

The Harvard Business Review suddenly discovers that dark triad men experience more career success and satisfaction

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Summary: Columbia University professor discovers that dark triad men get ahead in life and experience higher job satisfaction. Amazingly, manages to stay on message without using 'patriarchy' but fails to see that women are perfectly Machiavellian in their own right.

The Harvard Business Review has had some great business and career advice articles, but more often than not, articles with a good premise turn into a men-blaming shitfest (example? [Why Men Work So Many Hours](#)). No one ever considers the idea that mothers stay away from 60+ hours a week jobs because they get much more fulfillment from taking care of their kids than working an exhausting and useless job.

I also like how no one ever asks the question "Why do we need more women in X?" where X is leadership, STEM, etc. Surely if women provided some additional benefit over men in those fields they would be getting hired in droves. And if women really are just as good as men and deserve to be treated 'equally', why do they need all sorts of special programs, incentives, and benefits to get into STEM fields and corporate leadership? (Is it maybe because they can't compete with men on a level playing field or simply don't like working in those areas?)

Anyway, getting back to the point: the author of the linked article (faculty at Columbia no less) suddenly discovers that DT men experience higher levels of career success and job satisfaction than those who do not exhibit such traits. Key reasons for this are: perceived confidence, ability to push through setbacks, and a combination of seduction and intimidation that enthralls bosses and scares competitors. He links some good studies that are worth reading if you're interested in the psychology of dark triad traits. Naturally, the 'women are wonderful' effect is in full effect and he fails to make any mention of dark triad traits in females.

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Because if you want to get ahead in any social group, business or otherwise, morality becomes a millstone instead of an asset.

I realize this is an offensive concept to guys attached to a moral code, and I gather why. But once you get to a certain level in a social group, people without devotion to themselves will use your own morality against you and advance accordingly.

always-be-closing • 34 points • 2 November, 2015 06:22 PM

Find me a father with a strict moral code and a beloved child, and I will show you a man who when pressed sufficiently is capable of brutal savagery.

[deleted] • 3 points • 2 November, 2015 07:32 PM

Would you please explain? Seems like an interesting idea.

always-be-closing • 31 points • 2 November, 2015 09:40 PM

You're an animal.

You're an animal who by dint of its genetic history, was born with a massively developed faculty of language, memory, and physical manipulation, whose hormones and pheromones are greatly suppressed, and who is capable of learning patterns without direct experience.

But you're still an animal, and the evolutionary dictum of in-group out-group, and altruism and morality that guide the survival of your own genes (through reproduction and mutual defense/obligation of those to whom you are kin; family or learned kin like nationality) still operate on your instincts - - - and for good reason.

As much you are encultured beyond your basic instincts, you retain the capacity for violence.

The duality of your basic desire to see your kin prosper, is to see their competitors crushed.

Find the most loving human father in the world, and badly hurt his children in front of him. You will be dealing with a very angry ape, and potentially one with the ability to manipulate a hammer, a firearm, or a legal system to destroy you.

michaelconnery1985 • 2 points • 3 November, 2015 05:06 AM

Find the most loving human father in the world, and badly hurt his children in front of him.

You will be dealing with a very angry ape, and potentially one with the ability to manipulate a hammer, a firearm, or a legal system to destroy you.

Not really

English85 • 2 points • 3 November, 2015 07:26 AM*

<http://www.chroniclive.co.uk/news/north-east-news/south-tyneside-dad-punched-stamped-10299468>

In England we are less Christian.

michaelconnery1985 • 1 point • 3 November, 2015 10:26 AM

I am not making a point for religion. Anyone can be good or bad, and there are a variety of motivations / beliefs behind that. I am just pointing out something contrary to what the poster above me asserted.

Dumbpiano • 1 point • 2 November, 2015 09:20 PM

Morality is engrained into your ego since birth. It's the goddamned cornerstone of the white knight mentality. You were not born with morality you were given it. Innately, you are a primitive savage who would kill me simply for disrespecting you. The thing is: you just don't know that yet.

bayerndj • 9 points • 3 November, 2015 04:02 PM

Bullshit, "morality" goes beyond social construct and is tied directly to evolutionary strategy.

Goingtogetmine • 1 point • 5 November, 2015 11:27 AM

You are very wrong. Read Just Babies by Paul Bloom.

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 November, 2015 12:11 AM

If it's the right kind of moral dogma yes, however it's easy to imagine a moral dogma that does not necessitate any kind of savagery in response to circumstances of any type.

Pure dogmatic pacifism would be an example. Or (do no harm) type moral codes.

I see your point, not disagreeing with that intention, just restructuring the phrasing to make it more airtight.

IllimitableMan • 11 points • 3 November, 2015 01:59 AM

Yes, I run on a principle of justifiable destruction. Simply put, I don't needlessly harm people, but if someone opposes me and is a big enough threat, I suspend my conventional morals in dealing with them and anything goes. Morality should be an indulgence, never a weakness. Being unable to harm (can't defend) is as useless as being able to do nothing but harm (can't build trust). Calibration in all things.

el_beso_negro • 3 points • 3 November, 2015 07:54 PM

That's why it is in your interest to fake allegiance with whatever is politically correct. If I treated my female coworkers logically under the feminist paradigm, as in fully equal and undeserving of special treatment, I would immediately suffer flak and be called a misogynist (has already happened).

However if I take special steps to make sure my 'correct morality' is beyond a doubt and pay close attention to first impressions, I can then shit on their lack of competitive ambition as any good darwinian should.

Last time I got called a macho man for being aggressive at what I do and making it difficult for them to compete, I pulled the bullshit card: "I am the son of a very successful businesswoman who makes most people in this room pale in comparison, how could you say these things about me when I just hold you the same standard as I do myself?"

The issue hasn't died down yet but it shut them up for a little while. Guess I need to find a new job and make sure I make that first impression even stronger.

TheDarkTriadMan • 1 point • 3 November, 2015 11:41 PM

...but if someone opposes me and is a big enough threat, I suspend my conventional morals in dealing

with them and anything goes.

That is not a suspension of conventional morals. That is simply a shifting of boundaries as demanded by necessitated immediate outcomes.

Regards,

Ivan

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sub179 • 1 point • 4 November, 2015 03:36 AM

| anything goes

... yea, okay. those are words...

But what are you doing? Are you poisoning them?

Are you setting their house/car on fire?

Are you saying that you've felt the need to kill several people to get what you want in life, with intent to kill several more you've pegged as potential threats?

I see the words "anything goes" and think of very bad things. Are you saying you do those things?

[deleted] • 8 points • 3 November, 2015 12:43 AM

This is why I think 48 Laws of Power should be required reading for all men.

I am, perhaps, the most moral of my peer group, and am a devout Christian. However, I've got that shit down and lock, so don't fuck with me.

It should be stated that the public perception of your morality, true or not, can be leveraged in a myriad of powerful ways.

mugatucrazypills • 4 points • 3 November, 2015 12:54 AM

do you actually believe it ? or is something you use to "leverage people in a myriad of powerful ways" ?

not trying to be an asshole, I'm just curious

[deleted] • 1 point • 5 November, 2015 12:13 AM

I'm not sure that I understand your question.

Dronelisk • 0 points • 3 November, 2015 02:49 AM

The point of this thread is that you should stop it with the "not to be an asshole", because that just signals that morality is too ingrained into you.

TheDarkTriadMan • 0 points • 3 November, 2015 11:42 PM

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Yes, this is one of the methods of the Way. Well said.

Regards,

Ivan

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PlanB_pedofile • 8 points • 2 November, 2015 06:13 PM

Game of thrones .. things like honor, loyalty, morality, will only get you betrayed and killed by those whom you've sworn to.

[deleted] • 30 points • 2 November, 2015 07:51 PM

“You wear your honor like a suit of armor... You think it keeps you safe, but all it does is weigh you down and make it hard for you to move.” -Petyr Baelish

sourpuss_ashkenazi • 3 points • 3 November, 2015 02:07 PM

Have the appearance of being honourable however is a plus.

favours_of_the_moon • 4 points • 2 November, 2015 08:34 PM

Because if you want to get ahead in any social group, business or otherwise, morality becomes a millstone instead of an asset.

I disagree. If you can have personal integrity AND STILL beat these "Machiavellian" dark triad jackoffs, that means you REALLY have it together.

Often times these tactics are the easy way out. Stabbing someone in the back, lying, cheating. Having those skills are important, because people will try to use them against you.

But it's still important to genuinely EARN shit. First of all, you have to give respect where it is deserved, then you will get it in return, when it is deserved. Secondly, if you bullshit your way through a workout, is that gonna make you any stronger? NO.

Life is the same way. Keep it real, my brothers.

[deleted] • 7 points • 2 November, 2015 11:49 PM

But it's still important to genuinely EARN shit. First of all, you have to give respect where it is deserved, then you will get it in return, when it is deserved.

In my experience, "earning" only gets you so far. When you start talking about REAL money, you need to steal, blackmail, cajole, or otherwise TAKE IT from someone else using whatever leverage you have.

favours_of_the_moon • 4 points • 3 November, 2015 12:33 AM

I'm not talking about earning MONEY.

I'm talking about having personal integrity. And earning RESPECT. But hey, do what you want.

Even organized crime recognizes respect.

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 November, 2015 12:35 AM

Yes, you are RESPECTED by your peers by taking advantage of people. Its a winner's club. You prove how alpha you are by displaying how you take advantage of the wage earners, moralists, and "honest men."

mugatucrazypills • 2 points • 3 November, 2015 12:57 AM

There are people who just deliver value. They are assertive and demanding, but they don't need to shitlord over everyone.

This assumes a community of participants which accept the notions of buy-in, reciprocity, justice and fairness at least as far as exchange goes.

By which I mean generally communities of not-women.

el_beso_negro • 1 point • 3 November, 2015 08:02 PM

That my redpill friend is the essence of the bitterness of the middle class. Being good slaves as they are they actually believe that 'hard work and ethics' will someday make them rich like the people above them. However the reason they aren't rich is because they failed to realize that the easiest way to become fabulously wealthy is funneling public monies (government spending etc.) into private hands.

The poor fools, best to checkout of a system like this if you are unwilling to take what you want. The people who do ensure a lifetime of prosperity for themselves and their progeny.

TheDarkTriadMan • 3 points • 3 November, 2015 11:50 PM

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Your attachment to negative casting is a visible outcrop upon which to rest external influence. You would be best served, if you wish to competently oppose a Dark Triad Man, not to reveal posture.

Often times these tactics are the easy way out. Stabbing someone in the back, lying, cheating. Having those skills are important, because people will try to use them against you.

Betrayal, lying and cheating are not traits of the Dark Triad Man. They are methods, not traits. As methods, their utility is limited and of unproductive return. Accordingly, the Dark Triad Man does not gratuitously betray, lie and cheat in his endeavors as his priority is competent results.

Methods are not Machiavellianism. Methods are only tools employed by Machiavellians.

But it's still important to genuinely EARN shit. First of all, you have to give respect where it is deserved, then you will get it in return, when it is deserved. Secondly, if you bullshit your way through a workout, is that gonna make you any stronger? NO.

I am in full agreement with the necessity of earning what is striven to be owned. Without earning, what is possessed is not owned but merely borrowed at interest.

Life is the same way. Keep it real, my brothers.

Simple, yet challenging. To penetrate the illusion is to know the groundless being of nature.

But there is no harm, and great power, in hard foundations without shortcut.

Better to attach to hard foundations, however illusory in nature, than to seek shortcuts to the undeserved.

Regards,

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mugatucrazy-pills • 2 points • 3 November, 2015 12:55 AM

deliver value for value in the world of men, in the world of women I would say that "all is fair"

sourpuss_ashkenazi • 1 point • 3 November, 2015 02:09 PM

Throughout history states have done nasty tricks on eachother to get ahead. It's all a big game, and trying to ignore that, you'll just get outmaneuvered and defeated.

favours_of_the_moon • 1 point • 3 November, 2015 09:05 PM

Where do I say to ignore that?

Here's what I'm saying for all you jackoffs who are obsessed with "machievellianism:" Let's say you're in a STEM field. You can only bullshit your way and backstab your way so much. At some point, you're going to actually have to KNOW what you're doing.

You're going to have to be able to produce something substantive. And who knows, maybe you're the best bullshitter in the world. Being able to produce substantively won't hurt anyway, and in fact WILL make you stronger.

Cheating your way through is just gonna make you weaker.

But like I said earlier, do whatever you want.

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 November, 2015 10:07 PM

But you are essentially arguing that talent always overcomes ambition. In my field, you can be the best damn attorney, but if no one hires you, it doesn't matter. When real money is on the line, my partners will lie, cheat, and steal to get their share. Indeed, in order to become a partner to begin with, you have to successfully navigate the lower ranks of associates. Its not good enough to succeed, your competition must fail because there is only a limited number of spots on the ladder up. Thus, you not only have to be the best attorney/marketer you can be; you also have to sabotage weaker associates by setting them up to fail, bad mouthing their work, or hoarding work.

favours_of_the_moon • 2 points • 3 November, 2015 10:32 PM

But you are essentially arguing that talent always overcomes ambition.

No, I'm not. If you weren't so obsessed with justifying "Machiavellianism," you would see that I clearly (and repeatedly) state that it IS important to have that skill.

In my field, you can be the best damn attorney, but if no one hires you, it doesn't matter.

Because it is impossible to work if you are not working for a firm. Right?

Its not good enough to succeed, your competition must fail because there is only a limited number of spots on the ladder up. Thus, you not only have to be the best attorney/marketer you can be; you also have to sabotage weaker associates by setting them up to fail, bad mouthing their work, or hoarding work.

Sounds like you've gone into the proper field.

Now let's say that you are a moron when it comes to law. Is sabotaging everyone else's work really gonna be enough?

Will sabotaging other peoples' work get you through the Bar Exam?

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 November, 2015 10:48 PM

Sounds like you've gone into the proper field.

I dont like it; but its the nature of the beast. The same thing is true in finance, banking, and most corporations.

favours_of_the_moon • 1 point • 4 November, 2015 12:03 AM

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That it's better to just backstab people without being competent?

TheDarkTriadMan • 1 point • 4 November, 2015 12:06 AM

Machiavellianism is not about shortcuts.

It is about graceful and effective navigation of social challenge.

Regards,

Ivan

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TheDarkTriadMan • 1 point • 3 November, 2015 11:36 PM

It is not morality that becomes a millstone. It is the boundaries that morality affix to your mobility.

The difference is subtle but crucial. Within that difference lies an understanding of the Way.

Having your boundaries used against you is simply poor Machiavellianism in action. Such can be improved.

Regards,

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gmflag • 18 points • 2 November, 2015 05:52 PM

It's nothing personal at the end of the day. I am neither friends with my colleagues nor am I enemies with them. The only reason the author uses such language that paints masculine and competitive values negatively is because a lot of people especially women, while they are just as Machiavellian in nature and behavior, like to think themselves moral and just. They don't want to think themselves to be a bad guy despite doing such things themselves.

InscrutablePUA[S] • 10 points • 2 November, 2015 05:57 PM

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There's some serious Powertalk at play here to recast female behaviors into more friendly and innocuous terms.

PlanB_pedofile • 7 points • 2 November, 2015 06:17 PM

It's a cruel society that such traits are admired and promoted. The one who knows how to expertly ass kiss to the boss while diminishing and undercutting their underlings will rise to the top.

The higher you go, the easier the job is.

InscrutablePUA[S] • 4 points • 2 November, 2015 07:26 PM

These traits have ALWAYS been effective - look at political games that the royal houses of Europe played throughout the centuries, both internally and with each other.

[deleted] • 5 points • 2 November, 2015 06:23 PM

It's about being able to perceive what is effective and being willing to do what's effective rather than being popular or feeling good or living in a fairy tale.

MentORPHEUS • 13 points • 2 November, 2015 05:55 PM

This is not new news. For decades, basic Psychology 101 textbooks have noted that people with bona-fide Axis

II disorders can become powerful executives.

Interesting to think that given different opportunities, one man spends his days shouting at cowering subordinates, and another at a lamp post.

mugatucrazypills • 6 points • 3 November, 2015 12:59 AM

they become top(well paid) managers, but are they "Creators ?"

[deleted] • 2 points • 3 November, 2015 10:08 PM

Who gives a shit? Get your piece of the pie and go home.

sourpuss_ashkenazi • 1 point • 3 November, 2015 02:12 PM

Well, shouting at subordinates can be a power game. Shouting at lampposts means you've lost it.

Backfist • 1 point • 3 November, 2015 01:52 AM

Kind of begs the question as to whether its a bug or a feature.

[deleted] • 18 points • 2 November, 2015 05:37 PM*

Author Tomas Chamorro-Premuzic appears to be yet another emasculated feminist sympathizer who has mastered the art of using feminist powertalk to assign negative characteristics to the masculine traits that traditionally drive success.

Excerpts from the article:

Psychopathic individuals are generally more dishonest, egocentric, reckless, and cruel than the population average.

RP Translation: Successful men are generally more competitive, confident, willing to take risks and outspoken than the population average.

People who score highly on this trait are morally feeble and likely to endorse the idea that “the end justifies the means” or agree that “it is hard to get ahead without cutting corners here and there.”

RP Translation: Successful men are very competitive and like to win.

... Narcissism relates to unrealistic feelings of grandiosity, an inflated – though often unstable and insecure – sense of self-worth, and a selfish sense of entitlement coupled with little consideration for others.

RP Translation: Successful men are very confident.

People who score highly on this trait ...

The problem with his "scoring" is that the baseline is either a woman or feminized male, so a man who exhibits traditional masculine traits looks like a testosterone-fueled psychopath by comparison.

InscrutablePUA[S] • 12 points • 2 November, 2015 05:53 PM

Excellent points - masculine traits are usually thought of by intellectuals as outdated and unnecessary in a civilized age.

alisonstone • 5 points • 3 November, 2015 06:17 PM

Yeah, people talk about how doctors have God complexes, are egotistical or narcissistic, or have dark triad traits. But at the end of the day, what do they do? They help people. Who the fuck cares if they are actually

motivated by ego or other selfish reasons? I don't care if some weird stuff goes through someone's head if he ultimately does good things. Prosecuting someone for thought crimes is like discriminating against someone based on their religion.

People talk about how rich people have dark triad personalities and lack empathy. I don't know about you, but I feel a lot safer walking through the financial district than through some poor ghetto. Those evil rich people and their law abiding ways...

The way I see it, people who have a strong moral code or a strong belief system will have to have some dark triad traits. For example, if you strongly believe that it makes more sense to save 10 people rather than one, or to save a younger healthy person instead of someone who is old and dying from cancer, and you act decisively when that situation occurs, then people are going to say that you lack empathy or that you have some psychopathic/Machiavellian tendencies because you did not experience emotional conflict when you had to make that choice.

Often, in order to convince people you have empathy, you often have to be malleable in your code or in your morals. For example, if you are a manager or executive, you will have to fire some under-performing workers at some point. Now, you might be empathetic and choose to keep some of them around for 6 months longer, even though they are unproductive. Most people will say that the manager is a "good person" for doing that, but he is an asshole for effectively stealing shareholder money and giving it to under-performing employees. His responsibility is to the shareholders and maximizing their profit. There is zero doubt that he is negligent in this responsibility. In my book, that is also a lack of morals and ethics.

People with fluid morality (masked as "empathy") are often viewed as "good guys", but that is simply white knight syndrome. White knights are usually doing stuff that is highly questionable, unethical, and often prejudiced or racist. For example, a lot of people love the Robin Hood motto of "steal from the rich and give to the poor", but that is a criminal action and a violation of one's property rights. Successful people often have very strict codes, and because they are uncompromising in their standards, they come off as mean or unsympathetic. People would say that a good looking guy who doesn't acknowledge a fat girl is mean, lacks empathy, is greedy because he only wants to meet hot girls, etc. Yet a hot girl that ignores a fat guy is given a pass because the fat guy is creepy, and people are suppose to feel bad for the hot girl. This is the type of "empathy" that successful people actually lack. They don't have fluid morality.

TheDarkTriadMan • 7 points • 2 November, 2015 10:17 PM

From the article:

It should be noted that, unlike clinical personality traits, these traits are normally distributed in the population – e.g., you can score low, average or high – and perfectly indicative of normal functioning. In other words, just because you score high doesn't mean that you have problems, either at work or in your personal life. And despite the antisocial implications of the dark triad, recent research has highlighted a wide range of career-related benefits for these personality characteristics.

This is quite correct. The existence of problems has to do with maladaptive application of the dark triad traits in life. They are tools with a significant amount of inherent power. Especially when unfocused, they can be as dangerous as any tool when applied thoughtlessly or left turned on.

The benefits are not restricted to career success. Professional, personal, relational and economic success all stem from correct and coherent harnessing of narcissism, Machiavellianism and psychopathy by the **Dark Triad Man** who is consciously observant and self-directed in his life.

In a recent study on representative German businesses, narcissism was positively linked to salary, while Machiavellianism was positively linked to leadership level and career satisfaction. These associations were still significant even after controlling for the effects of demographics, job tenure, organization size, and hours

worked.

Sensible findings. Narcissism is very tightly related to confidence and champion mindset, which is a root source of market value. High performers maintain a vision of self that is ahead of their actual value and thus channel their determination into the achievement of that vision. Employers recognize the superior market value and work product of these individuals and will pay more to retain them as resources.

Machiavellianism is simply how power is navigated in human hierarchies. There is nothing mysterious or negative about the development, application and expansion of power. It simply requires cultivated knowledge, competence and seasoning in experience.

<http://darktriadman.com/2015/10/29/machiavellianism-of-the-dark-triad-man/>

In part, because there is clearly a bright side to their dark side. As found in a study examining the overlap between positive and negative personality characteristics, extraversion, openness to new experience, curiosity, and self-esteem are generally higher among dark triad personalities. In addition, dark triad traits tend to enhance competitiveness, if only by inhibiting cooperation and altruistic behaviors at work. In addition, studies have shown that psychopathic and Machiavellian tendencies facilitate both the seduction and intimidation tactics that frighten potential competitors and captivate bosses. This explains why individuals with these personality characteristics are often great actors, as well as succeeding in (short-term) sexual relationships.

The **Dark Triad Man** is an exciting, powerful and sexually appealing archetype that serves as an excellent example for men seeking to appropriate more competent, effective and accomplished life. It works.

So perhaps one may think about dark-side tendencies as overused strengths – tendencies that are fairly adaptive and conducive of short-term success, but may nonetheless lead to problems in the long term, especially if one is not aware of them.

Agreed. Self-awareness is a key and critical component of the true and successful **Dark Triad Man**.

That is, the dark side represents the toxic assets of our personality. You can certainly turn them into career weapons, but the group will generally lose the more you win. Furthermore, when the primary goal is to ensure that a group or organization outperforms its rivals, it will be generally advantageous to minimize the incidence of dark triad leaders. Personality is an important career lubricant, but dark-triad traits are effective at the individual rather than group level.

A caveat:

Give a true **Dark Triad Man** a crowd (per Gustav le Bon's definition) and he will conquer the world. And the world does like its Caesars.

Regards,

Ivan

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NeoreactionSafe • 7 points • 2 November, 2015 09:47 PM*

All youth is Imitation.

In your childhood you absorb whatever emotional indoctrination happens to exist in the culture at the time you grew up. You simply "imitated" the moral codes you were exposed to unconsciously.

To be Dark Triad is to understand your own imitation.

You start to **resent** your imitation and start thinking for yourself.

So the further up the Dark Triad spectrum you go the more you realize that all those Blue Pill thoughts were provided from outside you... when you were vulnerable and unable to hold frame.

Myths are a big part of the human experience and they **always exist**.

The progressive myths are most annoying now because they are **today's myths**. If you grew up in another time there would be different myths to deconstruct.

Our present era is heavily mythical...

The Red Pill simply means you stop unconsciously imitating the Blue Pill morality and instead begin to think for yourself and gather the mental energy to Kill the Beta inside you.

Some people are more or less natural Dark Triads... but those are rare... most of us must deconstruct the progressive myths in gradual steps before we discover our freedom from them.

ChadThundercockII • 1 point • 4 November, 2015 12:39 AM

The progressive myths are most annoying now because they are today's myths.

You are onto something here. Joseph Campbell is/was the biggest research in mythology. He made mythology look like it is the ethos and logos of societies around the world. I can even say that if one was inclined to show the academia what a pile of crap feminism is, he should start where Campbell left off. Maybe I will some day.

NeoreactionSafe • 1 point • 4 November, 2015 04:24 AM

The idea of the progressive as a mythology is spreading across the manosphere.

In the last Republican debate the concept of "progressive myths" was mention by Ben Carson.

Cuckservatives know the Red Pill manosphere is watching them and guys like Trump are floating upwards.

We are Killing the Beta and destroying progressive myths.

It's working... we are having success.

ChadThundercockII • 1 point • 4 November, 2015 04:25 PM

When we succeed in restoring honor and self respect among men, I will celebrate by having a threesome.

IllimitableMan • 6 points • 3 November, 2015 01:53 AM

but fails to see that **women are perfectly Machiavellian in their own right**.

I am busy as fuck, so I am hesitant to even mention future plans because then I get demands, requests and enquiries out the ass from all directions, but this is a topic I've penned a little on recently.

InscrutablePUA[S] • 2 points • 3 November, 2015 02:11 AM

Look forward to reading it when it comes out!

MattyAnon • 11 points • 2 November, 2015 07:47 PM

I also like how no one ever asks the question "Why do we need more women in X?"

Because "equality" and "women don't do it therefore it is men's fault" has become so ingrained in our culture that noone dare ask the question any more. Just saying "men and women are different" gets so much feminist vitriol

that noone dares even think the question.

if women really are just as good as men and deserve to be treated 'equally', why do they need all sorts of special programs, incentives, and benefits to get into STEM fields and corporate leadership?

Because women are equal and the same, therefore any of their failings must be men's fault. That's the rhetoric, and noone questions it anymore, because patriarchy.

InscrutablePUA[S] • 1 point • 3 November, 2015 02:14 AM

Exactly. What worries me is that a society that can't face reality and hard truths is well on the way to decline and collapse.

Dronelisk • 2 points • 3 November, 2015 02:59 AM*

Lying, cheating, stealing, backstabbing and betraying is not hard, powerful or "alpha", I've stolen in my teenage years a large sum of money from my parents to pay for addictions, my lying skills went through the roof and it was not until 10 years later that they noticed.

That didn't help me in the slightest in the real world, in fact, it made me more insecure and scared, having become accustomed to having something to hide at all times, I unconsciously try to appease people to try to hide a crime I haven't even committed... It's not a pleasant life.

I ended up getting my way, a whole 8 years of limitless addiction, the skills to manipulate and lie with a straight face, to appeal to other people's perception and knowing how they think, what to say to convince them of my lie.

The price I paid? I'm a partially broken and unfixable human being now.

[deleted] • 1 point • 3 November, 2015 06:53 PM

You are fixable. It will take years of work, but it is possible.

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In any mans rise to the top there is an instance, usually many instances, where he has to fuck someone over to get ahead. Often many someones.

A dark triad man can happily back stab his best buddy since childhood, the guy he came up with in the company, or his own blood, and sleep like a log that night.

In the modern corporate world putting 10 dollars in your pocket often means taking 100 out of someone elses.

If you have no code, no conscience, and no qualms then its a lot easier to do it and rise to the top.

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I think Dark Triads traits are only useful on women perhaps in business. Otherwise they are not desirable society building wise for there is little that you can accomplish without trust in others and good faith.