



## A<sup>bout</sup> – Oneness

B<sup>est Verse</sup> – Genesis 2:24 See also Matthew 19:5 and Ephesians 5:31

“For this reason a man leaves his father and mother and is united to his wife, and they become one flesh.”

This oneness is a spiritual and transcendent thing. So, the question comes up: If it is something *beyond us*,

how can this kind of unity be experienced in our natural, sentient world? Contrary to the popular

notion, it is not the *feeling* of “being in love.” Rather, it is a vow, a life-long commitment to “*being love.*”

In other words, it is a choice to put the need of the other before the need of self at all times. It is

maintained through all experiences regardless of feelings so that “it never fails.”<sup>1Co13:8</sup> In fact, it is a

choice to disregard the natural desire to compete for one’s personal benefit, and instead to obey the Spirit’s

desire for the fruits of love as our gift to one’s spouse: joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

gentleness, and self-control irrespective of the emotions tied to eroticism and affection.<sup>Eph5:22</sup>

C<sup>ommitment</sup> – Infinite Three in One, You make husbands and wives one. I must rely on Your Spirit at all times to love others like this...like You. Spirit come! This kind of love is only possible by Your indwelling power.

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<sup>1</sup> Inspired by Lewis’ Screwtape Letters, No.18