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Silent



Reference: Follow-up Report #10 – Kindergarten to Grade 12: Identity Politics

Please read Letter to the Editor Calgary Sun, Sunday 25 November 2018 – Define This Hate

Readers should search the "Isabella Chow – UC Berkeley" story online (Nov 2018). The bullying of Ms. Chow corroborates the argument made in "Define This Hate," and is a certain harbinger of what your sons/daughters and grandchildren will face in school (K-12) if nothing is changed with Alberta's Bills 10 and 24, and Inclusive Education Policy. Isabella Chow is a student senator who chose to abstain from a vote to express solidarity with transgender, intersex, nonbinary and gender nonconforming students. The senate resolution was a statement of rejection for the US Department of Health and Human Services intention to legally define sex as only "male and female."

Isabella had campaigned to represent the Christian student community, stating she could not vote for the resolution "without compromising [her] values and [her] responsibility to the community that elected [her] to represent them." She further declared, "As a Christian, I personally do believe that certain acts and lifestyles conflict with what is good, right, and true." The Queer Alliance Resource Center at U.C. Berkeley condemned her position creating a petition demanding she resign, and arguing her values are "antithetical" to the values of the campus. The student news paper Daily Californian, wrote an editorial condemning Isabella's stance as "transphobic" and "homophobic."

Isabella asked the paper to publish her response. The paper refused emailing her:" "Op-eds that are deemed libelous, racist, sexist, homophobic, or highly offensive in any other manner will not print."

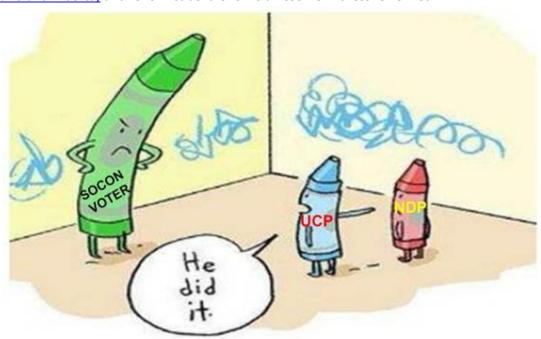
Social Conservatives of any faith (or non-faith) are not the bullies here! No they are now the oppressed. Where is the diversity, mutual respect, liberty of religion and freedom speech?

Isabella told Campus Reform: "As a Christian, I believe that God redeems and he uses all situations for the good of those who love Him. There is so much happening, and even though it's been a really, really rough week for me, I know that God is working and I know that he is using this to strengthen the church, to awaken the church in a sense." Amen!

Isabella said if nothing else, she wants the controversy to further inspire dialogue within the Church: "I want the church to be able to dialogue even more about where we stand on this theologically." Acknowledging that there is a diversity of opinion amongst Christians about how to treat these issues, she well advised: "I think that it's time for the church to stop being silent. And it's time for the church to start speaking up, and to back our words with actions that really reflect the love and the truth of Jesus."

## Request

Clergy and church/parish boards are requested to review: <u>The K-12 Identity Politics Experiment</u> (Ontario and Alberta) and follow Isabella Chow's awesome witness for Christ.



The writing is on the wall, the UCP (PC and Wildrose) and NDP are fine with Bill 10, which is the foundational law for GSAs and Inclusive Education Policy

Please – step up to the plate as Isabella has.

Peace and Grace in Christ.

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