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LORD made them both.”

What does this verse mean?

This verse reminds us that God is the Creator of all things, including our senses, each designed for a specific purpose. It says:

“The hearing ear and the seeing eye, the LORD has made them both.” (*Proverbs 20:12*)

Notice the verse emphasizes “an ear that does not hear” and “an eye that does not see.” This highlights the unique and distinct roles of each sense — an ear cannot see, and an eye cannot hear.

This reflects the intentional diversity God has built into creation. Each part is created for its own function, demonstrating God’s wisdom and design (Psalm 139:14).

This diversity in creation points to the truth that God is sovereign and purposeful in making everything different yet unified under His authority (Colossians 1:16). Just as God created people with different physical appearances — some may be African, others Asian — He also created a variety of gifts and roles within the body of Christ.

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In the Church, God equips believers with diverse spiritual gifts to serve the community effectively. As Paul writes:

“There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work.” (*1 Corinthians 12:4-6*,

This passage teaches us that the variety of gifts and roles exists to build up the Church (Ephesians 4:11-13). The differences should not cause division or judgment but be celebrated as part of God’s perfect plan.

Therefore, when we observe differences among believers or in how ministry is done, we should not question God’s work or compare roles unfairly. Each believer’s contribution is valuable and designed by God for His glory.

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Recognize the unique calling God has given you. Stand firm in it with confidence, knowing that all gifts and differences ultimately point to God’s wisdom and glory.

May the Lord bless you richly.

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