

Maybe John Edwards Has Been a Progressive Democrat All Along?

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[Doesn't he look a little bit like early Elvis here?]:



I'd like to think he's been progressive all along. I'd like to think the 2004 run was a time when he had to be just the running mate.

But now that Edwards is [sounding all anti-Republican-Lite and anti corporate cronyism](#), I can't help but think that the Hegelian dialectic of thesis-antithesis-synthesis is at play...from Dennis Kucinich.

[Kucinich's messages](#) of peace, multilateralism, progressive values and anti-graft...populist among a jaded American public...have been anointed by ABC's recent attempts to censor his airtime.

The messages are resonating and Edwards is sliding left to pull them to the media-designated top tier of candidates, perhaps only as a wedge to use against more establishment Democrats like Clinton and Obama.

Imitation may be the most sincere form of flattery, but not when you're running for president, I think.