The Religious History of American Happiness

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According to a recent Gallup poll, seven in ten Americans are very or moderately religious. At the same time, an American today is significantly more likely to suffer clinical depression at some point in their life than at any other time in the past hundred years. This talk considers the relationship between American ideas of happiness and the history of American religion. Does the overabundance of one foster the possibility or impossibility of the other?

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