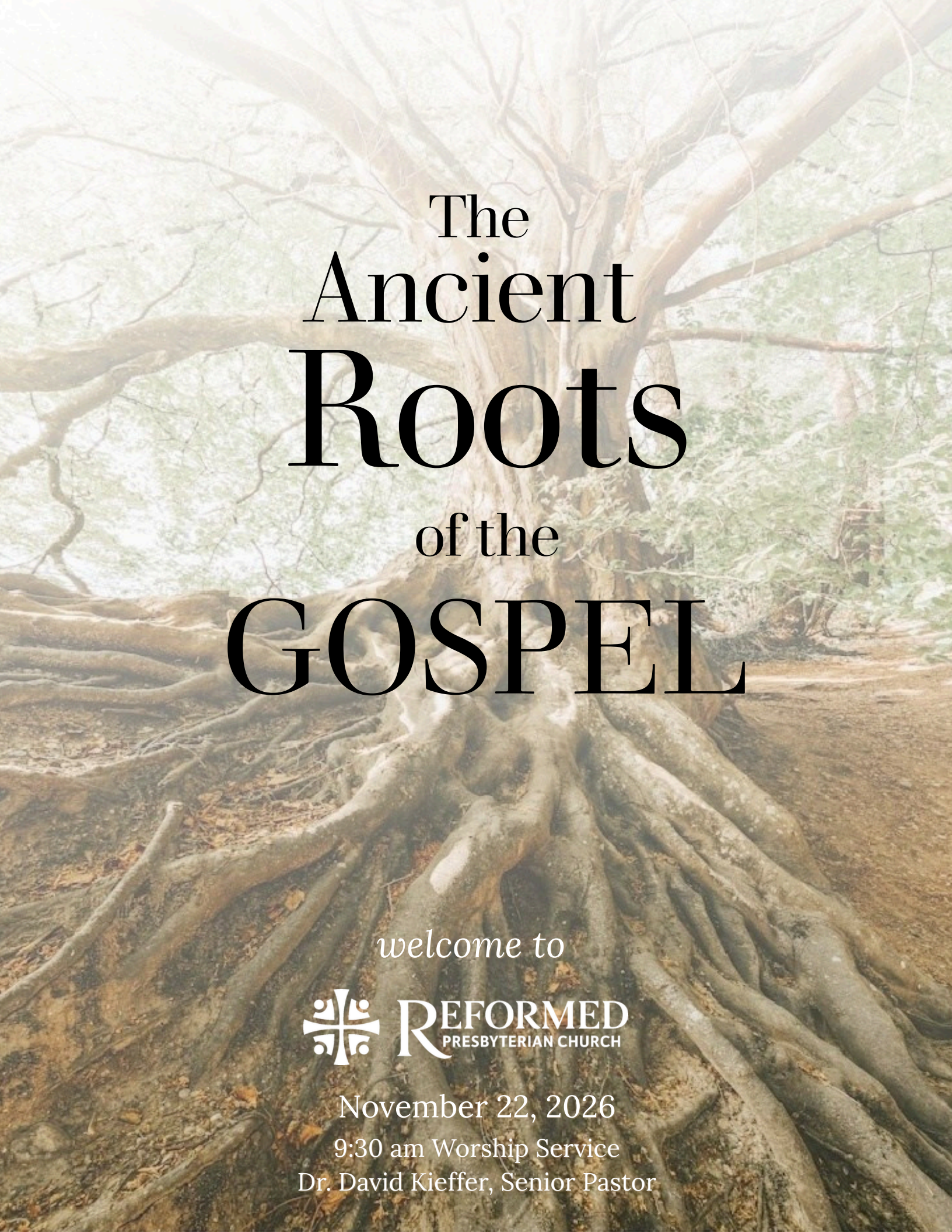


The Ancient Roots of the GOSPEL

welcome to

REFORMED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 22, 2026

9:30 am Worship Service

Dr. David Kieffer, Senior Pastor

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Multiplying disciples one life at a time

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Welcome Visitors! We are so glad you are worshiping with us this morning!
Hearing Devices are available at the sound booth.

Today's Speaker: Rev. Anthony Martin, Assistant Pastor
Worship Leader: Rusty Rutter, Ruling Elder
Organist: Courtney Brooke

Childcare: Our ushers will be happy to direct you to any of these locations.
Nursery: during the worship service for infants through 3 years old in Room 103 (includes a **Nursing Mother's Room:** private room with a livestream of service).
Family Room: to see and hear the service; located across from Nursery; and the narthex classroom where service is projected for families that need some privacy.
Children's Worship: provided each Sunday (except first Sunday of each month) for children 4-6 years old. Children are dismissed before the sermon.
Children's sermon papers and activities: located at shelf in back of sanctuary.

Sunday School:
Nursery (birth-2 years old): Nursery Room 103
Toddler Class (2.5-3 years old): Nursery Room 101
Pre-K/K Class (4-5 years old): 2nd floor, Room 208
Beginners Class (6 years old): Room 204
Early Elementary Class (7 years old): Room 201
Middle Elementary Class (8 years old): Room 203
Upper Elementary Class (9-10 years old): Room 211
Jr. High (6th-8th grade): Room 213
Sr. High (9th-12th grade): Room 214

CAFE Class for adults:
New Members class on the 2nd floor in Room 212. Participation in the class does not obligate you to become a member.
Bible Study Skills on the 3rd floor.

PRELUDE *We Gather Together* (Hymn 363)/ arr. F. Ritter
Now Thank We All Our God (Hymn 98)/ arr. R. Hughes

WORDS OF GREETING

WE APPROACH GOD

IN WORD Psalm 100:1-5 (ESV)

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

People: Serve the Lord with gladness! Come into his presence with singing!

Leader: Know that the Lord, he is God!

People: It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Leader: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

People: Give thanks to him; bless his name!

Leader: For the Lord is good;

People: his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

◊ A time of quiet preparation

IN PRAYER

***WE PRAISE OUR GOD**

HYMN OF PRAISE **457** *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing*

***WE CONFESS OUR SIN** Deuteronomy 8:1-4 (ESV)

Leader: Hear the word of the Lord: "The whole commandment that I command you today you shall be careful to do, that you may live and multiply, and go in and possess the land that the Lord swore to give to your fathers. And you shall remember the whole way that the Lord your God has led you these forty years in the wilderness, that he might humble you, testing you to know what was in your heart, whether you would keep his commandments or not. And he humbled you and let you hunger and fed you with manna, which you did not know, nor did your fathers know, that he might make you know that man does not live by bread alone, but man lives by every word that comes from the mouth of the Lord."

People: O Lord our God we confess, that too often we forget your faithfulness to your people. We are often quick to forget You when we enjoy the abundance of Your blessings, taking credit for what we have received rather than giving thanks to You. When you test our hearts in times of difficulty, we respond sinfully and fail to keep your good commandments. Forgive us for forgetting Your goodness and provision. You have fed us with earthly food and sustained us by the word of Your mouth. Help us to walk by faith, trusting the promises in Your word, that we might live for Your glory.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON: 2 Timothy 1:9 (ESV)

Leader: "God saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began."

***WE EXALT OUR LORD** *We Give Thanks (Psalm 107)*

WORSHIP SONGS *Whate'er My God Ordains Is Right*
Living Hope

WE GREET ONE ANOTHER

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING
WELCOME TO VISITORS

WE SEEK GOD'S FACE Prayers of God's People

WE OFFER OUR GIFTS

OFFERING/CHORAL OFFERTORY *In Thanksgiving, Let Us Praise Him*
Katherine Daly & Katelyn Falk, flutes

DISMISSAL OF CHILDREN TO CHILDREN'S WORSHIP
(ages 4-6 years old)

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 21:1-34 (ESV)

The Lord visited Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did to Sarah as he had promised. [2]And Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age at the time of which God had spoken to him. [3]Abraham called the name of his son who was born to him, whom Sarah bore him, Isaac. [4]And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. [5]Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. [6]And Sarah said, "God has made laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh over me."

[7]And she said, “Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse
children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age.” [8]And the child grew and
was weaned. And Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was
weaned. [9]But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne
to Abraham, laughing. [10]So she said to Abraham, “Cast out this slave woman
with her son, for the son of this slave woman shall not be heir with my son
Isaac.” [11]And the thing was very displeasing to Abraham on account of his
son. [12]But God said to Abraham, “Be not displeased because of the boy and
because of your slave woman. Whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells
you, for through Isaac shall your offspring be named. [13]And I will make a
nation of the son of the slave woman also, because he is your offspring.”
[14]So Abraham rose early in the morning and took bread and a skin of water
and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent
her away. And she departed and wandered in the wilderness of Beersheba.
[15]When the water in the skin was gone, she put the child under one of the
bushes. [16]Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the
distance of a bowshot, for she said, “Let me not look on the death of the
child.” And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept.
[17]And God heard the voice of the boy, and the angel of God called to Hagar
from heaven and said to her, “What troubles you, Hagar? Fear not, for God
has heard the voice of the boy where he is. [18]Up! Lift up the boy, and hold him
fast with your hand, for I will make him into a great nation.” [19]Then God
opened her eyes, and she saw a well of water. And she went and filled the skin
with water and gave the boy a drink. [20]And God was with the boy, and he
grew up. He lived in the wilderness and became an expert with the bow.
[21]He lived in the wilderness of Paran, and his mother took a wife for him from
the land of Egypt. [22]At that time Abimelech and Phicol the commander of his
army said to Abraham, “God is with you in all that you do. [23]Now therefore
swear to me here by God that you will not deal falsely with me or with my
descendants or with my posterity, but as I have dealt kindly with you, so you
will deal with me and with the land where you have sojourned.” [24]And
Abraham said, “I will swear.” [25]When Abraham reproved Abimelech about a
well of water that Abimelech's servants had seized, [26]Abimelech said, “I do
not know who has done this thing; you did not tell me, and I have not heard of
it until today.” [27]So Abraham took sheep and oxen and gave them to
Abimelech, and the two men made a covenant. [28]Abraham set seven ewe
lambs of the flock apart. [29]And Abimelech said to Abraham, “What is the
meaning of these seven ewe lambs that you have set apart?”

[30]He said, “These seven ewe lambs you will take from my hand, that this may be
a witness for me that I dug this well.” [31]Therefore that place was called
Beersheba, because there both of them swore an oath. [32]So they made a covenant
at Beersheba. Then Abimelech and Phicol the commander of his army rose up
and returned to the land of the Philistines. [33]Abraham planted a tamarisk tree in
Beersheba and called there on the name of the Lord, the Everlasting God. [34]And
Abraham sojourned many days in the land of the Philistines.

SERMON **Promises Kept**

Genesis series: The Ancient Roots of the Gospel
Rev. Anthony Martin

***WE GO FORTH TO SERVE**

HYMN OF RESPONSE **455** (vss. 1, 3-5) *And Can It Be That I Should Gain*

BENEDICTION

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

POSTLUDE *All Praise to God, Who Reigns Above*

(Hymn 4)/ arr. E. Broughton

Song Lyrics

345 Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken

Glorious things of Thee are spoken,
Zion, city of our God;
He whose word cannot be broken,
formed Thee for His own abode.
on the Rock of Ages founded,
what can shake Thy sure repose?
With salvation's walls surrounded,
Thou may'st smile at all Thy foes.

See, the streams of living waters, springing from eternal love,
well supply Thy sons and daughters and all fear of want remove.
who can faint while such a river ever flows
their thirst t'assuage?
grace, which like the Lord, the giver,
never fails from age to age.

Round each habitation hov'ring, see the cloud and fire appear
for a glory and a cov'ring, showing that the Lord is near.
thus deriving from their banner light by night and shade by day,
safe they feed upon the manna
which He gives them when they pray.

Savior, if of Zion's city I, through grace, a member am,
let the world deride or pity, I will glory in Thy name:
fading is the worldling's pleasure,
all his boasted pomp and show;
solid joys and lasting treasure none but Zion's children know.

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We Give Thanks

Once in the wilderness of our sin
We wandered lost and without hope
Into our desert waste God in grace
Came to restore and bring us home
Let the redeemed of God rise up and sing

We give thanks O God for Your steadfast love
We give thanks O God for You are good
Lord You are good we give thanks

Through every pain and trial You provide
Light in the dark of our distress
Lifting us from on high when we cry
Turning our grief to gratefulness
Let the redeemed of God rise up and sing

We give thanks O God for Your steadfast love
We give thanks O God for You are good
Lord You are good
We give thanks O God for Your steadfast love
We give thanks O God for You are good
Lord You are good we give thanks

You take the darkness and make it as light
Hearts that were dead in sin You raise to life
You take a barren place and make it a spring
Let the redeemed of God rise up and sing
Let the redeemed of God rise up and sing

We give thanks O God for Your steadfast love
We give thanks O God for You are good
Lord You are good
We give thanks O God for Your steadfast love
We give thanks O God for You are good
Lord You are good we give thanks

Whatever My God Ordains Is Right

Whate're my God ordains is right
His holy will abideth
I will be still whate’re He does
and follow where He guideth
He is my God, though dark my road
He holds me that I shall not fall
And so to Him I leave it all
And so to Him I leave it all

Whate’re my God ordains is right
He never will deceive me
He leads me by the proper path
I know He will not leave me
I take, content, what He has sent
His hand can turn my griefs away
And patiently I wait His day
And patiently I wait His day

Whate’re my God ordains is right
Though now this cup in drinking
may bitter seem to my faint heart
I take it all unshrinking
My God is true each morn’ a new
Sweet comfort yet shall fill my heart
And pain and sorrow shall depart
And pain and sorrow shall depart

Whate’re my God ordains is right
Here shall my stand be taken
Though sorrow, need, or death be mine
Yet I am not forsaken
My Father’s care is ’round me there
He holds me that I shall not fall
And so to Him I leave it all
And so to Him I leave it all

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Living Hope

How great the chasm that lay between us
How high the mountain I could not climb
In desperation, I turned to heaven And spoke Your name into the night

Then through the darkness, Your loving-kindness
Tore through the shadows of my soul
The work is finished, the end is written Jesus Christ, my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame

The cross has spoken, I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior, I'm Yours forever Jesus Christ, my living hope

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope

Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence, the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me

Jesus, Yours is the victory, whoa!

Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me
You have broken every chain There's salvation in Your name
Jesus Christ, my living hope Jesus Christ, my living hope
Oh God, You are my living hope

Songwriters: Phil Wickham / Brian Johnson
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455 And Can It Be That I Should Gain

And can it be that I should gain An int'rest in the Savior's blood?
Died He for me, who caused His pain?
For me, who Him to death pursued?
Amazing love! How can it be that thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

He left His Father's throne above, (so free, so infinite His grace!)
humbled Himself (so great His love!) and bled for all His chosen race;
'Tis mercy all, immense and free; for, O my God, it found out me.
Amazing love! how can it be That thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

Long my imprisoned spirit lay fast bound in sin and nature's night;
Thine eye diffused a quick'ning ray;
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;
my chains fell off, my heart was free;
I rose, went forth and followed Thee.
Amazing love! how can it be That thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

No condemnation now I dread; Jesus, and all in Him is mine!
Alive in Him, my living Head, and clothed in righteousness divine,
bold I approach th'eternal throne,
and claim the crown, through Christ, my own.
Amazing love! how can it be That thou, my God, shouldst die for me!

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