Republics in the midterm elections won control of the Senate, raised their majority in the House, and now control 31 governorships, but the liberal media are spinning that the elections were really just a pox on both political parties; that Republicans need to compromise (i.e., surrender) on everything; and most emphatically, that lawmakers must reject conservative ideas. It’s a stunning act of journalistic malpractice.

The election was a rejection of President Obama and liberalism — 100% of the GOP senators in the race ran against Obamacare.

Like most of the liberal media, ABC’s George Stephanopoulos pushed the propaganda that “the Republican brand is still very damaged” and “this wasn’t a vote for them.”

CBS’s John Dickerson chimed in, “The electorate is angry, it’s frustrated, it’s sour.”

The next day, CBS Evening News’ Bob Schieffer repeated the party line that “the mood is nasty” and “people don’t like the way things are going.” But “they don’t like Republicans and they don’t like Democrats,” he added.

“A pox on all their houses, the Democrats and Republicans,” intoned CBS’s

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Scott Pelley. On ABC’s Good Morning America both George Stephanopoulos and Matthew Dowd pushed the line that “the Republican brand is still very damaged,” and “this wasn’t a vote for them.”

In addition to muddying the electoral waters, the liberal media are relentlessly pushing their agenda that Republicans must “compromise” and “govern” and seek “middle ground.” It’s what they say whenever the GOP wins. When Democrats win, they have “a mandate.”

Nonetheless, there was NBC’s Tom Brokaw on Nov. 3 wondering, “The question then is, what are they prepared to give to the Democrats to meet them in the middle ground?”

Then on Nov. 5, NBC Today’s Matt Lauer harangued GOP Gov. Chris Christie, “Republicans have control of the House and Senate for the first time in eight years. … In January, voters are going to say, ‘What are you going to do with the power?’ Opposing the president’s policy is not a policy. Specifically, what can Republicans do with this power?”

Lauer insisted on knowing where “this new Republican majority” will seek “compromise, real compromise with President Obama.”

Lauer’s colleague Chuck Todd told TBS’s Conan O’Brien, “I think the leadership knows that they have to prove that they can govern, that they’re not just the anti-Obama party.”

Govern, compromise, middle ground — in short, surrender, and don’t dare try to advance any conservative ideas. Conservatism is the problem, along with the Tea Party, according to the liberal media, even though it was a conservative agenda that triggered the landslide!

As ABC This Week’s George Stephanopoulos warned on Nov. 9, House Speaker John Boehner “has a much bigger majority right now but also … many more conservative Tea Party members.” To fix that alleged problem, Bloomberg’s Mark Halperin advised that the GOP leadership risk “standing up to the Tea Party caucus and talk radio,” if “they want to do what’s good for their politics and good for the country.”

Got it? Don’t listen to conservatives if you truly want to help America.

Over at the CBS Evening News, Nancy Cordes whined about this “new crop of conservatives,” the “far right,” who she portrayed as saying “that women need to submit to the authority of their husbands” and “that Hillary Clinton is the anti-Christ.”

On MSNBC’s Morning Joe, Nov. 4, co-host Mika Brzezinski predicted that if the Republicans win the Senate “it will only embolden their more self-destructive ways,” but if they lose, “it might open the door for a reasonable Republican who can actually win the election, because they would really correct.”

By correct, she means move to the left. Politico’s Jim VandenHei echoed that point, lecturing the MSNBC panel that “even if Republicans win, I think they’re going to be in a hell of a jam, in that they’re not going to be able to get anything done. … It’s going to be extremely difficult in this environment to govern.”

In other words, only liberals can “govern.” Furthermore, don’t even think of repealing Obamacare. It’s “a waste of time, it contributes to gridlock” and “it’s so retro,” advises NBC’s Andrea Mitchell. Chuck Todd agrees, stressing that repeal would “set the wrong tone.”

The liberal media aren’t happy with the midterm election, so they’re spinning the results and framing the narrative going forward as far to the left as they can. They’re pushing their agenda through every liberal media outlet: newspapers, broadcast, cable, Hollywood and on the Internet.

The leftist media cannot accept that their agenda was neutralized by us.

The MRC, America’s media watchdog, is documenting, exposing, and neutralizing that liberal media bias around the clock. But we need your support. You can join us in this good fight by making a donation to the MRC today. Call us at 517-267-3500. We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

L. Brent Bozell III
Founder and President
Prior to the Nov. 4 midterm elections, as polls showed Republicans likely would take the Senate and gain more seats in the House, the evening news networks essentially buried that news. They did not cover the electoral races; they censored them.

By contrast, as a new Media Research Center report shows, those same evening news shows gave extensive coverage to the 2006 midterms, a time when polls indicated big wins for Democrats.

The numbers are simply startling, and prove liberal media bias beyond any doubt. The numbers also were not ignored by the alternative media, particularly Fox News, Drudge, Politico and others, demonstrating the tremendous impact of the report.

For the study, MRC analysts Rich Noyes and Kyle Drennen looked at all the evening network news shows from Sept. 1 through Oct. 20, 2014, and the same shows and time-frame in 2006.

The data show: ABC’s World News Tonight ran 36 election stories in 2006 and 0 stories in 2014 — that’s right, 0!

The CBS Evening News ran 58 midterm election stories in 2006 and, in 2014, only 14 stories, a 4-to-1 disparity.

The NBC Nightly News broadcast 65 midterm election stories in 2006 but only 11 in 2014, a 6-to-1 disparity.

In total, 159 election stories in 2006 and only 25 in 2014 (during that 7-week time-frame). That’s not just gross liberal media bias, that’s censorship!

The MRC analysis, “TV News Blacks Out This Year’s Bad Elections for Democrats,” was picked up by numerous new and alternative media, on cable, online, and across social media such as Facebook and Twitter.

Below is a partial list of some of that impact. America’s media watchdog clearly has a bite.
Suicide With Dignity?

NBC and CBS all but applauded cancer-stricken Brittany Maynard’s suicide, in a clear endorsement of the “death with dignity” movement. On Nov. 3, two days after 29-year-old Maynard swallowed 100 sedative capsules and drifted into death surrounded by her family, NBC’s Today and CBS This Morning sang her praises. NBC’s Savannah Guthrie declared, “what a remarkable young woman, and to share it with everyone [on Facebook], obviously took a lot of courage.” Matt Lauer agreed, “absolutely.”

No surprise, neither CBS nor NBC described the death as a suicide. CBS’s Tamron Hall read tweets about “Maynard’s passing.” CBS’s Charlie Rose remarked that Maynard “ends her own life.” CBS reporter Jan Crawford noted Maynard’s “very public decision to end her life.” In both their reports, neither Today nor This Morning interviewed critics of euthanasia nor quoted from social media that was critical of Maynard’s suicide.

More IRS Scandal Revelations Ignored

Although Congress has requested and subpoenaed documents and e-mails for more than a year-and-a-half from the IRS concerning the agency’s harassment of Tea Party groups, the IRS finally admitted in court in November that in defiance of Congress it hadn’t looked on its computer servers for any of the supposedly lost e-mails of Lois Lerner. Despite that bombshell, neither ABC, CBS, nor NBC said a word — not one story!

Lerner, who headed the IRS’s exemptions office, pleaded the 5th against self-incrimination, and was found in contempt of Congress, is the main figure in the scandal. This summer it was uncovered that her computer hard drive allegedly had “crashed,” her emails were missing, and her smartphone was “destroyed.” While the e-mails are backed-up for security reasons, the IRS admitted — only because of a lawsuit filed by Judicial Watch — that it hadn’t checked its servers. Imagine the coverage if this happened under a Republican administration.

CNN: Republic Women = Evil Villains

CNN’s Brooke Baldwin was none too happy that three gun-supporting, pro-life Republican women were elected to the new Congress. On the Nov. 7 Newsroom, Baldwin noted that Senator-elect Joni Ernst (Iowa) packs a “Smith and Wesson nine millimeter” and then remarked that Ernst’s laugh sounds like the villain Cruella De Vil in Disney’s 101 Dalmations — Baldwin even played a clip of Cruella for emphasis followed by a clip of Ernst laughing at a rally. Get it? They’re the same: Cruella and Ernst.

As for Utah’s Mia Love, the first black female Republican elected to the House, Baldwin found it necessary to note that Mia’s first date with her future husband was at “the firing range.” Baldwin also pointed out that Senator-elect Shelly Moore Capito is “NRA-endorsed.”
Mr. and Mrs. Jesus

There is zero evidence to back up claims in the new book The Lost Gospel that Jesus Christ married Mary Magdalene and they had children, but ABC's Good Morning America decided to hype it anyway.

On the Nov. 10 show, co-host Lara Spencer breathlessly reported, “A lot of people will be talking about this. It’s a new book making some shocking claims about the life of Jesus Christ. According to The Lost Gospel, Jesus married Mary Magdalene and they had two children. The authors even say they have evidence to back up their claims.”

ABC then ran a clip from the movie, The Da Vinci Code, based on a fictional novel, with actor Ian McKellan dramatically stating, “Mary Magdalene was Jesus’s wife.” Then actor Tom Hanks chimes in, “Would she destroy faith or would she renew it?” In their never-ending quest to undermine Christianity, this is what ABC is reduced to: reporting Hollywood fiction as news.

Republic Win = We Are All Doomed

In full hyperventilation mode, WGBH-Boston’s Dan Kennedy, also an associate journalism prof at Northeastern University, whined that the Republican takeover of the Senate in the midterms means that planet Earth is in jeopardy. On Nov. 7, he related a CBS Evening News report about “melting glaciers, rising sea levels,[and] higher temperatures,” and paraphrased from the Washington Post that “drastic steps must be taken to reduce the use of fossil fuels in order to prevent worst-case scenarios from becoming a reality.”

“No matter,” he thumped. “Before the [election] night was over, Americans had turned their back on the planet. By handing over the Senate to Mitch McConnell and his merry band of Republicans, voters all but ensured that no progress will be made on climate change during the next two years — and that even some tenuous steps in the right direction may be reversed.”

Americans turned their back on planet Earth? ... You can’t make this stuff up.

Minibits

- MSNBC’s Chris Matthews being his usual tender self, “What’s worse, [Republican] Thom Tillis or Ebola?” ... And again in opening Hardball, Matthews spews, “Michael Steele was chairman of the RNC back before it was dedicated entirely to black voter suppression.” - Morning Joe contributor Dorian Warren crow, “History will serve Barack Obama very, very well. I will be happy to call my friends in Vegas and place that bet right now.” - ABC The View’s Rosie O’Donnell reveals her brilliance: “86 people a day are killed in America with guns. And you know what, that is terrorism here.” - On a related note, NBC’s Anne Thompson also blamed guns, “Thanks to Senate dysfunction and NRA opposition, we don’t have a Surgeon General right now.” - NYT’s Paul Krugman slobbers, “Despite bitter opposition, despite having come close to self-inflicted disaster, Obama has emerged as one of the most consequential and, yes, successful presidents in American history.” - MSNBC’s Michelle Bernard rants on the mid-term elections, “If you have to provide ID, and you don’t have access to ID, it is another way of killing black America and relegating us to a permanent underclass. It’s awful.” - NYT’s Linda Greenhouse slams conservative Justices, “In contrast to Justice Scalia’s ‘my way or the highway’ and Justice Clarence Thomas’s full-steam-back-to-the-18th-century, Chief Justice Roberts is adept at modulating both his tone and his ambitions to fit the situation at hand.” - Still on his hobby horse, Piers Morgan tells NBC, “There’s a certain moral cowardice in the media in America that needs to be addressed about guns.” - Apparently sober, Bloomberg’s John Heilemann describes Bill Clinton giving a speech, “The hands, they’re like the paintbrushes of Picasso. He just uses them as an artistic expression mode. He’s like a great editor in addition to being a great spontaneous orator.”
Hillary Clinton Flunks Economics

Liberals have this terrible and annoying habit of congratulating themselves for their intellectual heft merely because they hold liberal views. Once this arrogant notion reigns, it’s tough for liberals to acknowledge when one of their own says something so remarkably unfactual and stupid that it makes you wonder just how ignorant the liberal really is.

At an event for Massachusetts gubernatorial candidate Martha Coakley in Boston on October 24, Hillary Clinton told the assembled Democratic faithful: “Don’t let anybody tell you that, you know, it’s corporations and businesses that create jobs.”

This makes about as much sense as “Don’t let anyone say that it’s governments that tax people.” In attempt to dig out of this rhetorical face-plant, Mrs. Clinton contended at an event in New York on October 27 that she had “shorthanded this point” in a way that confused the public about what she actually meant. But now listen to her “clarification:”

“Our economy grows when businesses and entrepreneurs create good-paying jobs here in an America where workers and families are empowered to build from the bottom up and the middle out — not when we hand out tax breaks for corporations that outsource jobs or stash their profits overseas.”

That sounds like a hundred Democratic Party stump speeches, creating the evil Snidely Whiplash corporate villain. It also affirms the obvious fact that business creates employment. At least in a free market economy.

That’s not a “clarification” of her incredibly stupid gaffe. It’s not fixing a “shorthanding.” It’s a badly disguised retraction.

To Republicans, this sounded like a more illiterate version of Barack Obama’s lame 2012 campaign dismissal of that free market economy when he told business “You didn’t build that.” Entrepreneurs should always credit their success to government-funded highways and teachers, and never to their own skills in the marketplace. It attaches Clinton to Obama’s radical waist, and that’s not good when he’s sporting the lowest-ever approval ratings for an incumbent president.

Team Clinton knows, however, that it can get away with all of this, at least within the “objective” press. There was no coverage of this ridiculous gaffe on ABC, CBS, NBC, NPR, or PBS. CNN twice obsessed over whether Hillary and Sen. Elizabeth Warren should have hugged or posed together at the Coakley event, ignoring the idiotic remarks. The same diversion bubbled up Saturday with weekend talk-show host Steve Kornacki on MSNBC.

The New York Times reproduced the stupid remark in a Sunday story, albeit on page A-13, in paragraph 10, when the reader has lost interest. But that was better than the competition. There was no coverage in The Washington Post, the Los Angeles Times, or USA Today.

Even the local Boston Globe skipped over the remark. Reporter Akilah Johnson just offered campaign boilerplate from Hillary, such as: “We cannot possibly rest between now and November 4... You don’t want to wake up the day after this election and say, ‘I wish I could have done more.’”

Ken Thomas and Philip Marcelo filed a story for the Associated Press, and skipped the stupidity entirely. This was their chosen Hillary quote to reproduce, touting Coakley in a close race: “From my perspective, it shouldn’t even really be a race. It should not even be close, but we’re living during an election season where it’s close everywhere...and that’s why Martha needs you.”

The people who complain that our news media consumption is too “polarized” — and their assumption that conservatives depend too much on alternative media — fail to acknowledge how our traditional “news” media are consistently burying Democrat gaffes they don’t want anyone to hear about. When Hillary says something stupid, they want it to be just like that metaphorical tree that falls silently in the forest. Peace and quiet is comforting.
The experts at the Media Research Center are interviewed almost every day on stories of national importance, often reaching millions of Americans daily. They provide analysis and commentary on radio, TV, the Internet, in magazines, books and in newspapers, always striving to help restore political balance to the major media. Some of the MRC’s latest media appearances include the following:

### Television
- **CBN:** Newswatch, Oct. 16
- **CNBC:** Squawk Box, Oct. 23
- **CNN:** Reliable Sources, Nov. 2, 7
- **FBN:** Your World w/ Neil Cavuto, Oct. 17
- **FNC:** Happening Now, Oct. 24, Nov. 3
- **Lou Dobbs Tonight,** Oct. 22
- **MediaBuzz,** Nov. 2
- **The Five,** Oct. 23
- **The O’Reilly Factor,** Oct. 23
- **Varney & Co.,** Oct. 27
- **Fox45:** Fox45 News, Nov. 3
- **KBAK:** Eyewitness News at 5, Nov. 3
- **KBTV:** Fox 4 News at 9, Nov. 3
- **KFOX:** KFOX Morning News, Nov. 4
- **KFXA:** Fox 28 News at Nine, Nov. 3
- **KOKH:** Fox Primetime News at 9, Nov. 3
- **KTVO:** KTVO News at 10, Nov. 3
- **Newsmax TV:** America’s Forum, Oct. 23, Nov. 4, 6
  - Steve Malzberg Show, Oct. 22, Nov. 6
- **OneAmerica:** The Daily Ledger, Oct. 23, Nov. 6
- **WCFT:** Good Morning Alabama, Nov. 4
- **WEAR:** Channel 3 News Extra, Nov. 3
- **WEYI:** NBC 25 News at 11, Nov. 3
- **WLUC:** TV6 Morning News, Nov. 4
- **WNNO:** NBC 24 News Today, Nov. 4
- **WPFO:** Fox 23 News at 10, Nov. 3
- **WEAR:** News at Noon, Nov. 4
- **WSGT:** Good Morning Virginia, Nov. 4
- **WTVM:** News at 6, Nov. 4
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### Internet & Twitter
- **Ad Hoc News:** Nov. 10
- **American Energy Alliance:** Oct. 15
- **American Spectator:** Nov. 7
- **American Thinker:** Oct. 31
- **AsiaOne:** Oct. 7
- **Biz Pac Review:** Oct. 22, Nov. 3
- **Bloomberg News:** Oct. 23, Nov. 6
- **Breitbart.com:** Oct. 22, Nov. 3
- **Cain TV.com:** Oct. 23
- **Columbia Journalism Review:** Nov. 4
- **Conservative HQ:** Nov. 6
- **Daily Caller:** Oct. 23, Nov. 1
- **Drudge Report:** Oct. 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, Nov. 3, 5, 7, 14, 19, 20, 21
- **Fiscal Times:** Oct. 23
- **Fox News:** Oct. 23
- **Fox Nation:** Nov. 1, 4
- **Fox News.com:** Oct. 17, 23
- **FrontPage Magazine:** Nov. 2, 7
- **GlobalPost:** Nov. 8
- **GOPUSA:** Oct. 30
- **Gospel Herald:** Oct. 23
- **Gulf Today:** Nov. 9
- **Hollywood Reporter:** Nov. 3
- **Hot Air:** Oct. 23
- **LifeNews.com:** Nov. 4
- **Lucianne.com:** Nov. 3
- **Media Bistro:** Nov. 2, 7
- **Mediaite:** Oct. 22, 23
- **National Review Online:** Oct. 23
- **Newsmax:** Oct. 23
- **Patriot Post:** Oct. 23, 31, Nov. 4, 7
- **Personal Liberty Digest:** Oct. 22
- **Politicifact:** Nov. 6
- **PR Watch:** Oct. 23
- **Real Clear Politics:** Oct. 23
- **Syracuse University News:** Nov. 5
- **TeaParty.com:** Nov. 4
- **TeaPartyPatriots.org:** Nov. 4
- **The Blaze.com:** Nov. 4
- **The Hill:** Nov. 6
- **Town Hall.com:** Oct. 14, 21, 23
- **Washington Examiner:** Oct. 20, 22, 23
- **Weekly Standard:** Nov. 3
- **Western Journalism:** Nov. 10
- **Yahoo! Finance:** Oct. 23
- **David Limbaugh:** 152K followers, Oct. 16
- **Ewerickson:** 120K followers, Oct. 15
- **For America:** 124K followers, Oct. 15
- **Jenny Beth Martinez:** 42K followers, Oct. 15
- **Ken Blackwell:** 9K followers, Oct. 15
- **Live Action Films:** 25K followers, Oct. 16
- **Marc Morano:** 647K followers, Oct. 15
- **Steve Forbes:** 93K followers, Oct. 15
- **Students for Life:** 14K followers, Oct. 16
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MRC analysis and documentation of how the liberal news networks first ignored — for nearly a week! — and then downplayed Obamacare adviser Jonathan Gruber’s remarks that voters are “stupid” and “non-transparency” was needed to pass Obamacare were cited by Fox News, talk radio, and numerous new media outlets.

**On C-SPAN’s Washington Journal, CNSNews.com**

Editor-in-Chief Terry Jeffrey discussed what direction the new GOP-controlled Congress might take and how the liberal media were trying to spin the election results against conservative ideas.

**Fox News** cited MRC research revealing that despite massive coverage on the Internet and cable TV of Obamacare architect Jonathan Gruber describing voters as “stupid,” the morning news at ABC and NBC didn’t mention the story for more than 6 days after it broke.

The MRC is often cited by the Drudge Report, which reaches 14 million people a day. A post-midterm CNSNews.com story, on Drudge, reported that 100% of the newly elected GOP senators campaigned on repealing Obamacare.
THESE NEXT TWO YEARS ARE CRUCIAL ...

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There is no doubt about it, these next two years are going to be the most crucial years since this country’s founding. There is an all out war to turn this great nation into a socialist nanny state and the liberal media are the biggest proponents of it all — aiding and abetting anyone who toes the line.

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