

Sunday June 30, 2019

Reflections on the Story of David "Work: David & Saul"

Welcome.

Thanks for joining us today in worship. We hope you find City Church to be a warm, welcoming community—regardless of your background, beliefs, or life situation. To that end, we recognize that certain parts of the service may feel unfamiliar, so we've provided brief explanations throughout this guide.

Our worship is "liturgical." The Greek word "leitourgia" means a public work, the work of the people. Liturgical worship begins with God's call upon us, his meeting with us, speaking among us, and ministering to us. The flow of our liturgy aims at drawing us further into the life of the Trinity and then moving us outward into our world.

On pages 19-22, you'll find information about our community. We hope this helps you get to know us better and that, in turn, we can get to know you better. Help us welcome you by filling out the contact sheet on the back page and placing it in the offering basket or in our hands after the worship service.

All to say, we are glad you are here and look forward to meeting you.

— The Pastoral Staff

Tuck Bartholomew, Chris Currie, Jonathan Davis

Sunday Info

UCity

Nursery, Room 111 Children 4 – 24 months for the duration of the service

Children's, Church Room 112–113 Children ages 2 through 5th grade dismiss just before the sermon. 1st – 5th graders will return prior to communion.

Adult Ed Class No classes are currently meeting.

Accessibility A wheelchair ramp and elevator are on site. A greeter can assist you.

Coffee is available in the SE hallway at 10:15am and before Adult Ed classes when offered.

Reflection

Why do we always want to know early on in our acquaintance with someone what his or her work is? 'What do you do?' is virtually always among the repertoire of getting-acquainted questions. The reason is this: occupation, career, job can do two things - usually both at the same time. Work can reveal something essential about us - express our values, articulate our morals, act out our convictions of what it means to be a human being, created in the image of God. Conversely, work can conceal our real identity; it can be used as a front to advertise something that we want people to see in us or believe about us but that in fact we've never bothered to become within ourselves.

- Eugene Peterson, Leap Over a Wall

Church Calendar

ADVENT
CHRISTMAS
EPIPHANY
LENT
EASTER
PENTECOST
ORDINARY TIME

We observe a season of Ordinary Time from Pentecost until Advent, which we count as weeks following Pentecost. During this time we especially remember the lives and actions of Jesus' followers. We think about how the first Christians lived their lives, and how we should live ours today. This season of Ordinary Time takes up half the year and it doesn't offer big exciting festivals such as Christmas or Easter. As a result, as one Sunday follows another, this season can begin to feel, well, ordinary.

GOD SUMMONS US AS HIS PEOPLE

As we meet together each week, we recognize in the preparation that God, through his word and Spirit, gathers us into his presence and calls us into his life and mission.

Prelude

Preparation

Gracious God, grant us diligence to seek you and patience to wait for you.

All Amen.

Silence is kept.

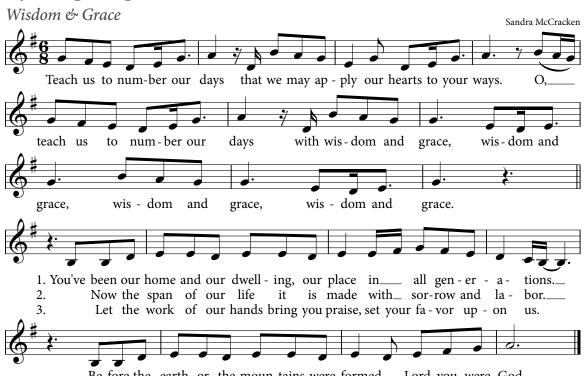
Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

All And also with you.

O come, let us sing unto the Lord.

All Let us shout with joy to the rock of our salvation!

Opening Song



Be-fore the earth or the moun-tains were formed, Lord, you were God. As the days pass a - way, like the grass how soon we are gone. O, es - tab - lish the work of our hands, may your king-dom come.

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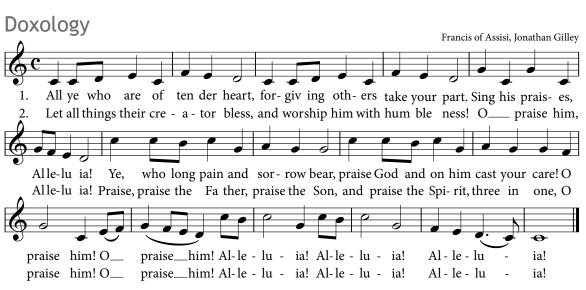
Opening of Responsorial

O Lord, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!

All You have set your glory above the heavens.
When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have established;
what are human beings that you are mindful of them,
who are mortals that you care for them?
Yet you have made them a little lower than God,
and crowned them with glory and honor.
You have given them dominion
over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet.
O Lord, our Sovereign,
how majestic is your name in all the earth.

from Psalm 8

Prayer of Adoration and Invocation



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Confession of Sin

All Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Silence is kept.

Words of Comfort and Assurance of Pardon

Almighty God, who in Jesus Christ has given us a kingdom that cannot be destroyed, forgive you your sins, open your eyes to God's truth, strengthen you to do God's will and give you the joy of his kingdom, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

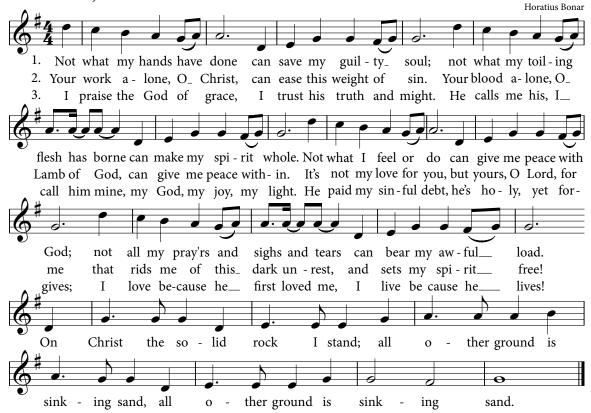
All Amen.

GOD SANCTIFIES US TO HIMSELF

Throughout Scripture, when people find themselves in God's presence, they sense how far short they fall and become aware of their own shame and brokenness. In the same way, we make a confession of sin, both as a community and also silently as individuals. In this, we remember that God is always ready, by his mercy and grace, to forgive us.

Songs of Praise and Thanksgiving

Not What My Hands Have Done





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Passing of the Peace

The peace of the risen Christ be with you always.

All And also with you.

Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

Children attending kindergarten and younger are invited to go to their classes at this time. 1st - 5th graders are invited to Children's Church and will return during the Offering.

GOD SPEAKS TO US
IN HIS WORD

In the public reading of the word of God and its exposition in the sermon, God shares the story of his saving mission in Jesus, encouraging us to join in that mission and orienting us again to his priorities.

The Word of God

Old Testament reading: 1 Samuel 16:14-23

¹⁴Now the spirit of the Lord departed from Saul, and an evil spirit from the Lord tormented him. 15 And Saul's servants said to him, "See now, an evil spirit from God is tormenting you. ¹⁶Let our lord now command the servants who attend you to look for someone who is skillful in playing the lyre; and when the evil spirit from God is upon you, he will play it, and you will feel better." 17So Saul said to his servants, "Provide for me someone who can play well, and bring him to me." 18One of the young men answered, "I have seen a son of Jesse the Bethlehemite who is skillful in playing, a man of valor, a warrior, prudent in speech, and a man of good presence; and the Lord is with him." 19So Saul sent messengers to Jesse, and said, "Send me your son David who is with the sheep." ²⁰Jesse took a donkey loaded with bread, a skin of wine, and a kid, and sent them by his son David to Saul. 21 And David came to Saul, and entered his service. Saul loved him greatly, and he became his armor-bearer. ²²Saul sent to Jesse, saying, "Let David remain in my service, for he has found favor in my sight." 23And whenever the evil spirit from God came upon Saul, David took the lyre and played it with his hand, and Saul would be relieved and feel better, and the evil spirit would depart from him.

This is the Word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Gospel reading: John 14:8-12

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John. *All* Glory to you, O Lord.

⁸Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." ⁹Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? ¹⁰Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. ¹¹Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. ¹²Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

"Work: David & Saul" - Rev. Chris Currie

Offering and Presentation of Gifts

"I am not commanding you, but I want to test the sincerity of your love by comparing it with the earnestness of others. For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, he became poor, so that through his poverty you might become rich" - 2 Corinthians 8:8-9

The offering is an opportunity to participate in the ministry of City Church. Online giving is available at citychurchphilly. com/give. If you are visiting, please don't feel obligated to give—we're grateful simply for your presence here today.

Creed

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers

Members of the congregation lead us in prayer.

Father of mercy and love, grow us up together, that we might be of one mind and one love, gentle toward one another and full of thanks. And may joy in the Lord overflow in us. For this, O Lord, we pray:

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Jesus Christ, our Savior, Lord of all nations: guide those with power and in authority. Fill their minds with what is true and just, to know what is honorable and commendable. For this, O Lord, we pray:

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Having offered ourselves up in faith through the creed, affirming the power of God's redemption, we lift up the church, our world, and other needs to God in prayer for his provision and healing.

Holy Spirit, our Comforter, grant us peace: draw near all who suffer; deliver them from worry. Guard the vulnerable and those who struggle. Lift their supplications before the Father. For this, O Lord, we pray:

All Lord, hear our prayer.

And for what else should we pray?

Members of the congregation may add their own intercessions at this time, ending with,

For this, O Lord, we pray:

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Now gathering our prayers into one, let us pray boldly as our Savior has taught us:

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Communion

The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

All We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give thanks and praise.

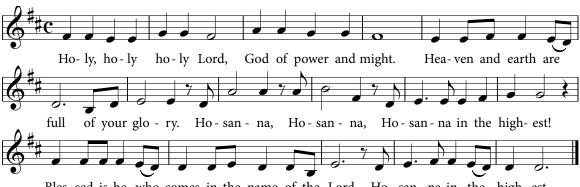
GOD STRENGTHENS US AT HIS TABLE

Communion, also called the Lord's *Supper, is the family* meal of Christians. We invite all baptized followers of Jesus Christ to participate. If you are not a follower of Jesus or are not prepared to share in the meal. we encourage you to spend this time in prayer ("Prayers for Reflection" are included below). We hope this time is helpful to you as you consider your relationship with *Iesus Christ and with* his people, the church.

The Eucharistic Prayer

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, always and everywhere to give you thanks, holy Father, almighty and eternal God.
From sunrise to sunset this day is holy, for Christ has risen from the tomb and scattered the darkness of death with light that will not fade.
This day the risen Lord walks with your gathered people, unfolds for us your word, and makes himself known in the breaking of the bread. And though the night will overtake this day you summon us to live in endless light, the never-ceasing sabbath of the Lord.
And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you, and singing:

Sanctus



Bles-sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Ho-san-na in the_high-est.

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The minister concludes the Eucharistic Prayer.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.

All Amen.

The minister speaks the Words of Institution.

Memorial Acclamation

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died:

Christ is risen:

Christ will come again.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us.

All Therefore, let us keep the feast.

We use wine in Communion. Nonalcoholic white grape juice and a glutenfree option are also available if preferred. Please discard your Communion cup as you leave worship.

If you would like prayer for healing and anointing with oil, please come to the back of the room after you have been served, and an elder will pray for you. This will be a time of liturgical prayer; you will not be asked to share your particular situation.

Prayers for Reflection

Prayer for those searching

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and lead me to the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding that is coherent, convincing, and that leads to the life that you promise.

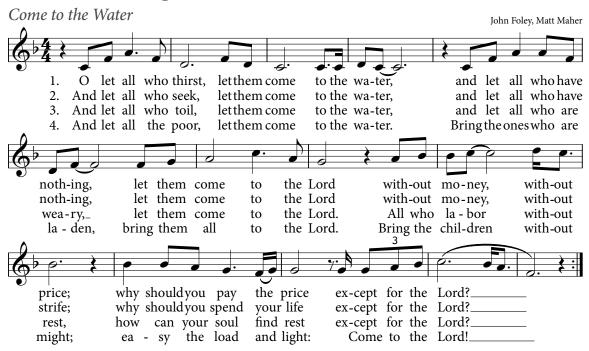
Prayer of belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weak and sinful, but through you, I am loved and accepted. I thank you for taking my place in death in order to offer me forgiveness and renewal. Knowing that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior and my Lord.

Prayer for those struggling with sin

Lord Jesus, grant that I may see in you the fulfillment of all my need, and may turn from every false satisfaction to feed on you, the true and living bread. Enable me to lay aside the sin that clings so closely, and faithfully follow you in life.

Communion Song



Prayer after Communion

All Eternal Father,
we thank you for nourishing us
with these heavenly gifts:
may our communion strengthen us in faith,
build us up in hope,
and make us grow in love;
for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing and Sending



GOD SENDS US
INTO THE WORLD

We have responded to God's call, heard his word, offered ourselves to his service, and received strength at his table. Now, at the close of worship, God sends us out to carry forward the gospel story.

Benediction

May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus; and the blessing of God almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.

All Amen.

Dismissal

Let us go forth to serve the world as those who love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

All Thanks be to God.

West Philly

Jonathan Bassett: liturgist Jonathan Davis: celebrant

Bethany Brooks: piano, voice

Ross Bellenoit: guitar

CONNECT

COMMUNITY GROUPS range in size from 10-15 people and meet weekly in the home of a group member for spiritual formation and friendship. We encourage you to visit multiple groups to see which one might be a good fit. Contact a leader if you plan to visit. Contact Jonathan Davis, jonathan@citychurchphilly.com if you have questions.

West Philly

- 50th & Springfield, Tuesdays 7_{PM} Jessie Taylor, jessie.f.taylor@gmail.com
- 49th & Chancellor, Tuesdays 7_{PM}
 Candy Cason, candy.cason@gmail.com
- 46th & Cedar, Tuesdays 7:30_{PM}
 Jade Avelis, jade.avelis@gmail.com
- 48th & Baltimore at Linda's, Wed 6:30_{PM} Janet Nygren, janetnygren@gmail.com
- 49th & Baltimore, Thursdays 6_{PM}
 Vieen Leung, vieenleung@gmail.com
- 48th & Baltimore at Dick's, Thursdays 6:30_{PM} Joel Bassett, jbassett4@gmail.com
- 51st & Chestnut, Fridays 6_{PM} Jason Turner, jason.h.turner@gmail.com

Fairmount

- 21st & Parrish, Wednesdays 7pm Chaney Widmer, chaney.widmer@gmail.com
- 24th & Brown, Thursdays 7_{PM}
 Katie Wildes, km.young.wildes@gmail.com
- 22nd & Poplar, Fridays 6:30_{PM}
 Liz Voboril, voborils@gmail.com

South Philly

• 12th & Wharton, Wednesdays 7:30_{PM} Kirstin Peth, kirstin.peth@gmail.com

Roxborough

• Tuesdays 6:30_{PM} Cale Weatherly, cale.weatherly@gmail.com

FAMILY MINISTRIES come alongside families as they disciple their children, seeking to help them cultivate friendships, connect with the wider church community, and grow into maturity as people of faith.

- Children's Ministry Our children's classes use a gospelcentered curriculum with scripture, stories, and activities to allow them opportunities to form spiritual friendships with their peers and teachers. See page 2 for site-specific details. Contact Ginger Hayes, ginger@ citychurchphilly.com.
- City Church Youth, Sundays 12:30-2:30pm. Students and Volunteer Leaders gather at a Woodland Presbyterian Church (42 & Pine) for fellowship, bible study, and prayer. Lunch is provided each week. Contact Jonathan Davis, jonathan@citychurchphilly. com.

UNIVERSITY STUDENTS Ekklesia is our mid-week, liturgically oriented, worship space for college students. We meet together to pray, sing, confess, and hear from God's Word. Contact Natalie Harvey, natalie@citychurchphilly.com.

55+ is a group of older people attending City Church who gather monthly after Sunday services for a shared meal and shared prayer. Contact Ginny Toliver, ginny. toliver@verizon.net.

WOMEN'S DAYTIME BOOK STUDY Tuesdays 9:30AM, Childcare available. Contact Eeva, eevaduddleston@gmail.com.

GROW

City Church is a community committed to growing in our life of joy and peace through communion with God in Christ. God uses many means to form his children into his likeness. As a church family, City Church focuses on eight practices that Christians historically have embraced for their growth. At right are a few links to help you get started.

- Read about our approach to Spiritual Formation | citychurchphilly.com/spiritualformation
- Sign up to receive Daily Prayer in your inbox citychurchphilly.com/daily-prayer
- Check out current and upcoming Adult Ed classes | citychurchphilly.com/adult-ed

SERVE

Church

Prepare the space for

- worship by joining one of our hospitality teams: setup, communion, coffee, greeters, and scripture readers.
 Contact Dan Cason (UCity), dan@citychurchphilly.com
 Ryan McCormick(Fairmount), rmmccormick@outlook.com
- Serve our children and youth. Contact Ginger Hayes (children), ginger@citychurchphilly.com Jonathan Davis (youth), jonathan@citychurchphilly.com

City

- Serve dinners with University City Hospitality Coalition on Friday evenings at Woodland Presbyterian Church, 42nd & Pine. Contact Julia Snyder, julia.a.snyder@gmail.com
- Tutor 1st graders at Lea Elementary. Contact Stacy Bartholomew, stacy. bartholomew@gmail.com

World

- Assist refugees
 with needs such as
 housing, employment,
 transportation, community
 resources, education, and
 social services through
 our partnership with HIAS
 Pennsylvania. Contact
 Esuga Abaya,
 esugaabaya@gmail.com
- Host international students for dinner.
 Contact Lyn Newbrander, Inewbrander@isionline.org

GIVE

The intentional financial participation of those who consider City Church their church home is vital. If you are not already tithing regularly, please prayerfully consider doing so. Our desire in giving is not only to meet our own needs but to be able to serve others in our city and neighborhoods. Here are a few ways that you can contribute financially to City Church:

- Place cash or check in the offering basket on Sundays
- Give online | citychurchphilly.com/give
- Text any amount to 84321, follow the link, and select City Church Philadelphia
- Checks may be mailed or arranged through Electronic Bill Pay to be sent to: City Church, PO Box 30902, Philadelphia, PA 19104

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kids' Summer Celebration | **July 10-12** Children who are at least 4 years of age through age 10 are invited to join us at Summer Celebration. This fun-filled event includes dinner, games, music, science, crafts and learning more about our Savior! Cost is free. Sign up at citychurchphilly.com/summercelebration2019. Volunteers are needed! Please Ginger at Ginger@citychurchphilly.com to learn more.

Women's Summer Studies Starting Soon In his book, Being Disciples, Rowan Williams challenges us to consider the calling of the church to be a learning community that helps followers of Jesus to grow. We invite the women of City Church to do just that this summer, using Being Disciples as the jumping-off point for our discussions. Purchasing the book is recommended but not required. Come as often as you are able!

- UCITY: Tuesday nights in July (9, 16, 23, & 30) from 7-9 pm at the Bartholomew's house, RSVP at citychurchphilly.com/ summerstudy
- FAIRMOUNT: Thursday nights in August (1, 8, 15, and 22) from 7-9pm at the Cottrell's house. RSVP at citychurchphilly.com/ summerstudy

Summer Service Opportunity: Friday Night Meal Volunteers
We're looking for volunteers especially on 7/5, 7/12, 8/9 and 8/16.
Volunteers help with serving the meal and cleaning up. You may
also get your own plate and sit with guests between the first and
second servings. There are lively conversations to be had! The
meals are served at Woodland Presbyterian Church (42nd and
Pine) between 5:45-7:00. Contact Julia Snyder at julia.a.snyder@
gmail.com if you are interested.

Wanted: Youth Ministry Coordinator We're hiring a part-time Youth Ministry Coordinator. A job description is posted on our website. Applications are due TODAY. Contact Chris at chris@citychurchphilly.com for more information.

Fairmount Summer Schedule. On summer Sundays, we'll gather at 4:30 pm for: 1st Sunday – Leadership Gathering, 4:30-6 (kids at The City School Fairmount, adults at a nearby home), 2nd Sunday – Serve Together (details TBD), 3rd Sunday – Meet up @ The Oval, 4th Sunday – Summer-Style Family-Friendly Worship & Taco Truck (at City School Fairmount). View the full schedule at citychurchphilly.com/fairmount. If you haven't been receiving Fairmount emails but would like to stay in the loop, please email Liz.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

July

10-12 Kids Summer Celebration

28 Taco Truck Sunday

August

25 Taco Truck Sunday

July 2019

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					UCHC Dinner	
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Vould you like to receive our weekly e-newsletter? ☐ Yes ☐ No
lease contact me about:
☐ Community Groups
☐ Neighborhood Service Opportunities
☐ Volunteering on Sundays
☐ Children's & Youth Ministries
☐ Meeting with a Pastor
□ Other:
Prayer Requests
Our staff prays weekly on Tuesdays, and our deacons pray monthly on 4th Sundays. Fill out your name above if you'd like to be prayed for by name.

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