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Does fear drive people to extremes?



Sage Stossel, Atlantic Monthly Online / Courtesy of AAEC

Talking points

- 1. What is Sage Stossel saving about some Americans in his cartoon?
- 2. What is Matt Wuerker saying about how U.S. political rhetoric affects people in other lands?
- 3. How do demagogues manipulate their followers by playing on their fear and anger?
- 4. Have you grown more afraid in recent weeks? Why or why not?
- 5. Does fear make people act irrationally and ignore facts?
- 6. Can you find examples of how fear has triggered violent conflict or repressive measures?

Between the lines

"This is really the voice of a lynch mob. It's helping ISIS recruit people. He's creating an us versus them." - Jawad Khaki http://www.seattletimes.com/seattlenews/politics/the-voice-of-a-lynch-moblocal-reaction-to-donald-trumps-call-toban-muslims/

Additional resources

More by Sage Stossel

http://editorialcartoonists.com/cartoon/brow se.cfm/StossS

More by Matt Wuerker

http://editorialcartoonists.com/cartoon/brow se.cfm/WuerkM

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