Quotes in the News

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Mitt Romney

"*Since his inevitability as a candidate this spring, you've seen evangelical leaders who took pleasure in calling Mormonism a cult come to his side. Things are changing.*"

Joanna Brooks

Mormon writer at Religion Dispatches, on how evangelicals have backed off criticism of Mormonism in light of Mitt Romney's political success (RNS)

"*You can already see the change in thinking among many evangelicals who see Mitt Romney more as the Republican candidate for president and less as a Mormon.*"

Leith Anderson

President of the National Association of Evangelicals (RNS)

"*While I am not prepared to reclassify Mormonism as possessing undeniably Christian theology, I do accept many of my Mormon friends as genuine followers of the Jesus whom I worship as the divine Savior.*"

Richard Mouw

President of the evangelical Fuller Theological Seminary (RNS)

"*I think it is more helpful to call Mormons another religion, distinct from biblical or historic Christianity, as just about everyone from Catholics to Methodists to Baptists have clearly stated. It's a different religion that uses the same words to describe very different things.*"

Ed Stetzer

President of LifeWay Research (RNS)

"*Churches are wary of becoming involved in a very partisan way, or campaigning on issues that might be controversial, because their mission is to reach their whole communities.*"

Galen Carey

The National Association of Evangelicals' vice president for government relations, on polls that say a growing number of Americans do not want to hear politics from the pulpit (RNS)