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Subject: Re: Because it gets old.

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That is one of the things that drove ART into existence. If you allow personal ad-hominem attacks, then the person being attacked is tempted to respond in kind. Sure, you can be a "bigger person" and take it without striking back, but what if it's your wife or kids being insulted? No point in looking at all the possibilities of errant behavior. It doesn't take much to realize that civility ends where insults begin. As an aside, it always busted me up to see nerds on internet messageboards talking about being "big enough to take an insult" - Like that is some sort of tough guy stance.

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