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Not THAT Touchdown Jesus

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The RNS headline caught my attention: "Touchdown Jesus burns to the ground." Oh, no! Was the entire Notre Dame Library with its "Word of Life" mosaic--nicknamed "Touchdown Jesus" because of Jesus' outstretched hands and ND's football tradition--destroyed?

Turns out it was just a rather ugly 62-foot plastic foam and fiberglass statue of Jesus, called "King of Kings," outside a Protestant church near Cincinnati, that was struck by lightning.

God has spoken.

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