

05/23/16: Female 'chattiness'

This thought was triggered by something Camille Paglia said (salon.com, http://www.salon.com/2015/07/28/camille_paglia_how_bill_clinton_is_like_bill_cosby/) which Dad then commented reminded him of how Izzy expect him to make chit chat (about what?!) with her:

Wherever I go to speak, whether it's Brazil or Italy or Norway, I find that upper-middle-class professional women are very unhappy. This is a global problem! And it's coming from the fact that women are expecting men to provide them with the same kind of emotional and conversational support and intimacy that they get from their women friends. And when they don't get it, they're full of resentment and bitterness. It's tragic!

Women are blaming men for a genuine problem that I say is systemic. It has to do with the transition from the old, agrarian culture to this urban professional culture, where women don't have that big support network that they had in the countryside. All four of my grandparents and my mother were born in Italy. In the small country towns they came from, the extended family was the rule, and the women were a force unto themselves. Women had a chatty group solidarity as they did chores all day and took care of children and the elderly. Men and women never had that much to do with each other over history! There was the world of men and the world of women. Now we're working side-by-side in offices at the same job. Women want to leave at the end of the day and have a happy marriage at home, but then they put all this pressure on men because they expect them to be exactly like their female friends. If they feel restlessness or misery or malaise, they automatically blame it on men. Men are not doing enough; men aren't sharing enough. But it's not the fault of men that we have this crazy and rather neurotic system where women are now functioning like men in the workplace, with all its material rewards

I think the way women talk to each other – and sometimes expect their husbands to talk to them – is not a natural 'female brain' phenomenon as is commonly assumed. Instead is it symptomatic of their lack of anything of actual importance or interest (hobbies, intellectual things, politics...) to talk about (unlike males). But they want to have something to talk about and to feel like they're interesting. Other women have the same need, so women can 'chat' with each other, but men do not understand it and have no need for it, so they are generally incapable of/uninterested in female 'chit chat'.

07/13/15: *Feminism vs. Successful Women.*

Feminists are not interested in competent, accomplished women. This is because the goal of feminists is to explain why women are inferior – why *they themselves* are inferior and have accomplished so little – as a result of victimization by males. But successful women are not inferior! In fact, they are successful in spite of the universal male oppression that feminists claim holds women back! Therefore, successful women are, in fact, damaging to the feminist ideology – they weaken the claim that women aren't successful (key point 1) because they are victims (key point 2).

(See weev's recent livejournal post comparing Carol Bartz and Ellen Pao).

Strength and intelligence

Since women are physically weaker and have never been expected to do the manual labor that men do, one would expect that, if they are mentally equal to men, they should be more intelligent, knowledgeable, advanced in non-physical skills, etc.! The fact that this is not the case means is further evidence that women are mentally/physiologically handicapped compared to men.