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### Now Who's Exploiting Terri?

by Michael in New York on [3/25/2005 10:26:00 PM](#)

Exploiting the pain of Terri Schiavo's family (which INCLUDES her husband and parents) has begun. The Traditional Values Coalition -- which spends most of its time attacking the basic civil rights of gays -- is piggybacking on the media firestorm with posts on its website saying "Help Save Terri Schiavo's Life!" How? By donating money to TVC, of course. (Help save her life by making sure the loved ones of gay people are denied entry to their death beds? Huh?)

The Evangelical Council for Financial Accountability -- according to the New York Times -- says exploiting causes peripheral to your work is a no-no. Accusations that cannot be proved -- such as the lies many websites have spread that Michael Schiavo shoved Terri down a flight of stairs, etc. -- would "stretch" the org's requirement that you be truthful. Yeah, it also stretches one of those commandments.

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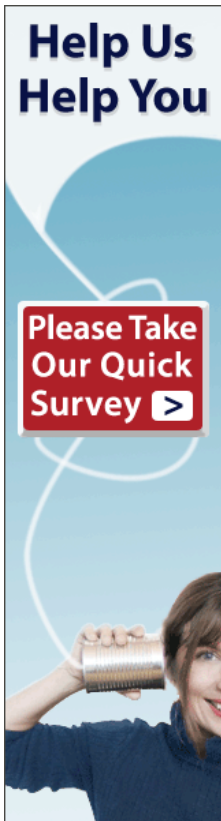
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