**I had worked very hard on a new video in which I had hoped to provide an explanation for what the hell was going on in the minds of people who refuse to admit when they have been proven wrong. Our battles against anti-evolutionists, Conservatives, and other assorted nutjobs, are difficult enough, without the added burden of winning a debate only to have our opponents go into denial and become more stubborn than ever.**

**My argument was based on Freud's theory of psychoanalysis. After finally committing the script to memory I was ready to start filming. The night before I was to film it, I accidentally happened upon the following web page while researching an unrelated topic:**

[**http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List\_of\_pseudosciences**](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_pseudosciences)

**Naturally I was devastated. But here is where the story gets interesting.**

**I tried to figure out ways to salvage the project. I tried rewording it so that the audience would know that the theory was not accepted as empirical science. But there was no escape. If I wanted to live up to the ideals that come with claiming to be a Rationalist, I had no choice but to abandon the project.**

**When I wrote my book I had similar experiences. There were things I had written, of which I was very proud; things that I thought were pretty clever. When I later realized the logical flaw contained in my reasoning, I tried all kinds of tricks to salvage my "brilliant ideas." But I realized what I was doing, and eventually accepted the fact that I needed to search for other ways to present my point.**

**These experiences with my book and video helped me to better understand my enemies. Evolution-deniers must constantly go through what I went through. The difference is, that they refuse to admit defeat, and are willing to suffer any humiliation, before they will concede their error. Having gone through these experiences has given me an insight into what is going on in their minds.**

**This is similar to the experience I had of being raised Christian. It gave me first-hand experience of what goes on in the minds of Ghost Worshipers. It helped me understand how they could read the most insane things without even questioning them. I know because I did the same thing.**

**I consider that ability (the ability to admit defeat when proven wrong) to be one of the greatest rewards of rational thinking.**

**These flaws in my thinking have been invaluable to me in my fight to help bring rational thinking to an irrational world ...**

**but only because I overcame them.**