



#51 Oneness



Could you imagine being a song? Pretend that you had no body; pretend that you just had a melody. Well, that's exactly what it was like for the two mourning doves in this fable. You see, they were in heaven, and they were singing together. The one dove would sing his questioning song, then the other dove would answer with her song. Since the doves were in heaven, they did not have bodies. They had no wings, no feathers, no beaks and no eyes. You could say that THE DOVES WERE SONGS that flew all around while singing. Some days they would blend together as one song - one harmony. It was like the two doves were one.

One sunny day, both mourning doves flew all the way from heaven to earth. They were surprised to see that now they had bodies. The mourning doves loved how beautiful their bodies were with exquisite brown and grey feathers, but they did not like that they were TWO SEPARATE BODIES! As long as they were separate, they could not blend together as one, like they could when they were songs.

Missing heaven, they resolved to try to be ONE instead of TWO. First, they flew so close together that they were almost one bird, but that did not work because they had to stay apart so that their wings would not touch and make them fall. A second time they tried to stand very, very close on a branch, but that did not work because one of them always pushed the other off of the branch.

Finally, they gave up trying to be one body and went back to singing together. Suddenly they realized that their songs could blend on earth, just as they had in heaven! Even with separate bodies on earth, their songs could be in harmony. Once again, the two mourning doves were as one.

WE CAN BE ONE IN SONG