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enesis 8:22 says as long as the earth remains, there will be seed time and harvest. The dictionary refers to harvest as a time of gathering in. Although certain current events in the world can make us feel scattered or in disarray, God is not ever scattered or in disarray. His harvest time is on His schedule and I believe this is a season God wants to gather in His people and show us His blassings



As Christians, seed time and harvest allows us to determine the outcome of many situations we face according to our seed, and according to God's harvest. Galatians 6:7 says Be not deceived; God is not mocked: whatsoever person sows, that shall they also reap. As long as we are obeying God's Word and doing the things according to His plan, the world may go through certain events, but God's people can live according to His holy scripture and according to His laws of seed time and harvest.

The world can cause us to feel anxiety and fear. But the Bible is full of words of encouragement and hope. In John 16:33, Jesus said "In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world." Christians have a Bible right—a Bible authority—to believe and act on God's Word with faith and expectation. In this issue, be encouraged by the articles about the hope we have through living a life of faith and experiencing God's powerful peace. And, pay close attention to the words to live by written by Oral Roberts.

Be encouraged, be blessed, and be expecting to gather in God's harvest, according to His amazing plan for our lives.



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With God, nothing is impossible!

"I never heard someone pray like that!"

I've been partnering with your ministry for over 50 years and you have one of the most powerful prayer teams that I've ever talked to! I had been fighting the flu and a cold and so I called your Abundant Life Prayer Group for healing prayer. I spoke with a kind lady there and I've never heard someone pray like that in my life! The next day, I felt great!

-Willie Mae, in North Carolina



After Covid-19, Back in College

My granddaughter, Jasmin, contracted Covid-19 and was in the ER three or four times due to that and several other health issues. I called the Abundant Life Prayer Group for prayer and God healed her! She is back in college and working, and doing great! Thank You Jesus!

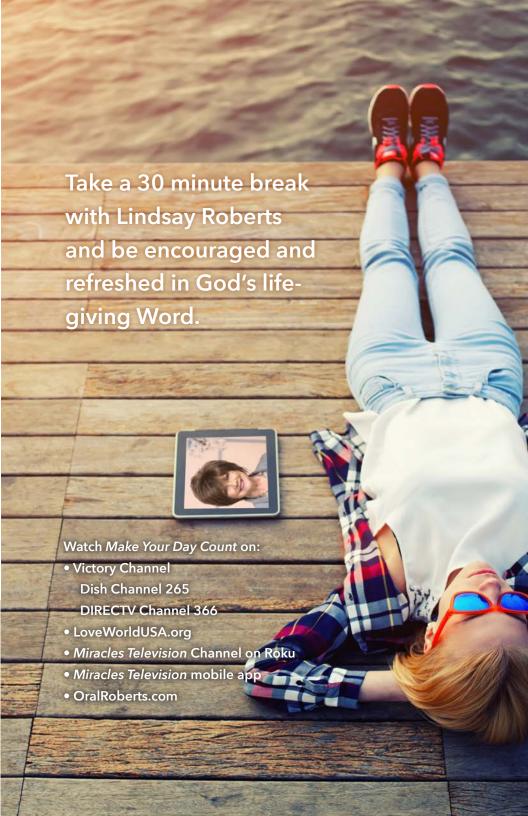
-Audrey, in Nebraska

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Knee healed while watching Facebook live

I was watching Lindsay Roberts on Facebook when Richard said that someone's knee was being healed. The moment he spoke, a warmth came over my knee and now it is healed! I was diagnosed with a torn meniscus but told it wasn't bad enough for surgery. God healed me and my knee no longer gives me prob-

-Linda. in Colorado





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of the laws of aerodynamics... and yet, perhaps we have trouble believing God was very specific about His laws.

hat happens when we keep the law? We get the benefit. What happens when we break the law? We don't get the benefits. We miss out on something that was there for us.

Some people say, "I'm boxed in by the Bible. I don't want to be trapped, it's a book of rules."

The Bible mentions meditating day and night on God's Word. Why? Psalm 1:1 says, "He'll be like a tree planted by the rivers of living water that brings forth his fruit in his due season." And then it goes on to say, "And whatsoever he doeth shall prosper."

In God's law, why do we meditate? Is it so we're all boxed in? No, it's designed so that everything you do shall prosper.

Why do we obey the laws of an intersection? So we don't end up in a catastrophe. Why do we obey the laws of the Bible? So we don't end up in a catastrophe. Not only

does it affect us, but it could affect others. In fact, the Bible even talks about our actions could affect outcomes for generations to come.

What happens when we obey the laws of the land? We reap the good of the land. What happens when we obey the laws of faith? The Bible says, the just shall live by their faith. Faith comes by hearing the Word of God and it's our opportunity to live—really live according to God's goodness for us.

So in the Bible, there are laws. There are rules. There are regulations. They're the governing body of the Bible. Why? So that we get the benefits of it.

Have you ever thrown a Frisbee? The first time I ever saw a Frisbee, I was a kid, and someone said, "Throw it here." Well, I tried to throw it like a baseball. It didn't fly. They said, "No, a Frisbee won't fly like that." Now they didn't tell me about the law of aerodynamics, but they said, "You've got to do it like this."

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bee, we can expect it to fly. Why? Because the law of aerodynamics has four components: thrust, force, drag, and weight. And if NASA can send a space shuttle up, and can send a person to the moon, then NASA knows enough about aerodynamics. Because of the laws of aerodynamics: thrust, force, drag, and weight... we can throw a Frisbee and expect it to fly.

What about the Bible? When God sent Jesus to the cross so that we could be healed and made completely whole...how can we believe that a Frisbee can fly because of the laws of aerodynamics... and yet, perhaps we have trouble believing God was very specific about His laws. When He put in the law of faith, the just shall live according to their faith, it was for us to believe for a good, godly life. The laws of healing are for our wholeness. The

laws of prosperity are for our successful journey on our road of life.

So if God sent His son Jesus so we would have a successful journey on the road of life, and if we can expect the law of thrust, force, drag, and weight to make a Frisbee fly, then we can believe that the Word of God—the will of God... the laws of prosperity... the laws of healing... the laws of faith—can come into effect because Jesus went to the cross for us.

And I think of ketchup. Yes, ketchup. Remember the commercial about the "slow ketchup" with the song "Anticipation" playing in the background? What is anticipation? It's expectation! When we throw a Frisbee, we can expect it to fly. When we get the slow ketchup, we expect it to be amazing. So open the Bible where it says, by the stripes that wounded Jesus, we are to be healed and made completely whole. Shouldn't we expect that to come to pass?

If we can believe NASA, and believe me, I think they have studied enough of the laws of aerodynamics to do it right and if we can believe the ketchup commercial that tells us to anticipate, then let's begin to believe the laws of faith and the laws of prosperity and the laws of healing!

If we *meditate* in God's law day and night (Psalm 1), then what's supposed to happen? That whatsoever we do shall

prosper. If you give, it shall be given unto you (Luke 6:38).

I believe in the Bible. We enjoy great ketchup, and I love to throw a Frisbee but I BELIEVE the Word of God and therefore I EXPECT a miracle.

I believe that if someone comes to God and asks for mercy, if they ask for grace, if they ask for salvation, if they ask for healing, if they ask to repent, then according to the laws of faith, just like the laws of aerodynamics, my God is able to do exceedingly abundantly far above anything we dare ask or think when we operate by faith, through faith, in faith.

I pray for you today, I pray for you to believe you can be healed. I pray that your faith does not fail. Faith comes by hearing the word of God. I pray for the Word of God to come alive in your life, in every area. I pray for you to be healed in your thinking, healed in your expectation, healed in your physical body, healed in your soul, your mind, will and emotions. I just pray for you to be healed in every area of your life. In Jesus' name. Amen.

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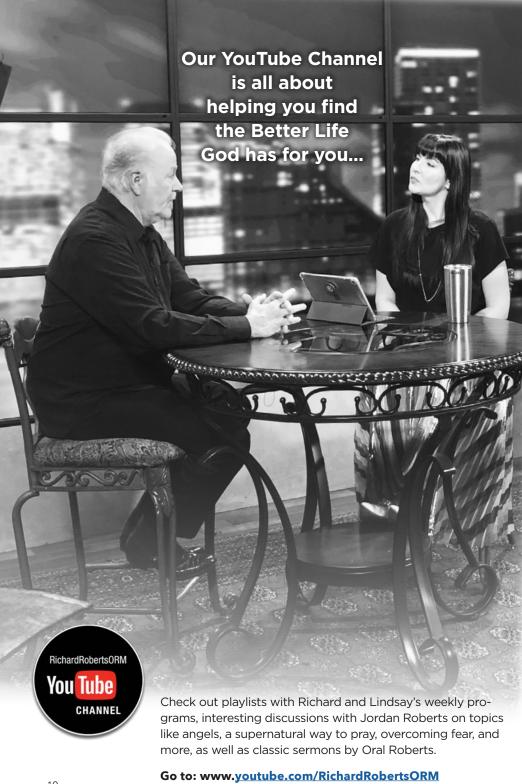


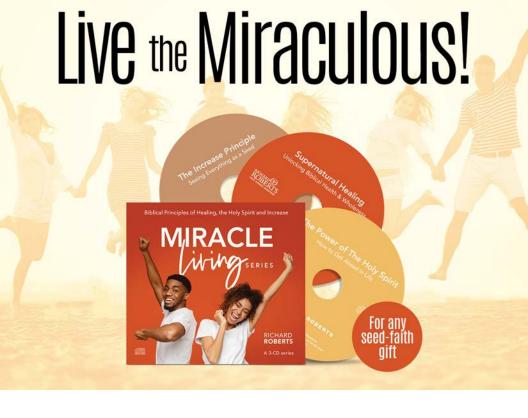
I believe God can take the situations that the world has termed crazy and He can turn them into something AMAZING.

What are you believing for? Are you expecting your life to remain out of control? Or are you expecting God to take the crazy in your life and, by His power, turn it around into something amazing?

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As His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue. 2 PETER 1:3

I'M FOCUSED ON PRAYING BIG! THINGS I NEVER THOUGHT I'D SEE HAPPEN, ARE HAPPENING.

STRETCH

Your Spiritual Muscles

BY ANN PLATZ GROTON

OD WANTS TO BLESS YOU. He has called you as one of His. You are purposed to be here right at this time on earth. You are a part of a family.

He has made a place for you. Your life matters. He has equipped you with unique qualities meant to be used.

Praying Big means to intercede in prayer and press in for the breakthroughs needed. Your breakthrough may be for your family, friends or for your community or even the world— wherever that prayer is sent, it's been given to YOU to activate!

I have a passion to see others shed their fears and come into their spiritual maturity and their specific spiritual calling. My gift is prophecy; bold words that move heaven on another's behalf. The prophetic word activates hope.

Pursue love and desire spiritual gifts, and especially that you may prophesy. — I Corinthians 14:1

It's also amazing to see God empower people to ignite and produce great harvests in their particular gifting.

Think about this as you stretch your spiritual muscles today. What is it that you need to see happen in your life to give you peace and bring you closer to the Lord? Is it a physical healing? Is it an emotional hurt? Could it be fear of the unknown? Do you desire a deeper walk with the Lord?

As you consider this Pray Big challenge, think about the deepest desires of your heart.

I remember tapping into this area as a single mother of two daughters. One Sunday my pastor challenged us to pray big.

"God is for you!" He seemed to yell out. "He wants to give you the desires of your hearts!" His words penetrated my heart. I had not ever considered what the desire of my heart was. That meant I could ask for what I really wanted, according to God's will, but couldn't obtain myself. After much thought, I decided my prayer would be for an awesome Christian husband. I laughed as I prayed for a God-sent man to walk with me through life. I didn't think one existed so it would be a true miracle if indeed that happened.

As you know, God answered that prayer—it has happened twice! First with the wonderful John Platz, then after his death, I met and married the amazing Jim Groton.

So pray BIG. Ask, believing God filters our prayers. He knows what is best for us. He holds the answers to our desires.

Pray big! Pray often! Pray hilariously! Pray believing! Pray expecting!

Love, Ann



Ann Platz Groton grew up with a deep appreciation for the art of beautiful living. Her love for southern elegance began in her South Carolina home where her family's skill and passion for entertaining was legendary. She has brought this expertise to her Atlanta design firm for over 40 years

MYDC RECIPES

SOUTHWESTERN TABOULI SALAD

INGREDIENTS

1 cup uncooked bulgar wheat
1 cup boiling water
2 tomatoes, chopped
4 green onions, chopped
1 (15 1/2-oz.) can black beans, rinsed and drained
1/4 cup fresh cilantro, chopped
1/4 cup fresh lime juice
2 Tbsp. salad oil or olive oil
1/2 tsp. ground cumin
1/2 tsp. crushed red pepper
1 (8 3/4-oz.) can corn, drained



DIRECTIONS

Salt to taste (if needed)

Place bulgar wheat in a large bowl and add boiling water. Cover and let stand for 30 minutes. Add remaining ingredients and toss. Chill before serving. This recipe was shared by Dr. Jeff Wright.



CHILI GLAZED PORK LOIN WITH APPLE CHUTNEY

CHILI GLAZE:

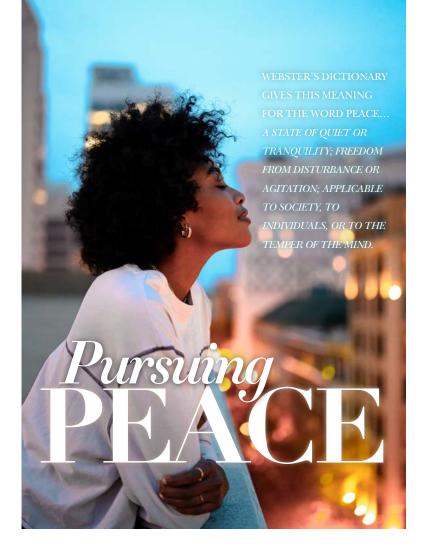
2 tsp. whole-grain mustard 2 Tbsp. molasses 1 tsp. chili paste Juice of one lime Salt (to taste)

2 pounds pork loin (trimmed of ALL fat)



4 Fuji apples (peeled, cored, and sliced)
1 cinnamon stick
1/2 tsp. fresh minced ginger
1 Tbsp. cider vinegar
2 Tbsp. sugar

Mix together and taste. If needed, adjust ingredients to taste. Coat the pork loin with half of the glaze (reserve the other half for serving). Place roast in a 350° oven until meat reaches interior temperature of 155° degrees (approximately 45 minutes). Simmer cinnamon, ginger, vinegar, and sugar together until volume is reduced by half. Then add apple slices and cook slowly until tender. Variations: Add raisins, walnuts, or sun-dried cherries also. Allow pork to cool at least 10 minutes before slicing. Cut it in thin slices and arrange on plates with the remaining glaze drizzled over the top and with chutney on the side. Recipe from Tom Farrell (For more information on cooking pork, go to www.pork.org/porkcooking-temperature/)



BY RICHARD ROBERTS

or me, one aspect of peace is being free from the effects of stress. I believe peace can also be defined as a deliberate state of spiritual calm despite the stress all around us. It's a decision that we can make by going into agreement with God's Word where He says He has not given us a spirit of fear, [fear being the opposite of peace and calm] but a spirit of power, love, and a sound mind (1 Timothy 1:7).

Living a peace-filled life is so important to God that we're told in the Psalms to "seek peace and to pursue it" (Psalm 34:14). Sadly, peace doesn't usually just come to us. Most often, we have to run after it; we have to pursue peace.

The world we live in is filled with fear... fear of the unknown, as well as fear of the known... fear of sickness and disease... fear of dying... fear of failure... fear of commitment... fear of no commitment... fear of rejection... fear of being alone... fear of financial loss... and the list goes on and on.

But God never meant for us to live in a constant state of worry or anxiety. The Word indicates that He doesn't want the cares of life to get the better of us. The Bible tells us that the Lord will give strength to His people; the Lord will bless His people with peace (Psalm 29:11). It's God's desire that we have His peace and His strength for every situation we may face.

The Bible says fear is not from God. So where is it from? According to the Bible, fear is of the devil. It's a well-oiled tool he uses to paralyze the spirits and minds of God's children and keeps us from reaching our full potential. It hinders us from trusting the Lord as the source for everything

in our lives. And fear can overtake us when we look to people or things as our source and leave God out. However, as His child, we can rest assured that He will never leave us to face the challenges of life alone. He'll never abandon us. His desire is to help us, just as He has promised in His Word. (See Joshua 1:9 and Hebrews 13:5-6.)

The Bible tells us that Jesus is the Prince of Peace... For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace (Isaiah 9:6).

Jesus went to the cross so we could have salvation, healing, deliverance, and live in His peace. In fact, that's why Jesus came to earth, to make it possible for us to have

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peace with God. Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ (Romans 5:1). And in Ephesians 2:13... But now in Christ Jesus, you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.

Our peace in God begins when we put our faith in Jesus and ask Him to be the Lord and Savior of our life. His peace is a wonderful peace... a godly peace...a peace that passes all understanding. And it's a peace found in the Prince of Peace, Jesus Christ!

Fear can rob us of our sense of peace, well-being, and joy in the Lord. When we don't deal with it properly and give it to God, it can cause us to struggle, even when things are good. It can hinder us from staying firmly connected to God when we need Him the most. Isaiah 26:3 says this... You (God) will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on You, because he trusts in You. And Philippians 4:6-7 tells us... Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

And remember, fear is a spirit. Not only can you resist fear, you can also command it to leave. So, don't let the devil deceive you. Walking in faith gives you a Bible right to speak to fear and tell it to get out.

Speaking and praying God's Word over our circumstances is another powerful way to use our faith and bring the peace of God into any situation. Mark 11:22-23 tells us to speak to the mountains (the problems, the fears, the anxieties of life) and to cast them into the sea (tell them to be removed from your life). God's Word has His life in it. It can bring life to dead situations and health to sick bodies. It can restore broken hearts and damaged relationships in every area of your life. And as we sow our seeds of faith to God-our time, energy, or resources-it can bring prosperity and wholeness in any area... spirit, soul, or body. By keeping our focus on Jesus, the One who gives true peace, and as we speak His Word over our lives, we can make a way for His power to reshape the situation we're in.

Now... What should we be praying and thinking about if we desire God's supernatural peace? The Bible solution to dealing with worries that steal our peace is to turn to God in prayer, praise, and worship, and trust Him with our cares and concerns. ...casting all your care upon him, for he cares for you (1 Peter 5:7).

First John 4:18 says, Perfect love casts out fear. When we know deep down in our heart that God loves us with an everlasting love, that knowledge can help us hold onto our peace, no matter what we may face. Remember,

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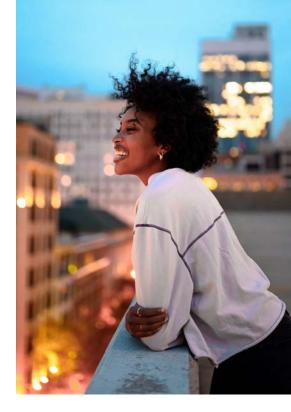
we can trust in God with perfect confidence, because His love and power are greater than anything that can come against us (1 John 4:4).

Refreshing our mind daily with God's Word, reading our Bible and meditating on scripture until it becomes a part of us, can help us rest in His promises.

And keeping our prayer life going strong is our 24/7 open line of communication with God.

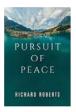
Keeping our focus on God's Word and standing in faith for His Word to play out in our lives—and then seeing it happen—helps build up our faith and strengthens us... These things I have spoken to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, I have overcome the world" (John 16:33).

Know this. The supernatural peace of God is not based on our



circumstances. It's not based on how we feel, what resources we have in our bank account, or what natural abilities we may or may not have. It's an enduring, God-given peace based on the fact that He loves us... It's a peace that is designed to help us press forward in faith, no matter what comes against us.

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EXPECT A MIRACLE

A CLASSIC SERMON BY ORAL ROBERTS

N THE "MAIN STREET" OF THE BIBLE, MIRACLES HAPPENED...BECAUSE PEOPLE
WERE EXPECTING THEM TO HAPPEN. THEY EXPECTED GOD TO TAKE A HAND IN THEIR
LIVES, TO MAKE THINGS HAPPEN, TO PERFORM MIRACLES ANY TIME, ANYWHERE.
THE PEOPLE OPENED THEIR HEARTS AND MINDS TO GOD'S MIRACLE-WORKING POWER, AND
MIRACLES WERE HAPPENING.

THE WISE VIRGINS

Matthew 25: 1-12 tells the story of the wise and foolish virgins. The wise virgins were the bridegroom to come--they were ready and *prepared* for him, and went out to meet him. The foolish virgins were not prepared. When you expect someone or something, you get prepared; you get poised for action; you recognize it and eagerly reach out and take it. Yet on the other hand, when you are not expecting, it's possible that nothing happens.

THE UNBELIEVING HOMETOWN

Luke 4:16-30 tells of when Christ returned to the city of Nazareth. The people there were not expecting miracles. Jesus had grown up in that town, yet they knew Him not. When He returned to Nazareth, they didn't recognize Him as the Savior.

Jesus had performed miracles in other towns, but they were not expecting that to take place in their town. Jesus, the miracle in human flesh approached. He stood and offered. But they didn't recognize Him and they missed out on miracles because they were not expecting him.

When you don't expect, you might not recognize. That's why I preach about being in a state of expectancy to receive the power of God.

IT MAY TAKE A CHANGE OF FOCUS

In Acts 3:1-11, the lame man at the Beautiful Gate was expecting something. At first he was expecting a handout from Peter and John, but when he saw these men had something different than money, he began to expect healing, to expect the power of God. Then Peter took him by the hand and lifted him up. Immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength, for Peter said; *In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk* (v. 6).

WHAT IS EXPECTANCY?

When you are expecting, you are looking for something. You are intensely desiring, longing, reaching out. Without this expectancy, your miracle may present itself and could pass you by. But when you are expecting your miracle to happen it puts you in a position for three things...first—you recognize it, second—you reach for it, and third—you take it.

One night in the prayer line at a healing service in Phoenix, a woman brought her little boy whose right leg was shorter than the left. He had been wearing specially constructed shoes for a long time.

When they came before me, I noticed that she was carrying a pair of brand new shoes. I said to her, "sister, what are you going to do with the new shoes?"

She said, "Brother Roberts, I am expecting God to heal my child. My son is going to pull off those old shoes and put on this brand new pair before we leave this tent."

Seeing her faith and expectation was a thrill. I called it to the attention of the audience, and they agreed with me in prayer. God healed that child, and before all those thousands of people, the little boy pulled off his specially constructed shoes, put on the brand new pair, and went walking off, made every whit whole.

Do you know why? I believe it had a lot to do with the fact that this mother and son were expecting something to happen. And I believe that you and I must expect a miracle if we want it to take place.

ARE YOU READY TO EXPECT A MIRACLE?

Once again we are living on the main street of the Bible, and people are looking for something to happen. I believe God can reach into your life right now and heal you. I believe God can answer your prayers. I believe God can change your circumstances and supply your needs according to your faith. I also believe three simple things help the process: recognize it, reach for it, receive it.

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