

# MORMON-BAITING

Deal Hudson, president of the Pennsylvania Catholics Network, was recently cited in a *U.S. News* blog story on the anti-religious antics of Catholics for Obama: calls were being made by the group questioning the religious beliefs of Republican presidential nominee Mitt Romney. In a phone message, the group asked prospective Catholics voters, "How can you support a Mormon who does not believe in Jesus Christ?"

Should Christians vote for a Jewish Democratic candidate for president? Should they be made to feel guilty if they even gave it a second thought? How would the media react if Catholics for Republicans called prospective voters asking, "How can you support a Jew who does not believe in Jesus Christ?"

The fact that Catholics for Obama would ask this question is obscene.

Because he was the beneficiary of these calls, President Obama should have condemned them. He did not. When pressed by *U.S. News* about this issue, the Obama campaign stated that a candidates' religion is off limits, and denied that they were behind the calls, but did not condemn them.