

Words Matter

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Epigraph:

phobia (suffix) irrational fear
misia (suffix) strong dislike

Words have power.
They use language
to justify
hostility.

Homophobic,
transphobic,
xenophobic.
Media terms

attempting to
explain why they
marginalize
groups of people.

But, they are not
afraid. They just hate.
I'll no longer
grant the suffix

to those who scorn,
despise, detest,
and disparage
queers, trans, others.

Use correct words.
Homomisiast
transmisiast
xenomisiast.

Force the world to
recognize their
motivation
for demeaning

entire lovely
populations
who look, love, live
differently.

Not because of
any fear or dread.
Just resentment,
loathing, disgust.

Let them bury
their rancor back
in the closet
where it belongs.