

Gender Feminism: an assault on women?

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Gender feminism is the eternal fight for special treatment for women, and as a recently-published book explains¹, it's both based upon misandry (hatred of men) and fuelled by it. In this article 'feminism' and 'feminist' should be taken to mean 'gender feminism' and 'gender feminist'. Think of Harriet Harman MP, but not for long, for the sake of your mental well-being.

Opponents of feminism – including male and female writers – have had minimal impact on the feminist mission. Maybe that's because we've focussed too much on the impact of feminism on men. Yet men remain peculiarly unaware of how much feminists both hate them and have systematically been harming men's interests for *decades*.

Not only men are being assaulted by feminism: the majority of women are, too. One striking thing about feminists is how *unrepresentative* of women they are – ironically – in many respects. These include:

- feminists have an extreme left-wing philosophy, a dualistic one: 'women good, men bad'
- they're manipulative and aggressive bullies, forcing their will on government and the public and private sectors, controlling major media outlets (having journalists who are critical to feminism fired), heavily influencing publishers' choices of writers and book topics, and denying their opponents the right to be heard
- they prioritise the search for power over the search for personal happiness
- they revel in hating men, and spreading misandry is their prime strategy to attract support
- they're hostile to women exercising freedom of choice, e.g. choosing 'female typical' lines of employment, choosing to work part-time, or not at all...
- they believe that in *all* fields (other than some involving brute physical strength) women are at least the equals of men, and in many fields innately superior to men
- they're hostile to the concept of the two-parent family, seeing such families as prime examples of male oppression
- they deny men possessing any good qualities as parents
- they're hostile to the notions of femininity and attractiveness
- they deny the natures of 'gender-typical' men and women are different, the differences stemming at least in part from brain differences. These brain differences have long been accepted by leading psychologists, and been reported in popular science books²
- they see men as the cause of all women's problems – no woman need ever feel responsible for her problems in the feminist utopia

Men would be up in arms if a small band of extreme left-wing men claimed to speak for all men, to represent them, and campaigned on their behalf. Why, then, are women not up in arms about feminists? I think it's partly attributable to female solidarity; many women who don't share the feminists' philosophy still believe that men exert power over women, even in the developed world in the modern era. Phenomena like 'gender imbalance in the boardroom' and the 'gender pay gap' are believed by many women to reflect male oppression of women, although in reality they reflect men's and women's life choices, as many writers and independent academics have conclusively demonstrated^{1,3}. And decades of well-documented feminist lies, distortions and exaggerations of the incidence of rape, and domestic violence by men against women^{1,3}, have done their work to make women fearful and angry.

Despite all this, I see reasons to be optimistic that women will one day rise up against the feminists. The majority of women – in common with the majority of men – don't *want* to hate the opposite sex. Life is richer and altogether happier when individual men and women make their own nuanced accommodations with one another. It seems only fair that I leave the last words in this article to someone of the female persuasion. Herewith the opening paragraphs of my book *Feminism: Crones' Disease* :

On the evening of 15 September 2011 two women were being interviewed by Jeremy Paxman on the BBC's flagship television news programme *Newsnight*. One was the dour feminist Labour politician Angela Eagle (née Eaglet), alternately frowning and pouting as is her custom. The other was Charlotte Vere, a businesswoman and former prospective Parliamentary candidate for the Conservative party for Brighton Pavilion at the 2010 general election. I cheered Ms Vere upon hearing her state the following:

I think feminism is a toxic, battle-hardened and arrogant philosophy which has been manipulated by those at the extremes of politics. Feminism has had its day. [Cut to Angela Eagle looking as though she's chewing on a thick slice of lemon.] We need women to stand up and shout, 'Feminism? Not in my name!'

References

¹ Swane O'Pie *Why Britain Hates Men: Exposing Feminism*

² For example, Prof Susan Pinker *The Sexual Paradox*, Dr Anne Moir *Brain Sex*, Prof Louann Brizendine *The Female Brain*, Prof Steven Pinker *The Blank Slate*, Prof Simon Baron-Cohen *The Essential Difference...*

³ Steve Moxon *The Woman Racket*

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