

ATHEIST - DEFEATED AGAIN!

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The following article came to me recently and I contended that I should pass it on. It has been slightly edited and a conclusion added.

At a certain college, there was a **professor with a reputation for being tough on Christians**. At the end of every semester, he asked if anyone was a Christian and proceeded to degrade and mock their statement of faith. One semester, he asked the question and a young man raised his hand when asked if anyone was a Christian. The professor stated, "Anyone who believes in God is a fool" and if God existed, he could stop this piece of chalk from hitting the ground and breaking. Such a simple task to prove that He is God, and yet He can't do it." Every year, he would **drop the chalk onto the tile floor** of the classroom and it would shatter into a hundred pieces. All of the students would just stop and stare. This atheist professor "snowed" the students repeatedly that God couldn't exist or he would not all allow the chalk to break. Certainly, a number of Christians had slipped through, but for 20 years, not a student had the courage to stand up to him.

Well, a few years ago there was a freshman who happened to enroll. He was a Christian, and had heard the stories about his professor. He was required to take the class for his major, and he was very fearful of the atheist professor. But for several months that semester, he prayed every morning that he would have the courage to stand up no matter what the professor said, or what the class thought. Nothing they said could ever shatter his faith, as he hoped his Sunday School teachings would help him.

Finally, the day came. The professor said, "**If there is anyone here who still believes in God, stand up!**" The professor and the class of 300 people looked at the Christian student in shock, as he stood up at the back of the classroom. The professor shouted, "**You FOOL!** If God existed, he would keep this piece of chalk from breaking when it hit the ground!" He **proceeded to drop the chalk**, but as he did, it slipped out of his fingers, off his shirt cuff, onto the pleat of his pants, down his leg, and off his shoe. As it hit the ground, it simply **rolled away unbroken**. The professor's jaw dropped as he stared at the chalk. He looked up at the young man, and then **ran out of the lecture hall**. The young man who had stood, proceeded to walk to the front of the room and shared his faith

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in Jesus for the next half hour. **Three hundred students stayed** and listened as he told of God's love for them and of His power through Jesus.

We all have two choices in life: 1) Reject this message and never look at it again. 2) Pass this along to your Christian and non-Christian friends, giving them encouragement we all need every day. When we have chosen option #2, we have chosen to STAND UP for Jesus.

In light of the many jokes we send to one another for a laugh, this is a little different. This is not intended to be a joke, it's not funny, it's intended to get one thinking.

1) Isn't it funny how simple it is for people to trash God and then wonder why the world is going to hell. 2) Isn't it funny how we believe what the newspapers say, but question what the Bible says. 3) Isn't it funny how everyone wants to go to heaven provided they do not have to believe, think, say, or do anything the Bible says. 4) Isn't it funny how someone can say "I believe in God" but still follow Satan (who, by the way, also "believes" in God). 5) Isn't it funny how one can send many jokes through e-mail and they spread like wildfire, but when one begins sending messages regarding the Lord, people think twice about sharing the message. 6) Isn't it funny how the lewd, crude, vulgar and obscene pass freely through cyberspace, but the public discussion of Jesus is silenced in the school and workplace. 7) Isn't it funny how someone can be so "fired up for Christ" on Sunday, but be an invisible Christian the rest of the week. 8) Isn't it funny how I can be more worried about what other people think of me than what God thinks of me. 9) Isn't it funny how one will stay home from scheduled church services due to company and not ask them to accompany us to church. 10) Isn't it funny how we will spend ten times as much time watching TV than what we do in reading the Bible.

The professor had nothing to say! Thus, another atheist defeated. When **Judgment Day** arrives God will know what we have done with His Son and His Word. The choice is really ours. It is personal with each one of us. We can not rely on our parents faith or any one's except our own. **Plainly, don't get short changed**. Let's be ready to meet our Maker. The Bible teaches Jesus is the only way to heaven (John 14:6).

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