

Does the death penalty solve the problem of crime?

No, I don't think the death penalty will solve the problem of crime.

The first reason is that I think for the victims who've experienced the crime, their feelings will not be erased nor will their experiences. By sentencing the death penalty, you'll be able to solve the current problem but it won't be solving the crimes in the future. And I personally think in the context of a crime, the word "solve" will be different for everyone involved in it. From the victim's point of view, there may be no way that the crime can actually be solved. And from the government's point of view, if there are many crimes going on, it wouldn't be good for the economy. So from my personal viewpoint, I see it as though they are just sweeping the problems under the rug and not actually solving them.

The second reason is that I believe we have to look at the root cause of why people are actually committing these crimes. If they have experienced some sort of trauma in their life, that is causing them to suffer internally. And due to not being able to keep it inside anymore, and for them to release that stress, they attack the people around them. In Japan, in particular, there isn't much being done when it comes to mental health. In western countries, the topic of mental health is very common and many people go to therapy as they are going to any other doctor's appointments.

By making the topic a casual thing to talk about, we can help people who are in need and try to understand them more. Because at the end of the day, people just want to be heard and understood.

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