

Pseudo-Religious Political Rituals

To a statist, “everybody knows” that we need “government,” “authority,” etc., and everyone who agrees with the statist is (according to them) an educated, independent, thoughtful, informed free-thinker.

Meanwhile, anyone who agrees with me is a “follower” of mine who just parrots what I say, and “attacks” anyone who disagrees. (When we disagree with them, it’s “attacking” them; when they disagree with us, they’re only trying to educate us.)

And when they condone actual violence, gloat over authoritarian domination, and literally wish harm on those of us who want freedom—including freedom for *them*—that’s just because we’re dangerous kook members of some crazy cult.

Also, those who believe that pseudo-religious political rituals bestow upon some mere mortals the moral right to rule by force—those are rational and responsible adults. But people who think that violent aggression is bad no matter what you call it—those are greedy, childish and ignorant kooks.

Did I mention how unbiased, objective and rational statisticians are?