



The Book of Luke 2Q 2015 Lesson 11 The Kingdom of God

I received this email this week:

May 27, 2015

Dear Dr. Jennings,

As an introduction, I'm the one who has a supply of your books and dvd's in my studio to give out to my clients here in Montrose, Colorado! ☺

The reason I am writing is that I wanted to share with you an essay that our daughter, Sami, wrote for her final bible assignment. She just completed the 6th grade. I had requested from the Principal of [her Christian school] to teach her bible class at home 1st hour then bring her to school for all the other classes. He agreed! ☺ (That was an answer to prayer!) The entire year, he never asked anything about her bible class, what we were doing, etc. We listened primarily to bible study lectures by Dr. Brad Cole from godscharacter.com. and to your bible study class at church Sabbaths. (Orchard Valley Christian Fellowship) We also used the Fundamental Focus booklet and listened to Dr. Randy Robert's podcasts from lluc.com. We learned so much together!

I prayed for wisdom to know what to do for Sami's last bible assignment. I was impressed to have her write an essay coming from the perspective of Jesus asking his disciples, **"Who do you say that I am?" from Mark 8:29**. She completed her essay with cover illustration and title Thursday, the day before her last day of school. We prayed to God for an indication if it would be a good idea to share her essay with her Principal or not. Well, the very next day, Friday morning, in chapel, **her Principal read the very same scripture!**

Sami described chapel that morning like this in regards to his reading the question, "Who do you say that I am?": *"[The Principal] read the disciple's answers and didn't answer the question really. He said that there is nothing about you that can make God love you. (Sami said her mouth dropped open.) He said that we are not acceptable in God's sight and only by what Jesus did can God accept us."*

We did deliver her essay to her Principal. We are praying that his mind be open, that he be willing to investigate further after reading her essay. I have attached the essay with this letter in the email.

Enjoy!

Many Blessings to you and staff! Thanks for your wonderful ministry!

Rhonda Hodges

"Who Am I?"

My mom gave me two simple questions to answer for my End-of-the-Year Bible project. My project is to summarize all of the things I have learned with an essay. These questions were coming from the perspective of Jesus, saying, Who do you think I am?, and, What is the Gospel to you? Of all the questions I have answered, these two were the simplest, but yet the most complicated. Here is my answer: There are a lot of different beliefs out there such as what people think of Jesus, but this particular question is addressing one person, which is me. I support my answer with evidence based on Scripture 100%. Jesus is the very begotten Son of God. (John 3:16) The answer is plain and simple. But could there be more under the obvious answer? Jesus is the exact representation of His Father. Meaning that His Character is the same as God the Father. God sent His Son into



this world that He might free us from the bondage of sin and its destructive grip that it has on us. Jesus said, "If you have seen me you have seen the Father." (John 14:9)

I have a question also: If God gets so angry over our sins, and if Jesus is exactly like His Father, then at the cross, wouldn't Jesus kill his enemies and punish those who were torturing Him? If you look through the judgmental perspective, that would make sense, but if you look at the bigger picture, from Genesis to Revelation, you will see that God isn't mad at anyone. I often see God as a Great Physician who wants us to take the remedy for our sins. This is having the likeness of Christ in you. I also see God as a perfect Father who wants us to trust Him with our lives. God does not punish His wicked children in Hell forever. He loves us too much for that to even cross His mind! His "wrath" is just plainly letting us go. (Romans 1:18,24,26,28) I personally think wrath should be replaced with some other words such as pity, or sadness. (Hosea 11) The word wrath makes people form a totally different view of God because on this earth, wrath in our dictionary means anger of some sort. God's world is different than ours and sometimes words He used to represent something, got misused, misunderstood, and formed false images of God in people's minds. Like a father, though, God does discipline His children if He has to. (Heb. 12:111)

There was yet another part of the question. It asks "What is the Gospel?" My understanding is that God is not the kind of person His enemies have portrayed Him to be. He is not the liar Satan had said God was in the Garden, (Rev 12:9, Gen 2:1617, 3:14) and He isn't the wrathful, arbitrary, and severe Judge in the end either. (Jn 12:44-50) His Judgment is based on love (1 Cor. 13) and is WAY BEYOND our level of thinking.

This is my understanding of Jesus and the Gospel. This is the larger view to me and I am proud to know such a loving knowledge about God's true character. I really hope that such knowledge will spread to the people around me.

*God Bless,
Sami*

SABBATH

When you hear this title, *The Kingdom of God*, what comes to mind? What is the kingdom of God?

The lesson in the first paragraph states, "the kingdom of God is an expression of what God had done in history for the human race as He deals with the problem of sin and brings the great controversy with Satan to an ultimate and decisive end."

Thoughts about this? I don't disagree with this statement, but find it without substance, without definition, and thus too easily misunderstood as God using might and power to bring about His kingdom.

What is the kingdom of God like?

What references, evidence, do you use to inform you as to the meaning of this phrase, *The Kingdom of God*?



Let's look at some Scripture and see what we discover:

- He also said, "This is what the **kingdom of God** is like. A man scatters seed on the ground. ²⁷ Night and day, whether he sleeps or gets up, the seed sprouts and grows, though he does not know how. ²⁸ All by itself the soil produces grain—first the stalk, then the head, then the full kernel in the head." MK 4:26-28
- Again he said, "What shall we say the **kingdom of God** is like, or what parable shall we use to describe it? ³¹ It is like a mustard seed, which is the smallest seed you plant in the ground. ³² Yet when planted, it grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds of the air can perch in its shade." MK 4:30-32
- ²⁰ Again he asked, "What shall I compare the **kingdom of God** to? ²¹ It is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into a large amount of flour until it worked all through the dough." LK 13:20,21

What is being described in these passages? In these passages how is the kingdom of God functioning? What kind of law is involved?

Jesus is describing Design law, laws upon which reality is constructed to operate; NOT arbitrary rules like created beings impose. Keep this in mind as we examine other texts.

- But if I drive out demons by the Spirit of God, then the **kingdom of God** has come upon you. MT 12:28
 - What do you learn about the kingdom of God from this passage?
 - What is the kingdom of God doing in this passage? It frees, it heals, it restores, it delivers
 - How does the Spirit of God work to achieve freedom?
 - Not by might nor by power but by the Spirit says the Lord. Zech 4:6
 - Does God drive out demons by force or some other method?
 - The Spirit is the Spirit of truth and love – what is the character of Satan and demons? Selfishness and lies – and what does truth and love do to those solidified in selfishness and lies?
 - Is the battle between Christ and Satan a battle of might and power?
 - Can God win the war by using coercive power? Why not?
 - What does a win look like for God? What is it that constitutes success on God's part? That His intelligent beings love and trust Him and operate in harmony with His character and law of love. Can love and trust be achieved by threat, coercion and force?
 - So what do we learn about the kingdom of God from this passage?
 - God's kingdom is the kingdom of love, which life is built upon, and the kingdom of truth; and God's kingdom heals, frees and delivers. Those solidified in opposition can't stand to be a part of it and flee from the presence of God.
- Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter **the kingdom of God.**" MT 19:24
 - What is being taught about God's kingdom in this passage?



- In Christ's day, the religious establishment taught that health and wealth were signs of being right with God. Thus a rich man, not only found earthly comfort and financial security in his wealth, but also found a false spiritual security taking his wealth as evidence he was right with God.
- The eye of the needle is not speaking of a tool used to sew clothing, but of a gate in the walls of cities. After sunset the gates of a city would be closed and a small passage would be available to enter the city after dark. It was large enough for only a man to walk through and was called the eye of the needle. Camels would have to kneel down and crawl through to enter and this was difficult, but not impossible.
- Putting both these facts together, Jesus is saying it is easier to get a camel to kneel down and go through the eye of the needle, than to get a rich man to kneel down, humble himself and acknowledge his wealth means nothing, but only a true change of character matters.
- Again, what type of kingdom? A kingdom of heart change, a kingdom of love – actual state of being, not rules.
- “What do you think? There was a man who had two sons. He went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work today in the vineyard.’²⁹ “ ‘I will not,’ he answered, but later he changed his mind and went.³⁰ “Then the father went to the other son and said the same thing. He answered, ‘I will, sir,’ but he did not go.³¹ “Which of the two did what his father wanted?” “The first,” they answered. Jesus said to them, “I tell you the truth, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are entering the **kingdom of God** ahead of you.³² For John came to you to show you the way of righteousness, and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes did. And even after you saw this, you did not repent and believe him. MT 21:28-32
 - What do you learn about the kingdom of God from this passage?
 - God's kingdom is about reality, what actually is, not what one declares, claims, proclaims, or names. In other words, one may call themselves Christian, but if the heart is not changed it doesn't matter.
 - *Proclaiming* loyalty to God means nothing, being renewed in heart and character to be like Jesus, loving God and others more than self is what matters, no matter what one proclaims. Like Paul, one may proclaim they are the greatest of all sinners, and proclaim they are unworthy of salvation, but if the heart is renewed they are in unity with God.
 - This again, is Design Law, not imposed rules! It is fixing what is actually wrong in the character of human beings.
- “Therefore I tell you that the **kingdom of God** will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit. MT 21:43
 - What is being taught by this passage?
 - Why is the kingdom of God removed from them?
 - Because they rejected God's kingdom
 - Why was the kingdom of God given to others?



- Because they accepted it!
 - To whom does God offer His kingdom?
 - What determines whether a person is part of God's kingdom or not? Their choice in accepting or rejecting it!
- After John was put in prison, Jesus went into Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God. ¹⁵ "The time has come," he said. "The **kingdom of God** is near. Repent and believe the good news!" MK 1:14,15
 - What kingdom was near?
 - What is the text referring to? The arrival of Jesus!
 - Was John referring to a kingdom of might and power?
 - What kind of kingdom were the religious leaders looking for?
 - Did their view of God's kingdom, i.e. believing it was to be like a human kingdom, ruled by might and power and infliction of punishment, impair their ability to be part of God's kingdom?
 - What is taught today, by the majority of Christianity, about what to expect at the second coming? What kind of kingdom is taught? What do most Christians teach God will do to the wicked and unrepentant? What do you think such teaching does in the hearts of people, prepare them to be part of God's kingdom, or separate them from God's kingdom?
- When Jesus saw this, he was indignant. He said to them, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the **kingdom of God** belongs to such as these. ¹⁵ I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." MK 10:14,15
 - What is being taught about God's kingdom here?
 - One must be teachable like children, open to learn and to love and trust just like children in order to enter God's kingdom.
 - Is entering God's kingdom about understanding the correct doctrines, adhering to the right rituals, getting the correct interpretation of Bible prophecies? Do children enter this way?
 - It is about entering into a love and trust relationship with God. Thus our doctrines are important as they inform us about God. If our doctrines are erroneous they can cause us to believe lies about God, thus undermining love and trust.
- One of the teachers of the law came and heard them debating. Noticing that Jesus had given them a good answer, he asked him, "Of all the commandments, which is the most important?" ²⁹ "The most important one," answered Jesus, "is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is one. ³⁰ Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' ³¹ The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these." ³² "Well said, teacher," the man replied. "You are right in saying that God is one and there is no other but him. ³³ To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices." ³⁴ When Jesus saw that he had answered wisely, he said to him, "You are not far from the



kingdom of God.” And from then on no one dared ask him any more questions. MK 12:28-34

- What do you learn of God’s kingdom?
- What kind of law is described?
- From where does such motive originate?
- Read last paragraph in Sabbath’s lesson, “The kingdom of God...”
- ¹⁶ “The Law and the Prophets were proclaimed until John. Since that time, the good news of the **kingdom of God** is being preached, and everyone is forcing his way into it. ¹⁷ It is easier for heaven and earth to disappear than for the least stroke of a pen to drop out of the Law. LK 16:16,17
 - What is being taught?
 - Why is it easier for heaven and earth to disappear than for the law of God to be changed?
 - What kind of law is God’s law?
 - Design law, the protocols upon which reality exists, the fabric of the cosmos is built upon this law, which has its origins in God. To change the law would be to change God and that is harder to do than to destroy the universe.
 - There was a time in eternity past before God created matter and life – God’s law of love still existed but there was no heaven or earth – thus it is easier to go back in time to a point before God created anything, i.e. for heaven and earth to disappear, than to destroy God, which would be required to change the law!
 - But this is only true when one realizes God’s law is Design law, the protocols upon which reality is built. If one believes God’s law is functionally like human law, rules imposed, then one reads Jesus’ words differently. One believes God’s law could change if God were willing to give new edicts, but God is uncompromising and would rather destroy His universe than change His rules, and thus it is taught that God will destroy those who break His rules as punishment.
 - Here is the passage from *The Remedy*: “*The symbols and metaphors of the Old Testament were proclaimed until John. Since that time, the good news of what it all means, the reality of the true Remedy from God's kingdom of love is being made known, and it is compelling all who understand to partake and enter.*”¹⁷ *It is easier to erase heaven and earth and start again than to change in the slightest God's design protocol for life, what you call his Law.*”
- ²⁰ Once, having been asked by the Pharisees when the **kingdom of God** would come, Jesus replied, “The **kingdom of God** does not come with your careful observation, ²¹ nor will people say, ‘Here it is,’ or ‘There it is,’ because the **kingdom of God** is within you.” LK 17:20,21
 - What do we learn about God’s kingdom from this passage?
 - It is not about rule keeping, and never can be why?
 - Because God’s kingdom is the reality of how He built life to operate, love in all spheres of action. This is having selfishness removed and love written in. It is



coming back into unity with God, an actual change in the state of being. Love acts differently in different situations, and one cannot make up a rule for all situations.

Rule keeping invariably end up focused on self and failing to love!

- Penal legal theologies deny reality and make salvation about rule keeping, focusing on self, our sins, our condemnation, our deserved punishment and legal loopholes to avoid what is taught we legally deserve. Often, it is taught that Jesus' rule keeping in our behalf is necessary for our salvation and then our careful observations of the right ways to accept His legal payment etc.
- ³ In reply Jesus declared, "I tell you the truth, no one can see the **kingdom of God** unless he is born again." (JN 3:3)
 - What does this tell us about God's kingdom?
 - Keep in mind that the Bible teaches, every eye shall see him, including those who pierced him, but Jesus said only those born again can see the kingdom of God – what does it mean?
 - The unrepentant, the wicked, those who rise to march on God's city under Satan's banner, seeking to overthrow Jesus – see Jesus in His glory, high and lifted up. They see the splendor, the brightness, the power – but this is NOT the kingdom of God. They see all these things through the lens of Satan's lies about God and believe God and Jesus are beings of great power and might, but also anger and wrath and are coming to punish them. They cry, like the demons who met Jesus, have you come to punish us?
 - Thus, they see the physical aspects of God's kingdom, but don't see God's kingdom because God's kingdom is not about the physical, it is about the true character of God and this they do NOT see.
- For the **kingdom of God** is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit... Rom 14:17
 - What do you hear about God's kingdom from this?
 - It is about the heart renewed in love, living in harmony with God's design for life.
 - Such transformation of character cannot be achieved by getting on a vegan diet, or drinking organic juices,
 - But, can a person violate God's design laws with a wrong diet and thus damage their brain and inflame passions and impulses and make it harder to experience God's kingdom of love?
 - Can a person ingest drugs that inflame selfishness and markedly increase the cravings and desires to seek to please self? Does such actions make it harder to experience the kingdom of love?
 - Can this happen with food and drink?
 - What kind of law is being causing such problems?
- For the **kingdom of God** is not a matter of talk but of power. 1Cor 4:20
 - What is being described about God's kingdom here?
 - Again, it isn't about what one claims, proclaims or names, but about what one experiences



- God's kingdom has the power to heal and transform beings from fear based, self-centered beings seeking to gratify self, into beacons of truth, love and compassion emanating goodness, mercy and love!
- Then I heard a loud voice in heaven say: "Now have come the salvation and the power and the **kingdom of our God**, and the authority of his Christ. For the accuser of our brothers, who accuses them before our God day and night, has been hurled down.¹¹ They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony; they did not love their lives so much as to shrink from death. Rev 12:10,11
 - What is taught in this passage?
 - Why do they have salvation?
 - What is the power and the kingdom of God?
 - How are these saved individuals described?
 - What is the blood of the Lamb?
 - What is the word of their testimony?

SUNDAY

Read Luke 1:32, 33 "He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end."

Read last paragraph, "The passage..." What do you understand this passage is teaching? How did Jesus defeat Satan?

- By revealing the truth about God and Himself He defeated Satan's lies about God
- By choosing with His human brain to love perfectly, to never act selfishly, to develop a perfect character, He defeated Satan's goal to destroy God's image in man and defeated Satan's attempt to make humanity like Satan in character
- By choosing to surrender to death, and refusing to exercise His power to stop death from taking Him, Jesus defeated death and brought life and immortality to light
- By all of this Jesus established a healed and perfected humanity and became the second Adam, the true Sovereign of humanity

MONDAY

Read Luke 18:29, 30: "I tell you the truth," Jesus said to them, "no one who has left home or wife or brothers or parents or children for the sake of the kingdom of God³⁰ will fail to receive many times as much in this age and, in the age to come, eternal life."

Read last paragraph, "Read again, Luke..." What is being described? What is the issue? Is Jesus telling us to leave family behind?

What is being taught?



That we are terminal, all of us, and only by partaking the Remedy Jesus has procured can any of us live. Imagine, you and your entire family are infected with a terminal infection but there is a remedy. You love your family and want to help them, but you have no remedy, if you want to help them what must you do? Do you stay with them, or go get the remedy? You cannot get well until you partake the remedy, but you also cannot share the remedy with your family until you partake it yourself! Thus, if we refuse to leave our families to partake of Jesus, we remain terminal and incapable of ministering God's healing love and truth to others. Why? Because we don't possess it!

Further, without partaking of Jesus, without the Spirit, we don't even recognize what is wrong with us and have nothing to offer others.

Thus, it is necessary to put Jesus first, in order to connect to the only source of life, and then be a conduit of truth and love to our family members.

TUESDAY

Read Luke 4:16-21:

He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. And he stood up to read. ¹⁷ The scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written:

¹⁸ "The Spirit of the Lord is on me,

because he has anointed me
to preach good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners
and recovery of sight for the blind,
to release the oppressed,

¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

²⁰ Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him, ²¹ and he began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

What does the prophecy mean? How did Jesus fulfill it?

Who are the poor to whom Jesus has good news? Poor in what? Remember the beatitudes – blessed are the poor in spirit – meaning what? He brings good news to those who recognize their spiritual need, their sickness of heart and mind, their defectiveness of character, who are humble and know they need a cure.

What is the good news He brings to the poor? The truth about God which frees them from the lies and wins them to trust, and a new heart/right spirit built upon love and trust, which casts out fear and selfishness and recreates those who partake into God's image.



Who are the prisoners that Jesus frees, and from what does He free them?

We are held in the bondage of sin, by what? Lies we believe about God that prevent us from genuinely surrendering to Him, and our own selfish natures.

How does He free us? By revealing the truth to win us to trust, and by developing a perfect character that He offers freely to us, thus when we trust we become “partakers of the divine nature” and “it is no longer I that live but Christ lives in me.”

What does recovery of sight to the blind mean? Is it primarily physical blindness, or spiritual blindness, failing to see God and reality (self, sin, Satan, universe, Great Controversy) as it really is?

WEDNESDAY

The Kingdom of God and the Second Coming – how do you understand the events of the second coming? Does your current understanding fit with the kingdom of love as Jesus revealed?

How is the second coming taught that actually denies the kingdom of God?

- Christ coming with vengeance, rod of iron, to crush His enemies and punish the wicked
- Christ uses power to enforce His rule over the nations
- Others?

How can we present the Second Coming in harmony with God’s kingdom of love, yet be true to Scripture regarding the fate of the unrepentant?

THURSDAY

The lesson states, “God must always be God; to probe His mind, to predict the preciseness of His plans, to penetrate His secrets is not the task of flesh and blood. He knows when the kingdom of glory should come, and He will bring it to pass in His own time...”

What do you hear? A sovereign God who is in control and will do what He wants when He wants and we have no right to ask questions or expect understanding, “God said it, I believe it, that settles it”?

Let’s break down these multiple claims and examine each for accuracy and truth.

- God must always be God... which means what? God will be Himself, true to His own nature and character and cannot be otherwise. True!
- to probe His mind is not the task of flesh and blood – can finite beings enter infinity? No, God lives in unapproachable light, unapproachable because He is infinite and we are



finite, and thus it is true we are not capable of probing the mind of God, but it is not because God is selfish, restrictive, elite, dominate, secretive, or in anyway uses authority, position, power to demand such lower beings never presume to probe His mind. He actually invites us to know Him, as far as we are capable of knowing Him.

- to predict the preciseness of His plans... Is God random, chaotic, unpredictable? Are God's laws arbitrary, changing, unpredictable? Or, if one knows God and God's laws, can they actually predict certain actions because those actions are the only outcome possible? For instance, can we predict God will always act in love? Now, the precise action in each circumstance we may not predict, but can we predict it will always be in love? Can we predict His plan to destroy sin and selfishness and restore the universe to unity with Him? Why? How certain? But if one has an arbitrary God, with imposed law, then His actions become unpredictable, it all depends on His whims, not His character.
- to penetrate His secrets? No, we cannot penetrate His secrets, only those which He reveals

God does know the future and when the kingdom of glory will come, but does that mean it is happening on a particular date because God preset a date and says, "Ready or not hear I come" Or is the date set by events God knows will transpire, yet God does not impose those events? Thus God waits to for those events to happen in the lives and hearts of people? In other words, God wants love and trust, which must be freely chosen, and thus waits for humans to choose to accept or reject Him and His methods?

FRIDAY

Read second paragraph, "We are now..." What is this metaphor of being rough stones taken from? What is the point or lesson?

Read and discuss the questions



ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Remedy – Dr. Jennings’ New Testament Paraphrase is now available on our website, BOTH the Android and Apple Version is not Available! First update for Apple Version now available – most glitches fixed, but if not let me know.

- This is a **FREE** app
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Please Pray God will bless our efforts to share this beautiful message about Him at The General Conference of SDA in San Antonio Texas, July 1-12, 2015. Our booth is A481 and we are giving away DVDs and books. Pray God will make this an amazing event for the advancement of the truth about Him!

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June 20, 2015: JFEST, Come and Reason Ministries will have a booth at JFEST to give away our materials. JFEST is at Camp Jordan. We will have class at our normal time on June 20. We need some volunteers to work our booth that day – please let us know if you are local and can help out.

July 1-12: GC session at San Antonio. Come and Reason will have a booth in the exhibit hall, booth A481. Please come by and see us if you are there. We will have class at our regular times here in Collegedale.

August 1: Dr. Jennings will be speaking to the Petaluma, CA SDA church.

September 3,4: Dr. Jennings will be speaking at the Baptist Boomer’s Conference in San Antonio, TX.

September 12: Dr. Jennings will be speaking at the Vallejo Dr., CA SDA church.

September 23-26: American Association of Christian Counselors World Convention at Gaylord Opryland Hotel, Nashville TN. Come and Reason will have a booth in the exhibit hall, and Dr. Jennings will be doing a preconference workshop and regular conference presentation, as well as commencement speaker for Light University graduation.

October 24: Dr. Jennings will be speaking in Puyallup, WA.



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