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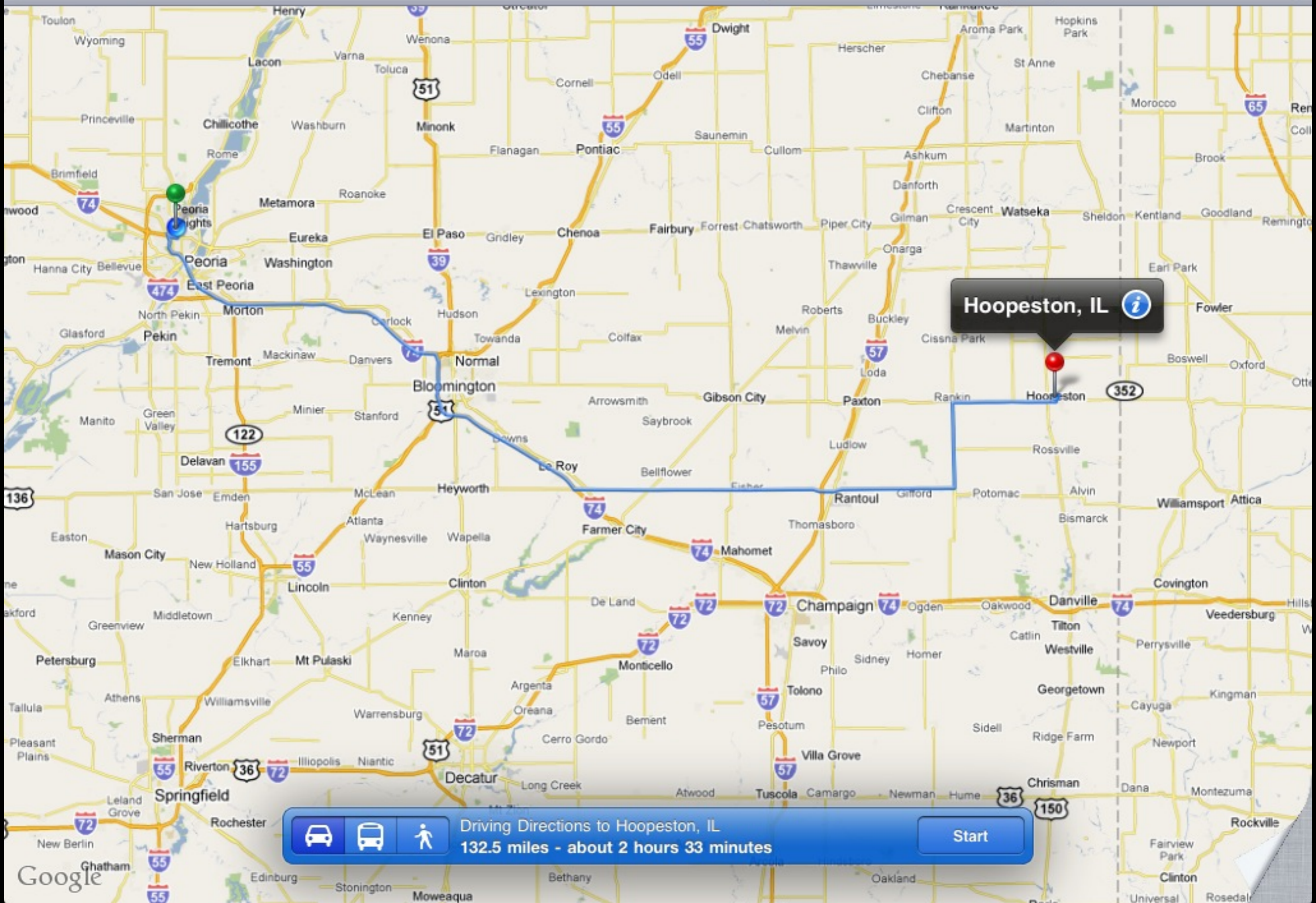
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Hoopeston, IL

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 132.5 miles - about 2 hours 33 minutes
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Confession and Adoration Signup

May 3, 2010

Saints of the Day
Romans



There is no real excuse for not knowing that God exists—and the consequences of pretending that He doesn't are nasty

Romans 1:18-32

Don't go telling others how terrible they are, because none of us lives up to the law of God!

Righteousness comes through faith

But not by faith *alone*—this is the original Protestant mistake. God's promise rests on grace, which we cannot earn and do not deserve. (Remember St. Paul on the road to Damascus!) Even faith is a gift from God, so we can't brag about it.

Adam brought death;
Jesus is the New
Adam who brings life

The Law only made things worse: Now we know exactly what we have to do and still can't do it.

Jesus frees us from the law with grace. Sin does not stop being sin, but He gives us grace so that we are freed (eventually) from wanting to do it.

SIN IS SLAVERY!



“You gotta serve
somebody”

Service to God is freedom because it lets us become
who we are meant to be.

What I do, I do not understand. For I do not do what I want, but I do what I hate.

Now if I do what I do not want, I concur that the law is good. So now it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me. For I know that good does not dwell in me, that is, in my flesh. The willing is ready at hand, but doing the good is not. For I do not do the good I want, but I do the evil I do not want. Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells in me. So, then, I discover the principle that when I want to do right, evil is at hand. For I take delight in the law of God, in my inner self, but I see in my members another principle at war with the law of my mind, taking me captive to the law of sin that dwells in my members.

Miserable one that I am! Who will deliver me from this mortal body?

Thanks be to God through
Jesus Christ our Lord.

Spirit = Good
Body = Bad

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