

# The Psychology Behind the Tesla Attacks: Just Look to History

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Many have noted the irony of the fact that for years Musk and Tesla were sanctified by leftists because they advocated electric cars and Musk delivered in spades yet, now that same [Musk](#) is demonized and the [Teslas](#) are being vandalized by those very same leftists. It makes about as much sense as those leftists who one moment support Hamas and shout anti-Israel, anti-Semitic slogans in American universities and the next call their opponents Nazis.



The burnt-out remains of a Tesla electric car in the Steglitz district in Berlin, Germany, on March 14, 2025. Omer Messinger/Getty Images

Although this kind of behavior may seem absurd—and it is—and hypocritical—it is not—the basis for understanding the mentality involved is by realizing that it is a

product of fanaticism, and, as I [have](#) shouted in print for far too long, we are in the midst of a massive totalitarian movement. Having come from a Communist country, and having studied the history of totalitarian regimes, it is evident that there are certain traits that are common to all such movements. And these traits are painfully evident in the

United States, the UK, Ireland, Canada. These are: censorship, insistence on conformity, fraudulent elections, indoctrination of ideology in schools and the military, bizarre demonization and persecution of dissenters, attacks on religion, the presence of a paramilitary group engaging in violence while police do not interfere, the politicization of every aspect of society, the suppression of comedy, the exultation of mediocrity, lawfare, the mutilation of literature, art and science. I am not the only person from a Communist country that has pointed this out; many former residents of [North Korea](#), Vietnam, [China](#), Russia, [Cuba](#), [Ukraine](#), Poland, Hungary and [Romania](#) have said the very same thing (what is puzzling is why conservative outlets have pretty much ignored them, giving them minimal publicity instead of giving them a broad platform, as they should be).

The psychology of the true believers is truly fascinating. One may be outraged at some of their antics, but at the same time, from a psychological standpoint, their reasoning is fascinating. In regards to the *volte face* involving Tesla, we see instances of this in the past. The earliest in the French Revolution, from where all modern totalitarian manifestations originated. Legislators of the [French](#) Revolution were initially of one mind, but then one group of individuals became bloodthirsty psychotics (the Jacobins) and turned on the lesser vicious Girondists and wiped them out. After the Bolshevik Revolution, previously worshipped leaders of the revolution (Trotsky, Zinoviev, Kamenev, and many others) were demonized and eliminated, usually after bizarre show trials. The Khmer Rouge carried out a bloodbath among, not just the common people, but against members of the revolution.

In present [times](#), we have [seen](#) many [such](#) instances. The best known involves J. K. Rowling who was earlier praised for inserting a homosexual character in her novels become the target of hysterical true believers (and they always seem to be hysterical) for opposing transgender “women” in women’s

jails, sports, etc. Other well-known individuals who have experienced this is [Bill](#) Maher, Russell [Brand](#), [RFK](#) Jr. and John Stoessel.

The center of the totalitarian movement in America is the Democratic Party.

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