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Here's a surprising news item:

Banned books celebrated in Farmington and many libraries nationwide

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FARMINGTON — Mary Greenwood, 75, scanned the adult literature at the Farmington Public Library on Monday before choosing Mary Higgins Clark's "Two Little Girls in Blue" and John MacArthur's "Safe in The Arms of God."

Both books were on a shelf tagged with a yellow caution marker that read, "Caution. Item(s) on this shelf have been BANNED or CHALLENGED at other libraries. It's Your FREEDOM We Are Talking About."

It's hard to imagine why anyone would want *that* book banned, but it does seem clear that our increasingly "tolerant" society is becoming more and more *intolerant* of Christianity.

For example, yesterday Katie Couric issued a disclaimer on her blog after CBS aired the testimony of Brian Rohrbough, a Christian man whose son was murdered in the 1999 Columbine shootings. Couric wrote: "We knew when we decided to put on this segment that a lot of people would disagree with it. We also knew some might even find it repugnant."

"Repugnant"? Really? Watch Rohrbough's statement and judge for yourself whether Couric's loaded language was appropriate.

Then read this related news item from the Denver *Post:*

After Eric Harris and Dylan Klebold killed 13 people and wounded two dozen more on April 20, 1999, the school invited students and parents to continue providing tiles to help the process of healing. But the school authorities later rejected several of the tiles, including two made by Brian Rohrbough, whose son, Daniel, was killed at Columbine. One of Rohrbough's tiles depicted 13 crosses and the

other cited a Biblical passage. The school promptly banned the religious themes. Rohrbough and the parents of another slain student, Kelly Fleming, sued. District Judge Wiley Daniel ruled in their favor, finding that by opening the tile program to the community, the school district had created a limited public forum and could not censor the ideas expressed in that forum.

Once again, Jeffco [Jefferson County] appealed and won a ruling from the 10th U.S. District Court of Appeals that it could ban the tiles.

No belief or point of view is more censored by our society than Christianity. This is just more evidence of the trend.

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