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We shall meet again beyond the seven rivers; There, our laughters shall float in waves beneath the eye of the plumed serpent; We shall walk the paths of thunder; We shall tie our cloth of initiation; Our odes shall glint like flaming tablets beneath the sacred waters of the famed ancestress; There, our voices like moonlight dirges shall re-echo the oracles of seven rivers.