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Bullshit.

I have family members all the way up the Fox News Facebook misinformation hole, and they didn't get vaccinated because they felt respected; they got vaccinated because their children told them they wouldn't get to see their grandchildren until they got vaccinated.

> Vaccine resisters can\u2019t be persuaded if they feel disrespected | Opinion by @michaelbd https://t.co/nwszm47IOf
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> — National Review (@NRO) July 16, 2021

3 observations:

People don't tend to change their worldviews from a place of comfort.

When selfish assholes decide to behave like selfish assholes, the problem isn't that others aren't coddling their feelings enough.

Selfish assholes aren't everyone else's job to fix.

Selfish assholes would love for you to *think* they are everybody else's job to fix.

It puts them at the center and in control.

That means when they act like a selfish asshole, it's *your* fault. You should have been more persuasive. Daddy hits you because you made him angry.

Truth is, vaccine resistors are behaving this way because their feelings ARE being respected.

Malicious media entities created self-feeding networks that reassure selfish assholes they can be selfish assholes and still be respected.

Antvax, racist, sexist, all are welcome.

The way you make a selfish asshole stop being a selfish asshole is well known.

You draw a clear boundary and then you enforce that boundary. You tell them that their bullshit won't be tolerated, and then you don't tolerate their bullshit.

I think we all know that, actually.

Selfish assholes say they don't care what other people think. This is a lie.

They don't care about other people's LIVES. They are *obsessed* with what other people think about *them.*

Which is why they always talk about being disrespected.

As we see.

Selfish assholes equate 'respect' with 'not paying social consequence for behaving like a selfish asshole.'

When they think their behavior will carry social consequence, they threaten worse behavior.

This is to frame the worse behavior as someone else's fault.

As we see.

A selfish asshole isn't your project, and he isn't your fault. His beliefs don't need to change; just his actions.

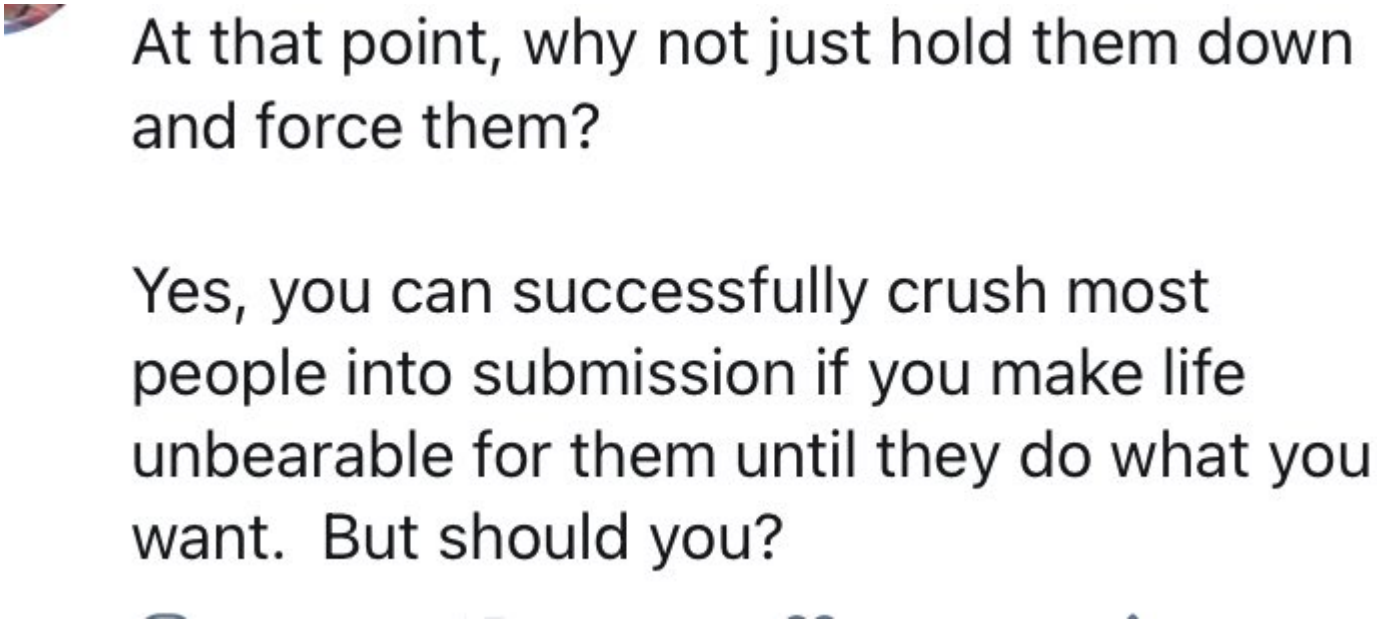
Selfish assholes are making life difficult for all of the rest of us.

Let's make a society where being a selfish asshole is difficult.

We have a society that’s optimized to the whims and desires of selfish assholes over the lives of those they harm.

We can change that by making and enforcing clear boundaries and consequences.

Selfish assholes will frame this as violent oppression against themselves. Example:



We'll see real change affected when we stop being so concerned about whether we've changed the minds of selfish assholes.

We shouldn't care about changing their minds. They are responsible for their minds. We should want it to not be easy for them to act like selfish assholes.