

Evidence links bishop to fatality

Continued from page 7B when Reed was killed. Prosecutors argue that O'Brien knew or should have known that he hit a pedestrian.

Hannon disputed testimony presented by the defense about which direction Reed was facing when he was hit. The defense had suggested that Reed approached the bishop's car from the passenger's side, while prosecutors contend Reed crossed in front of O'Brien's car before being struck.

O'Brien testified Monday that he heard a loud crash but never saw anyone in the road. He acknowledged that he did not see a dog or anyone throwing a rock at him, despite his claim that he believed one or the other had caused the damage.

The 68-year-old bishop is charged with leaving the

scene of a fatal accident. If convicted, O'Brien, 68, could get anything from probation to 3 3/4 years in prison.

On Tuesday, O'Brien admitted on the stand that he didn't call police after learning officers were investigating a fatal accident in the same area where he hit something that left his car's windshield smashed.

He said he was told by a diocesan official that officers would arrive at his home to investigate and believed police would seek him out. But he did not answer his phone the night after the accident or immediately answer his door for police the following day.

"All this time had elapsed and police had still not contacted me," he said. "That led me to believe what happened Saturday night (June

14) did not involve me."

O'Brien said he did not answer the phone because he was in his chapel at his home Sunday night, and on Monday morning, he thought the officers, who were not in uniform, were reporters.

O'Brien said he had asked about getting his vehicle's windshield fixed the Monday after the accident. A diocesan secretary testified earlier that O'Brien called her about the windshield.

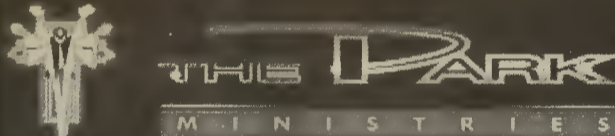
The arrest the bishop's 21-year career as head of the Phoenix Diocese. The accident happened less than two weeks after prosecutors announced O'Brien had struck a deal to avoid indictment on obstruction charges for protecting child-molesting priests.

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You cannot come into the presence of God apart from the Blood of the Sacrifice. And that Blood Sacrifice is Christ! That is what I told that audience there at my wife's funeral on November 10, 2003. Most there had never heard that great truth even though they have been in their churches all their lives. Friend, if you go in the presence of God apart from the Blood of Christ, it means instant death in hell for you! Now, they didn't believe that, for the most part, and neither do you. God pity you if you try to come into His presence apart from the Blood of Christ. What was Cain's response when the Jehovah God, the Lord Jesus Christ, questioned him about his brother Abel? The Lord Jesus Christ asked Cain; "Where is thy brother?" Cain lied to the Lord; "I know not." And rather than take the blame for his sinful condition, acknowledging his murder of his brother, Cain further went on in rebellion and tried to further cover his sin by questioning Jehovah God. "am I my brother's keeper?" What rebellion! What usurping the authority of the Lord! Setting himself up as his own god. That is the condition of every sinner out of Christ. You set yourself up as your own God. Now, what was Jehovah God's response when Cain failed to acknowledge his sin and take all the blame for his sin? God reprobated Cain. "And He (Jehovah God) said, What hast thou done? the voice of thy brother's blood crieth unto me from the ground. And now art thou cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand." (Genesis 4:10-11). Here we see God placing a curse upon or reprobating Cain. Now, you can deny this truth to the damnation of your soul if you will. But you'll not change one iota of God's Word. Hear the Word again if you can; "...whom he (God) will he hardeneth." (Romans 9:18). So we see so clearly that God reprobated Cain or hardened Cain by placing this curse upon Cain. My friend, is God reprobating you? Hold it friends, the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ will soften your heart for salvation, or harden your heart for eternal reprobation. Which is your case?




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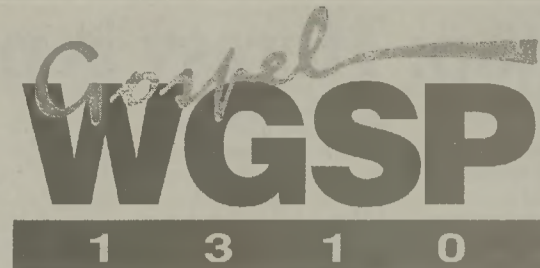


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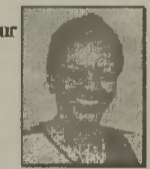
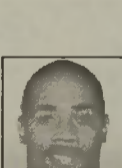
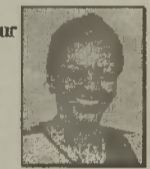
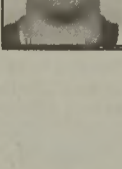
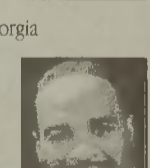
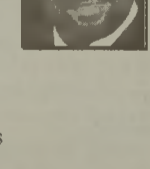


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