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# Ignore feeble climate-change deniers

Bill Fortier covered Clark University's climate change teach-in and the program's fascinating arts focus. The arts help us process reality, crisis and hardship. However, Mr. Fortier wasted ink mentioning Sen. James Inhofe's denialism.

I teach Bible, often drawing analogies between biblical stories and modern life. Mr. Inhofe and his ilk are like King David. At the pinnacle of power, David stole another man's wife, impregnated her, attempted a coverup, and conspired to kill the cuckolded husband. David betrayed Israel and God. After these crimes, David watched his children self-destruct. He died feeble, cold, isolated.

Like David, deniers abuse power by monkeying with people: taunting with snowballs, teasing children about the world afire, and bullying employees. Like David, their greediness and grasping expose evil's banality.

We must sidestep the Inhofes; they're already feeble. Let's empower competent, honest, brave congressional Republicans and Democrats, our true leaders, to enact carbon pricing legislation.

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