*Richard Deem wrote:*

*"It sounds to me that you are too chicken to do a public debate."*

Apparently, your memory could use a little refreshing:

1) It was I who challenged Matt Slick to a debate,

 not the other way around.

 So in your mind, you somehow conclude that I'm chicken.

2) It was Matt Slick who refused to acknowledge multiple email

 challenges until I cc'd enough people that he felt pressured

 into responding to me.

 But the way you think, that indicates that I am chicken.

3) It was Slick who made outrageous demands requiring large

 investments of time and money before he would debate,

 knowing that this would insulate him from defending TAG.

 And your sputtering neurons conclude that I'm chicken.

4) I was the one who offered a "public" forum that would save

 him the cost of airline tickets, auditorium rental, security and

 usher expenses, and other miscellaneous costs. Why would

 anyone in their right mind turn down an offer that saves them

 a large amount of money and time?

 But to you, that indicates that I'm chicken.

5) I was the one who bent over backwards and agreed to every

 one of his demands regarding how the debate would be

 conducted, and I agreed that he would *never* be interrupted.

 How did he respond when I acceded ... crickets.

 He crawled back under his rock and hid motionless.

 And your amazing reasoning powers deduce that I'm chicken.

I've done everything short of offering my firstborn on an altar in order to get him to debate.

But, Richard Deem, you were cc'd on all of these emails. You already know these things; yet you try to claim that I am the one trying to avoid a debate ... which I was trying to provoke?

You've just given everyone a perfect example of how religious belief degrades the thinking process (well actually, your web site is the best example). If you have ever taken a logic class in your entire life, you should have no trouble getting your tuition refunded. Just show them this email series. I guarantee, they will give you back your money ... with interest.

*Richard wrote:*

*"The only thing you seem really good at is annoying people with endless banter."*

According to Dictionary.com - banter:

"An exchange of light, playful, teasing remarks; good-natured raillery."

Dude ... you have *seriously* misread me.

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