

Synergy

WE ARE BETTER
TOGETHER!

GEN 2:18-22; COR
12:12-27; ROM
12:3-5

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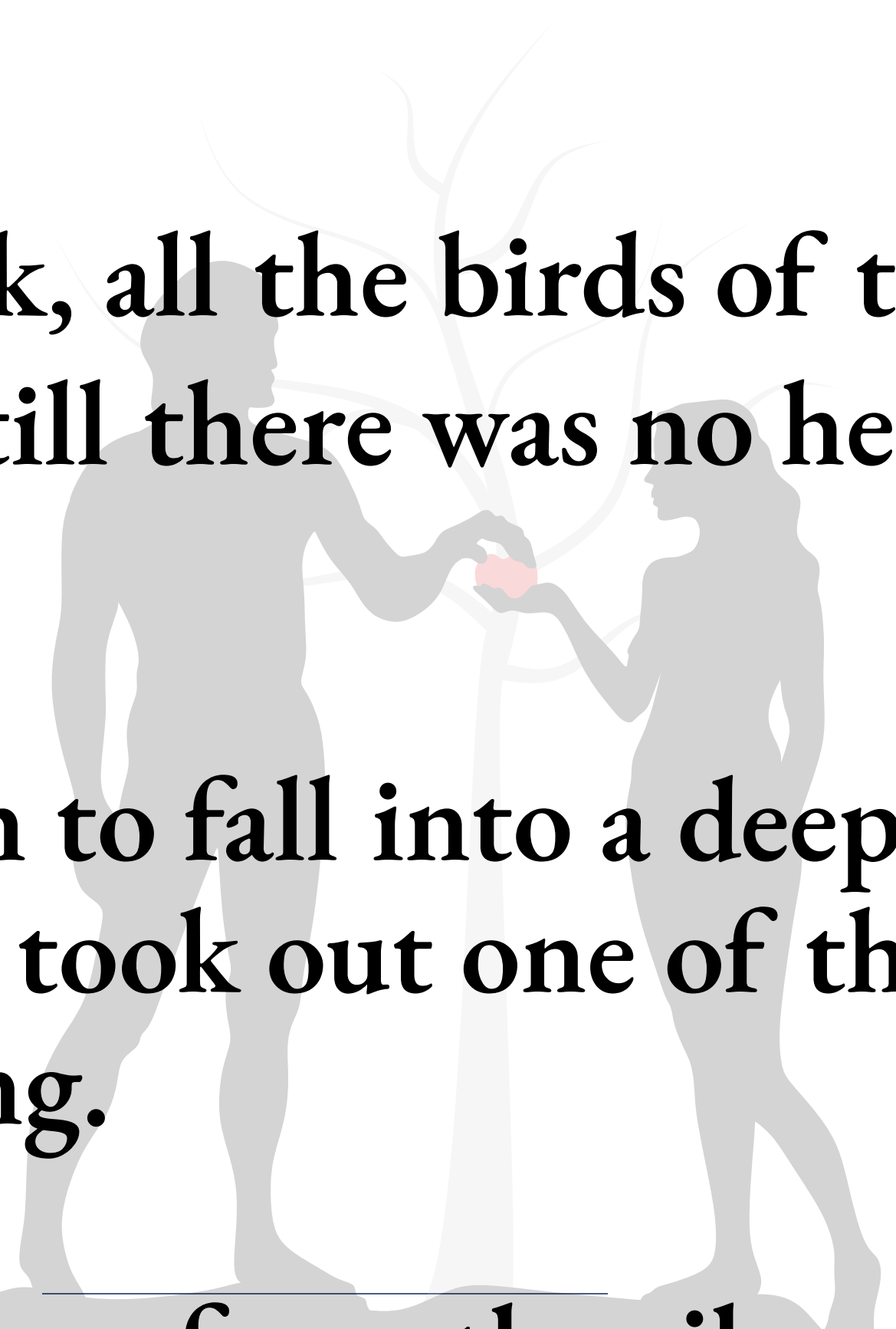


Gen 2:18-22 NLT

20 He gave names to all the livestock, all the birds of the sky, and all the wild animals. But still there was no helper just right for him.

21 So the Lord God caused the man to fall into a deep sleep. While the man slept, the Lord God took out one of the man's ribs and closed up the opening.

22 Then the Lord God made a woman from the rib, and he brought her to the man.



Romans 12:3-5 NLT

3 Because of the privilege and authority God has given me, I give each of you this warning: Don't think you are better than you really are. Be honest in your evaluation of yourselves, measuring yourselves by the faith God has given us.

4 Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function,

5 so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other.

Corinthians 12:12-27 NLT

12. The human body has many parts, but the many parts make up one whole body. So it is with the body of Christ. 13. Some of us are Jews, some are Gentiles, some are slaves, and some are free. But we have all been baptized into one body by one Spirit, and we all share the same Spirit. 14. Yes, the body has many different parts, not just one part. 15. If the foot says, “I am not a part of the body because I am not a hand,” that does not make it any less a part of the body. 16. And if the ear says, “I am not part of the body because I am not an eye,” would that make it any less a part of the body?

17. If the whole body were an eye, how would you hear? Or if your whole body were an ear, how would you smell anything?

18. But our bodies have many parts, and God has put each part just where he wants it. **19.** How strange a body would be if it had only one part! **20.** Yes, there are many parts, but only one body. **21.** The eye can never say to the hand, “I don’t need you.” The head can’t say to the feet, “I don’t need you.” **22.** In fact, some parts of the body that seem weakest and least important are actually the most necessary.

23. And the parts we regard as less honorable are those we clothe with the greatest care. So we carefully protect those parts that should not be seen, **24.** while the more honorable parts do not require this special care. So God has put the body together such that extra honor and care are given to those parts that have less dignity. **25.** This makes for harmony among the members, so that all the members care for each other. **26.** If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it, and if one part is honored, all the parts are glad.

27. All of you together are Christ's body, and each of you is a part of it. **28.** Here are some of the parts God has appointed for the church:

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Synergy is the concept that the combined effect of two or more entities is greater than the sum of their individual parts. It is often described in corporate environments using the playful equation $1 + 1 = 3$, meaning that when people or assets work together, they achieve better results than they could have achieved completely on their own. [\[1\]](#), [\[2\]](#), [\[3\]](#)

“I also tell you this: If two of you agree here on earth concerning anything you ask, my Father in heaven will do it for you. ²⁰For where two or three gather together as my followers, I am there among them.”

— Matthew 18:19–20



Three Points:

1. God's Design

2. God's Craftsmanship

3. God's Purpose.



1. God's Design:

- From the Beginning
- Throughout Scripture
- God's way versus the World's way





John 15:5

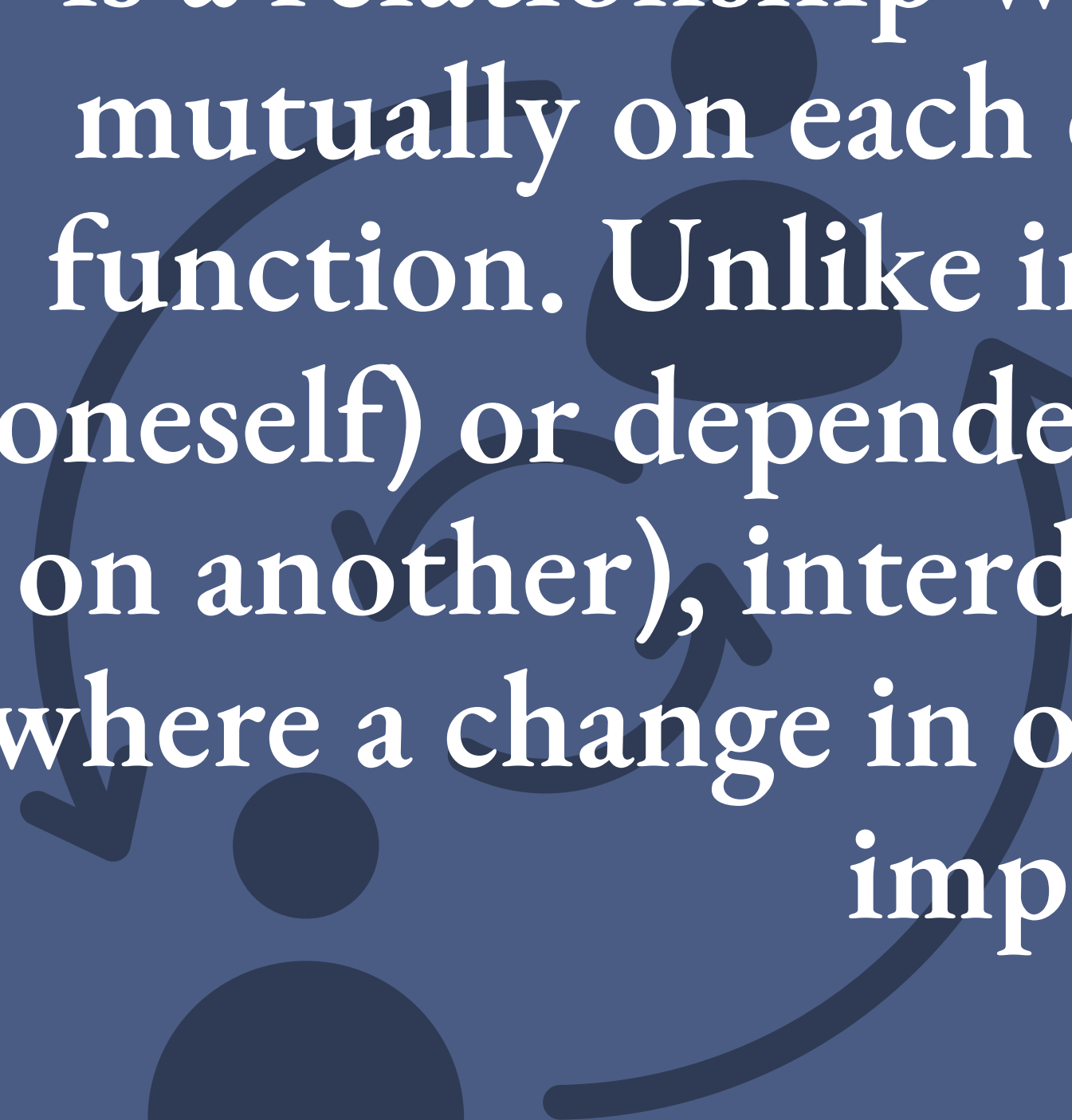


John 15:5 tells us that God's has instructed us to stay connected (dependent) to the vine; as Jesus is the vine and we are the branches. We are to be dependent on Jesus and walk interdependently with one another.



Interdependence:

is a relationship where two or more parties rely mutually on each other for survival, success, or function. Unlike independence (relying only on oneself) or dependence (one party relying entirely on another), interdependence is a two-way street where a change in one part of the system instantly impacts the others.



2. God's Craftsmanship:

- We are God's workmanship-
Eph 2:10
- His choice to give gifts as He
sees fit.-1 Cor 12:27
- Walk/work harmoniously
together-Rom 12:4-5



3. God's Purpose:

- Walk in unity-Psalms 133:1
- Building one another up to do good works-Eph 4:16

