

**WCBC ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE - JUNE 23, 2019**

**TOPIC:** *God & The Titanic!*

**TEXT:** Matthew 24:36-44

**INTRO:** Brief History Of Titanic's Sinking!

**FOUR PRACTICAL OBSERVATIONS ON THE SINKING OF THE TITANIC:**

**1. Life is uncertain! - James 4:14**

Note: We're here today, and maybe gone tomorrow!

- Brief Timeline Of Titanic's Voyage!
- "Are you ready for eternity?"

**2. God dislikes pride! - Proverbs 16:18a**

Note: It "goes before destruction!"

- Statistics on the Titanic!
- VP of The White Star Line!
- Employee of The White Star Line!
- 20 Lifeboats On The Titanic!

**3. Wealth cannot and will not help in time of death! - Matthew 16:26**

Note: Many of the passengers on the Titanic were rich and famous!

- Few of The Rich & Famous on The Titanic!
- I Timothy 6:17/Ecclesiastes 5:10!
- "Keep up with the Joneses!"
- Benjamin Franklin on Ecclesiastes 5:10!
- \*Christ's Teaching on Wealth!

**4. God's warnings must be heeded and obeyed! - Genesis 6-9**

Note: Several warnings were given to the crewmen of the Titanic before it sunk. They were all IGNORED!

1. By the Titanic's telegraph operator!
2. By the Titanic's Captain himself, Edward J. Smith!
  - Isaiah 55:6-7!

**CONCLUSION:** God's "Lifeboat" & The True Hero Of The Titanic!

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**Unsinkable Ship!**

At the time of the sinking of the *Titanic*, one of our great American preachers was in Belfast, Ireland. The *Titanic* had been built in Belfast, and there was a great local pride over the mighty ship. She had been heralded far and wide as "the unsinkable ship." Sixteen members of the church in Belfast, all skilled mechanics, went down with her. The mayor said that Belfast had never been in such grief as that which came over this tragic tragedy. When the news was finally verified that the gallant ship was certainly lost, so deep was the grief that it is said strong men met upon the streets, grasped each other's hands, burst into tears, and parted without a word.

The visiting American preached the Sunday after the tragedy in the church to which the sixteen members who had been lost belonged. Not only was the building packed with people, but on the platform were lords, bishops, and ministers of all denominations. In the audience, many newly-made widows were sitting, and orphans were sobbing on every side. The great preacher took as his subject, "The Unsinkable Ship." But he did not apply that term to the *Titanic* which on her first voyage had gone out into the Atlantic and crashed into an iceberg, carrying her precious cargo of human lives down to watery death. No, the preacher's message was about that other "unsinkable ship" - the frail boat on the sea of Galilee, unsinkable because the Master of land and sea was asleep on a pillow in the after part of the vessel. Thank God He still lives and rides the billows and controls the storms, and when the children of men take their only true Pilot back on board, we will ride out the present storms and He will bring the vessel through to the fair harbor of our hopes.

- American Fundamentalist

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**Verse For Today**

*"What good will it be for a man if he gains the whole world, yet forfeits his soul?" - Jesus*

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**Food For Thought**

"Pride is the only disease known to man that makes everyone sick except the person who has it!" - Buddy Robinson

