

Transcript of interview of Ezra Levant by CFRA Radio host Mark Sutcliffe, Sept. 24, 2014.

**Sutcliffe:** If the bride and groom are OK with it, and their families were OK with it, is it really that big a deal?

**Levant:** Well, let' say he kissed her on the lips.

**Sutcliffe:** Well, he didn't.

**Levant:** But I'm just saying... you said, "If the bride and groom were OK with it, isn't that good enough." Well, if he kissed her on the lips, is that good enough too?

**Sutcliffe:** But you're asking a hypothetical question and I'm asking an actual question...because they are OK.

**Levant:** And I'm telling you that your excuse is not good enough because Justin Trudeau should have shown some class and restraint and deference to the purpose of the day. It's not like when you greet people in Quebec and give them a kiss on each cheek, a peck. This was a special day for one man and one woman to commit to each other. It was their day. But Justin Trudeau, who is twice as old as this couple, thought that the appropriate picture, was him standing where the groom ought to stand. And not just that, but then to publish this photo of this bride's special day, like it's a symbol of his political virility.

I guess what I'm saying is that he's so narcissistic, he's so self-centred that he just couldn't stop turning their wedding into his campaign stud. And the fact that he's twice her age, just adds a level of grossness to it.

But now I understand that the Liberals say this family was totally cool with it. Well, that's their business to deal with and what they think is appropriate to do on their wedding day, I'll leave for them. But it shows how Trudeau views women. His to pose with, his to use in a photo. Sort of like his Dad did in a way, and I guess that's what I'm saying is that your reaction to this photo probably depends on what you think of a wedding day. What you think of a wedding, what you think of a mutually exclusive relationship between a man and a woman.

If it's no big deal, then, hell this photo's super cool! And that's sort of the world Justin Trudeau grew up in.

His mom and dad were unfaithful to each other...role models—

**Sutcliffe:** But is it not OK for anybody to kiss the bride on the cheek at a wedding and is it especially not OK if they're older. In other words, if the father of the groom had kissed the bride on the cheek, would that have been inappropriate?

**Levant:** No, you're being ridiculous. I'm talking about a stranger, who has no connection whatsoever, other than he has a certain approach to women and a certain approach to how he sees himself as the centre of the world. You have this little trust fund rich kid, frat boy, comes upon a twentysomething girl in a wedding and, I mean Stephen Harper encountered a wedding the other day, what did he do, kiss the girl? No, he shook her hand and he posed with the whole wedding party. What gross creep recreates the wedding picture with himself as the groom?

I'm not talking about the bride's dad, or father in law or somebody in the wedding party. That's my whole bloody point here. Justin Trudeau wasn't part of the wedding party. He injected himself into it... I think this is a Rorschach test. I think what you see in this photo says a lot about what you think about women. If you think as Justin

Trudeau and his father Pierre Trudeau think that younger women are something to be used, then this was great. He used this young woman as a campaign prop just like Pierre Trudeau used so many women in his political career and joked about it in his memoirs.

**Sutcliffe:** Let's say you're right that Justin Trudeau is shallow and does see this as. Is it appropriate of you in attacking Justin Trudeau, to invoke his parents and use the language that you did in invoking his parents.

**Levant:** I was so lucky that my parents were married and stayed married to this day, so I had a great example of how husbands and wives, moms and dads (unintelligible) .. Justin Trudeau grew up in a house, of course his dad was 52 when he married 22-year-old Margaret and very soon he became promiscuous and unfaithful and she did too.

But in such a public show-offy way, who's the next conquest, so you're a boy, Justin Trudeau growing up, you're idolizing your father and you see how he treats women, just a notch on his belt, and I think that's extremely appropriate. Because here you have a frat boy trust fund rich kid who really never has had a real job in his life and now he wants to be our prime minister.

What does he think of women, what does he think of personal boundaries, what does he think of oaths. What does he think of his own wife Sophie who is back home when he is out quote 'campaigning.' I think it goes to judgment and it goes to values. Justin Trudeau pretends he's this great feminist, becuz he's pro choice, for any reason or no reason, paid for by the govt. until the moment of birth.

But that's being pro women. Being pro women means treating women with a little bit of respect and they're not all your property to pose with and kiss and use and drop once you get the photo out of it, just like his dad did.

**Sutcliffe:** Are you suggesting then that anybody who is the child of a marriage that fails and in which there is one spouse cheating on the other spouse or whatever. Any child from that type of marriage is destined to have that view of women themselves or can—

**Levant:** Absolutely not.

**Sutcliffe:** So why is there a connection? Why can't we judge Justin Trudeau on his own behavior instead of invoking his parents?

**Levant:** Hang on, hang on. So you're saying for the first time in Justin Trudeau's life we shouldn't judge him by the fact that he's Trudeau. Do you think he would be the leader of the liberal party if he wasn't named Trudeau? Do you think he would be an MP?

**Sutcliffe:** No I don't.

**Levant:** So you're saying that we should de-couple him from his father?

Let me answer your real question. You said to me, should I judge people by their own parents, success of their marriages. Of course not. In fact I think there's a boomerang, echo effect, children of failed marriages appreciate how important it is for moms and dads to stay together. I find in my own observations of my friends and family that people who come from marriages that broke up, I think they try so hard to not relive it, but Justin Trudeau, he idolizes that part of his dad's life.

**Sutcliffe:** I don't know how we know that...that's your assessment.

**Levant:** And that's what I'm paid to do. Give my political comment. By God I've kicked a hornet's nest here. How dare you criticize our Justin? I love the reaction from the media party. The media party is so dainty, in protecting their Justin. Compare the freak out over my factual observation that Pierre Trudeau was a bit of a slut (bleeped). Oh, I'm sorry, we're only supposed to use that word for women, are we?

I mean he boasted about that. Compare that freak out to the Lord of the Flies style everyone pile on Rob Ford and his wife and his kids and his mom.

It all depends on if you're a conservative or a liberal. If you're a conservative, the media will destroy you and use every aspect of your personal life against you. But if you are the dauphin, son of the greatest prime minister we've ever had. You can't even mention what PT boasted about.

**Sutcliffe:** If it's ok for you to attack Justin Trudeau and to attack Pierre Trudeau for their moral character and what you perceive as their failings in that area, then are you saying then that it is OK for other media to go after Rob Ford's moral character?

**Levant:** Well, I think there are some boundaries, but let me point out, that what I've criticized in Trudeau is what they have publicly shown to the world. This wedding photo last week was a posed official campaign photo of Justin Trudeau. And Pierre Trudeau flaunting his parade of girl friends while married wasn't some secret that was unearthed by some voyeur cam like the Toronto Star paid for to get these private cell phone videos of Rob Ford.

I'm not even poking around in the private lives here. I'm pointing out that these people are publicly selling the fact that they view women as play things.

**Sutcliffe:** Has anybody at the Sun News Network spoken to you about retracting your remarks, changing your approach, anything like that, has this had any consequence for you?

**Levant:** Of course not. I should remind you that Jean Chretien, in 1998, remember his Liberal Party contacted CBC and had them suspend Terry Milesciw for 18 days. Terry was covering the APEC police overreaction there and Jean Chretien thought that was irritating so he called the CBC demanded they suspend Terry Mil. CBC did. That's how Liberals treat journalists they don't like.

The Liberals are obsessed that Sun Media don't give them tongue baths like other media.

Justin Trudeau literally tried to have me censored or fired? It's shocking to me. So many of rest of the media said, oh, yeah, that's fine.

I think we should use the word slut for a man who has sex with whomever he can and shows it off and treats women as conquests.