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She sits alone, soul full of pain  
Heart full of ache, she smiles vividly yet cries secretly  
Only she has the answers to her problem and the will power to endure struggles  
Her passion drives deep and her support rises above the horizons  
Her flesh is sinful and her spirit is wise and blessed,  
yet she lives in a world engulfed in hatred and lies  
She lives loving herself, body and mind . . . speaking of great wealth  
From her sultry beaded feline eyes to her small yet plump tinted lips,  
those lips that can roar like a lion then purr like a cat  
That body which was made by man & woman, but grew on its own  
Well this woman has secrets and her eyes have tears  
Her faith has been tested and her will power tried.  
But this woman has self love and pride  
A heart filled with doing and a body strong enough to hold up against the worlds  
of opposition.  
She is ME and I am HER.  
One in all WE stand here and WE STAND TALL!



**“Back in 5”**

**Grisell Buides**