

Conservatism

What passes for “conservatism” now, however, is nearly the opposite of the Burkean conservatism I encountered then. Today, what passes for the worldview of “the right” is a set of resentful animosities, a partisan attachment to Donald Trump or Tucker Carlson, a sort of mental brutality. The rich philosophical perspective that dazzled me then has been reduced to Fox News and voter suppression.

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[“then” is the 1980s]**