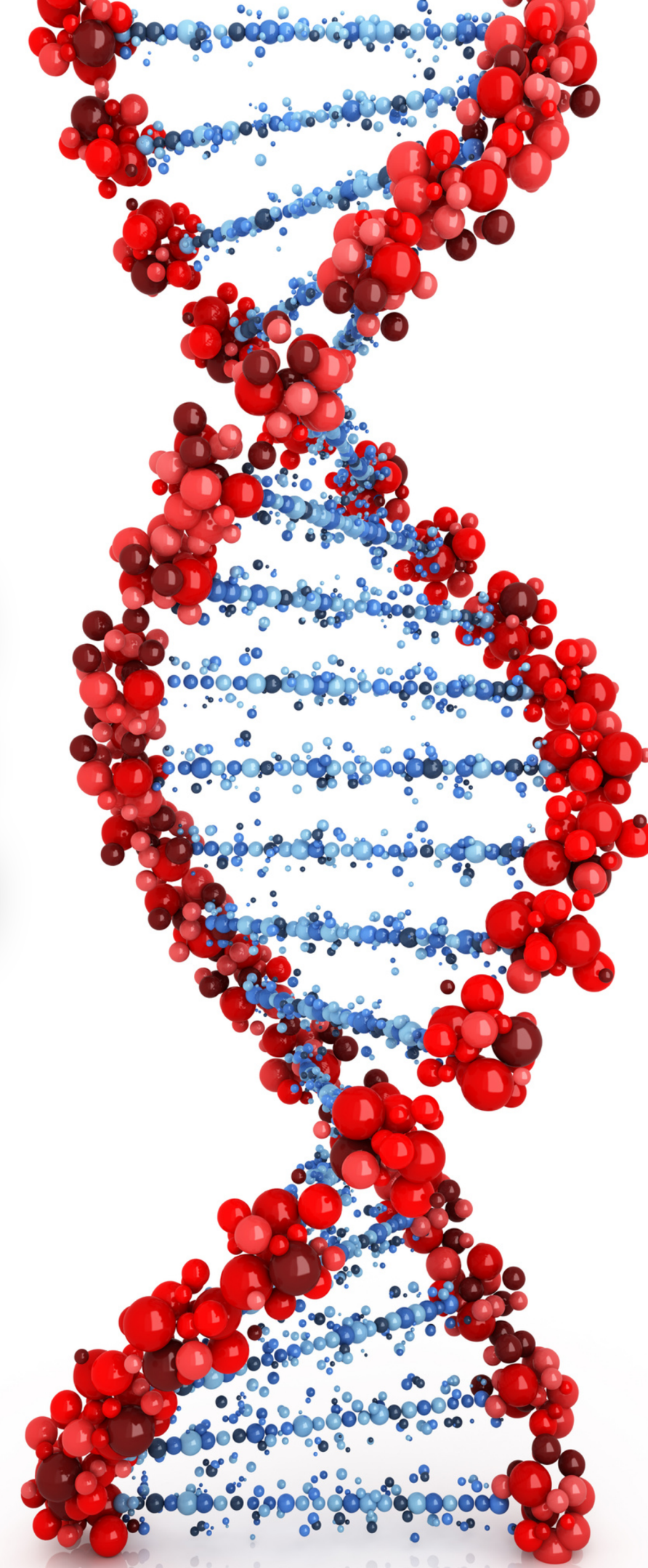


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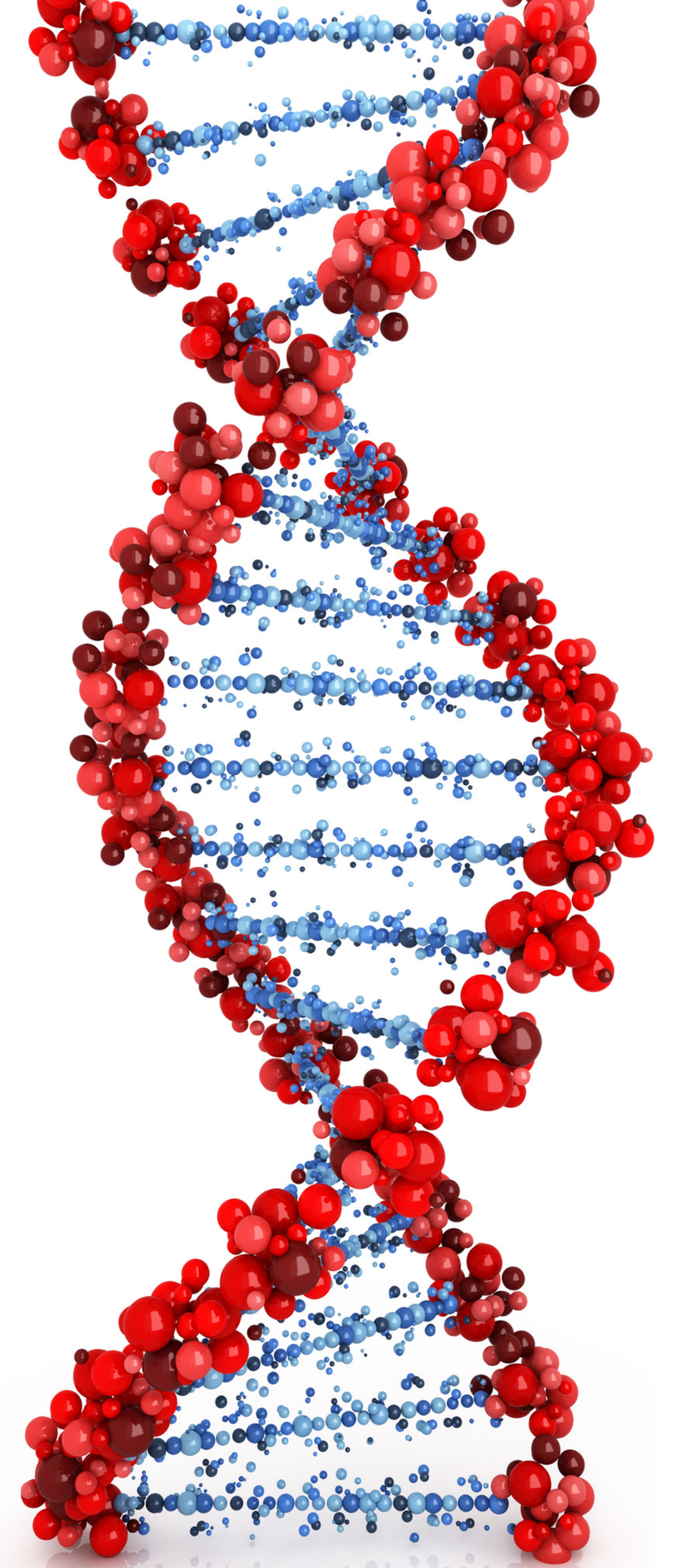


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ACTS 2:42-45

⁴² AND THEY DEVOTED THEMSELVES TO THE APOSTLES' TEACHING AND THE FELLOWSHIP, TO THE BREAKING OF BREAD AND THE PRAYERS. ⁴³ AND AWE CAME UPON EVERY SOUL, AND MANY WONDERS AND SIGNS WERE BEING DONE THROUGH THE APOSTLES. ⁴⁴ AND ALL WHO BELIEVED WERE TOGETHER AND HAD ALL THINGS IN COMMON. ⁴⁵ AND THEY WERE SELLING THEIR POSSESSIONS AND BELONGINGS AND DISTRIBUTING THE PROCEEDS TO ALL, AS ANY HAD NEED.

ACTS 2:46-47

⁴⁶ AND DAY BY DAY, ATTENDING THE TEMPLE TOGETHER AND BREAKING BREAD IN THEIR HOMES, THEY RECEIVED THEIR FOOD WITH GLAD AND GENEROUS HEARTS, ⁴⁷ PRAISING GOD AND HAVING FAVOR WITH ALL THE PEOPLE. AND THE LORD ADDED TO THEIR NUMBER DAY BY DAY THOSE WHO WERE BEING SAVED.

HEBREWS 10:24-25

²⁴ AND LET US CONSIDER HOW TO STIR UP ONE ANOTHER TO LOVE AND GOOD WORKS, ²⁵ NOT NEGLECTING TO MEET TOGETHER, AS IS THE HABIT OF SOME, BUT ENCOURAGING ONE ANOTHER, AND ALL THE MORE AS YOU SEE THE DAY DRAWING NEAR.

**“FOR WHERE THE CHURCH IS,
THERE IS THE SPIRIT OF GOD;
AND WHERE THE SPIRIT OF GOD
IS, THERE IS THE CHURCH, AND
EVERY KIND OF GRACE;”**

ST. IRENAEUS

Irenaeus, 1994. Against Heresies. In A. Roberts (ed.), Ante-Nicene Fathers. Vol 1. (Peabody, MA: Hendrickson Publishers).

**“HE CANNOT HAVE GOD FOR HIS
FATHER WHO HAS NOT THE
CHURCH FOR HIS MOTHER.”**

ST. CYPRIAN

Cyprian, The Unity of the Church (Treatise 1), in The Ante-Nicene Fathers (ANF), Vol. 5, edited by Alexander Roberts and James Donaldson (Peabody, MA: Hendrickson Publishers, 1994).

**“ANYONE WHO IS TO FIND CHRIST
MUST FIRST FIND THE CHURCH.
HOW COULD ANYONE KNOW
WHERE CHRIST IS AND WHAT
FAITH IN HIM IS UNLESS HE KNEW
WHERE HIS BELIEVERS ARE?”**

MARTIN LUTHER

**YOU CANNOT EMBRACE CHRIST
WHILE REJECTING THE VERY
BODY HE PURCHASED WITH HIS
OWN BLOOD.**

Leader: The early believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, fellowship, breaking of bread, and prayer. Their shared life reflected deep commitment and joy.

Church: We are a devoted church

All Together:

We devote ourselves to Scripture.

We devote ourselves to fellowship.

We devote ourselves to prayer and the table.