Key takeaway from porting the Qt Quick Renderer onto QRhi

qsgbatchrenderer.cpp — Renderer::renderBatches() -> void

```
4003
4004        if (Q_LIKELY(renderOpaque)) {
4005            for (int i=0; i<m_opaqueBatches.size(); ++i) {
4006                Batch *b = m_opaqueBatches.at(i);
4007                if (b->merged)
4008                    renderMergedBatch(b);
4009                else
4010                    renderUnmergedBatch(b);
4011            }
4012        }
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4014        glEnable(GL_BLEND);
4015        if (m_useDepthBuffer)
4016            glDepthMask(false);
4017        glBlendFunc(GL_ONE, GL_ONE_MINUS_SRC_ALPHA);
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QRhi-based code path

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Prepare vertex, index, uniform buffers, shader res.binding and pipeline state objects.

Materials provide **data**, and only data. (no messing with QRhi or graphics API)

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Start the renderpass, clear color/depth/stencil.

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Record draw calls

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- **Prepare**: Gather all data (geometry, pipeline states, shader res.) needed for the current frame, enqueue buffer (vertex, index, uniform) and texture resource updates.
- **Render**: start the pass, record binding ia/shader/pipeline stuff, record draw call, change bindings if needed, record draw call, …, end pass.
- **Submit** and present.

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