



## The Future of American Politics: Walking Back from the Culture Wars?

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Is Donald Trump's electoral success a sign of authoritarian decline in American democracy, or is it a response to the Democratic Party's failure to deliver on its promises? It has been suggested that the Left has focused too narrowly on cultural recognition at the expense of material protections. This neglect of the social order's material foundations has deepened tensions, fueling "culture wars." Shifting focus away from these conflicts toward social protections to tackle global crises is a compelling idea — but is it feasible, and how might it be achieved?

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