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GOD'S NOT DEAD 2

Legal Cases That Inspired the Film

GOD'S NOT DEAD 2 is not just a new movie. It's a look at the very real threats to religious liberty that occur daily in the public square. In fact, the film cites in its closing credits 25 cases with themes similar to what's depicted onscreen.

Here's a thumbnail look at each of those cases.

1. Dr. Mike Adams was denied a promotion at the University of North Carolina-Wilmington after becoming a Christian and conservative writer. He was successfully defended by Alliance Defending Freedom, and the university was ordered to promote him.
2. The University of Illinois fired Dr. Kenneth Howell after one of his students was "offended" by his description of Catholic teachings on sexual behavior. He was successfully defended by Alliance Defending Freedom and reinstated.
3. Professor June Sheldon at San Jose City College was fired for answering a question about heredity and homosexual behavior from the class textbook, and a student claimed to be "offended." She was defended by Alliance Defending Freedom and reinstated.
4. Librarian Scott Savage at Ohio State University-Mansfield suggested four conservative books for the freshmen reading list and three professors filed complaints about him. Alliance Defending Freedom filed suit, and the university dropped the charges.
5. Michael Lucas, a former football player for the Colorado School of Mines, wanted to sponsor a new locker with a plaque that contained two scriptural references. But the university refused. Alliance Defending Freedom filed suit on Michael's behalf and the case is ongoing.
6. Jonathan Lopez expressed his Christian belief that marriage is between one man and one woman in a speech class. His professor at Los Angeles Community College interrupted him,

calling him a “fascist.” Alliance Defending Freedom filed suit for Jonathan and won in district court.

7. Orit Sklar and Ruth Malhotra, two students at Georgia Institute of Technology, were told to stop holding conservative and religious events on campus. Alliance Defending Freedom represented them, settled the case and the school changed its policies.

8. Emily Brooker, a student at Missouri State University, was assigned to write a letter to the state legislature in favor of adoption by same-sex couples. She refused based on her religious beliefs, and was charged with an ethics violation. Alliance Defending Freedom filed suit, and the university settled the case.

9. Christine Mize, a social work student, wrote a paper developing a faith-based therapy program for women dealing with post-abortion syndrome. Her professor threatened to downgrade Christine’s paper, and then refused to grade her paper altogether. Alliance Defending Freedom sent a letter to the university, and Christine’s paper was graded.

10. Snow College treated religious student clubs like Solid Rock Christian Club differently from all other clubs, denying them free meeting space and free advertising. After Alliance Defending Freedom filed suit, the college agreed to treat religious student clubs the same as all other clubs.

11. B.H., an elementary school student with cerebral palsy at Superior Street Elementary School, wanted to dance to a Christian song at the school talent show. But school officials said that the song was too religious. Alliance Defending Freedom filed suit, and the school district reversed their position.

12. A.Q., a student at Lindenhurst High School, wanted to start a Christian student club. But school officials denied his request because the club was religious. After Alliance Defending Freedom filed suit, the school recognized the club.

13. J.A., a student at Dixon High School in Missouri put up posters promoting the Pro-Life Day of Silent Solidarity. But school officials removed the posters. Alliance Defending Freedom filed suit, and the school district settled the case to allow religious and pro-life materials.

14. Geneva College, a Christian University in Pennsylvania, sued the federal government to keep abortion-inducing drugs out of its health plan. Alliance Defending Freedom filed suit on its behalf and the case will soon be heard by the U.S. Supreme Court.

15. Make Up Your Own Mind, a pro-life student club at the University of North Carolina, applied for a religious exemption so as to select members based upon their agreement with its religious beliefs. The school denied the request, stating the club was “not religious.” After Alliance Defending Freedom filed suit, the university recognized the club and broadened its exemption policy.

16. O.T., a second grade student in New Jersey, wanted to sing “Our God is An Awesome God” at her school’s talent show. But the school said no, saying it was religious. Alliance Defending

Freedom filed suit in district court, which ruled that the school district violated O.T.'s free speech rights.

17. Christian Parks, a student at Thomas Nelson Community College, was denied expressing his Christian beliefs in the college's courtyard. Alliance Defending Freedom filed suit and won, and the Virginia Community College System changed its speech policies at its 23 schools.

18. University of Michigan officials denied funding to student organization Young Americans for Liberty saying it was "religious", although it provided funding to other groups engaged in similar speech. Alliance Defending Freedom filed suit, and the university revised its funding policies.

19. A.Z., a sixth grade student, was prohibited by Nova Classical Academy from handing out pro-life flyers with her friends that said, "Save the baby humans. Stop abortion." After Alliance Defending Freedom filed suit, the school revised its literature distribution policy.

20. A.P., a senior at Tomah High School, drew a picture for his art class that depicted a road, cross, and the words "John 3:16 – a sign of love." His art teacher gave him a zero when he refused to remove the biblical reference. Alliance Defending Freedom filed suit, and the school district removed the ban on religious expression.

21. The San Diego Fire Department ordered four firefighters to participate in a Gay Pride Parade against their will. An Alliance Defending Freedom attorney successfully sued the city on the firefighters' behalf and obtained a victory in the California Court of Appeal.

22. Vanderbilt University's nurse residency application excluded any student with an objection to participating in abortions. After Alliance Defending Freedom filed a complaint on behalf of a nursing student, Vanderbilt changed its application requirements.

23. J.A., a first grade student, made Valentine's Day cards for his classmates that read "God Loves You," quoting John 3:16. The principal refused to allow J.A. to distribute them. Alliance Defending Freedom filed suit, and won. J.A.'s student religious expression was protected.

24. C.H., a freshman at Bridgeton High School, wanted to participate in the Pro-Life Day by wearing an arm band. The assistant principal denied her request. C.H. was successfully defended by Alliance Defending Freedom and the district court ruled in her favor.

25. York Preparatory Academy, a public charter school, canceled the school band's performance of music that contained traditional Christmas tunes. After Alliance Defending Freedom sent a letter to the school board, the board restored Christmas music to the winter concert program.