



THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 01, 2005 Gov. Haley Barbour Just Lied On National TV

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On CNN, Miles O'Brien questioned Gov. Haley Barbour about preparations for this devastating hurricane. And Haley Barbour flat out LIED on national tv. He said that we only had "a few hours" of warning before realizing Hurricane Katrina was going to be a category 4 or 5 storm. When it hit Florida, Barbour said, it was only a category 1. O'Brien tried to interrupt him and call Barbour on this outrageous lie (does Barbour think we haven't been watching TV for the past five days?) but Barbour shouted him down and acted as if inconvenient facts weren't going to stop him from wriggling his way out of responsibility.

The FACTS are that Hurrican Katrina made landfall in Florida on Thursday night. Here's a CNN report from Friday evening at 10 p.m. making perfectly clear that more than two days before striking the Gulf Coast, everyone knew this was threatening to be a tremendous disaster.

Gov. Barbour just lied on national TV about THE MOST BASIC FACTS of this disaster and he should be blasted by every local and national media outlet until he apologizes and admits either gross incompetence (and steps down) or that he flat out lied.

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