In Search of a New Struggle

One of the head winds facing progressivism is their own success that they are unwilling to accept. In the absence of the great civil rights issues of the 1960's, they push much weaker issues with much greater passion. Ben Shapiro explains that this is how they have moved from the victims to the victimizers in his National Review article, From Victims to Victimizers: The Left's Long Journey

> *And the Left had to go searching for a new civil-rights struggle with which to cram conservatives back into their "victimizer" cubbyhole.*
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> *There was, however, one problem: All the good civil-rights issues have been dealt with already. And so the Left, which focuses all of its efforts on social issues, was relegated to pushing crime-increasing myths about the evils of cops; the celebrities were forced to pretend that men peeing next to women was the next great Martin Luther King, Jr.–style struggle; Democrats were forced to march on their next target, not merely church involvement in state, but private beliefs of churchgoers.*
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> *That phenomenon could very well continue. The Left has run out of aggressors to target; instead, they've become the aggressors, self-righteous morality police dedicated to wiping out dissenting thought. Americans aren't up for that sort of thing. We think we're pretty tolerant people, and, by and large, we are. Trump won, at least in part, by refusing to kowtow to the Left's newest social crusades, in word if not in deed.*