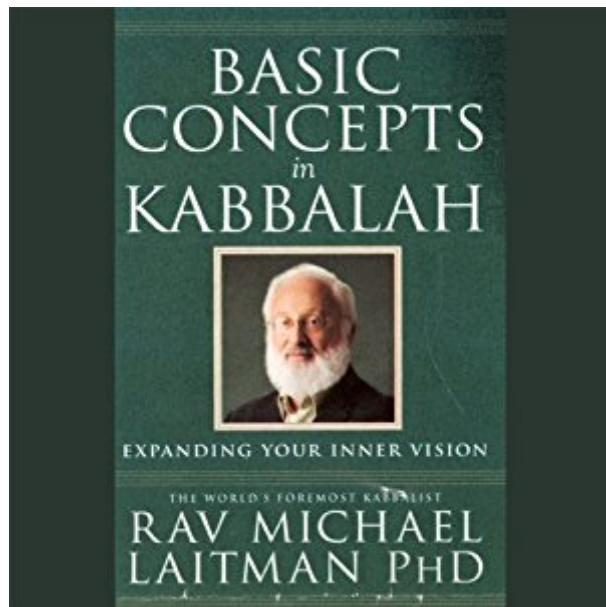


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# Basic Concepts In Kabbalah: Expanding Your Inner Vision



## **Synopsis**

Basic Concepts in Kabbalah is a gentle and wise introduction to the concepts and significance of Kabbalah. The audiobook presents ideas and principles in a comfortable manner, allowing the listener to feel at ease with ideas that can seem intimidating if presented in a more demanding fashion. Brief but intimate, the book encourages a second and third listening and further exploration into Kabbalah. Each chapter focuses on a different aspect of Kabbalah but these lessons are unified by a spirit that communicates directly to the listener's soul. A brief but powerful beacon of learning, the book has subtle force and is the ideal introduction to the art and science of Kabbalah. The concepts presented in the book have their roots in what is universally recognized as the authentic disclosure of Kabbalah, the Sulam Commentary on the Zohar, written in the 1930s by Yehuda Ashlag. Author Laitman is the genuine heir to these concepts, as they were personally passed on to him through years of study with Ashlag's eldest son and successor. This relationship is significant, as the listener is assured of having access to the true Kabbalah, not simply a contemporary writer's personal interpretations and "glossing over" of what are deeply complex lessons and ideas. Rav Michael Laitman, Ph.D., is the authentic heir to the genuine Kabbalah and this unique book offers these concepts to listeners of all backgrounds. Easy to listen to, impossible to forget, Basic Concepts in Kabbalah is the ideal introduction to the spiritual power and wisdom that is Kabbalah.

## **Book Information**

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## **Customer Reviews**

Although on the surface the title might imply that this is a book only for beginners, I would disagree.

It is certainly very appropriate for beginners as it serves to introduce us to the basic concepts in Kabbalah as stated. However, by reading this book over and over it will do more than just that. This book is all about contemplating spiritual terms and thereby expanding our inner vision...our consciousness. There is a spiritual structure that is ever present around us and it is up to our efforts to learn how to see, feel and experience these hidden worlds. Kabbalah is all about attracting the Light that corrects and this book attracts much Light.

An excellent source for the beginner as well as the advanced student of Kabbalah. Highly recommended. You will be reading this one over and over there is so much information. For the reasonable price you can't go wrong.

This book explains Kabbalah in a way that shows you the infinite and vast universe and how it can't be understood with intellect or human language and reasoning because it is so big! It is mind blowing!

A most informative read. If you don't understand some of the very basic terminology then this should not be your first book. If you are interested in reading something which has not been glamourized out of proportion by celebrities, then I highly recommend this book.

I got the audiobook version of this amazing work and I have to say it is one of my new favorites. Its not so much about the Kabbalah itself as about how to approach the Kabbalah. It covers some of the basic concepts you need to know to start studying the Kabbalah, the attitude, the intent and so on. Although the tree of life and the sephirot are discussed, the student is primarily readied to start a serious lifelong study of the Kabbalah and begin the work of spiritual development.

I started this book with eager anticipation hoping for a clear and concise list of Kabbalah's basic concepts. While there is a chapter towards the end of the book devoted specifically to this, I found the mix of simple language and complex concepts used throughout the book didn't really meet the needs of either the beginner to Kabbalah studies or the advanced student. While the language was simplified for beginners, the concepts and terminology were not adequately addressed to provide a solid understanding to a beginner. On the other hand, the concepts familiar to advanced students were presented in such a basic manner that meaningful nuances were not available to the reader at all. Overall, my expectations based on the title were not met, leaving me with a sense of

disappointment.

As a beginner in the study of Kabbalah this book meant so much to me. When I moved to more advanced study the concepts stayed with me assisting understanding of spiritual terms and encouraging contemplation of the wisdom of Kabbalah. The Basic Concepts in Kabbalah begins with the beautiful and powerful poem, The Tree of Life, setting the tone for the entire book. In the introduction I saw a depiction of my condition as a part of the stark situation humanity finds itself in, but there also followed a description of the way to resolve each issue that stands between man and the Upper Worlds. The foundation of Kabbalah is explained through the perception, purpose and giving of Kabbalah, these chapters were particularly useful in getting started with my study. If I were to choose the most inspiring, uplifting part of the book it would be the chapter AfterWord to the Zohar. It offered me an understanding and concise description of attaining adhesion with the Creator, just what that means and how to go about arriving at the closest place or state to the Creator that can be obtained. Near the end of the book is the section on key concepts, this is a beautifully enlightening list of things that is in itself an education in Kabbalah. It is, and will be, a reference for me in my study of Kabbalah.

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