



Devotional & Article Writing Starters

Topic: "Italian Night"

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Leaning Towers and Good Foundations

Did you know the Leaning Tower of Pisa in Pisa, Italy, started out with one mistake or miscalculation and then more mistakes were built on top of it that made things even worse?

- Matthew 7:24-29 (House built on the sand)
- 1 Corinthians 3
 - Key verse (1 Corinthians 3:11)
 - Jesus Christ is the sure Foundation.

Only One Road Leads to Heaven

You know that phrase, "All roads lead to Rome"? Back in time, Rome was the center of activity in the world, so that is where the phrase originated. We now use that phrase to mean that we can reach one point by different methods.

- When it comes to going to Heaven, many methods cannot lead there.

- Jesus is the ONLY way.
 - John 14:6
 - Acts 4:12
 - Matthew 7:13, 14

Al Dente Speech

A lot of people consider pasta cooked "al dente" as perfectly cooked. Did you know that "al dente" means in Italian "to the tooth". The pasta should be tender through and yet firm.

- How about speech that is tender and yet firm when needed?
- Tender speech.
 - Proverbs 15:1
 - Ephesians 4:29
- Firm speech.
 - Ephesians 4:15
 - Proverbs 31:8,9 (Stand up for others who cannot speak for themselves.)
 - Proverbs 27:17 (Firm speech should be carried out in a loving way.)

Preserved Temples

The Pantheon in Rome is the temple built for various Roman gods. It has been preserved over time and is a big landmark in Italy.

What about our bodies as Christians, the temples of the True and Living God? "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God..." (1 Corinthians 3:16)

- How are we built?
- What are we allowing our bodies to intake physically and spiritually?
- Can we stand the test of time?
- Keeping our temples.

- 1 Corinthians 3:16, 17
- 1 Corinthians 6:19, 20
- Romans 12:1, 2

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