמים מאומה.

והמדה העובה היא ההסכמה המוחלעת לבכר את הרגש המוסרי על רגש החאוני ומנקודה זו הוא לוחם נגד כל מדות הרעות יחד, ולא יחכן שתהיה הסכמה זו לחזאין, שזה האיש אשר אור השכל וסגולת הנפש הקילוהו וישפיעו עליו לבחירת העוב, הוא שואף בשעה העובה לעוב בלי מלרים ואינו רואה שבע לנפשו בכל העוב שיעשה, והוא רואה עולם נלחי בלחי קן ובלחי מכלית, וכרגע יחעב כל מדות רעות יחד. (חדון איש, אמונה ובטחון - פרק ד')

At the root (of all specific middos) there is one good middah and one evil middah. The evil middah is to allow one's life to take its natural course.

Without any effort one will excel in all evil middos...

The good middah is the absolute decision to overpower one's natural desires with one's ethical yearnings. This is how one battles all his evil middos.





\*\* We Can Develop Into Thinking People Who Are In Control Of \*\*

Ourselves, As Our Actions Will Be Guided By Our שכד Instead Of Our Natural Tendencies

# Let's Train That Critical Voice... ...And Learn How to Use It...

We all have a critical inner voice, which is not always bad. That voice protected us from doing things which we would have been ashamed of or punished for. But it must be well-trained to state its opinion only when it is helpful and protective. If we do not define its task and limit its power, it will paralyze us with anxiety and self-hatred.

-Miriam Adahan

#### Here's What We Tell The Voice:

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Your job is to

#### 2. Limit Its Power

a. Give it A Time:

"I'm putting you in a box. You can come out later."

Or
"I will listen to you for 10
minutes at \_\_ o'clock."

#### b. Give it Parameters:

I can only listen to you if what you're saying is helpful and protective.

#### c. Welcome Its Input:

- a) I know you're trying to protect me
- b) Thank you for your efforts
- c) You have some wisdom, and you know me well. I hear you.

When lealing with the Voice, Ask Yourself:
Is this Thought Helpful?
Is it Getting me Closer to Who I want to Be?