



# 10 Backup and Recovery Secrets You Can't Afford Not to Know

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Developer of the award-winning Replay4 Backup and Disaster Recovery Software

For Mission Critical Application Servers

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### **Top 10 Backup & Recovery Secrets**

1. You <u>can</u> eliminate backup windows entirely

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- 3. You <u>can</u> keep 1 year of backups on 2.4x the protected storage space
- 4. You <u>can</u> easily backup and restore entire applications (not just the data)
- 5. You *can* anticipate server failures before they happen with database backup testing
- 6. You <u>can</u> replicate your backups offsite easily and affordably
- 7. You **can** failover to a virtual machine
- 8. You <u>can</u> restore any server to similar or dissimilar hardware (or virtual server)
- 9. You <u>can</u> perform bare metal restore AND granular restores using one solution
- 10. You <u>can</u> restore a 1 TB+ server in 5 minutes



# 1. Eliminate Backup Windows Entirely

- Lightweight backup agent on server sends backup to manager on server
- Take a base image without taking server down for base image
- Snap entire server incrementally (e.g., 15 min.)
- Roll up older snaps into base image forever
  - Example: Data Max Micro



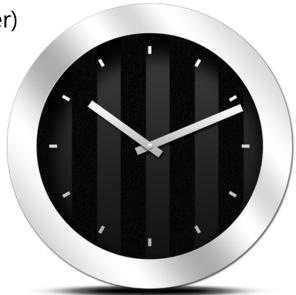
- Eliminated backup windows for clients
- Ensures business continuity for all Windows servers
- "I tell my clients, you need Replay to protect your data."





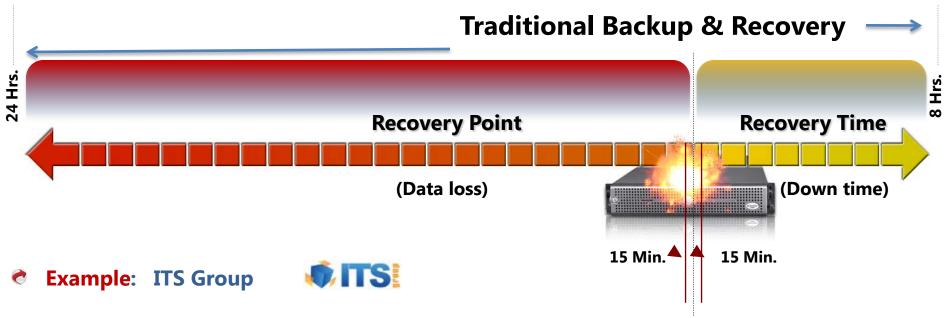
# 2. Backup Your Data Every 15 Min

- Take a base image of entire server
- Snap server every 15 minutes based on incremental snapshots forever
- No need for a backup window
- 1% impact on production server/workstation (client-server)
- No longer need a backup window





### **Unparalleled RPO and RTO**



- Assures RTO and RPO of 30 minutes or less under any disaster scenario
- Provides a 99.999% uptime guarantee
- "Replay is the best insurance policy that money can buy."



# 3. Keep 1 yr of Backups on 2.4x Space

- Backup image entire server(s)
- Require incremental forever snapshots that rollup into base image after X amount of time

Require integrated deduplication and compression to reduce 80% of storage

space requirements

Require cascading backup snapshots rolling up after 1 week, month, quarter, year etc.

#### Example: Royal River Casino



- Gained storage savings of 90%
- "Having a complete and instantly mountable copy of file and SQL data, with de-duplication that cuts our disk storage needs in half has been amazing."



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# 4. Backup and Restore Entire Applications

- Image entire server (not just the files)
- Block based backup-recovery
- Restores entire server, not just the files
- No need to reinstall OS, apps, objects, and rest







- Restored entire servers after a bug/corruption in an Exchange server
- Recovered entire mail store mailboxes, messages, folders, and exported PST
- "We've used a lot of products, but nothing touches this!"





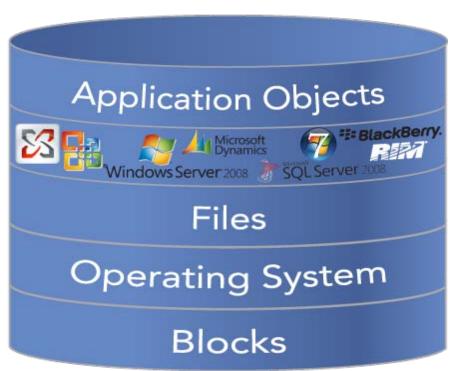
### **Protection of Entire Application Stack**

#### **Traditional Backup**



Files

Application Stack



Once a day Protection

**Continuous Protection** 

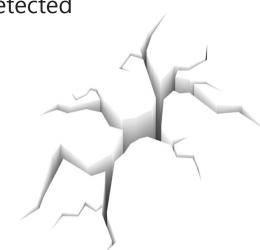


# 5. Anticipate Failures Before They Happen

- Use only application-aware backup and disaster recovery
- Continuously checks database backups for corruption (SQL, Exchange, etc.)
- Require alert system to notify immediately when corruption is detected
- Roll back to last non-corrupt backup snapshot (15 min. prior)
  - **Example: Blackboard**



- Continuous data validation detects corruption which is barred from the data store
- This ensures that it doesn't lead to a failure or propagate to backups.
- "I now have other things to keep me awake at night rather than the integrity of my Exchange data."



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# 6. Replicate Backups Offsite Easily

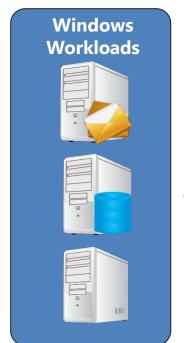
- Backup servers locally
- Point replication to any offsite data center (private/public cloud, Amazon, etc.)
- Deduplicate & compress backups 80% or more for WAN optimization
- Recover locally or from offsite data center
- Eliminate expensive, slow tape backup
- Users resume access instantly upon restore





### **Fast Local and Remote Recovery**

WAN



# Fast Local Recovery

Application Aware Block Based Snapshots



Compression Deduplication



Continuous P2V

# Off-site Recovery



Application Failover



Continuous P2V

#### **Granular Recoveries**







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Files, e-mails, Databases



### 7. Failover to a Virtual Machine

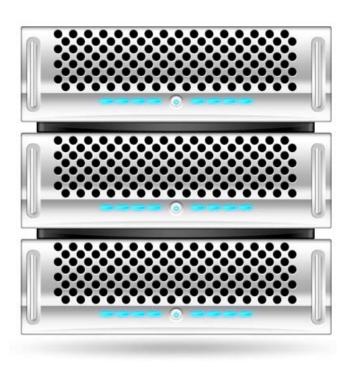
- Backup image entire server(s)
- When fails, simply point recovery points to virtual machine
- Virtual machine "becomes" production machine (for the time being)
- Buys you time to fix the problem right (e.g., totally replace the production machine without paying rush charges and fire drills
- Require support for Hyper-V, Citrix Xen & Vmware
- **Example:** Arkansas Valley Electric
  - Replay keeps VM & physical standbys updated
  - Easily recovered a critical server when hard drive failed
  - "The snapshot feature is beneficial on key servers, allowing for more recovery points."

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### 8. Restore to Similar or Dissimilar HW/VM

- Require "Universal application portability" from your backup vendor
- Enables to backup and restore to similar or dissimilar hardware
- Enables to backup or restore to a virtual machine
- Eliminates need for redundant hardware
- Enables high availability with virtual failover at push of a button





### 9. Perform BMR AND Granular Restores

- Block-based backups provide bare metal restore
- Application aware enable granular restore of individual Exchange and SharePoint items
- Windows Explorer framework enables admins to "walk" the tree to restore individual items from any backup snapshot by simply expanding the tree view
- BMR or granular restores take 5 minutes or less





#### 10. Restore 1 TB Server in 5 Minutes

- Image entire server
- Start restore process
- Block based backup-recovery
- Requested blocks are restored as requested
- **Example: Washtenaw Community College** 
  - Moved a 1TB volume to a new SAN





- Took 24 hours but users had access to their data the entire time as the data was being transferred.
- "There was no interruption for our folks. No one waited for the files to copy."



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# **About AppAssure Software**

#### **Fast Facts:**

- Founded in 2006
- Former Veritas/Symantec storage execs
- 150% growth in 2010
- 16 consecutive growth qtrs.
- Top 100 Fastest Growing US Companies
- 4,000+ customers worldwide
- Winner of Storage Magazine Backup and Disaster Recovery Software Product of the Year













# **Growing IT Community Following**

















































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### **Awards**



Winner of Storage Magazine's
2009 Bronze Backup & Recovery Software
Product of the Year



SQL Server Magazine Selected AppAssure's Replay 4 as "Editor's Choice" for Microsoft SQL Server Backup



Winner of 2008 "Redmond Roundup"
with Replay Named the
Redmond MVP Most Valuable Product



AppAssure Selected for the First Annual OnDC Top 100 List



AppAssure Software Recognized by the CRN Magazine as a 2009 Emerging Software Vendor



AppAssure's Replay 4 Named New Server Software Product of the Year at 2010 American Business Awards



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# **Questions & Next Steps**

**Step 1** – Ask any questions you have now

**Step 2** – Download free trial of Replay at <a href="https://www.AppAssure.com">www.AppAssure.com</a>

**Step 3** – Schedule a live demonstration

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