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## Morning Briefing

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Report: **Minnesota Archbishop Nienstedt under scrutiny for same-sex relationships**

Murieta, Calif. -- **Protesters in Murrieta block detainees' buses in tense standoff** -- The reader who sent me this link commented: "I saw the video feed on the news this afternoon, and I swear it looked like Alabama 1961. ... Absolute madness."

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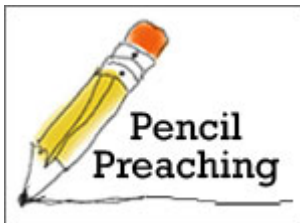
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