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American History X is such a watchable movie, for all the truth it tells without trying to tell it.

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Two brothers become very racist after their dad, a firefighter, is shot by a black while trying to put out a fire at a house.

The older brother becomes a hardcore white nationalist.

He beats a bunch of crips at a basketball game (the dude ain't too racist to play basketball with the blacks apparently) and they are angry about it, so they try to steal his truck, he hears them, comes out, and he shoots one and curb stomps the other, killing him.

Derek goes to prison, decides the Aryan Brotherhood are a bunch of pussy LARPer, who then end up beating and raping him, then he befriends a black guy for the rest of his time in prison, and gets out a "reformed" man.

We're introduced to his little brother, who is a wignat edgelord kid, and when he has to do an essay on civil rights he chooses mein kampf as the topic and this pisses off his jewish teacher and black principle.

Then he "disrespects" a black kid while 3 of them are beating up a white kid in the bathroom, and his older brother ends up convincing him to abandon his racist ways. When he does that, the little brother ends up being killed by the same black kid who he "disrespected".

Throughout the movie, especially the end, it's a message about some cycle of hatred that needs to be broken, how the older folk plant the seeds of hate in the young, and tons of kvetching about racism by the black principal, the jewish teacher, and Edward Norton.

Flashbacks how the father had racist views that influenced Edward Norton, and how Edward Nortons racist views influenced his little brother.

Well his dad was murdered by a black gangbanger while trying to put out a fire at a black persons house, maybe he had a point.

The little brother is at an urban school where the black kids gang up on and beat the shit out of the white kids, maybe the little brother had a reason to be racist? Seeing as one of those black kids ultimately murders him in the bathroom over "disrespect"

But for all the hand wringing and kvetching about whites feeling enmity towards blacks being the worst thing in the world, the only instance of racism that isn't just words by whites is Derek killing the guy who was trying to steal his truck *over losing a basketball game*.

The guy who got curb stomped was also the only black person who is shown facing any remote form of accountability for their actions in the entire movie. There's no real mention if the dad's murderer faced justice, and no judgement for the ridiculousness involved.

If the feelings of white people aren't "correct" they face severe moral judgements, but why is there no moral judgement on trying to steal a truck over losing a basketball game? Or murdering someone because they "disrespected" you? Or murdering someone trying to put out a fire?

This is the type of low impulse control behavior you expect from a toddler, and the sort of thing that someone who was white would be practically branded as the anti-christ over. How would those scenarios be treated if the situation was reversed?

If a white man murdered a black firefighter who was trying to put out a fire, if 3 white students beat the shit out of a black student, or murdered him in the bathroom, how would that story go? Celebs and fortune 500 companies would be expressing sympathy for victims.

In this reaction, we see how neoliberal whites and jews actually see this dynamic. Ironically, they view low impulse control black people as little more than animals, because this sort of violence is treated like a mountain lion attack.

Nobody is angry at a personal level when a Cougar mauls someone, it's a Cougar, it's an animal, it doesn't have agency, it just does that sometimes.

This is how neolib's and leftists treat black violence towards literally anyone else in America, like some environmental hazard.

It's a strange blind spot, because they are so willing to ignore it or risk seeing eye to eye with white conservatives and right wingers on an issue, that it's the only thing they won't engage in effective proactive activism to fix.

The thing that's stupid is that obviously there's no such thing as an absolute. Every ethnic group, class, whatever, has its garbage, has its low impulse people. I'm not out here holding up some dumbass meth head as an aryan ubermensch, they aren't better either. Trends matter.

Last addendum: Neoliberal regard for blacks is Noah's Ark tier, that they are to be saved from the flood, because they are animals, incapable of being wicked even when they shed blood, as it is just their nature.