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Subject: This is one of the saddest and amzaing things i've seen

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=and java, the purpose of the law is to keep the peace, if if the murderous are lost to save the innocent, then the end justifies the means. Prisons can only hold so many people

The purpose of the law is to keep the peace, yes. It is also to be fair in its judgements. Furthermore, a COURT of law has the purpose to ascertain (from an unbiased perspective) guilt and to deal restitution fairly. A court of law does not (should not, I should say) deal out revenge. If it did, then I'm sure you'd be seeing some fairly ridiculous cases. Assault cases, for example. No competent court in the world would say "Well, you hit him, so by ruling of the court, he will hit you." The death penalty works the same way.

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