

# Seek The Old Paths

*“Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths...and walk therein” (Jeremiah 6:16)*

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## A Review Of The 1992 “SEEK THE OLD PATHS LECTURESHIP”

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The 7th Annual Seek The Old Paths Lectureship, conducted July 26-30, is now history. Everything went smoothly with no cancellations or rearranging in the schedule. The lessons were superb and right on target. The gospel was preached in its truth and simplicity. The cause of the Lord was advanced in sermons being preached on a broad and varied spectrum. Lessons were preached concerning: *evangelism, fellowship, worship, humanism, the work of the church, qualified leadership, Bible authority, love, soundness, prayer, the role of women, indifference, the home, the Holy Spirit, repentance, the current digression among us*, and many more.

There were times of both laughter and sorrow. I sat with tears running down my cheeks on hearing great lessons from the word of God. We all were terribly saddened to learn of the gain-sayers, false teachers, perverters of truth, mockers of God (liberals) who are ravaging the body of Christ. How few it seems that are willing to take up the sword of the Spirit and fight the good fight of faith. It is distressing that so many do not even know we are presently in a battle to save the church from apostasy. It is already too late for many! However, such a gathering as this assures us there are yet seven thousand that have not bowed the knee to Baal (cf. I Kings 19:18).

It is encouraging to see so many good men and women from around the country who love the truth and love to hear it preached. The attendance this year was the best ever. Our lowest crowd at any one session was 64 and our highest

crowd was 161. Averages for each day were as follows: Sunday 126, Monday 107, Tuesday 100, Wednesday 97, Thursday 95. The average attendance for the 36 sessions was 103. One hundred forty four visitors signed our attendance record from eleven states. Over 115 people from 24 states sent envelopes to receive the book. Of the 1,000 books printed, only 120 remain.

We have received so many good comments by mouth, phone and letter from those who attended. Many have already expressed they plan on returning next year and doing their best to see that others come also. One visitor, from over 300 miles away, said, *“We plan on attending next year, and I hope to persuade ALL of our elders to attend with me! I can truly say that the Lectureship is the best to be found ANY WHERE. It is truly a PREACHING lectureship, and I can truly say that I was greatly blessed by hearing the truth forcefully presented by faithful brethren.”*

We give a hardy “thank you” to each and every one that made this year’s lectureship a success. A special thanks to the ladies of East Corinth who so diligently gave money, time and prepared food. We fed from 85-100 each day with several more not staying for lunch. We thank all the men who cleaned around the building, ran errands, put up tents and took care of so many more details. We thank the elders for having the wisdom and foresight in providing us with such a spiritual feast. We continue to pray for them as they oversee the flock of God at East Corinth. There will be an elders’ report in our next issue. ♦

# WHO SPEAKS FOR GOD TODAY?

Charles A. Pledge

One of the problems characteristic of the religious world is "speaking for God." A common trait among all false religions is the claim to progressive, or modern revelation. One way of expressing that error is the **claim to be modern prophets, or spokesmen for God today.**

God has a spokesman for this age. In ages past God used prophets as his spokesmen. After all, a spokesman is one who speaks for another, and the prophets were his mouthpiece, or spokesmen. But who speaks for God in this age? Some, even in the church, have claimed to be prophets. Others have denied that we have prophets but claim that all preachers are spokesmen. Both claims are equally false. Although I have preached for about 38 years I have never claimed to speak for God. I merely speak the word God has revealed to all men. If I was the spokesman for God, God would be revealing through me his word to others. But that word is revealed once for all times, to all the saints. We read in Jude 3: *"Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints."* Who is God's spokesman for this age?

We read in Hebrews 1:1-2: *"God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds."* God settles this question for us. His spokesman is Jesus Christ. It is through him and by him that God speaks to all men. Jesus speaks to us today through his apostles whom he chose and anointed with the Holy Spirit to empower them to be his spokesmen, or ambassadors. (An ambassador is a legal representative of a government. The apostles were chosen and commissioned to be the legal representatives of the government of Jesus Christ.) Christ speaks for God. The apostles speak for Christ. The written word speaks for the apostles.

It all boils down to the fact that when a person

today claims to be a spokesman for God, that person must claim inspiration and revelation. The same is true if one claims to speak for Christ. A spokesman is one who speaks for another. If one claims to speak for God or Christ, let them prove their claim. God never sent anyone with his message without empowering them to prove they were from God should the occasion demand it. Neither did Christ. The apostles could do the work of an apostle. Part of that work was the laying on of hands and conferring miraculous gifts. Strangely, those who claim to be modern spokesmen of God can't even work a miracle, let alone confer the power upon others to work a miracle. Those who claim to speak for God are able to give us a new Bible. Why? If they speak for God, they are speaking the word of God to us. Let them bring forth that word and we will compare it with the word already given. If it falls short, it is insufficient. If it goes beyond, it is too much. If it is the same, it is no revelation because the revelation has been completed. The claim, anyway you look at it is rather absurd.

God has one spokesman for our age, and only one. That spokesman is Jesus Christ. The first chapter of Hebrews proves the qualifications of Jesus to be the spokesman for God. Let any who claim to be God's spokesman bring forth the same qualifications, or greater, for our inspection. Let the modern claimant tell us concerning himself: *"Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high."* Let him prove of himself: *"Being made so much better than the angels, as he hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they."* Let him point to a prophecy of himself such as: *"For unto which of the angels said he at any time, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father, and he shall be to me a Son?"* Let the self-styled spokesman of God prove God commanded others to worship him: *"And again, when he bringeth in the first begotten into the world, he saith, And let all the*

*angels of God worship him."* Or perhaps he could lay claim to this: *"And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his angels spirits, and his ministers a flame of fire. But unto the Son he saith, Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom."* Or perhaps he would want to claim the following: *"Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity; therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows."* No! Then perhaps he could lay claim to being eternal: *"And, Thou, Lord, in the beginning hast laid the foundation of the earth; and the heavens are the works of thine hands: They shall perish; but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment; And as a vesture shalt thou fold them up, and they shall be changed: but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail."* Last, perhaps he would want to claim the following: *"But to which of the angels said he at any time, Sit on my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool?"*

Absurd? No! Not if one claims to speak for God! Let every claimant to be God's spokesman bring forth at least the qualifications referred to or else forever hold his peace. If he can't produce the qualifications, he can't lay a legitimate claim to being a spokesman for God. What about being a spokesman for Christ?

The apostles were ambassadors of Christ. We read in II Cor. 5:20: *"Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God."* Ambassadors of Christ stand in Christ's stead. Do modern claimants stand in Christ's stead? If so, they have the authority and power the apostles had. They have the inspiration the apostles had. They possessed the ability to work the works of apostles. If they can't step forth with these qualifications, let them still their tongue on the subject. We understand some have not given the matter proper consideration and claim to be spokesmen for God without realizing the consequences of their claim. But, they need to consider what they say before they say it.

Preachers are not spokesmen for God. Neither do they speak for Christ. Preachers are but "heralds." The authority to speak is in the message itself, not in the man. The preacher is

but a herald who speaks with authority because that authority resides in the word he speaks. The preacher has no authority over people. His authority is to speak the word because that authority is in the word he speaks. Preachers ought to get, on the one hand, a dose of humility. On the other hand, they need a dose of backbone and conviction. We need to be humble, recognizing that we have a grand privilege to speak the word delivered and recorded from God through his spokesman, Jesus Christ. What a wonderful and grand privilege it is to speak forth such a sublime message. At the same time, preachers need a good portion of conviction and courage because that word spoken is a word of authority and must be delivered with authority. The authority resides not in the man but in the message. For that cause, it does no good to kill the messenger; the authority still lives in the word. Because the authority is in the word, the messenger is to be bold and courageous, knowing the authority is a divine authority that transcends all human authority and power. At the

same time, humility should characterize his methods of delivering that word. Not a false humility, but one that draws praise to him who gave the word to be preached.

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Let's get our thinking straight. **There is no prophet on earth today except a false prophet. There is no spokesman for God on earth today** for Jesus is the spokesman for God in this age and he is in heaven. **There are no ambassadors for Christ on earth today** for those whom he chose to serve as ambassadors now sit on their thrones judging spiritual Israel through the word they spoke for Christ. At best, there are only heralds to proclaim what already has been spoken. There is no new revelation to be expected until Jesus himself is revealed from heaven. At that time, **all who now claim to be spokesmen and prophets for God will face the sure judgment all false teachers must suffer.** Until then, let's be content to just speak as the Bible speaks in all matters religious.

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# HAND CLAPPING IN WORSHIP

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The apostle Paul writes: "Let us have grace, whereby we may offer service well-pleasing to God with reverence and awe: for our God is a consuming fire" (Heb. 12:28-29). Reverence is defined as: "A feeling or attitude of deep respect mingled with awe; veneration." There are a number of words in the New Testament translated worship and the most frequently used word means "to make obeisance, do reverence."

Too often our concept of worship has been that of a stage with actors. It is time to begin worship [the Bible does not teach everything we do in life is worship], and those involved [song leader, scripture reader, those passing communion, preacher, the one leading our minds in public prayer] do their part and the audience in the pew sits back to judge their performance, as if they do not participate in worship. This view is totally erroneous.

The proper concept of New Testament worship is that of God as the audience and all those assembled are the participants in offering their praise to God Almighty. The spotlight is not the individual leading us in a specific act of worship, but each one in the assembly. We are to give our heart, mind and spirit to the praise of God (John 4:24). In so doing, we scripturally praise and worship God.

Several times we have sat in an assembly in which, after the speaker had delivered a sermon, an applause followed. I sat not participating, unimpressed, puzzled, and concerned by it all.

More recently, in researching materials in the voluminous work of Nathaniel Lardner, I came across an interesting incident in the life of Paul of Samosata, who was an elder in the church in Antioch, about A.D. 260. While Paul of Samosata was finally withdrawn from because of heretical teaching; it is of interest, in light of the apparent developing practice among us, that he was also censured for "an exorbitant love of praise and applause" both within and without the assembly. It seems that if there were any who did "both applaud him, nor as it was customary in the

theater, shake their handkerchiefs, nor make loud acclamation...but hear with a composed attention and reverence, as becometh the house of God, he reproveth and abuseth them" (*Credibility of the Gospel History*, II:666ff).

In 1903 in McMinnville, Tennessee, J. Carroll Stark debated Joe Warlick on the use of mechanical instruments of music in worship. Stark argued that "worship, the emotion of the soul, may produce singing, shouting, praising, leaping, dancing, hand clapping or thanksgiving, and **such expressions are not to be suppressed by man-made rules**" (Woodson, *Standing for Their Faith*, p.90; emphasis, WTV).

Stark was a member of the Christian Church, the equivalent today of the Independent Christian Church, and the above statement served as part of his second argument justifying the use of mechanical instruments of music in worship.

It is unscriptural to use mechanical instruments of music in New Testament worship. It is, likewise, strange and unscriptural to applaud or hand-clap in religious assemblies. An excessive fondness for praise and commendation is far from being justified by any man in his service rendered to God (Luke 17:10). Extremely interesting is the attempt earlier in this century by those using mechanical instruments of music and the argument that mechanical instruments of music, hand-clapping or applause and dancing in worship services are parallel. Will the growing use of hand-clapping in worship among our brethren ultimately include leaping and dancing in worship? It is of further interest that those among us who favor the introduction of hand-clapping are also often those involved in the recent "unity meetings" with the Independent Christian Church. Apparently, our irenic brethren see no problem with it. Let us keep our worship "in spirit and in truth" (John 4:24).

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# Some Say, "I Like Instrumental Music"

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In his conversation with the Samaritan woman at Jacob's well near Sychar our Lord said: "*But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and truth: for such doth the Father seek to be his worshippers. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship in spirit and truth*" (John 4:23-24, ASV).

In this passage there are three outstanding facts which have a bearing on the attempt to justify instrumental music by saying, "I like instrumental music."

1. Such doth the Father seek to be his worshippers.
2. Must worship in spirit and truth.
3. True worshippers shall worship.

## God Is The Object Of Our Worship

In repelling the tempter in the wilderness our Lord stated, "*Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve*" (Matt. 4:10). Since Jehovah God is the object of worship, he and only he has the right to determine what acts are to be used in worshipping him.

God, in his divine will, has spoken concerning music in worship. In every passage of scripture in the New Testament which speaks of music in Christian worship, singing is specified (Eph. 5:19; Col. 3:16; Rom. 15:9; 1 Cor. 14:15; Acts 16:25; Heb. 2:12).

Man is further taught in 2 Tim. 3:16-17 and in 2 Peter 1:3 that God has furnished him with instructions (the Bible) which will "*furnish man completely unto every good work,*" and that Jesus Christ "*hath granted unto us all things that pertain to life and godliness.*"

God is the object of worship and he has by DIVINE RIGHT determined what is acceptable music in worship. Man has no choice in the matter.

## Worship In Truth

To worship in truth is to worship as God has directed in his divine will. Man is not capable

(wise enough) to direct his own steps (Jer. 10:23). Cain tried and failed (Gen. 4). Nadab and Abihu (Lev. 10:2) forfeited their life because of disobedience to God's instructions.

God does not think like man (1 Sam. 16:7; Isa. 55:8-9), and ways which seem right to man lead to death (Prov. 14:12). God's word is not only man's standard while he is on earth, but it will be the standard for judgment (John 12:48).

## True Worshippers

Not all worshippers are approved of God. In Matt. 15:9 Jesus said that teaching the precepts of men leads to vain worship. God, the object of man's worship, has determined the what, when, and how of worship, and when man (the created) changes worship to please his desires he makes it vain and an abomination unto God.

God's children are concerned with only one thing, and that is how to be pleasing unto God (Phil. 1:21). To change God's instructions concerning worship (or any other area) is to reveal an improper attitude toward God and his word. To go beyond God's instructions is a sin (2 John 8-9) and brings the displeasure of God upon the worshipper.

## Logical Conclusions

If "I like instrumental music" becomes the authority for its use in the worship services, it follows that man becomes his own authority. When man becomes his own authority then each worshipper has the prerogative to introduce into the worship anything he likes. It does not take a very fertile imagination to foresee the complete chaos and confusion which would result in the simple worship of New Testament Christians. How many Lord's tables would you have to spread for a congregation of three hundred families to get the elements that each worshipper would "like?" Also, it would be impossible to have a systematic method of laying by in store if each worshipper had to satisfy his "likes."

It has been stated that the only real authority for using instrumental music in worship is:

1. I like it.
2. I want it.
3. I am going to have it.

This attitude defies God's wishes, and is characteristic of a finite heart in rebellion to the infinite being.

The servant of God realizes that worship is not

directed toward man, and is not for the purpose of pleasing or entertaining man. True and acceptable worship unto the God of heaven is directed to him and is in harmony with **WHAT GOD LIKES!**  
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## Biblical Love

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Our estranged brother Rubel Shelly wrote the following about Biblical Love in 1973:

“One of the great errors of liberal theology is **its attempt to make love the basis of spiritual fellowship and its failure to distinguish between true Christians and those outside the faith. Love is not the basis of fellowship. Truth is the basis of fellowship** (cf. John 1:7; Rom. 16:17) and the new commandment to love one another as Christ has loved us **applies only to those who stand within the sphere of true faith.**” (*The Biblical Doctrine Of Love; The Spiritual Sword; Vol. 4, Nu. 2, p.11.—emphasis mine, jn).*

I doubt that brother Shelly would defend the statement now because he has since departed from the faith. This statement in 1973 is in great contrast to his teaching and practice now. However, it is the Biblical truth of the matter today just as it was when he said it. Let's examine it further.

### TRUTH, THE BASIS OF FELLOWSHIP

Jesus said, “**If ye love me, ye will keep my commandments**” (John 14:15). This statement implies that one who does not keep the commandments, **does not love the Christ!** Also, I John 1:7 states, “**If we walk in the light, as he is in the light we have fellowship one with another....**” Fellowship and unity, according to the statement, is **ONLY** enjoyed when we, with our brethren, “**walk in the light,**” the truth of the Gospel. Verse six also substantiates that fellowship with God is based upon one **walking in the truth of God.** Our love for one another requires

that **all parties STAY** within the confines of the Truth of God; thereby, we have unity. Love and fellowship of the saints is designed by God for them. It is **not** enjoyed by the world, nor is it extended to those who **depart the faith** (See I John 4:7-8; John 13:34-35; I Cor. 5:11; 6:9-10).

### SOME DO NOT UNDERSTAND THE BIBLICAL CONCEPT OF LOVE

Many times elders, preachers, teachers (especially those as writers who deal with noted apostasy in certain people or congregations of the brotherhood) have to deal with brethren, who by their actions, have broken the love, fellowship and unity to be maintained in Christ. When such a one departs the “pattern” of truth, **he is the one responsible for dissolving the Christian love between himself and his brethren.** By his evil action, he has estranged himself from the fellowship of Christians designed by God.

Some brethren do not understand the true Biblical concept of love. They sometimes charge those of us who deal with those who apostate themselves as being “unloving.” **The truth of the matter is that the one who departed from Truth either by teaching or practice IS THE ONE WHO IS UNLOVING!** Those who remain in the Truth and the fellowship have the responsibility to point out the error or evil practice of the one breaking the fellowship and who has stopped loving God and his brethren (See Titus 3:10; I Cor. 5:9-13; Rom. 16:17; II Thess. 3:6,14).

### DISCIPLINE OF AN ESTRANGED BROTHER IS DIFFICULT

As parents, we do not like to have to castigate our children. But it is demanded. It would be nice if someone else would superintend this most unpleasant task. Although we love our children when we administer verbal or physical chastisement, they do not at the time think so and sometimes others who witness it may want to charge us with being unloving. However, time soon reveals that love was the motive for the discipline administered and through correction, fellowship was restored and made stronger.

We should always remember that when brethren enter error through what they **teach or practice, they are the CULPRIT**—they have stopped loving God and their brethren and have broken the fellowship. Consequently, whatever

discipline is administered by the fellowship of saints is rightly deserved and demanded. **Faithful brethren who love God and the fellowship and unity of the saints, must deal with error when it raises its ugly head. Error left alone will grow ("and their word doth eat as gangrene," II Tim. 2:17).** No one likes to have to part with an arm or leg due to infection, **but better that than the loss of the whole body.**

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What should we do with Romans 16:17? *"Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and avoid them."* Should we pretend this verse does not exist? Could not we be more pious and loving than the Lord and consider ourselves above such a distasteful obligation as this?

Some will admit we should not ignore false doctrine but should leave personalities out of it. However, that is not what God says. Notice in these two verses the words: "reprove THEM," "mark THEM," "avoid THEM." How will we know who to reprove, mark and avoid unless they are identified? Read Galatians 2:14, I Timothy 1:20, II Timothy 1:15.

There have always been those who oppose the Lord's way in desiring only "good things" be preached. In Isaiah 30:10 we read, *"Which say to the seers, See not; and to the prophets, Prophecy not unto us right things, speak unto us smooth things, prophesy deceits."* It would be nice to speak only of "smooth things" but such is not nor has ever been God's will.

We must be thankful for faithful men who, without fear, will speak the truth in love as God commands, and not be puppets of men.

## IS THERE BIBLE AUTHORITY FOR "BACKGROUND VOCALS" WHEN WE SING?

It is a growing trend today to hear more and more "humming, oohing, ahing" and imitating

mechanical instruments of music with one's voice. From the outset we must say **THERE'S NO BIBLE AUTHORITY FOR IT!**

For example, a quartet group frequently appears on the "Waters of Life" TV program out of Belmont, Mississippi. On the July 26, 1992, program (which aired over channel 26 from Florence, AL) they sang a song in which "background vocals" were used. Such groups performing before an audience do not represent, characterize, illustrate, imitate or portray the example and pattern of New Testament worship. Further, for one to sing a "solo" while others provide background accompaniment **cannot** be found anywhere in the Bible! There is no command, example or implication which authorizes it. **It stands solely upon human authority.**

You can hear just about every pitiful attempt imaginable to justify "background sounds" by proponents of this new innovation, such as: "I like it," "it sounds good," "I'd rather listen to it than the modern music today." However, the only valid justification is Bible authority, but there is none!

Bible authority for the singing of psalms, hymns and spiritual songs is found in Ephesians 5:19 and Colossians 3:16, **"Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord."** *"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord."* The words "speaking" and "teaching" eliminate any and all types of unintelligible sounds, whether made by an instrument or the human voice. When we "sing and teach" we "speak." We speak "words" whereby the word of God is communicated. There is no communication in humming, oohing, ahing or imitating instruments. Speaking the Word is authorized—sounds and noises are not. They may sound good to men, but that is not the criteria by which we will be judged.

Colossians 3:17 sets forth the principle that governs our every word and action. **"And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father through him."** "In the name of the Lord" demands authority from God's Word for everything we do and say. There is NO AUTHORITY for background vocals to accompany the singing of psalms, hymns and spiritual songs! ♦



## Questions & Answers

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### IS IT SOWING DISCORD TO EXPOSE ERROR?

Some would have us believe that it is causing division and sowing discord to expose error (false doctrine) and those teaching and spreading it. We are told such is not "loving" or promoting the "unity" for which Jesus prayed. However, nothing could be farther from the truth!

The most loving thing we can do for others is to help them not to fall into error by warning them of it or, if they have embraced it already, to help them see the error of their way. To do otherwise shows that one has no love at all for the truth or the souls of men.

Jesus warned of the error of the Pharisees and Sadducees. Read Matthew 23:13-33. Jesus continually warned those of his day saying, *"But woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! ...Ye serpents, ye generation of vipers, how can ye escape the damnation of hell?"* Does that sound very loving to you?! Jesus is our perfect example of love! He loved enough to warn and caution them of their soul being in danger of hell.

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Are we to ignore Ephesians 5:11 which says, *"And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them."* Would any dare accuse God of sowing discord and division in this verse? Notice that the command of God is not only to have "no fellowship" with error, but also **REPROVE THEM** who are teaching it! Is it "unloving" to obey this verse? Those who do not obey, hate God and God's way!

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