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Claim: "The Democrats Have a Pedo Problem"

Is it a coincidence that it was the liberal *Los Angeles Times* that, in 2013, suggested pedophilia is an inborn "sexual orientation as immutable as heterosexuality"? Is it a coincidence that, also in 2013, it was leftwing British health expert Professor John Ashton who <u>suggested</u> lowering the age of consent to perhaps 14? Commentators Todd and Erik Gregory surely wouldn't think so in fact, they assert, "progressives have a pedophilia problem."



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Writing at American Thinker Saturday, the Gregorys make their case and continue:

From <u>CNN producers</u> to Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) station chiefs and Federal Bureau of Investigation (<u>FBI</u>) field agents; from the woke <u>Disney</u> corporation to Democrat donors; from <u>Hollywood</u> to the North American Man/Boy Love Association (NAMBLA); from <u>Facebook/Meta</u> to the Lincoln Project to America's public school system — the progressive Left has a demonstrated prurient interest in underage children.

This is not guilt by association, innuendo, or conjecture; it is a firmly established fact pattern. And this is not to suggest that no Republicans have ever espoused or committed similar atrocities against children; extremely rare countervailing exceptions like Republican Dennis Hastert (who, unlike Democrats, was actually imprisoned in part for his crimes of child molestation) prove the rule that many Democrats have a strong affinity for pedophilia and the normalization of the same.

Empirically and factually, an overwhelming majority of public figures who are confirmed and aspiring pedophiles (along with pedo-friendly corporations like Disney) are progressive Democrats in terms of political orientation.

The Gregorys then mention the simple reason this is never a scandal and punishment is rare: The Democrats are protected by their crack public-relations team — the American media.

This is reminiscent of a probable reason why the #MeToo movement fizzled: By my calculations, <u>approximately 90 percent</u> of those implicated by it were liberals (list <u>here</u>). The Left didn't anticipate this and wouldn't proceed with an agenda that was taking down their own.

The Gregorys make the obvious point that it would be unrelenting front-page news if these sexual deviants were Republicans. Imagine how much sooner, they write, Jeffrey Epstein would've been arrested had he been conservative. Another example:

Would the media have been largely silent on the December story about at least 10 CIA employees <u>sexual abusing children</u> — including a *two-year-old girl* (the guilty man in this case was merely fired) — had it not been "John Brennan's beloved and woke" agency?

In contrast, the media were all over the Catholic Church minor-molestation story because, the Gregorys

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state, it was an "opportunity to take down" an institution they hate. The bias was more intense than most suppose, too. Consider:

A 2004 federally funded <u>Hofstra University study found</u> that the child-sex-abuse problem in government ("public") schools is 100 times the magnitude of the church scandal — and is still ongoing.

Yet did it receive 100 times the media coverage?

Far from it. In fact and as an example, California's 61 largest newspapers <u>published almost 2,000</u> <u>stories</u> in the first half of 2002 about the Church scandal — and only *four* about the government-school scandal.

The Gregorys aren't the first to implicate leftists in sexual perversion. For instance, of the individuals on the aforementioned #MeToo list, commentator Thomas Lifson <u>pointed out</u> in 2017, "13 were involved in some form of pedophilia ... from kiddy porn to child sexual molestation ... over 20%."

"What a great movement, that progressivism!" he then remarked.

This may seem like typical political bias — that is, until realizing something: Just as "politics is downstream from culture," as Andrew Breitbart put it, culture is downstream from philosophical/spiritual/moral foundation.

Ergo, an individual's personal "politics" is downstream from his philosophical/spiritual/moral foundation.

Now consider that not all ideologies are morally equal. And since extreme examples are often best for illustrating points, question: Who would be more likely to embrace Nazism or Marxism today, a more or less virtuous person?

Speaking of which, note that there is an objective yardstick with which we can judge things' (ideologies included) moral stature. It's called <u>virtue</u>, that "<u>set of good moral habits</u>." Examples are charity, courage, chastity, diligence, forgiveness, humility, faith, justice, and kindness. And different ideologies espouse virtue to varying degrees.

It's hard to think, too, of one virtue modern liberalism doesn't violate. Just consider examples of leftism's message:

- You're not responsible for what you do (e.g., kid-glove "justice") and you don't have to pay for what you get (e.g., government handouts); this contradicts the virtue of justice.
- It can't be wrong if it's consensual (e.g., sexual perversion); this is contrary to chastity.
- Punctuality can be dismissed as a "white norm"; this contravenes diligence.
- Religion is a crutch; this rejects the virtue of faith.
- Pridefulness masquerading as "self-esteem" should be encouraged in kids; this is contrary to humility.

All leftists must do is to bow at political correctness' altar. But that's fine because it's actual morality they want a dispensation from — not faux "morality."

Why do you think leftists continually attack (traditional) sexual mores? While there can be more than one reason, the dominant one — remember that people are governed by emotion more than reason — is that they themselves have an affinity for behaviors this morality condemns. So they condemn it.

Put differently, leftism today actually represents movement toward moral disorder and provides viceridden people with an alternative "values" framework that just so happens to rubber stamp their choice

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sins; at the same time, it also just so happens to condemn what condemns their sins. Convenient, huh? Is it surprising that low-character people gravitate toward this designer faux ideology?

And now this justification desire is manifesting itself with pedophilia. As the 2013 *Los Angeles Times* article referenced earlier <u>stated in its title</u> and (original) subhead, "Many researchers taking a different view of pedophilia: *Pedophilia once was thought to stem from psychological influences early in life. Now, many experts view it as a deep-rooted predisposition that does not change.*" (Emphasis in original.)

This inborn-quality claim, do note, was the very tactic used at the beginning of the movement to normalize homosexuality. Now it's being echoed with pedophilia. It's not traditionalists effecting this, either, but leftists. And they're doing it, at least in part, for the same reason they do most things — it's called personal vested interest.



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