

**Below is the “Prayer of Repentance” that SHOOK the nation when Joe Wright prayed it before the Kansas State House on January 23, 1996. It was subsequently featured by Paul Harvey on his national radio program and continues to resonate with many around the country.**

“Heavenly Father,

We come before you today to ask Your forgiveness and seek Your directions and guidance.

We know Your Word says, “Woe to those who call evil good’, but that’s exactly what we have done.

We have lost our spiritual equilibrium and inverted our values.

We confess that:

We have ridiculed the absolute truth of Your Word and called it moral pluralism;

We have worshipped other gods and called it multi-culturalism;

We have endorsed perversion and called it an alternative lifestyle;

We have exploited the poor and called it the lottery;

We have neglected the needy and called it self-preservation;

We have rewarded laziness and called it welfare;

We have killed our unborn and called it choice;

We have shot abortionists and called it justifiable;

We have neglected to discipline our children and called it building esteem;

We have abused power and called it political savvy;

We have coveted our neighbors’ possessions and called it ambition;

We have polluted the air with profanity and pornography and called it freedom of expression;

We have ridiculed the time-honored values of our forefathers and called it enlightenment.

Search us, O God, and know our hearts today; try us and see if there be some wicked way in us; cleanse us from every sin and set us free.

Guide and bless these men and women who have been sent here by the people of Kansas, and who have been ordained by You, to govern this great state.

Grant them Your wisdom to rule and may their decisions direct us to the center of Your will.

I ask it in the name of your son, the Living Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.”

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