

Title: Any given Sunday
Pastor: Heinrich Titus
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Time: 9:00am



On a day like today

John 20:19-21 ¹⁹On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." ²⁰When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you."

Fishers of men

Matthew 4:18-20 ¹⁸While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹"Come, follow Me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men." ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him.

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NEW ORLEANS (AP) _ A man drowned while attending a party for New Orleans lifeguards who were celebrating their first drowning-free swimming season in memory, officials say.

Jerome Moody, 31, was found on the bottom at the deep end of a New Orleans Recreation Department pool at the end of the party Tuesday, department Director Madlyn Richard said.

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Moody was not a lifeguard and was at the party as a guest. He had not been swimming and was fully dressed, she said.

Four lifeguards were on duty at the party and more than half the 200 people there were certified lifeguards, she said.

The body was found as the pool was being cleared at the close of the party. Lifeguards pulled the body out and attempted to revive Moody until emergency medical attendants arrived. An autopsy confirmed drowning

Divine provision

Matthew 2:10-12 ¹⁰When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy.¹¹ And going into the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. ¹²And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

Divine affirmation

Matthew 3:16-17 ¹⁶And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; ¹⁷and behold, a voice from heaven said, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.”

Divine protection

Hebrews 1:14 ¹⁴Are not the angels ministering spirits, sent to serve those who will inherit salvation?

Psalms 91:11 ¹¹For he will command his angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways.

Divine mission

Matthew 4:12-17 ¹²Now when he heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. ¹³And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: ¹⁵“The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— ¹⁶the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned.” ¹⁷From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

Fishers of men, or keepers of the aquarium?