

# **Facebook Executive Says Facebook Is DESTROYING SOCIETY**

# Former Facebook exec: Social media is ripping apart society

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Facebook's former vice president for user growth Chamath Palihapitiya recently gave a talk at the Stanford Graduate School of Business that'll probably make you think twice about your social media use ([via the Verge](#)). The entire talk is [well worth a watch](#), but some of his most prominent remarks included:

That he feels “tremendous guilt” about Facebook. “I think we have created tools that are ripping apart the social fabric of how society works.”

**“The short-term, dopamine-driven feedback loops we’ve created [including the hearts, likes, and thumbs up of various social media channels] are destroying how society works.” He added, “[There’s] no civil discourse, no cooperation; [only] misinformation, mistruth.** And it’s not an American problem—this is not about Russians ads. This is a global problem.”

Regarding an incident in which seven innocent men in India were lynched after a hoax about kidnappings spread through WhatsApp: “That’s what we’re dealing with. And imagine taking that to the extreme,

where bad actors can now manipulate large swathes of people to do anything you want. It's just a really, really bad state of affairs.”

Unsurprisingly, when it comes to social media, his children “aren't allowed to use that shit.”

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