Many unbelievers have been led into the light (and many believers blessed and matured) by CSA teaching. But, anyone in ministry also remembers “unfruitful” encounters which tend to go unreported. The Lord, however, does not think these are unfruitful, and neither should we. Potential benefits include: 1. Latent seed being planted. 2. Acquisition of new facts or ideas. 3. Further affirmation of God’s Word because He told us this would happen. 4. A surprise to me, the blessing to (especially young) believers who witness these encounters, apparently because they witness the arrogance, and total inability of opponents to defend their position with anything resembling a cogent marshaling of facts. I have observed this “blessing phenomenon” on a number of occasions. Perhaps reading about such encounters will not be as helpful as observing them, but my goal here is to attempt to bless by reporting what seems (thus far) a truly unfruitful encounter... I (accidentally) visited your website www.csama.org. Great Stories! You made my day! Keep on inventing them! Go on keeping people busy with these harmless trifles! You have a function in this society! Never give up! I love you! Jan xxx My provocative reply is abbreviated below. Dear Jan, Nice to hear from you. Your thoughts were a bit incoherent, but not surprising. You were typical of virtually all our opponents - sophomoric sarcasm with a consistent inability to discuss issues... Incidentally, there are no "stories" on our website... You may impress yourself with your sarcasm, but you only succeeded in suggesting to me that you could not defend your point of view if your life depended on it, which, of course, it does. When you stand before the Creator and Judge of the universe, I doubt that He will be much more impressed than I am. But, I am confident, he will remind you that Tom Willis made the truth available to you, therefore you will be without excuse... To illustrate that I do give evidence and reason for my convictions, here is one of my standard offers: I outlined three of the propositions I made in “Is Creation Science” articles (CSA News, Jan - July, 2002), showing that: 1. Nothing as complex as a pocket comb ever happens by random processes. 2. The Creator of complex systems is always outside of and transcendent to the created system, and 3. That Life and Matter, the most complex systems known, cannot be created in nature by any process. But they are here, therefore, the best scientific theory is that, like combs and space stations, they were created. I also quoted some Scripture and closed as follows: Remember, if you cannot answer these challenges, what chance do you think you will have explaining your life to the God who obviously created you, and loved you enough to allow people like you and me to beat him to death... My hope is: that simple fact will open your eyes to the absurdity of your "position," and thus save your life.
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Conversations with Atheists (cont’d from page 1)

Given limited space, I’ll try to fairly represent his responses, with
a few of my remarks in braces and/or italics:
I did not send you “thoughts”. I laughed at you. If you cannot
make the difference, no wonder you find these “thoughts” inco-
herent. [TW: Gee, I hadn’t noticed. Actually I was merely giving
you more credit than you deserve when I called them
“thoughts.”]

I do not suffer from “consistent inability to discuss issues”, thank
you very much... {I'll let the reader evaluate that claim.} I can
very well imagine the situation: when a lunatic accumulates one
stupidity on another... There ARE "stories" on your website. In
fact there are NOTHING BUT "stories" on the site. {He didn't
name one, much less explain its "lunacy."} If Tom Willis, by
this, wants to make sure St.Peter... has recorded his merit... It is
acknowledged. It would mean you yourself are a believer, hence
rather a religious victim than exploiter. For as far as it is genuine,
it excuses the harm you do to people's minds. {Which "harm
fols minds: " teaching there is purpose in their life or they are
an accident of nature? Neither reason nor empirical evidence
supports your claim.} If you want to threaten ME: still OK with
ME...: I'm a trained adult... {I quoted Scripture, God “threatened
him,” not I.} When you start to threaten MINORS in this way,
you will find me on [in?] your way. Minors are not yet immu-
nised [sic] against religious fundamentalism, and should - through
education- be protected against people like you. And DON'T you
start threatening people again in their daily life (as many religious
zealots did before you...) {Who is threatening whom, and who's
the zealot?} Unfortunately for the USA, I read that Christian fun-
damentalism is gaining grip on education, in the same way mus-
lim fundamentalism poisons the arab world. {Typical antigrist.
Cannot distinguish between loving your neighbor by trying to
convice him to change, and killing him.} I hope the American
people will be able in time, to overcome this mental illness. I do
do not discuss with criminals-against-the-human-race, or their fa-
natic representatives [sic], or their texts. {Classic atheist evidence
and logic:} {I then asked him to give me one fact about evolution
he was willing to explain and defend. His reply:} Also typical.
There is 120 years of careful analysis of evolutionary processes,
by scientists of all countries, all convictions, all religions. {Ditto
my last} {Next I discussed the “Laws of Complex Systems” as
mentioned above. Here were the only “errors” he identified. I
had said I would list two, but listed three, but forgot to change
the “two” to “three”, and sloppily numbered the conclusion as
“4.” He saw this as a devastating display of my incompetence:}
“Can you count? “Two” means 1...2.” {Regarding “Complex Sys-
tems requiring creation, he said it was “madness.” And
added...}

A comb and a pocket calculator are man-made. They are
indeed created by intelligent beings. A living cell, a tree,
animals (among which the human), a rock formation, a planet
and a star, the galaxies and the universe are complex systems,
but -as it more and more appears- are NOT created
by an intelligent being. [TW emphasis] [Th...th...that’s all folks!]
{Wow, real science! Let’s summarize it.} “Everyone knows that
combs and calculators require creation but the most complex sys-
tems in the cosmos (matter, life, stars, galaxies) appear to be not
created! {Appear? To whom, based on what?} Therefore, you
(Willis) better not threaten me, and you’d better not be telling any
minors that evolution isn’t science or I’ll be on your way!”
Conclusion: The encounter was typical, precisely as Jesus said it
would be. This European(?) Ph.D. had less than nothing: laughter,
sarcasm, anger, threats, argumentum ad hominem...
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