A Chained Dog Can Only Watch As Life Goes By…

If we tried to invent the cruelest punishment for dogs, we probably couldn't come up with anything worse than "solitary confinement" on a chain or in a kennel. Dogs are pack animals who crave companionship. Scratches behind the ears, fetching Frisbees or tennis balls, or walks around the block mean the world to them. Curling up at your feet while you watch TV is their idea of heaven.

Many dogs left to fend for themselves at the end of a chain fall prey to attacks by other animals or cruel people, and many others are injured or hanged or choke as a result of getting entangled or caught in their tether.

A chained animal becomes caught in a vicious cycle -- frustrated by long periods of boredom and social isolation, they become neurotic, unhappy, anxious, and often AGGRESSIVE. In the end, the helpless dog can only suffer the frustration of watching the world go by in isolation – a cruel fate for what is by nature a highly social animal.

So, if you have a backyard dog, PLEASE bring him or her inside. They don't want much – just you! All dogs should be kept indoors at night, taken for regular walks, and provided with adequate food, water, shelter, veterinary care, and lots and lots of attention.

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