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Extra Credit

Marvel's Defenders of The Status Quo

I think in the video, Marvel's Defenders of The Status Quo, the video maker roughly divides it into two parts: discussing the Marvel movies and discussing how media impacts our views.

I agree with his point about Marvel superheroes, most superheroes seem to be doing justice purely for the sake of justice; their roles seem "distant" from us. Moreover, although the Marvel movies have a progressive relationship in time, the government and the entire society do not seem to be targeted because of the last disaster. All defense measures are organized by these superheroes. At the same time, in the video, the author also emphasizes the point that if these superheroes can apply more of their abilities or technology to society, then our society can develop better.

However, I think the Marvel movies also show to a certain extent how the media can affect our perception of criminal law, or crime. In Marvel movies, there are often some villains who have led themselves to crimes due to various objective reasons (such as vultures, sandmen, electro-optical men, Doctor Octopus, etc.). Films glorify these criminals through the medium of the media to make audiences sympathize with them, but no matter what kind of difficulties these people have, their actions cannot be called positive.

The media has a powerful influence on our views of criminal law, prisons, and abolition. Through the

news, television shows, movies, and social media, the media shapes public perception of these issues and can influence how people view the criminal justice system as a whole. It is important to be aware of the influence of media on our views of criminal law, prisons, and abolition. By critically evaluating the messages we consume and seeking out diverse perspectives, we can form more informed opinions and contribute to a more just and equitable criminal justice system.

Here, I would like to recommend two typical superhero movies and TV series that can more intuitively reflect the influence of the media on us: *Watchmen* and *The Boys*.

Reference

“Marvel’s Defenders of The Status Quo” *YouTube*, uploaded by Pop Culture Detective, 30 November 2022, <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LpitmEnaYeU>