

On January 23rd, 1996, Rev Joe Wright gave a prayer at the opening session of the Kansas State House of Representatives which caused a great deal of controversy. Paul Harvey read it on his program and he received the greatest response of any program he has done. Dobson read it on the broadcast this morning.

"Heavenly Father, we come before You today to ask Your forgiveness and seek Your direction and guidance. We know Your Word says, 'Woe to those who call evil good,' but that's exactly what we've done. We've lost our spiritual equilibrium and inverted our values. We confess that we have ridiculed the absolute truth of Your Word and called it 'moral pluralism.' We've worshipped other gods and called it 'multi-culturalism.' We have endorsed perversion and called it 'an alternate lifestyle.' We have exploited the poor and called it 'the lottery.' We have neglected the needy and called it 'self preservation.' We have rewarded laziness and called it 'welfare.' We have killed our unborn and called it 'choice.' We have shot abortionists and called it justifiable. We have neglected to discipline our children and called it 'self esteem.' We have abused power and called it 'political savvy.' We have coveted our neighbor's possessions and called it ambition. We have polluted the air with profanity and pornography and called it 'freedom of expression.' We have ridiculed the time honored values of our forefathers and called it enlightenment. Search us, Oh God, and know our hearts today, try us and see if there be some wicked way in us, cleanse us from every sin and set us free. Guide and bless these men and women who have been sent here by the people of Kansas and have been ordained by You to govern this great state. Grant them Your wisdom to rule and may their decisions direct us to the center of Your will. I ask it in the name of Your Son, the Living Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen."