

ANYTHING & EVERYTHING TO PREVENT PEOPLE FROM BEING INFLUENCED TO DO BAD & WEIRD THINGS AND TO PROTECT THE CHILDREN -- ABOVE ALL ELSE, THE KIDS MUST BE SHELTERED.

Apocalypse by the bay

DON'T BLAME ME -- IT'S BEAVIS & BUTTHEAD'S FAULT!

I ADMIT, I'M NO PARENT & REALLY HAVE NO INTENTION ON BEING ONE FOR SOMETIME, IF EVER. SO I MIGHT NOT HAVE THE PROPER CONCERN FOR THE WELFARE OF KIDS TODAY. AND YEAH, THERE'S A LOT OF BAD STUFF OUT THERE. BUT BEFORE WE START TO JOIN THE RANKS OF THE HYSTERIC, LET'S TAKE A SMALL MOMENT.

PARENTING, PEOPLE, IS NOT ONE OF THE MOST GLAMOUROUS THINGS TO BE DOING. ASK YOUR MOM & DAD, OR BETTER YET, SOME OF YOUR CLOSEST FRIENDS OR ACQUAINTANCES WHO HAVE STARTED RAISING CRITTERS OF THEIR OWN. IT'S A SHITTY JOB, BUT CAN BE REWARDING IF YOU CAN RIDE OUT THE ROUGH SPOTS & THERE ARE PLENTY OF THOSE. IT AIN'T SOMETHING THAT IS 'TRENDY' TO DO AND IT AIN'T FOR EVERYONE.

IT'S A BIG RESPONSIBILITY. NOW, TO BELABOR THE POINT EVEN FURTHER, THERE'S ALWAYS GOING TO BE THE OUTSIDE WORLD AND WHATEVER DANGERS THAT LURK IN IT. IT HAS ALWAYS BEEN THAT WAY. YOU CAN ARGUE THAT THINGS LIKE DOPE, GUNS & FUCKING IN THE STREETS ARE A "NEW" THING. -- THERE HAS ALWAYS BEEN A BIG SOCIETAL BOOGEYMAN LURKING AROUND TO SCARE THE SHIT OUT OF

PEOPLE. THERE ARE MODERN VARIATIONS, BUT TRUST ME, FOLKS -- SEXUAL ABUSE & PSYCHOTIC VIOLENCE HAVE BEEN WITH US FROM EARLY ON. THE BIG DIFFERENCE NOW IS THAT THE SECRET IS OUT -- & IT'S MARRKETRIBLE.

YOU DO THE KIDS A DISSERVICE IF YOU TRY TO PRESENT TO THEM A HERMETICALLY SEALED WORLD WHERE THIS STUFF NEVER HAPPENS & YOU DON'T TALK ABOUT IT; DON'T TALK ABOUT, IT DON'T EXIST. IF THE EVENTS OF THE PAST, OH SAY, 200 YEARS HAVE NOT CLUED YOU SO FAR, LET'S SPELL IT OUT: THAT IS BULLSHIT THINKING & IT WILL GET US A LOT QUICKER TO WHERE WE'RE ALL HERDED, & THAT, MY FRIENDS, IS DEAD.

IF YOU HOLD TO THE RATIONALE THAT YOU NEED TO PREVENT CERTAIN PEOPLE FROM SEEING CERTAIN THINGS, TO PREVENT THEM FROM IMITATING CERTAIN ACTS (THE MONKEY-SEE/MONKEY-DU THEORY OF CHILD RAISING & HUMAN BEHAVIOR), THEN YOU MIGHT CONSIDER THE STRONG POSSIBILITY OF WEAK GENETIC MATERIAL & TAKE THE APPROPRIATE STEPS.

IN CASE I'M NOT TOTALLY CLEAR: ONLY THE BLUNTLY UNIMAGINATIVE & THOSE WITH SEVERE PROBLEMS IN PERCEIVING REALITY & REALITY ARE THE ONES WHO CAN RIGHTLY BE IMITATIVE OF VIOLENCE IN THE MEDIA. AND VIOLENCE IN THE MEDIA IS ONLY EFFECTIVE IF YOU SHOW THE CONSEQUENCES OF ITS USE. I MAY BE BIASED; I COULD EVEN BE WRONG ON THIS POINT. HOWEVER, I DON'T THINK THAT I AM. IF YOUR KIDS END UP BURNING DOWN A HOUSE, YOU DON'T BLAME A CARTOON SHOW. IF A CARTOON SHOW IS MORE EFFECTIVE THAN A PARENT IN DETERMINING YOUR KIDS' BEHAVIOR, THAN YOU'VE GOT BIGGER WORRIES THAN A FUCKING CARTOON, OR T.V. SHOW, MOVIE OR WHATEVER.