

Whoopi Goldberg Apologizes to John Hagee for Reporting False Story

Whoopi is a laugh a minute, but Pastor John Hagee didn't think the story she reported about him was very funny.

In the end, neither did Whoopi.

ABC's *The View* co-host offered an apology to Hagee, pastor of Cornerstone Church in San Antonio, Texas, for reporting a false story about him. The story claimed Hagee thinks women who shout God's name at inappropriate times should be "thrown in jail."

"We have to start by clearing something up," said Goldberg. "Yesterday we said that there was a pastor that said that women who yell 'oh God' during sex should be jailed. It turns out it was a fake story from a humor website so we apologize to the pastor. We're sorry."

The false story claimed Hagee said: "If it were up to me, I would put every single woman or girl who does that in jail," said Hagee in the report. "That would be a fine example of God's wrath aimed at what is, in my opinion, a terrible misuse of our Maker's good name."

Of course, Goldberg wasn't the only one to get it wrong. *The Daily Mail* reported the same story. The source of the error was .

"The story is a complete fabrication," Hagee's ministry said in a statement. "It's written by a website that makes up these kind of stories in an effort to be humorous. All media outlets that have picked up this story have been contacted by John Hagee Ministries and will issue a retraction or face legal

action.”