

The Idea of a Wait in Genesis 2:23

Then the man said, "This **at last**¹ is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man." (Gen 2:23 ESV)

¹ Collins indicates that the expression "at last" is "expressing the idea of a wait, 'finally after numerous tries': this time' in Gen. 29:34-35; Exod. 9:27; 'now' in Gen. 30:20; 46:30." (C. John Collins, *Genesis 1-4: A Linguistic, Literary, and Theological Commentary* [Phillipsburg, New Jersey: P&R, 2006], 108)