

**Life Principle Day Twenty-Eight:**

***No Christian has ever been called to "go it alone" in his or her walk of faith.***

**Today's Reading**  
**Ecclesiastes 4:7-12**



God never intended that His children would walk by themselves. We see that as early as Genesis 2, where he noted that, "It is not good for the man to be alone..." (v. 18). He underlines, italicizes, and highlights that principle in Ecclesiastes 4. In fact, did you notice in Solomon's growing list of things that are "meaningless under the sun" he adds "a man all alone." In other words, attempting life...even the Christian life... without connection to other believers is a dangerous thing (vv. 7, 8)! Such an isolated life can lead to an inordinate amount of work, discontentment, and even a sense of futility. The perils of the seclusion are real!

Meanwhile, verses 9-12 remind us of the benefits of connection. Indeed, two are better than one! Together with other believers,

1. You experience efficient, fruitful work. Together with others, you can accomplish more.
2. You have someone who is there to help you when you fall down. Others come to your side in time of need.
3. You are able to offer assistance to others. You are able to warm them when they are cold.
4. You experience added protection. When opposition comes, you feel the blessing of community!

Would you consider yourself to be relationally connected to other believers? Taking the steps necessary to establish deeper, vulnerable relationships can seem overwhelming. But, it is there that the blessing of life the way God intended it is experienced! God doesn't want you to walk alone in life. Become part of a group that journeys through life together.