

# **Trumpism**

**Conservatives love to jeer Democrats  
for being obsessed with Trump,  
for letting him live, as many put it,  
rent-free in our heads.**

**It's a cruel accusation, like setting  
someone's house on fire and then  
laughing at them for staring at the flames.  
The outrage Trump sparks leaves  
less room for many other things  
– joy, creativity, reflection –  
but every bit of it is warranted.  
The problem is the president,  
not how his victims respond to him.**

**Michelle Goldberg,  
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