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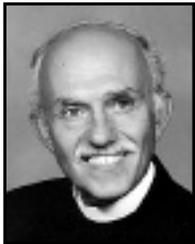
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## From Father Bill



### Dealing with difficult people

While browsing for a book to include on my Christmas gift list, I noticed a display-table with a sign reading: "COPE TABLE". The bookstore clerk had noticed the number of current books on coping and had cleverly placed copies of them on that one table. There were books on how to cope in your marriage; how to cope with your divorce; how to cope with your children; how to cope with your parents; how to cope with your step-parent; how to cope with adolescents; how to cope with age and how to cope with your boss. Searching through this list, you might hope to pause and find areas that are significant in personal life and in business. This list might come under the subtitle of 'copology' implying that people must have a dickens of a time getting along. We know of course, that interpersonal relationships are one of the big problems today.

This is true not only today. When I navigate through the Old Testament, I often include the book of Exodus, because it shows how people encountered these kinds of interpersonal relationships at that time. A case in point is where people were difficult and how they dealt with their frustrations, and how God dealt with them. As Moses was leading the Children of Israel through the wilderness from Egypt to the Promised Land, they became tired, thirsty, restless, and difficult. They murmured against Moses and against God. The text mentions their faultfinding and that they were ready to stone Moses. He could have used one of those coping books on how to deal with difficult people. Or perhaps, he could have written the book. I must confess that there were moments in my 53 years of ministry when I felt similar frustration.

Let's read on and discover how Moses dealt

## Minor setback doesn't derail team's optimism

The team continues its hot play, but unfortunately encountered a tough St. Nectarios team and suffered its only loss so far. Despite this minor obstacle, our team has shown its resiliency by shaking the loss off and focusing on the rest of the games. They have proven this by defeating St. Haralambos by 23 points; the final score was 41-18. The game started out very much in favor of Holy Apostles as the team was up 14-0 in the first two minutes of play. The leading scorers for the game were Michael Bromberg with 17 points, and Spiro Kass who chipped in 16. Overall, it was a team effort. When asked about the game, Coach Jim Pappas said, "Most importantly, everybody had fun while maintaining the spirit of Christianity throughout the game." The season is in full stride and the team



Holy Apostles' basketball team l-r: Peter Kass, Jeremy Glavanovits, George Kallas, Rigas Pappas, Spiro Kass, and Elesa Poteres.

looks great. They look forward to finishing the season by playing strong against St. Andrew on Jan 31, and against Holy Trinity on Feb 15 on our home court at St. Nicholas, 10301 S. Kolmar in Oak Lawn. As always, may God bless the athletes as they display their love for God and the game.

... by Fotis Pappas

with difficult people and God's response. It wasn't the first or the last time that Moses and the Lord had problems with those difficult people. It is instructive to note, however, that in nearly every case where people were difficult to deal with in the Bible, the method used in coping with them was not that of harshness and impatience, but of gentleness, and understanding. The Jews especially, knew their God to be long-suffering and slow to anger.

Therein is a lesson for us all. People are more important than principles. True, we are difficult at times. But the rule of thumb in dealing with difficult people is usually to do the opposite of what you are inclined to do.

When a difficult person confronts you, your immediate reaction is to confront him or to do everything possible to avoid him. We are provoked and thus prepared to strike back. Saint Paul writing to the Romans advises: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty give him a drink; for in so doing you will heap coals of fire on his head. Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good." (Romans 12:20-21). The valuable lesson from St. Paul is to treat a man with kindness rather than vengeance and that is the way to move him. "Vengeance may break his spirit; but kindness will break his heart." Evil can never

...See Fr. Bill on P. 3

From Father Nicholas



## Overcoming our Fear Factors

During the Christmas break, our family shared some extra time together. We watched an interesting stunt/reality show: Fear Factor. The show pits contestants against each other. Their goal is to complete a series of stunts better and quicker than all the other contestants. This show tests contestants' physical, emotional and psychological limits. Some participants withdraw because they cannot mentally or physically handle the challenge. The person who endures all three contests with the fastest time wins the \$50,000 grand prize.

Although most of us will probably not be contestants on this game show, we may be experiencing our own fear factors. Fear or worry is especially prevalent in these challenging economic times. We may be worried about the economy, our investments, the current political situation, recent wars, potential terrorism, security, our children, our parents, our health, our careers and so on. A recent USA Today article stated that 75-90% of all visits to primary health care physicians are for stress-related complaints or disorders.

Although we worry so much, psychologists say that 90% of what we worry about never comes to pass. "Worry" is derived from an old Anglo-Saxon word meaning "to strangle" or "to choke". The book of Proverbs warns that an anxious heart weighs a person down. If we are not careful, we can be paralyzed and choked by worry and fear.

So, how can we overcome fear? First, realize and know that God created us and will take care of what He created. He may give us solutions in His time. If we are patient and allow Him, the Lord will provide for our needs. Because God created us, He knows our nature and needs even better than we do. St. John Chrysostom reminds us that if we were going to a plentiful feast, we would not think of food. If we were walking to a fountain, we would not be anxious about drinks. Since we have more supply than a fountain and innumerable banquets (the providence of God), he encourages us to not be beggars. The Lord values us even more than the rest of His creation. Birds who don't labor to provide for themselves have adequate food. Even flowers that only live for a short time have adequate clothing. If God provides for them, doesn't it stand to reason that He will care for us who are even more valuable?

Second, tough times help us to prioritize. Many times we worry about the wrong things.



# Gavel to Gavel



**New Parish Council members take their oath of office from Fr. Bill on January 11.**

Due to inclement weather, the December Parish Council meeting was cancelled.

On Sunday, January 11, the new Parish Council was affirmed. Elected to serve for the 2009-2010 term are: George Alex, Chrisy Banakis, George Chechopoulos, Terry Chiganos, Sandra Fiascone, James Fotopoulos, Mara Georges, Tom Gregory, Paul Kallis, Jim

Kapolas, Nicholas Kirkeles, George Mannos Jr., Stephen Melonides, Peter Poteres, Steven Savas, Peter Tomaras.

At the conclusion of the service, the Council met to elect the new officers: President, Peter Poteres; Vice President, George Mannos, Jr.; Secretary, George Chechopoulos; Treasurer, Steve Savas.

We may be concerned about what we will eat but don't think about what we will do with the life that the food sustains. Or, perhaps we might fret about what to wear but are not concerned about our bodies that are clothed. We want to preserve our earthly lives but don't think much about what comes after this life. St. John Chrysostom said that experiencing fear and anxiety in material concerns is not only a wound "in riches but a wound in the most vital parts...the subversion of our salvation." The Gospel of Matthew encourages us to "seek first the Kingdom of God and all these things will be added to you." Our first concern should be to understand who God is and how to build a relationship with Him. Fear can be a distraction that takes us away from God and building a relationship with Him. This relationship is built through daily prayer, worship, communion, and reading the Bible consistently. If we focus on God, our fears will disappear. Perfect love "casts out fear." (1 John 4:18)

Third, to alleviate fear, we can transfer our trust to the Lord. St. Paul's letter to the

Philippians encourages us to "present our requests to the Lord and the peace of God that transcends all understanding will guard our hearts and minds." Rather than trusting in our own power, wisdom and strength, we can place our trust in God for everything. He will give us a peace that defies logic! We are not in control. We can place our hope in someone that is. Although we don't know the future, we can place our trust in someone who does! Children don't worry about food, clothing or shelter. They trust us! Babies are happiest when they can see their parents and know they are present. The second the baby takes his eyes off the parents, he cries. Is our trust in the Lord as deep as a child's trust in his parents?

At the end of each Fear Factor episode, the host enthusiastically proclaims to the winner: "Apparently fear is not a factor for you." Hopefully, by the grace of God, and by focusing on realizing, prioritizing and trusting the Lord, fear will not be a factor for us!

## Philoptochos' generosity made holidays brighter for the area's needy

Philoptochos wishes to extend a heartfelt thank you to the generous donors and enthusiastic volunteers of our parish who helped us reach out to those in need during the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons. Our activities were varied but our mission was the same—to help brighten the holidays for the recipients of your thoughtful generosity.

During these holidays, we were able to provide nearly \$6000 in Jewel gift certificates to clients of Hellenic Family and Community Services and to senior residents of Hollywood House, as well as others. At Christmas time, the gift certificates were accompanied by large festive gift bags containing holiday treats. Philoptochos also sent each student at St. Basil's Academy a \$25.00 gift certificate.

Philoptochos participated in the Pajama Program, a not for profit effort to provide new pajamas to children who would not otherwise have them. Attendees at its annual Christmas party donated many beautiful pairs of new pajamas, which will inevitably warm numerous children who have endured difficult, if not heartbreaking circumstances.

The generosity of this parish also touched the lives of other children facing hardship. Thanks to monetary and toy donations during the season and at the Communion Breakfast, we were able to assist Family Shelter Service, an agency that provides shelter to mothers and children who have been victimized by domestic violence. The toys donated to Family Shelter Service provided gifts to children who may not otherwise have received them.

We also gave gifts to two young servicemen affiliated with our church as a gesture of our appreciation for their service to our country.

As we reflect upon the blessed season, Philoptochos cannot thank you enough for touching the lives of others through your kindness and generosity!

## Celebration of Books speakers announced

This year's Celebration will be on March 15-22. The speakers are:

Sunday, March 15—His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah of Denver

Tuesday, March 17—Dr. Christos Papoutsy, author of *Ships of March: The True Story of the Rescue of the Greeks of Smyrna, September 1922*

Thursday, March 19—Drs. John Fotopoulos and Perry Hamalis, contributors to *Thinking Through Faith: New Perspectives From Orthodox Christian Scholars*



Greek School sixth graders got the good luck coin at their Vasilopita celebration this year.

## Altar boy of the month is big into sports



Spiro Kass

Spiro Kass has been an altar boy for three years. He has been on the honor roll at school the past three quarters. He enjoys playing basketball very much. He is on his school team which has a record of 8-0 this season. He is also a member of the

Holy Apostles' basketball team which just recently lost its first game of the season. Spiro is also a member of the Lyons Township Soccer Club, a sport he has played since he was 10. He also has been on the Jr. Olympics soccer team and has played baseball since the

first grade.

Spiro has visited the Patriarchate and the Hajia Sophia Church in Turkey and has also visited Greece to attend his cousin's baptism in 2006. He attended Greek School for six years. Spiro enjoys serving in the altar and has great love for God. He is always looking to do more and enjoys the friendships he has made with the other boys. He serves in the altar with his twin brother Peter and is always telling him what to do. I see how important God is in his life and the way he enjoys the services. It is a pleasure to have him serve in the altar. Spiro is very grateful to Father Bill, Father Nicholas and Mr. Cots for their leadership inside and outside of the altar.

...by Michael Cotsilis

## Mr. D says Obama's book is worth reading

I highly recommend *The Audacity of Hope: Thoughts on Reclaiming the American Dream*, by Barack Obama, published in 2006. In the book, he outlines his opinions on domestic and foreign affairs. But I found his views on Faith (Chapter 6) of particular interest, especially since he mentions his Christian baptism. Chapter 7 *Race* and Chapter 8 *Family* are also worth reading. Whether or not you voted for him, Barack Obama became our 44th President on January 20, 2009. I urge you to read this book.

Fr. Bill from P. 1

## Evil can not conquer evil but friendship can

be conquered by evil. If hatred is met with more hatred it is only increased; but if it is met with love, an antidote for the poison is found. Booker T. Washington said: "I will not allow any man to make me lower myself by hating him." The only way to destroy an enemy is to make him a friend.

Humans get rid of problems by sending them away. God on the other hand doesn't operate that way. God deals with the situation until it is resolved. The human method is to 'ship out.' God's method is to 'shape up.'

Returning to our story from Exodus, Moses probably would have liked to have sent the Israelites back to Egypt by boat. God, in his tender mercy, alleviated the frustration of the people by giving them a sign that they were not forsaken in the wilderness. The Lord quenched their thirst by having Moses strike a rock so "that water shall come out of it, that the people may drink." (Ex. 17:6). The Lord's way of dealing with difficult people is with compassion and proof of divine concern. The followers of God should do no less.



Fr. Bill blesses the Vasilopita after the Divine Liturgy.

# 50th Vasilopita Celebration beautiful as always



Left, Alexa Cussick, and Katie Berg, provide music during the fellowship hour following the Vasilopita Celebration.

Michael Cotsilis, above, is celebrating 50 years assisting Fr. Bill at the altar.

Philoptochos members who provided refreshments, at right, are: Presvytera Effie Chiganos, Mary Tsoulos, Lynn Bouzeas, Elaine Paloumpis, Tina Dillon, Maria Kallis, Evelyn Paleothodoros, Terry Parafink, and Elaine Karamatskos.



## The **HARC** CORNER

### Royal Monastic Princess Ileana of Romania

*The Story of Mother Alexandra*  
By Bev Cooke

Princess Ileana of Romania endured danger, suffering, exile, and heartache, but her deeply rooted Orthodox faith saw her through it all and eventually led her in her later years to the peaceful repose of monasticism. She was called to build the first English-language Orthodox women's monastery in the United States, the Orthodox Monastery of the Transfiguration in Ellwood City, Pennsylvania. She is an appealing role model for girls and young women in the 21st century.

Softbound, \$16.00

### Surprised by Christ

*My Journey from Judaism  
to Orthodox Christianity*  
By Rev. A. James Bernstein

Raised in Queens, New York, by formerly Orthodox Jewish parents, Rev. Bernstein went on his own personal quest for spiritual meaning. This story combines an engrossing memoir of one man's life in historic times and situations. You will love and be greatly encouraged by his unusual story of life in Christ.

Softbound, \$19.00

### Fruit of the Spirit

*Wisdom from the Apostolic Fathers*  
Edited by George Zyourides, Psy. D.

*Fruit of the Spirit* is a fascinating gathering of the writings of various Christian authors such as Clement of Rome, Polycarp, Barnabas, Justin the Martyr and several others of the best-known Apostolic Fathers.

These writings are from the 1st and 2nd centuries and present instructive and inspirational sayings on the attributes of love, peace, patience, gentleness and righteousness and stand as a testimony to their dedication to the growing Christian faith of their day.

The author is a clinical psychologist and Orthodox priest. He has long cherished the writings of the early Church Fathers, especially those sayings that are relevant for today's world and one's personal walk with Christ.

Softbound, \$13.00



In front, Adrianna Galan and Despina Saramadis, and in back, Michael Fikaris, Katie Berg, and Peter Kallis provide inspirational instrumental music at the Christmas Eve service.

## Godparents' Sunday

On February 8, our parish will observe Godparent Sunday. Please join us for a morning of family worship on this very special day. No Sunday School classes will be in session on February 8.

After Divine Liturgy, please join us in the fellowship hall for a very special Godparents' Sunday Luncheon, commemorating the 50th anniversary of Holy Apostles.

Philoptochos, together with Mike Cotsilis & crew, are planning a fabulous luncheon. Proceeds from the luncheon will benefit the People's Resource Center (PRC) in Wheaton and other Philoptochos charities. Plan to enjoy this special day with your godchildren, family, and friends. The cost of the luncheon is \$10 per person. Infants under age 2 are free. For reservations, please contact Cynthia Stathopoulos at 630.986.0630.

Please note that all Sunday School classes, except Third Grade and High School which are scheduled for Family Worship, are in session on Sunday, February 1. You'll have plenty of time to make it home for the Super Bowl!! The printed Sunday School schedule is incorrect in stating the date for Godparent Sunday.

*You are cordially invited to attend  
Holy Apostles' Greek School*

### *"As Time Goes By" Dinner Dance*

*Sunday, February 15  
Diplomat West Banquets  
Elmhurst, Illinois*

*Cocktails at 5:00 p.m.  
Dinner at 6:00 p.m.*

*Music by Sounds of Greece  
Performance by  
the Olympian Dance Troupe*

*Co-Chairwomen  
Eleni Spyropoulos  
and Sophia Natiello*

*Please respond by February 8.  
To make reservations, kindly call  
Litsa Lekatsos at 630.202.1776  
Helen Kasimos at 630.677.7757*

# A Christmas Angel

We've all experienced the nasty weather this season. I want to share with you my experience of Christmas evening.

I love to be in church on Christmas Eve no matter what obstacles I have to overcome. I especially want to hear our beautiful choir at Holy Apostles, of which I have been a member since its inception. We are celebrating our 50th year, so if you do the math, I'm an octogenarian.

On Christmas Eve, I left my house early so I could get a seat in church. I live near the church so I thought a half hour would be plenty of time. The roads were slick, but nothing like I found in the parking lot. The handicap spots were unavailable because the snowplows had piled the snow up high and little room was left for the cars. I picked a spot elsewhere this time. I parked, opened my door, but when I attempted to put my foot down—black ice!!! I moved to another spot and found the same thing. I was alone and since it was early, not too many others were around.

What was I to do? The alternative was to go home. I was saddened. I don't know what made me to do what I did next. I carefully drove to the front of the church, where the sidewalk and the road were salted. I parked my car and left the motor running, proceeded to go around the back of my car holding onto it so I would not fall as I attempted to get off the road and over the snow onto the sidewalk.

I was carrying my cane, my purse and a bag with a small gift, when an angel appeared and said: "May I help you"? I said: "Do you drive"? I didn't know if angels drove. He nodded yes. I said "I'm O.K." as he helped me to the sidewalk, and I asked him if he could take my car and park it in the south lot, my daughter will get it later. I got to my pew just in the nick of time, as the procession of the altar boys, priests and the choir were entering.

The choir sang beautifully. While in church, I was looking for the angel. There were many young men lined up against the wall standing in church, but not my angel. I was beginning to doubt if it really happened as I was sitting in my pew. I went for communion, returned to my pew, and a few minutes later felt a tap on my shoulder: "Your car is parked in the south lot near the door." I thanked him profusely—"You really are an angel!"

... Anonymous

## Putting a child's word to the test

Recently, as I listened to a radio station which plays old-time radio programs, I heard a suspense thriller aired on Thanksgiving Day in 1948, entitled *The Screaming Woman*, which I'd like to bring to your attention.

Margaret Leary, played by the at-the-time very popular child actress Margaret O'Brien, sent on an errand by her mother, happened to pass through the town dump on her way home. It was there that Margaret and her friends had a fort made of a large cement pipe. As she walked near the pipe, she noticed that someone had buried it by dumping a truck load of dirt on top of it. Then, she heard the muffled screams of a woman crying for help from beneath the pile of dirt. After promising the screaming woman that she would bring help right away, Margaret ran home to tell her parents.

But try as she might, Margaret couldn't get her parents to believe her. When her father finally was persuaded to come to the dump, the woman was no longer screaming, so her father returned home convinced that the screaming woman resulted from his daughter's overactive imagination.

Refusing to be deterred, Margaret coaxed her friend Dippy to help her dig the woman out, but even he soon dropped his shovel and went home, certain that the screaming woman's cries were cleverly produced by Margaret throwing her voice like a ventriloquist.

Undaunted, Margaret frantically went from house to house, asking if a woman was

missing. When she came to the Nesbot's, she was told by Mr. Nesbot that his wife had gone to another city to visit her mother.

Becoming suspicious due to Mr. Nesbot's evasive answers, Margaret pressed her inquiry. When Mr. Nesbot gave Margaret one of his wife's dolls as a bribe to keep quiet about his wife not being home, Margaret inadvertently mentioned the truck load of dirt in the town dump.

At this, Mr. Nesbot suspecting that Margaret knew too much, tried to seize her. Slipping away from his grasp, Margaret ran towards home with Mr. Nesbot in hot pursuit.

Crossing the town dump, she collided with her father who was searching for her, since it was now night. At this point, and with Mr. Nesbot running up to them, the woman began screaming again for help.

Margaret's father immediately called the police. Mr. Nesbot's wife, who had fortunately fallen into the cement pipe before the dirt was piled over her, was freed, and Mr. Nesbot was arrested for attempted murder.

In conclusion, parents, would you believe your child if he or she came home with a story like Margaret's? And, kids, would you be as tenacious as Margaret to save someone's life? Is your word credible enough to be readily believed by your parents if you came to them with a story similar to Margaret's? Parents and kids, talk it over.

## Ninety Minutes in Heaven: A True Story of Death and Life

I highly recommend *Ninety Minutes in Heaven: A True Story of Death and Life*, by Don Piper, a 2004 best seller. The author, who lives in Texas and is a Baptist minister, was on his way home from a church conference, when his car was crushed by a semi that crossed into his lane. Medical personnel that arrived on the scene soon after said that he died instantly.

While Reverend Piper's lifeless body lay inside his wrecked automobile, he experienced the glories of heaven, including reuniting with deceased loved ones, and hearing hymns of praise to God which he had never heard before. Ninety minutes after the accident, as another minister crawled into the wreckage and prayed for him, Reverend Piper miraculously returned to life, but retained the memory of his heavenly experience. His faith in God would be severely tested as he faced months of hospitalization, and an uncertain

and grueling recovery.

During the Reverend's often pain-filled convalescence, he asked God why He had returned him to earth. You will read the answers he arrived at. Also read 2 Cor. 12:1-9; Phil. 1:23-24; Rev. 21:10-11.

... By Mr. D.

<i>Registry</i>
<b>Baptisms</b>
None
<b>Wedding</b>
None

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>8:00am Orthros</b> <b>9:15am Awaken To God</b> <b>9:30am Divine Liturgy</b> Fellowship Hour Hellenic Letters Luncheon At Chateau Ritz	<b>PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD</b> <b>8:00am Orthros</b> <b>9:00am Divine Liturgy</b> 5:15pm The Way	10:00am TOTS 4:30pm Greek School 7:30pm GOVA	1:00pm Adult Bible Study 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal	4:30pm Greek School	4:30pm Adventure Theater 7:00pm YAL Outing	9:00am Sunday School Teachers' Seminar At Assumption
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<b>GODPARENTS SUNDAY</b> <b>8:00am Orthros</b> <b>9:15am Awaken To God</b> <b>9:30am Divine Liturgy</b> Godparents Luncheon	<b>FEAST DAY OF ST. HARALAMBOS</b> <b>8:00am Orthros</b> <b>9:00am Divine Liturgy</b> 4:30pm Greek School 7:00pm Philoptochos Board Meeting	<b>12:00pm Seniors Apokreatiko Luncheon</b> 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal	12:00pm Seniors Apokreatiko Luncheon 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal	4:30pm Greek School	4:30pm Adventure Theater	4:30pm Adventure Theater
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<p><b>Remember,</b></p> <p>Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away.                      Give time to love, give time to speak, and give time to share the precious thoughts in your mind.</p>						

## Memorials

*Craig Mitchell  
Nick Georges  
Steven Karavatos  
Paul Horemios  
Theodora Dorner  
Rudolph Dorner  
George Adams  
Lambrini Adams  
Louis Adams  
Antigone Kafkes  
Gregory Kafkes  
Thomas Kafkes  
Harry Pappas  
Penelope Leider*

## Funeral

*Dr. Adolph W. Galinski*

## Apokreatiko

You're invited to the Seniors' annual potluck buffet luncheon on Wednesday, February 11 at noon in the multi-purpose room.

Bring your favorite dish!

## Weekday Services

### Presentation Of Our Lord

Monday, February 2  
8:00am Orthros  
9:00am Divine Liturgy

### Feast Day Of St. Haralambos

Tuesday, February 10  
8:00am Orthros  
9:00am Divine Liturgy

### Saturday Of The Souls

Saturday, February 21  
&  
Saturday, February 28  
8:00am Orthros  
9:00am Divine Liturgy

## Mosaic Deadline

The deadline for the March Mosaic is Thursday, February 5.

## Stewardship

Please don't forget to submit your pledge for 2009.

Remember the 'time and talent' side of the pledge card is an important part of stewardship, too. Volunteer for something today!

## Macaronatha

Our annual pre-lenten macaroni with cheese and marinara sauce luncheon will be served by the Parish Council on Sunday, March 1.

Even though there is no actual charge, a free-will offering for missions will be taken.

Please call James Kapolas at 630.450.3442 to make your reservation.

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