



**Beall Phillips**

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I just posted the following comment on HSLDA's FB page in response to Mike Farris' article.

Well, Mike, your article about Doug was, at the very least, in bad taste, and your representation of what Doug and I believe and what we have taught through Vision Forum was rife with gross error.

I have known you for 23 years. I have seen you in many circumstances, some admirable, some not admirable. For about the last 6 years, you and I have sat around the same table for board meetings. Yes, you and I (a woman) were on the same board. You came to Doug's dad's funeral in April 2013 with some kind words. Somehow I missed the letter of compassion and concern for my family this year. You have my email address and phone number.

I know, it's so much faster and easier and cleaner to publish an article and put it on the Internet for how many thousands of people?

How much courage does it take to kick a man who is out of business, out of ministry, and publicly humiliated?

Your caricature of our views would be humorous if it were not so grossly offensive.

Let me help you with a couple of things. I have voted as my conscience dictated since I was 18. So do my sons and so will my daughters. I'm glad for Vickie that she is not under Dennis Rodman's authority. And I am glad that I am not under your authority. I would choose my husband again any day.

Maybe we can discuss all the other concoctions in your article over coffee sometime. My daughters might want to join us to speak for themselves. If you will sit and listen to them.

Until then, please take my family off your membership list immediately. I do not think you are qualified to represent my children or me in any capacity.

Doug has chosen not to respond, but I will not sit idly by while you use your bully pulpit to malign and misrepresent my husband, my company (yes, I, a woman, was an employee of Vision Forum) my family, and myself.

Please note, this is part one of my response as well.

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**Melissa Green** I am SO glad that you spoke up! I was starting to think I was crazy. I've listened to MANY of Doug's audios and what I never really got what Mr. Farris was saying out of them. I've seen you in Tea with Michelle Duggar, too. You don't seem oppressed at ALL. In fact, you seem bold, capable, and free, and this seems backed by your husband.

In fact, I remember specifically in one of the Family Strategies sessions, your husband SPECIFICALLY talking about one of your daughters being harassed by airport security over a little gun, and then he was talking about how there's a lot of overlap in the genders. That one REALLY stuck with me, in fact.

I remember in another audio Doug SPECIFICALLY stating that there is absolutely NO biblical evidence to support this meek, feeble woman, either.

And I see how he talks regarding you and your children, and how he acts towards you--which doesn't indicate ANYTHING that Mr. Farris is claiming. I really think that a lot of what your husband said was being taken completely out of context by these people who oppose him.

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**Molly Frodge Stricklen** I'm so sorry you are having to go through this, Beall. Our family has listened to your husband in many forums, at conferences, on CD and DVD. We have never witnessed him teaching or advocating any of these ideologies. I pray God's grace upon you and your family as you get through this ordeal and as your family continues to heal.  
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**Jim Bob Howard** "Gross misrepresentation" was the phrase I was thinking when I read Mike's post.  
Still praying for you all and love you each and all dearly!  
40 mins



**Deborah Yuck** Beall, I'm glad you spoke out, and I stand with you.  
As a 55 year old woman who is by no means a shrinking violet or doormat, as the mother of five very courageous, adventuresome, fun loving, cheerful, and delightful daughters, as well as a sweet, caring, tender hearted, and loving son, who's married to a precious Christian woman, as one who has listened to pretty much every message put out by VF concerning the family, going back to the mid 90's, I am appalled at Mr. Farris' claims.  
I have never, ever come away from listening feeling as though I or my daughters were second class citizens, that men had the right to abuse or otherwise harm us, rather, the complete opposite, that I'm to be cherished and loved and nurtured tenderly by my husband, which I am!, and that our daughters are to be well educated and encouraged to pursue their passions and talents as they labour beside us in taking dominion in the sphere the Lord has given us.  
I remain thankful for your husband's many years of contending for the faith, for his wise interpretation of Scripture, and for his bravery in sharing in a day and age when so many were and yet are inclined to disagree with even the most clear and simple reading of the Word.

And Beall, I remain thankful for you, a strong and passionate woman of God who has endured a great trial, yet who remains steadfast in her devotion to her husband and family. May God reward your faithfulness, may He continue to guide your steps, may He provide for your every need, and keep you all the days of your life. (((Hugs)))  
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**Vicki Eaves Covington** Go Beall! I totally agree with your words and if I was a good writer, I would have written what Deborah Yuck wrote. Bless you & your family!  
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