

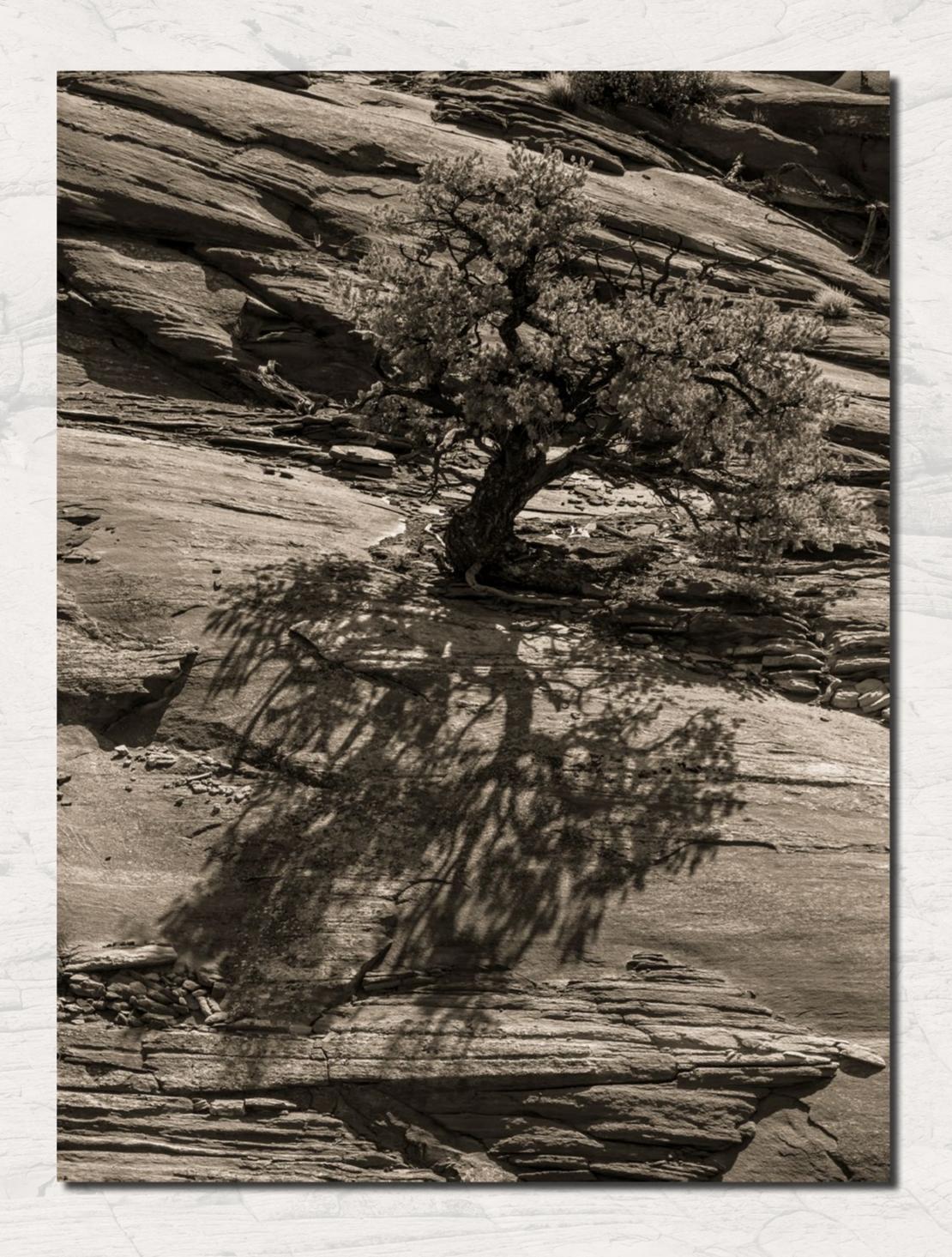
Dancing with Light: Wood and Stone

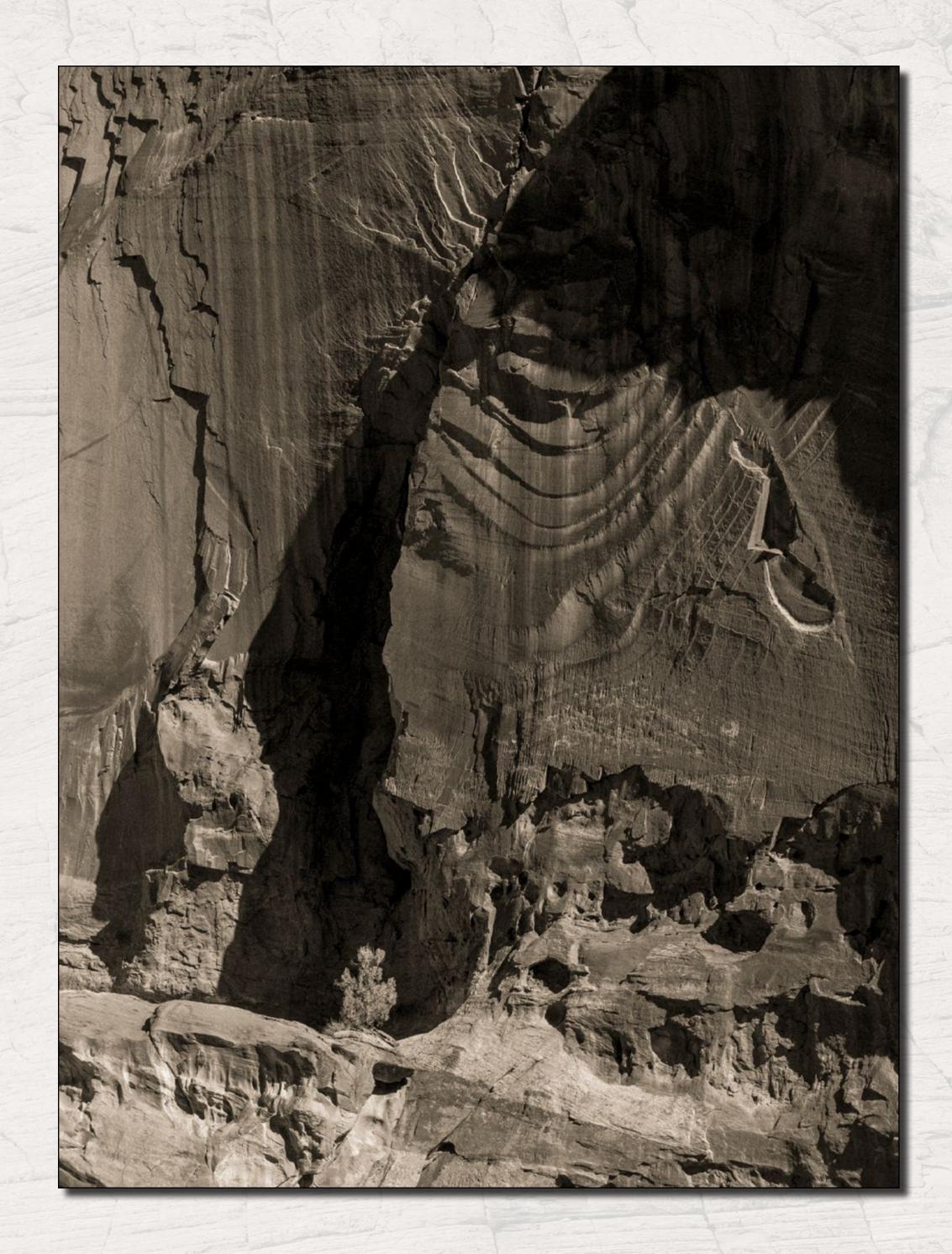
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Wood and Stone

Wood and stone were the first materials man used as shelter and as tools. For tens of thousands of years, these two natural materials were used to make all things. As civilization advanced beyond subsistence, man began creating art from these same two natural materials. In the work shop and the studio, art was produced by physically changing these materials. Man cut, shaped, joined, smoothed and transformed shapes created by nature into shapes that fit the artistic vision. During this process, the natural shape and texture of the wood and stone were permanently physically changed forever.

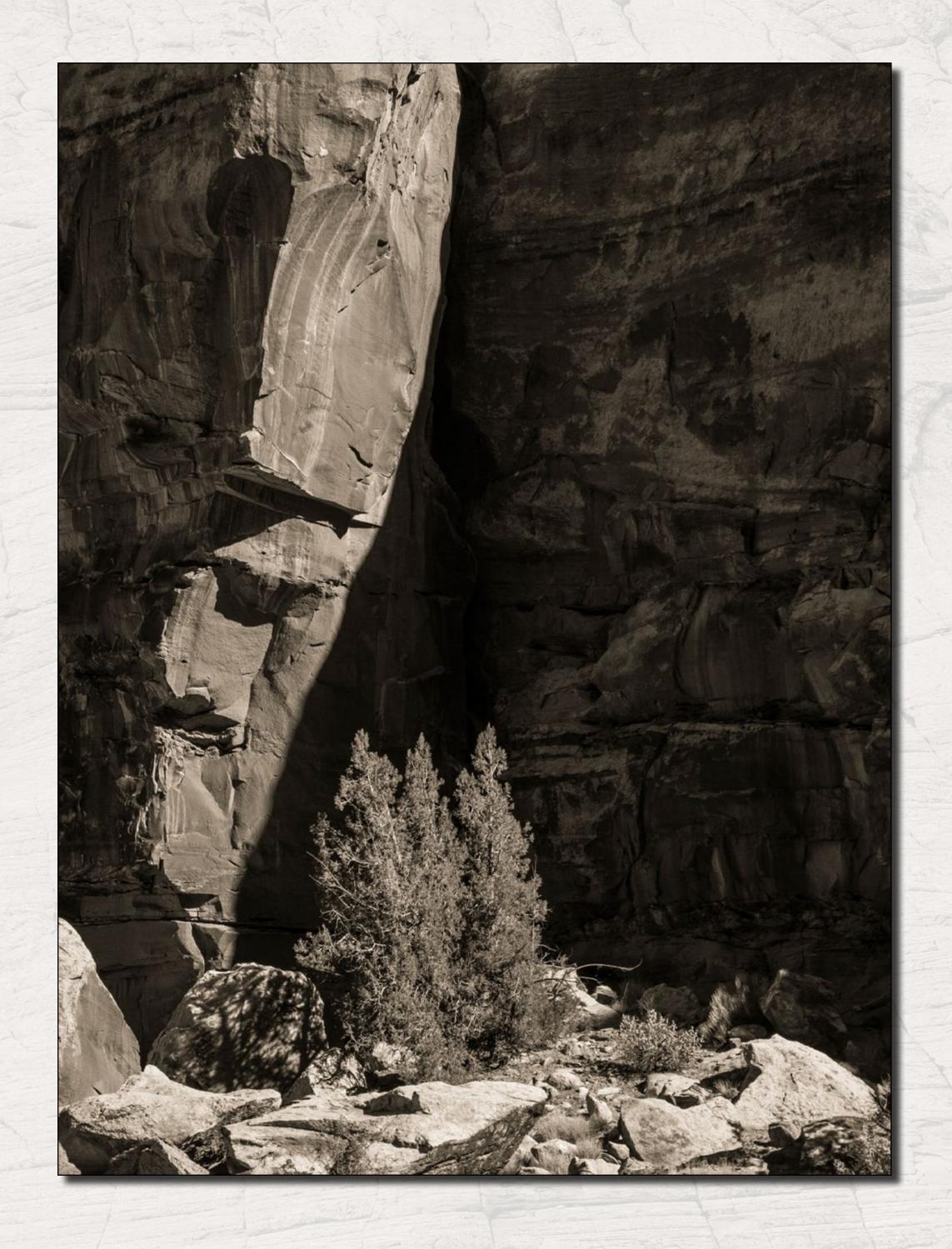
Photographers continue the artistic tradition of working with these two materials by approaching them in their native environment, not in a studio or workshop. The photographer visualizes the relationship between the trees and rocks in his mind and then uses the camera and natural light to sculpt an image of wood and stone. When a photographer completes the process of capturing the moment, the photograph is a record of the photographer's artistic vision of that single instant. The wood and stone remain unchanged by the artist's touch and remain in their natural environment.

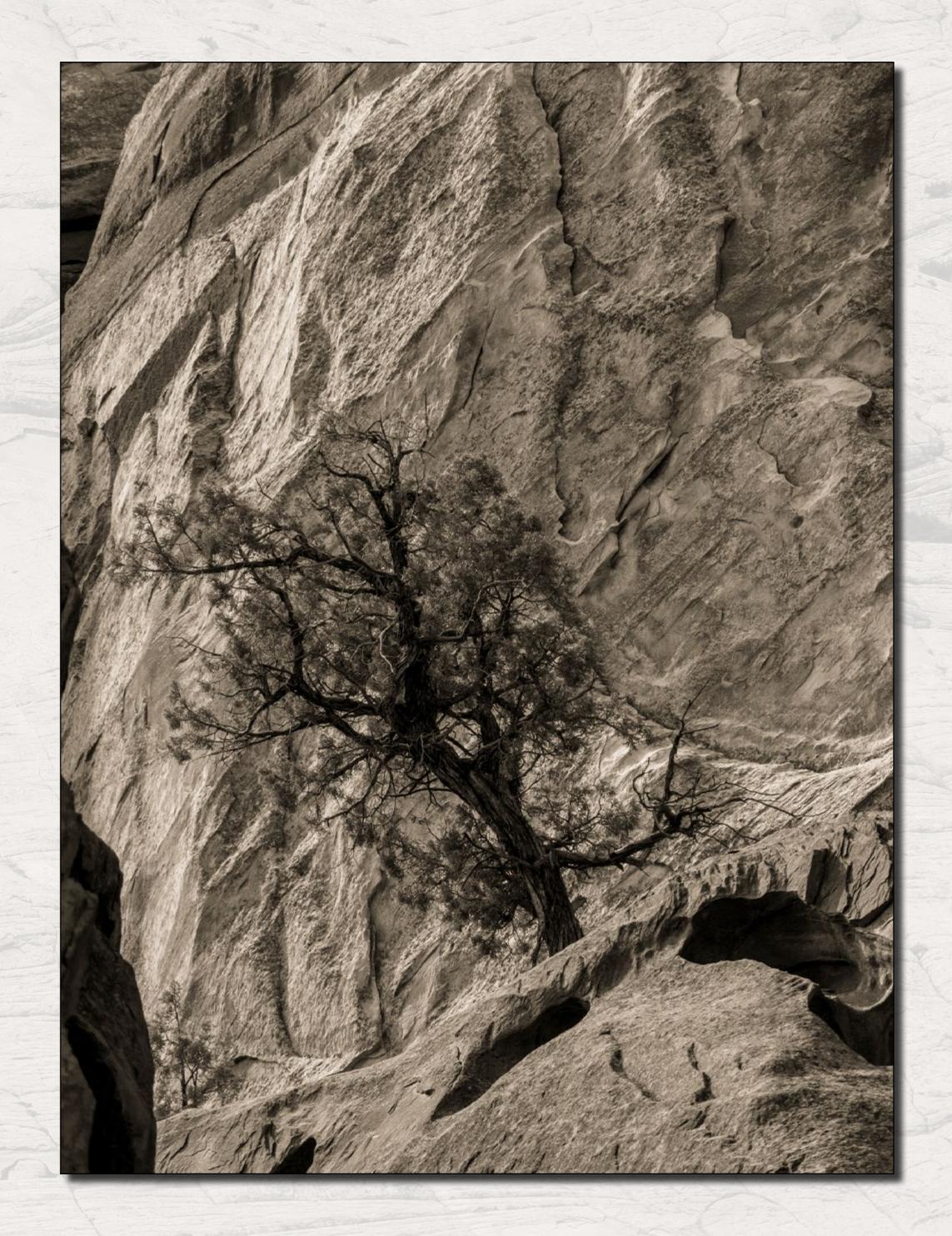






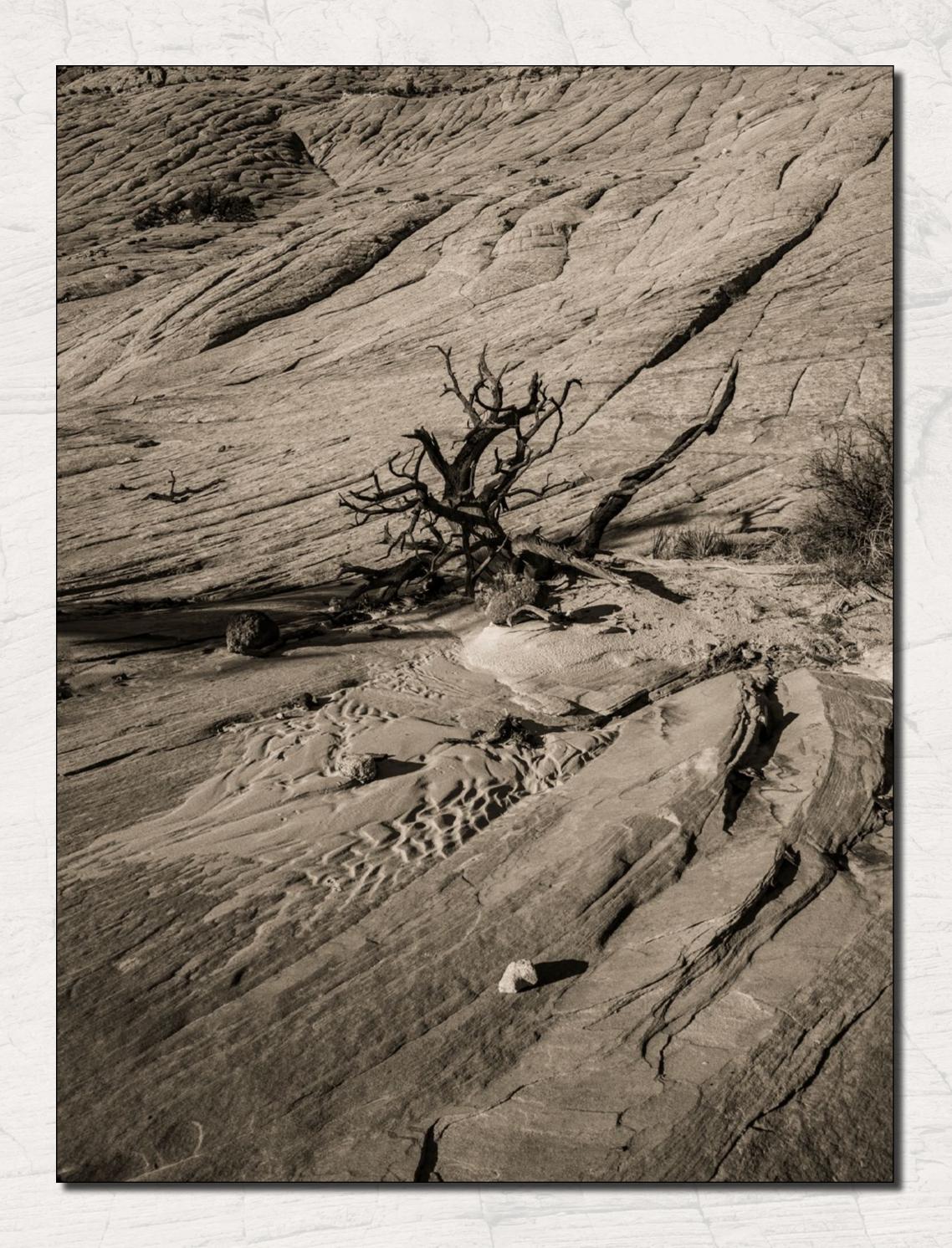


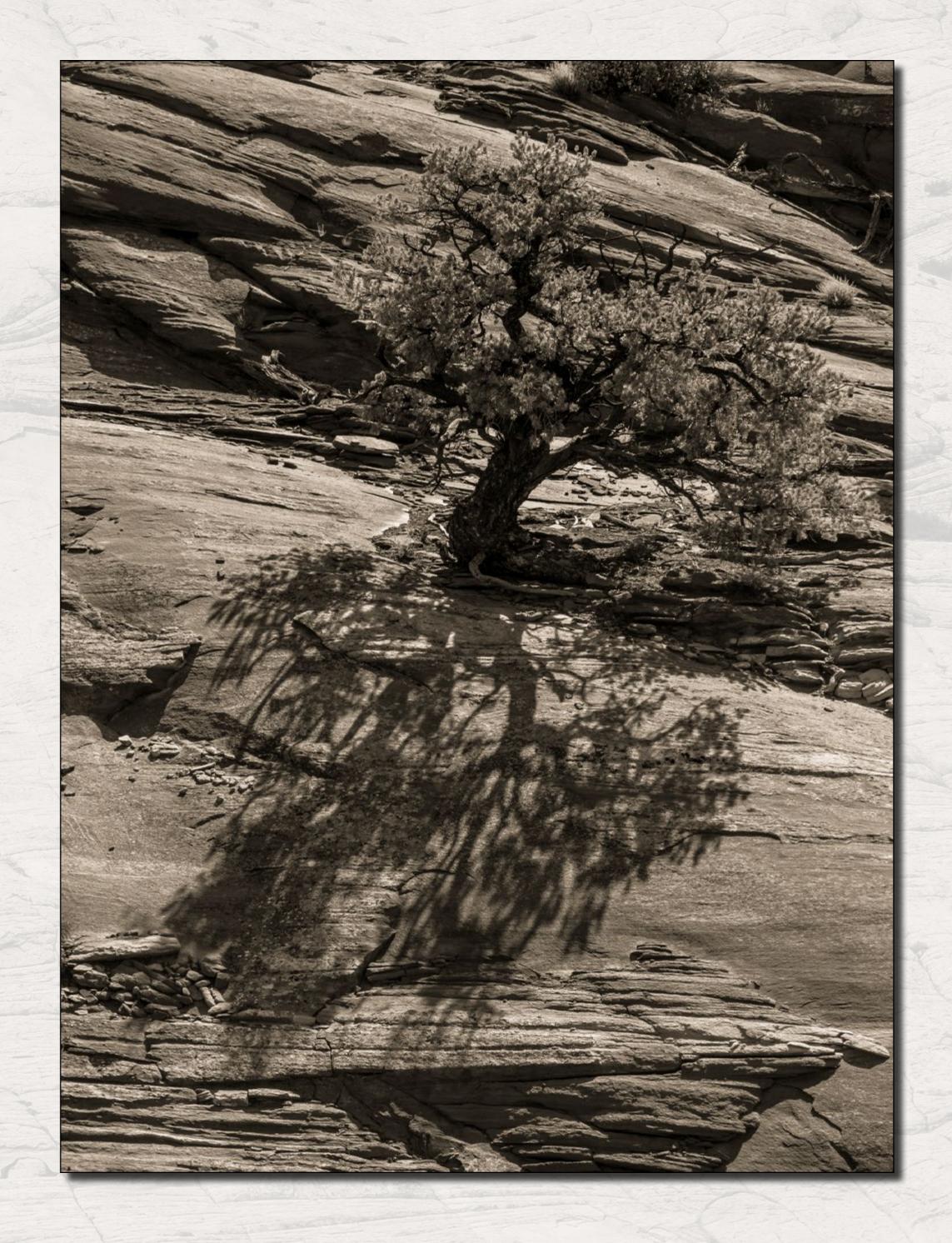




















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