

The Sexualization of Children

I think there is a horrible trend and I don't think anything will stop it from accelerating.

Our society is normalizing the sexualization of children and de-normalizing a rational view of childhood. All of this because we fear/hate pedophilia ... and are perversely looking at children sexually.

If we saw a picture or video of a child in a bath the natural thoughts of the vast majority of people 100 years ago, or from someone not influenced by our culture would be incredibly indifferent. Now, our modern culture has trained people to immediately think of sex. The video turns into a test of pedophilia and how we ought to regard this video in response to pedophilia. Think about that for a second ... our society has trained you to view child nudity, child interests, and child activities first through the prism of sex. Holy shit.

In response to this, our society will now hide their children. Going forward, our society will keep regular child behavior and images out of the public sphere. Since this is the current normalized response, anyone who posts regular child behavior and activities online will increasingly be suspected of odd behavior or inclinations.

The result of this all is that our society is making children viewed as sex objects first and regular kids second. Everyone's minds first go to sex with kids and only after that do we regard them as regular kids.

I don't think there is any real way to fight this. There are heavy pressures and incentives pushing this forward, with almost nothing holding it back. I think the results will perversely create more pedophiles, isolate children, and demonize men (primarily). Obviously this has been the trend over the last 20 years, and I can't imagine how it won't keep going.

I think the way to rationally fight pedophilia is regularly ignore the possibility when engaging in regular activity. Be careful of who you let watch your children, teach your children to challenge authority and say no, don't regularly let people watch your children who don't have invested interests, and openly discuss these sorts of things with your kids. The way our society is handling it now is absolutely insane.