Why you Shouldn't Try to Make the World a Better Place

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The road to hell, we're told, is paved with good intentions. The pursuit of happiness, we're told, is self-defeating; aim at happiness directly and the opposite will be your fate. People's most meaningful life experiences are seldom ones they wish repeated. In this talk I propose a unifying explanation of these (and other) seemingly disparate phenomena: one that implies that having a standing disposition to make things better is likely to result in making things worse.



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