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THE JOSEPH MOVE

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IT IS THE GLORY OF GOD TO CONCEAL

“It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honour of kings is to search out the matter.” (Prov. 25: 2) With that in mind we realize that God in His infinite wisdom intertwined and concealed His glory throughout the words of Scriptures.

When we interpret God's word only by the letter and not by the Spirit, we cannot see beyond the literal meaning of the Word and receive the life contained therein; *“...for the letter killeth, but the Spirit giveth life.”* (II Cor.3: 6b)

In our study we find that our hero Jacob is now part of the family headed by his uncle Laban (type of old order). As soon as he began his time of servitude with him, Jacob was given a wife with whom to start his own family. He had so desired the beautiful Rachel but he soon found that he had to first take her older sister Leah; this was the law of the old order.

The Law is fulfilled in Christ but it has to be written in our hearts and minds for this is part of our covenant in Christ. So we find ourselves having to follow rules of the old order until we fully mature in Christ. Jacob could have Rachel to hold now but he would have to pay for her by working an extra seven years in order to possess her. And he could not ignore Leah; he would have to give her children first.

In the Scriptures, the Spirit of God often uses the meaning of names to describe the nature of the one

with that name. This is why God changed Abram's name to Abraham (father of many nations) and why Jacob's name had to be changed from Jacob (supplanter) to Israel (Prince of God)-

And so we catch up with Jacob, the man whom God loved, and we find him dutifully married to Leah his fertile wife, but still yearning and laboring for the beautiful Rachel. In our own journey with the Lord we have found ourselves as children, under tutors or under law, giving birth to the Word or walking out the Word that God sent us at the time.

“Now I say, that the heir as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant, though he be lord of all; but is under tutors and governors until the time appointed of the father.” (Gal.4: 1) As we grow in Christ, the Lord brings us through stages of disciplines (making us disciples).

In my previous study I mentioned the meaning of each name of the first ten sons of Jacob with Leah (weak eyes) and her handmaiden. From Reuben, the first born son to Simeon who teaches us to hear the Word, to Judah who leads us to praise the Lord, to Dan with whom we receive judgment or correction on a daily basis, the sons of Leah portray the stages of growth in the Word and in discipline that the Lord brings us through.

But like Jacob, our hearts yearn for more. Although some may be satisfied and cling to this kind of walk, We know that this is not the prize at the

end of the journey. The prize is the beautiful Rachel and the sons that she brings to life.

THE WAY OF A MAN WITH A MAID

“There be three things which are too wonderful for me, yea, four which I know not: the way of an eagle in the air; the way of a serpent upon a rock; the way of a ship in the midst of the sea; AND THE WAY OF A MAN WITH A MAID.” (Prov.30: 18-19)

The wise man who wrote this found these things just too full of wonder! We could expound on each of these three things but for this study the “Way of a Man with a Maid” is the one that peaks our interest.

The entire plan of God for His creation is the poignant love story of Christ and His bride hidden through the Scriptures. The most beautiful thing in this creation is the way of the birth of a child. It is a true miracle of life and anyone who has ever been involved in the birth of a baby has gone through a highly emotional experience.

“The Father loveth the Son, and hath given all things into his hand.” (Jn.3: 35) The Father loves His Son. Jesus Christ is the only begotten Son of God. He is also the Firstborn of a new creation. The Father has given the Son ALL THINGS. He has given Him his entire creation.

The Son is the Word and He is Spirit and life. The earth is earthly and has not life. We read, *“And the earth was without form and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.”* (Gen.1: 2-3) The Bible does not say that God moved upon the face of Mercury or Mars or Jupiter; God moved upon the face of the earth.

God is invisible Spirit. He has chosen the earth to design and conceive a creation that would display His greatness and His love. To do this, God begot a Son in His likeness and image and through His Son He has purposed to marry His earthly creation. What a privilege!! Let us be reminded that first, *“God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he*

them.” (Gen.1: 27) This was not the earthly Adam man; it was the man in God's image therefore this man was Spirit for God is Spirit.

This man had to bring forth this same image in an earthly vessel. So the man Adam was formed out of the ground. *“And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul.”* (Gen.2: 7)

God first created the man of spirit but it is the earthly soul man who is first seen in the earth. The man of Spirit remains invisible within the earthly man. He is the inner man of the Spirit within these earthen vessels. He is the life within man but when Adam and Eve succumbed to the ways of the serpent, the connection between the natural man and the spirit was closed.

The spirit of man is the connection to the Lord God. The soul is connected to the outer man and cannot hear God. The life and the light of God are in the spirit. After man began to live by the tree of knowledge of good and evil, he became separated from God. *“But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.”* (Isa.59: 2)

Man had been cast out of the garden of Eden (realm of Spirit) and was now in the darkness of his own carnal mind (tree of knowledge of good and evil). Christ is the Savior of the soul. He reconnects us to God.

In Christ we find the remedy. *“Having therefore these promises, dearly beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.”* (II Cor.7: 1) Let us cleanse ourselves, not only of the filth of the flesh but also of the spirit. Jesus and the cross open the way for us to follow the Spirit in this. He is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

In the flesh, we are the woman, the church, His bride. He has called us unto Himself and He has planted His seed within our spiritual womb. We are impregnated with the child in His image. Is it any

wonder that the enemy is desperate and throws his deadliest devices at us to cause us to abort the fruit of that Holy Seed in our womb.

John saw this woman as she gave birth to her Manchild in the earth. And he saw her as she appeared coming down from heaven (the invisible realm of Spirit) and appearing as the Holy City (the entire body of people gathered unto Him).

As we are now come to the closing of this age and the Manchild in the image of the Son of God is about to be visibly seen in our mortal bodies, the Lord is blowing the last trump bringing the Word that will perfect His holiness in our flesh and spirit. Let us bring the fruit of that Word into being.

THE CALLING OF THE ASSEMBLY FROM BOTH SIDES OF THE VEIL

The book of Numbers explains that the trumpets are for the calling of the assembly and for the journeying of the camps. By the Spirit we are now hearing this last trump as it is gathering us in Christ and calling us to move on to the new Day which is arising in our hearts and souls. This is the new Light which is leading us into the "land" of eternal life which Jesus promised to us. We are feeling the excitement coming from this assembling on both sides of the veil.

"For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him. For we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep." (I Thes.4: 14-15)

If we read these verses without the Light of the Spirit of God, we may be prone to believe in a literal rapture in the sky. But God's rapture is nothing like is often preached by spiritually blind teachers. Paul is explaining that at the time of His appearing, Jesus will bring with Him all those whose bodies have gone to the grave but who have been caught up into Him, eagerly waiting for us to appear with Him as this new creation. Paul says that they have been "asleep" in Jesus. Jesus speaks of the Lord in His body of glory. He is the **FIRSTBORN AMONG**

MANY BRETHREN who are coming to be made whole with us on the earth. Paul said that we who are alive and remain **SHALL NOT PREVENT THEM**.

The word prevent comes from the Greek word "phthano" which means to "anticipate" or "precede." This means that those whom Jesus is bringing with Him are just as ready and up to date as we are. They are the cloud of witnesses which means that they are witnessing all that the Lord is doing just as we are.

They know what is happening just as much as we do. We do not precede them or know more than they do. This is why in recent dreams and visions they have been seen crowding against the veil and pushing to come through to their manifestation.

The last trump has been sounding in the Spirit and the assembling has been taking place. We may look around at those whom we know have been walking with us and believe that this is all of the body of Christ in the earth today; if this is our vision, we are in for a surprise.

In Elijah's day there were seven thousand that were hid in caves and had not bowed their knee to Baal. Today, the seven thousand denote the full number of those who have been in hiding from the churches and groups of men and who have not bent their knee to the religious systems of this world. These too have been hearing the sound of the last trump and are anticipating the appearing of Jesus Christ in the flesh- The Word made flesh in us.

The words coming from God's prophets today all concur that this day is at hand. We are stepping into that Day as we step from the darkness of the night of our understanding unto the beautiful revelation of Himself. Jesus Christ the Son of God is not appearing from the luxurious Christendom of this world. Jesus Christ is appearing from the midst of a humble company who has been in hiding being groomed and made ready for this Day.

THE TIME OF LIFE

So Jacob's wife Leah gave him ten sons while

Rachel was languishing being barren and trying every possible way she knew to become a mother. Nothing worked for it was not her time.

This is similar to what happened to Sarah. She had been told that in her old age, she would bear a son who would be heir of Abraham. When nothing happened, she connived to give Abraham a son with her handmaiden and produced Ishmael. We have been given the promise of a Manchild in the image of Jesus and how many times have we tried to reproduce that image before our time?

It is at God's time of life that this happened for Sarah and for Rachel and so it will be for us. We cannot be this new creation before the time of life. God created "times" for His purposes and "times" are in His power. This is why we often run around wishing we had more time, but we cannot create more time anymore than we can stop time or reverse time.

RACHEL'S TIME AND JOSEPH

"And when Rachel saw that she bare Jacob no children, Rachel envied her sister; and said unto Jacob, give me children, or else I die." (Gen.30: 1)

It was when the beautiful and well favoured Rachel reached the end of her rope that the time of life was ready to happen. *"And God remembered Rachel, and God hearkened to her, and opened her womb. And she conceived, and bare a son; and said, God hath taken away my reproach: And she called his name Joseph; and said, The Lord shall add to me another son." (Gen.30: 22-24)*

As the beloved church, we have been looking upon the one who has seemingly been prospering in this world. The churches and assemblies all around us have been birthing members by the thousands while we have been in languishing, waiting for the time when we would bring forth after the image of our true Husband.

How many have watched with envy when the "faithful" gathered by the droves around the procession of the Pope as if he was the Lord Himself? How many have seen churches as large as sports

stadiums listening avidly to a worldly type preacher declaring his psychology to be the Gospel of Jesus Christ?

The time of life came for Rachel and for us as well. Indeed Joseph (whose name means He will add) who adds Benjamin son of the right hand, has been birthed in us. The church had been in the "Dark Ages" until the first stirring of the Reformation began with Martin Luther in 1517-

In 1542 God raised up the Scot John Knox who took the Word to the throne of England and boldly declared Catholicism as "idolatry because it was invented by the brain of man and not commanded by God."

The waves of God's Spirit kept coming and in 1703 the fiery preacher John Wesley took the Gospel of Jesus Christ on the road and began the Methodist movement. This continued as we know and it was in 1725 that I believe the Joseph movement was born. This was the beginning of a flood of revealed truths called the "Great Awakenings" Revivals.

These continued with waves following in 1792, 1830, 1857, 1882 and again unto that which is known as the Azusa Street Latter Rain Revival of the early 1900s.

These waves opened the way to Pentecostalism and to the Sons of God and Charismatic renewals of the 1960s. Just as Joseph was persecuted and rejected of his brethren, those who have followed the truths of this latest wave have found themselves persecuted and totally rejected of the brethren that they had been joined to.

Young Joseph's father loved him above his brethren for he was Jacob's son with his beloved Rachel. This separated him from his brethren who were jealous of him. Furthermore, Joseph's father made him a robe of many colors. This robe speaks volume to us by the Spirit.

Because this garment has long sleeves and goes down to the foot, it stands for the priestly garment of the High Priest. Its many colors denote the many

faceted Christ of God. Christ is the diamond that reflects all the colors of the spectrum for He is heir of all things and all things are the many nations that he receives for His inheritance.

This was the promise God made to the seed of Abraham which is Christ. *“And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed; because thou hast obeyed my voice.”* (Gen. 22: 18)

This many-colored garment also speaks of the seven colors of the rainbow which is the sign of God's covenant with man. Red, Orange, Yellow, Green, Blue, Indigo, Violet. All these colors represent the covenants that God has made with man over the ages. Violet being the mixture of Red (blood) and Blue (truth) which signifies God's Truth (Jesus the Word) come in the flesh.

Furthermore, young Joseph had significant dreams revealing the coming rule and reign of Christ in His body in the earth. As a seventeen year old, Joseph should have been out on the backside of the mountain keeping his father's sheep, but instead he was sheltered and nurtured by his doting father. This was adding fuel to the fire.

Is it any wonder that Joseph's brethren were consumed with jealousy? Is it any wonder that they wanted him dead and buried? And so it is with those who have walked with this Joseph move of God's Spirit. They were not part of the old ways and the old “gang” but they were hearing from the Lord. And so just as Joseph they sealed their doom with the brethren.

But God protected Joseph and even while he went through many trials in Egypt; he ruled over them all. In Egypt, Joseph's purpose was hid in plain view. And so it is with the Joseph company that has been raised and hid by the Hand of God in plain view among the darkness of this world. They have been as “dead” to the brethren who cast them out but they are very much alive in the Lord.

And as it was with Joseph, they understand what the brethren cannot yet comprehend for they have not yet opened their hearts to God's plan for saving

His creation in the ages to come. The anointed Word of the Joseph company came in like a flood in the early 1900s and has been unfolding ever since.

The baptism of the Holy Spirit and the gifts of the Spirit swiftly swept in to make way for the truth of the manifestation of the sons of God and of their purpose in creation. God raised ministries called to bring the saints to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ.

Some have endeavored to organize these ministries but regardless of what man has put his hand to, the plan of God has moved on and those who have ears to hear and hearts to follow have gone on to know Him. The Joseph wave has accomplished that which it was sent out to do and is not returning to God void.

“For as the rain cometh down and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it shall not return unto me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.” (Isa.55: 10-11)

Joseph is the Word that WILL ADD. This was the name Rachel gave her first baby boy because it made her know that she would yet have another son. The Word of this Joseph company has been sown in the earth to bring forth the wave of the Benjamin son who is THE SON OF THE RIGHT HAND.

Just as it has been from the beginning God's truth is marching on and the revelation of His Son is the banner that is held up high over us. The Joseph movement is the precursor of the Benjamin who is the Son of the Right Hand and the one who OVERCOMES DEATH IN THE FLESH.

THE JOURNEY CONTINUES

The day came when Jacob had to leave Laban and return to Canaan. Laban had made him rich but the labor had been hard. The parting between Laban

and Jacob had been turbulent as well but finally he was on his way. *“Jacob rose up, and set his sons and his wives upon camels...And he fled with all that he had; and he rose up, and passed over the river, and set his face toward the mount Gilead.”* (Gen.31: 17, 21)

Jacob thought he was done with Laban. For twenty years, he had served his time and labored hard under this demanding and less than generous man. He had connived to get what belonged to him and with God's help had done quite well. Before leaving he said to Laban, *“Thus I have been twenty years in thy house; I served thee fourteen years for thy two daughters and six years for thy cattle; and thou has changed my wages ten times.”* (Gen.31: 41)

Jacob gave God the glory for prospering him and taking him through all the ordeals. He had learned his lessons well and now he must set his face forward and return to his father's house. However the journey back would not be without painful and life changing predicaments.

Meanwhile back at Laban's house he found that Jacob had carried away all the cattle that he had earned and the goods which he had gotten and that left Laban with much wealth. Laban also found that the images of his gods had been stolen and he was furious. He pursued after Jacob for seven days and overtook him on Mount Gilead when God intervened. *“And God came to Laban the Syrian in a dream by night, and said unto him, Take heed that thou speak not to Jacob either good or bad.”* (Gen.31: 24)

Again, God protected his man Jacob as He had promised. However Laban did confront Jacob, *“What hast thou done, that thou hast stolen away unawares to me, and carried away my daughters, as captives taken with the sword?”* God had quieted him down and now he just simply rebuked Jacob for leaving without letting him know. *“And hast not suffered me to kiss my sons and my daughters? Thou hast done foolishly in so doing.”* (Vs.28)

And then he accuses Jacob of stealing his household gods. Jacob was unaware that it was Rachel

who had done this and he smugly replied, *“With whomsoever thou findest thy gods, let him not live...”*(Vs.32a) So they searched the camp and Rachel was hiding the gods in a small satchel and sat on it pretending that this was her monthly time of women.

So Laban did not find his gods and after much bickering the two men made a covenant to remain at peace with each other. *“And Laban said to Jacob, Behold this heap, and behold this pillar, which I have cast betwixt me and thee; This heap be witness, and this pillar be witness, that I will not pass over this heap to thee, and that thou shalt not pass over this heap and this pillar unto me for harm.”* (Vs.51-52)

And so Laban kissed his family and blessed them and they each went on their way. But Rachel kept the household gods of her father.

What does this mean for us today? God has separated us from the old order we knew that we may give life to the Word of Joseph and soon Benjamin but we may still cling to and even yearn for our former religious upbringing. There are still areas in our life that we must put on the cross and die to daily. Rachel had to die to give birth to Benjamin.

JACOB'S TIME OF RECKONING

“And Jacob went on his way, and the angels of God met him.” (Gen.32: 1) Jacob found that indeed he was not alone. As his mind was trying to figure out how he was going to face Esau the old Jacob way, God's plan was already in action.

These were not the same class of angels that Jacob once saw up and down a ladder; these were not messenger angels- they were warriors sent to escort him to the battle ahead. Jacob was filled with fear not only for his own life but for the life of his family and household. Meeting his twin brother again was a dreadful thing yet the Lord had commanded it and there was no turning back.

The situation brought up an agonizing prayer from the depth of his being. He quickly reminded God of His promise to his fathers Abraham and Isaac. *“I*

am not worthy of all the mercies and all the truth that you have shown your servant; for I crossed this Jordan with my staff, and now I have become two companies.(God had so enriched him.) *Deliver me I pray from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau for I fear him, lest he come and attack me and the mothers with the children.*(Gen.32: 10-11) NKJ

What Jacob was coming to was the end of his old self and he was bewildered. He was in a place of helplessness and he found that now none of his conniving would work; only God could deliver him. Then Jacob found out that Esau was coming to meet him accompanied by four hundred men “*..Jacob was greatly afraid and distressed...*” (Gen.32: 7a) As Jacob drew nearer to his meeting with Esau, he began to sweat!

But God was about to give Jacob the help he needed. “*And Jacob was left alone; and there wrestle a man with him until the breaking of the day. And when he saw that he prevailed not against him, he touched the hollow of his thigh; and the hollow of Jacob's thigh was out of joint, as he wrestled with him.*” (Vs.24-25)

Jacob had imagined his battle with Esau but to his surprise it was not Esau he should have worried about...it was God and it was himself. Jacob's terrible wrestling within himself became physical. He was wrestling with One more formidable and stronger than he ever was. Something was taking place within this man and that which had once been Jacob the supplanter and conniver was wounded beyond recognition. But Jacob held on to God!

As we move toward our change in Christ our battle is to hold on to God until He changes us! Jacob ended up walking the rest of his life with a limp. The Spirit told me long ago to never trust a man that does not walk (spiritually) with a limp!

A man who has not been brought down low by the repeated blows of life ordained by God is still impudent and haughty. A man who has not come face to face with his own “nothingness” and uselessness remains a stench in the nostrils of the Father.

We have experienced a token or an earnest of our inheritance but the time is at hand for us to collect the whole. We have reckoned ourselves crucified with Christ but now we are facing the fury of God's Angel (Holy Spirit) as He works in us to change our corruptible into incorruptibility.

Recently I had a battle with my sciatica nerve. No need to say that it was painful and it also slowed me down to a snail pace. It was felt mainly in my thigh. This teaches us that when the Angel of God (His Holy Spirit) touches us in the sinew of our thigh (spiritually) we cannot help but lay down our own ambitions and start looking only to Him. Our thigh represents our strength to stand up. It also refers to the loins which speak of reproduction power.

When the Angel of God smote Jacob in the thigh, He touched his ability to stand up in his own strength and to produce according to his own devices. Jacob held many conversations with himself that night. The struggle was taking place within him. This so perfectly portrays what we go through in our minds over and over again before we are changed into His holiness.

When the Angel said, “*Let me go, for the day breaketh.*” Jacob was quick to answer, “*I will not let thee go, except thou bless me.*” (Vs.26) This all took place in the night. We may have known that our change was coming, but have we realized that we have been in this struggle all along.

In our struggle against the forces of self have we taken count of the good work that the Lord has been accomplishing in us. This all took place in the night and it is taking place in the depth of our innermost beings. Jacob had been dealt many blows and had recovered. He had become more mature but this last blow would change him into a new man.

Jacob was ready for his change so when the Angel asked him his name and he told him, Jacob, the Angel corrected him and told him, “*...Thy name shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men, and hast prevailed.*” (Vs.28)

Beloved, the day is at hand when the Spirit will ask us, "Who are you?" We may yet answer "we are earthly humans" our name is Adam. But the Spirit will answer, "Nay, your name is no longer Adam, your name is Christ." You have prevailed and have been made one new man.

"And Jacob called the name of the place Peniel: for I have seen God face to face, and my life is preserved."(Vs.30) No man could see God and live "Thou canst not see my face: there there shall no man see me, and live." (Ex.33: 20)

It is when He has made us holy as He is holy that we will see Him and live. It was then that Jacob's name, his nature was totally changed and he became a prince of God. This is the meaning of the name Israel. A prince is a son of a king. Jacob called the name of that place Penuel or "Face of God."

ON THE WAY HOME

Then Jacob was ready to meet Esau and prevail and also Esau was ready to meet Jacob. It was time to clean house and Jacob commanded his household to put away all the strange gods that were still with them.

And God said unto Jacob, *"Arise and go to Bethel...And God said unto him, Thy name is Jacob: thy name shall be no more Jacob but Israel shall be thy name; and he called his name Israel. And God said unto him, I am God Almighty; be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall be of thee and kings shall come out of thy loins."*(Gen.35: 1:1a, 10-11)

Esau was coming to meet Jacob accompanied by four hundred men but Jacob was coming in the name of Israel, Prince of God. David had once told Goliath, *"Thou cometh to me with a sword, and with a spear, and with a shield: but I come to thee in the name of the Lord of hosts, the God of the armies of Israel, whom thou hast defied."* (I Sam.17: 45)

Indeed, the weapons of the flesh are but dust before the nature or name of our God. He truly is our Protector and the Conqueror of all our foes.

Recently I had a dream that spoke to my heart about this very thing. In the dream *"Three men came to my house. They were very nice and the oldest reminded me of my father. He wanted me to sign a ten year contract for insurance on my house. This insurance would protect my house and also repair any possible damage to it. However I needed to pay a monthly premium of ten dollars without fail. As long as I paid, my house was under protection."*

The man wanting me to sign is the Father. My house in my physical body. Ten is the number of trials and testing. As long as the monthly premium of ten dollars is paid, the body is protected. The premiums are the trials that we meet with and overcome by the Spirit regularly.

As we are in a period of great testing at this time, we have an insurance with the Lord. However, to keep the house of our bodies safe we must pay the price each day. I knew that the price for me was to take hold of the Spirit and overcome all my fears and any doubts that could still linger deep in me. I must also keep an attitude of trust in the Lord. Murmuring is not of the Lord. The fiery trials that we go through at this time are God's instruments to perfect us.

This dream is not only for me but for all who are in this walk today. Fear and doubts are some of the gods that have to be cast out. Grumbling and murmuring is no longer acceptable among us. Our Let us take hold of our new life in the Son. Resurrection life is working in the midst of our very beings and transforming us from inside out.

"If the same spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you." (Rom.8: 11) This very popular verse among us is the key to our inheritance in Christ. IF THAT SAME SPIRIT, not the conterfeit spirit of a religious impostor...

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