



It was obvious that the God of the Universe outside is also the same God of the inside, the soul of human persons but with a difference: the implanted laws and dynamics were fixed to work in harmony in the Universe. However, Human Persons were intended by God to also experience this same harmony but with a dangerous clause; "I give you freedom to make decisions in your life" and we know what happened to Adam and Eve and also to Cain and Abel.

"We remain firmly convinced that the family is a gift of God, the place where he reveals the power of his saving grace."

Pope Francis

With the insights of life blurred, the process of discernment to differentiate between good from evil and the capability to make decisions is lost. Decisions made are based only on SELF interest but not necessarily in accordance with the Will of God the Creator. **Thus, it is firm in our Scriptures that we cannot separate God from the Universe and the World, God from the Human Person and the Human Family.**

Our Christian Faith intrinsically interrelated with the Will of God is not predetermined fate but the willingness of the followers of Jesus to journey as a People of God Our Father, keeping on the path of Jesus and with the Spirit of Jesus in our hearts and our lives. This is the quintessence and embodiment of Synodality, without which activities will turn to activism, our words into rhetoric and lives as lights under the table.

The foundation of Synodality is thus a journey with Jesus as baptised and Chosen to be an intrinsic part of the People of God. Becoming a part of this Church is what makes us part of the Body of Christ, even an infant in the mother's arms has to be loved with tenderness and experience the love of Jesus for the Church.

How is the Church the Home and Family of God? ❖

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SCRIPTURE
of the DAY

Genesis 15: 5-12, 17-18

Psalms 26: 1, 7-9, 13-14

Philippians 3: 17- 4: 1 or
3: 20 – 4: 1

Luke 9: 28-36

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**FAMILY - CALLED TO NURTURE
 FAMILY VALUES AND RELATIONSHIPS**

"God Looked at Everything He Had Made, & Found it Very Good"

– Genesis 1:31



The path to being Pilgrims of Hope through Synodality is clearly possible with the return to examine the basic principles that lie at the foundations of Christianity and the gradual shifts that have taken place over the recent past. It is imperative that we begin with our basic belief that God as Creator of the Universe and the World had an intention and purpose and the result was something God saw "was good" (Genesis 1). Creation story moves next to the man and woman and God saw it was "very good".