

# Sharks & Satan

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The waters off Natal province in South Africa are shark-infested, writes Hugh Dellios in the *Chicago Tribune*. To maintain the tourist trade in the area, the Natal Shark Board has tried many different solutions. They have attempted using various odors as shark repellents, without success. They tried piping in sounds, such as that of the shark's archenemy the killer whale, without success. In earlier days they encircled bathing beaches with steel cages, or called in the navy to drop depth charges. Finally in the 1950s they stretched long nets around the circumference of the beach. That kept the sharks out but also accidentally caught and killed a large number of other marine life.

Now it appears the Natal Shark Board has a better solution. They have developed and patented what they call the Protective Ocean Device (POD). The POD puts out electrical impulses that irritate the shark's nose, which is sensitive to muscle movements in nearby fish and ultrasensitive to electrical currents. The new device, says writer Hugh Dellios, "will surround its owner with a low-level electric pulse that annoys the shark and persuades it that it isn't bearing down on a seal or other favorite taste-treat."

And so it is now possible with technology to drive away sharks.

Far more dangerous than a shark is our enemy Satan. But God has given us sure ways to repel his attacks: the Lord's name and Word, our righteousness and faith.