Background

During the Written By the Spirit Conference in Shrewsbury (11-12 June 2012), we were given an exercise where we were shown a list of words. We were then invited to select a word and to use it to write what God put into our minds. The only stipulation was that we were to launch into it and not stop writing until a halt was called at the end of 10 minutes. The word I selected was "net" and this is what I found myself writing.

The Net

I see a jumble of ropes lying on the ground. They are all confused like a plate of spaghetti. People come along and each person picks up a rope by one end. They then separate the ropes so that all are free of the jumble. Now people take hold of the free end of someone else's rope. Now they have two ropes in their hand.

They gather up other ropes and share them as well until and then spread out and discover that they now form a cobweb design where everyone is linked to everyone else, either directly or indirectly. No one claims to have designed it. It has just happened. Or has it?

There is obviously a plan, but where is the planner?

The miracle is that nobody is disconnected. Everyone has their place in the design. All they had to do was find it.

How did it all come about? We can only wonder at the beauty of what has developed.

We then are inspired to seek the creator of the net. And we discover that we can only do that if we move together as one. One moves and the rest follow - a unity of purpose is found as we seek the creator.

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