

Helene Morris wondering how things could turn out as they have

This was posted earlier in July, but I've only just seen it....

Has anyone asked this question, "How and why did the 'fellowship' get into this disgusting and abominable mess?"

What is the root cause?

There is a very simple answer:

Lack of accountability.... ✓

Studies also show that lack of accountability creates a culture of not taking responsibility ... ✓

There you go in a nutshell.

What I read turns my stomach and makes me feel sick. I am fortunate that I have been able to deal with and heal from the one instance of CSA I experienced (thanks to my incredible mother... as I said before, she went to war for me). My heart breaks with every story and I wish I could be for every one of you the warrior woman I had at MY back.

Sadly as this cabal is so tied up in religion and with how that religion is still viewed by some... real change won't happen any time soon. This is a church, with a structure, with a hierarchy, with money... like any other church (even though it's clergy don't pay taxes and their dues to society in terms of national insurance or council tax (in England) ... in reality, there is no real arguing that point. The reason for this mess, is that the leadership is not accountable to anyone or anything. I no longer follow any form of organised religion, that's my choice and I am totally at peace with that - a man made construct is not a guarantee of whatever you may perceive to come after your existence in this time and place. Our way of living and the values we stand for and are willing to raise our heads above the parapet for - that is what holds us accountable. What I see here and in many other churches is unacceptable to me - if I put my name to it - it would signify acceptance and agreement.

Some will say that those leaders are accountable to god... please - with all that's going on.... I'd say they hold themselves above that. And even if they were - it's in the here and now that change is needed. And when and how is that going to happen if the platform of their power still exists!!!!