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Subject: Guns

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 14:08:44 GMT

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Wayne mentions that the government is wrong to prevent people from carrying guns on their person. You can transport weapons in your car but they must be unloaded. Where does this restriction come from? I mean the NRA and the Gun Lobby didn't want this; they are in favor of carry laws and they donate lots of money to the government to help their cause right? Because people don't want every tom Dick and Harry walking around with loaded weapons on them. And neither do I. I know how many Wyatt Earp wannabe's are out there and it is scary. Professional criminals will kill you before you get them so it doesn't wash when you say only criminals will have guns. So in this case the people who are against carry laws are more numerous than the folks who want to carry. It's not the government preventing you from doing what you want; it's the people who petition the representatives to prevent the carry laws that are stopping you. That's your government doing what it should; representing the will of the people.

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 14:45:26 GMT

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"Those who would give up Essential Liberty to purchase a little Temporary Safety, deserve neither Liberty nor Safety."

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [akhilesh](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 16:22:26 GMT

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John, Have you heard of the second amendment? Are you suggesting it be repealed?

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [akhilesh](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 16:25:07 GMT

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YOu need to get yuorself a gun, and some training, John! THEN you won;t be so scared of every one else with one!-akhilesh

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Subject: Re: Guns  
Posted by [Shane](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 16:38:27 GMT  
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I don't know about where you live, but here in Tx concealed carry is available. And they just passed it in my home state of Ks this summer as well. Seems there people are getting fed up with crime and believe it will be a deterrent to many types of crimes. One thing to remember: if you're gonna carry a gun for self defense you must be ready/willing to pull the trigger if absolutely need be.

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Subject: Re: So you think we should repeal the Patriot act of course.  
Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 16:50:10 GMT  
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Since it removes most of our freedoms.

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Subject: Re: Guns  
Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 16:51:30 GMT  
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Second amendment says the right to bear arms; and form militias. They never meant for everyone in the country to own an anti-tank weapon. Or a bunker-buster.

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Subject: Re: Guns  
Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 16:53:15 GMT  
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I have three guns. And up until about ten years ago was a card carrying member of the NRA through my Dad who used to teach at the firing range. I have said this all before it is old hat now, bud.

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Subject: Re: Guns  
Posted by [Damir](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 17:28:38 GMT  
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This is one of the things where Europe and USA are very different. In most of the European countries, carrying the gun isn't allowed and it's widely recognized like something shameful, like it isn't the practice of the honest man. Here in Croatia, because of the war ('91-'95), everyone has automatic weapons, even rocket-launchers, hand grenades, mines, etc. under the bed or in the closet. Public safety was jeopardized, it wasn't uncommon that someone drunk shoots with AK from his balcony...even worse, small everyday incidents in many cases outgrew in horror (multiple) homicides...suicides...big incidents. In a few years, with new laws (army weapons banned, "small" arms allowed for owning, but not carrying, with licence), and buying off of weapons that can't be legalized - the situation has changed and improved.

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 18:19:37 GMT

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There are a lot of cowboys here and those are the ones I am afraid of. I know if the bad guy wants to hurt you he will; it's the regular guy with a bad anger management skill that I worry about. I would mix it up with anyone in a fair fight but I can't beat a bullet. And the story ones that catch some little kid or woman walking minding her own business. That's what happens when the yahoos get hold of these weapons.

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [akhilesh](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 18:32:23 GMT

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YOU should surrender those guns then (based on your earlier statements re: how you do not believe common people should not have guns). Unless you believe you are special and should be allowed to have them while others should not? I believe New York has a good buy back program, esp the city. Aren't you suppose to register them & get licenses as well. Hope you are conforming to all those laws enacted by the home of the statue of liberty. -akhilesh-akhilesh

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Damir](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 18:37:04 GMT

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IMO - "average" gun owner in the long run has much more chance to shoot himself (accidentally or suicide), the member of the family (arguing+gun in the pocket), someone else 'cos of small incident (traffic, bar, work, etc.); then to somehow defend himself of thieves/killers or so.

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Shane](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 18:41:43 GMT

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Agreed on that part. I have 20+ guns and not one handgun. I don't like them in the house with kids, even locked up. Too easy to play with if gotten ahold of. Of course rifles and shotguns are as well, but I've seen too many people get hurt with handguns by being irresponsible. My home defense weapon is one of my selfbows. More quiet than a gun, can be ready in 5 seconds, and just as effective. Leaves a smaller mess as well. Can you imagine the look on an intruder's face upon getting shot with an arrow?

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 18:46:27 GMT

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Absolutely true; but if you try to tell that to the gunslingers they tell you stories about all the homeowners who defended their homes. Its all BS but you cant win with these guys. They want their guns; I am sure any 250\$ an hour shrink could tell them why in twenty or thirty sessions.

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 18:50:23 GMT

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Thats a reasonable approach. I have a 30-06 and a 22 repeating rifle in the house. I know though that if someone wants to break in I will be asleep and he would shoot me before I could even reach a gun; or worse, shoot someone in the family with my gun. I would really like to see how fast on the draw some of these guys really are. I know they would be the first to shoot themselves in the foot; like Dick Cheney. If someone is really worried about home invasion they should get a big dog.

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 18:52:00 GMT

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Oklahoma allows concealed carry also, with a permit of course. The whole point of the recent threads was really not a single issue but rather all of the things we've allowed to become criminalized. Some would prefer to see a lot of government control, I myself, do not.

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 18:54:39 GMT

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The buyback program is only for handguns. You know I never said people should not have rifles; I have a couple. Rifles dont have to be registered but if they did I would certainly conform to the law. I dont carry them in my car for defense though. But enough about me; how about you, do you want the right to carry a loaded weapon on you at all times? And if so; may I ask why?

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Subject: Re: So you think we should repeal the Patriot act of course.

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 19:04:04 GMT

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I don't like any government intrusion. I think a man should be judged by his actions, not by what some analysts think he might do. I've made my opinion very clear; It's not a single issue thing with me. I've also said that I don't like to talk politics on a public messageboard, so I would appreciate it if you would stop trying to draw me in. If you want to talk audio, fine. But I don't like talking politics or religion here.

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Subject: Re: So you think we should repeal the Patriot act of course.

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 19:07:05 GMT

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So then why post?

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Damir](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 19:09:36 GMT

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Nothing like good illustration...

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 19:12:59 GMT

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That was a great show. You guys get all the old westerns out there?

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Subject: Re: So you think we should repeal the Patriot act of course.

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 19:14:43 GMT

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I was trying to not be rude, to give you the courtesy of an answer, if only a brief one. So I posted replies instead of ignoring you. I don't post in the Dungeon very often because I don't like the politics down here. The threads usually turn one-sided or insulting or both.

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Shane](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 19:17:23 GMT

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We rent for right now, so no dog. Although we used to have one when we owned our own house. I use the bow for home defense because the guns are in a 1500lb safe. Quick retrieval is not an option there.

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 19:45:54 GMT

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Shane; what are the chances of a home invasion by you? I have lived 54 yrs; and I dont know of anyone invaded in their home. I lost two very close and good friends who were the salt of the earth to gun shot wounds by robbers while doing their jobs though. One was armed but killed in ambush. Both weapons were not sold here; they were brought in from southern states with liberal gun sales and possession laws. Try looking at a 43 yr old guy with kids that you have known since

you are twelve; lying in a coffin. Pistols should be illegal; the existing weapons should be destroyed and the penalty for owning one is life without parole. Illegal to import or manufacture handguns with a mandatory 25 yr sentence for doing either. That's my plea to the more than 9k people killed very year with handguns; including over 2000 children. I would try to come up with something amusing here but there is nothing amusing about this. Oh; this is not directed to you; you seem reasonable about this.

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [akhilesh](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 20:33:29 GMT

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Why should people have rifles? Do you use the rifle for anything? Do you hunt on long island with it? Why should you have it? And why would you need THREE rifles. Isn't one enough to hunt animals with? If you don't hunt there is no reason for you to keep the rifle in your house. You should surrender it like a good citizen (at least what you think of as a good citizen) Surely you cannot be trusted with a rifle that can (gasp) kill people at hundreds of yards. much much worse than handguns. I am surprised they haven't banned rifles in New York. Or maybe that is why you live on long island and not one of the boroughs? -akhilesh

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 20:40:25 GMT

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AK I see something here I must express. I have no problem saying exactly what I think about things. So I will be more than happy to answer your questions; but if you read the posts you will see that I am doing all the answering; while you answer my questions with another question. Same with Wayne; soon as I ask how he feels about things the conversation ends. I only asked if you would like the right to have a loaded handgun on your person. You reply with another question for me. So I will tell you what; you answer my question then I will answer yours. I would like the opportunity to see how others feel about things also; instead of hearing myself talk.

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Shane](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 21:34:06 GMT

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I know 4 people that have had their houses burglarized in the last two years. One was home at the time and received a severe beating (lucky the burglar wasn't armed probably). My step-mom's sister was murdered in her home by an acquaintance that had been there earlier that evening. And

no, she didn't let him in the second time. He broke in and stabbed her to death and then tried to kill her roommate as well. I know a guy who came home from the farm one day and a guy had broken into his house and was trying to get his wife. He took his pistol, backed the guy down, then beat him to within an inch of his life with it. Never fired a shot. I don't believe pistols (or guns in general for that matter) should be banned. There was the whole assault weapon thing there years ago. Now I happened to own one of those and took offense that they wanted to take it from me. I used it legitimately as a hunting weapon only and when my hunting priveledges are challenged I tend to get riled some. I would like to see the % of children that are accidentally killed by handguns. This is a case of parents not taking responsibility for their weapons most of the time. You don't leave a pistol out. You don't leave ammunition out. You don't store ammunition with your weapons. Basic safety. IF someone wants to kill someone else of course a pistol is the most convenient as it's portable and small typically. But a rifle is just as deadly. I can't hit anything past 20 yards with a pistol, but anything out to 400-450 yards with a rifle is more than fair game. I think that's why most mass killers choose rifles over pistols.??? My pet peeve is drunk driving more than guns. For the simple fact that the right to bear arms is exactly that, a right. Whereas there is no right to drive. It is a priveledge, period. And I don't know how many times I've seen that abused. Myself included when I was young and stupid. My wife's 18 year old brother was killed by a DD a couple months into our dating. Right out of high school. My cousin was killed by a drunk judge who ran a stop sign in broad daylight in the middle of town and hit him on his motorcycle. Guy didn't spend one minute in jail. No fine, no sorry, no insurance, no nothing. I think if you get caught DD it should be at least a 5 year mandatory suspension of your license and more community service than you can stand. So what if you can't get to work anymore, should have thought about that before hand. There seem to be lots of rules, but consequences are not enforced anymore. I know a guy that has gotten out of 5 DUI's.

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Wed, 07 Jun 2006 22:12:45 GMT

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I agree on the drunk drivers how can you not? Its a straw man really because there is no defense against DD really. But I have to ask; where is it you live? Man it sounds damned dangerous over there. What is going on? Rifles can be used to kill people thats no brainer but they are much harder to conceal; they have a legitimate purpose and they are much harder to weild in close. I dont know how to rationalise the second amendment. It was written at a time when most people could not own or afford pistols and automatic weapons. Pistols designed back then were unreliable and mostly caused more harm to the shooter than the target. Rifles were owned by every home for a variety of reasons and yes they were used by the early colonists to arm militias for revolt. So the people felt honestly that their rifles had a value that should be protected. How the Founding Fathers would react to everyone owning pistols and semi-automatic weapons we will never know. But above all they respected the rights of colonists to self-reliance and a rifle was a part of that at that time. The stats on deaths from handguns are accurate.

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Subject: Re: Guns  
Posted by [akhilesh](#) on Thu, 08 Jun 2006 02:24:53 GMT  
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In Oklahoma, as in many other states that are shall-issue, we already have that right, to carry it concealed. Also, you may not know this, but YOU have the right also, thanks to the second amendment. You just can't carry it concealed. You can certainly walk around with it open. Just be careful the boys in NYC don;t jump you.

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Subject: Re: Guns  
Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Thu, 08 Jun 2006 04:08:57 GMT  
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John, that's bullshit. I told you several times that I don't like government intrusion. I've given you several examples. But I've also told you that I'm busy and can't write all the time and that I really don't like talking politics on internet messageboards. I think it's rude and insulting to act like people owe you a reply and if they don't give it they're somehow incapable morons. If you don't think you've been insulting, go back and re-read your posts.

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Subject: Re: Guns  
Posted by [Shane](#) on Thu, 08 Jun 2006 11:48:15 GMT  
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Not to offend anyone, especially you Akhilesh, as I consider you a friend, but one gun many times is not enough for hunting. Different guns have different capabilities as far as range, knockdown power, etc. While you most certainly could dispatch an elk with a 30-06, if you were hunting antelope you would basically destroy any meat that could be utilized. When open range hunting of coyotes is done, you want a small caliber rifle such as a 22-250, because it shoots very flat at extended distances and tends to cause little damage to the pelt. Any larger rifle will do more damage resulting in a loss of \$\$\$ for said pelt. Now a deer could be killed with a 22-250 with a proper shot placement, but in Ks a 243 is minimum required caliber. So now you've went from a 400 yard gun to a 200 yard gun if you factor in proper shot placement. A marginal hit for any reason and you've just given yourself a long hard day of tracking and a wounded animal which is not good. As a person who's been hunting since he was old enough to carry a gun (read 7) I know better than to think you can own just one rifle for hunting purposes, unless you only hunt one species, and that is a different matter altogether. And if you're a target shooter, many ranges won't let you shoot anything bigger than a 22.

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Thu, 08 Jun 2006 12:01:17 GMT

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No one owes me anything; but to post and run is not crickets. What you posted was if you read it a screed against all laws that conflict with the things you want to do. So I ask why would you say those things; you know that by getting your rights in these issues you must trample someone else's rights. If you teach your religion in the schools someone else's religion is shunned; if you get the right to smoke in public someone's kid has to breathe that smoke. So I ask what about that? I don't see any insults; if I did I would of course be a gentleman and apologise.

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Thu, 08 Jun 2006 12:03:26 GMT

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You can't carry a loaded handgun on your person without a permit here. Also it is pretty safe; where I am and in Manhattan; just some of the outer boroughs are tough. Mayor Giuliani chased the bad guys out yrs ago.

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Thu, 08 Jun 2006 14:46:47 GMT

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Look back through your posts, John. We're friends, so I tell you about it hoping to mend things. The thing is, you've basically said that we all owe you an explanation and we don't. If Shane says he believes in Christ, he doesn't owe you an explanation why. If I tell you that I like a leaner, less intrusive government, I don't owe you a debate. And if you try to needle any of us by saying that we're cowards not to reply, or insult us by saying we cannot defend our positions 'cause we don't know what we're talking about, I find that just a little bit over the top.

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Subject: Re: Guns

Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Thu, 08 Jun 2006 15:47:35 GMT

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I am sorry but I don't see anything resembling an insinuation that you have no defense because you don't know what you are talking about. All I see is a question I asked regarding how you would accommodate those who don't share your beliefs in the schools and in the government. You

expressed the things you did not like. I ask how would you change them. It's called compromise. Thats what I asked; how to accomodate everyones religion if you want that in the schools. No Plan; you just want it. I still have not read any kind of example; or approach that would accept everyone. Shane is allowed to believe in anything he wants; but he can't force it on another mans son. And thats the repsonse I can't sem to get; exactly how you will help those who don't believe things your way? Thats the only reason I persue this at all; because if you have a sense of fairness you must accept that your way is not everyones way. Thats why we keep those things out of schools; thats why we vote to have no smoking rules and all the rest. Because it infringes on anothers rights to allow that. So again; Why should I worry about getting shot by an angry motorist because you want to carry guns? Why should I watch you work off the books while I pay taxes? Which religion will the schools permitt in the classroom? Why should your smoking habit hurt my breathing and cost me money? Why should I surrender Social Security so you can try being an investor and if your investments go south; now I as a taxpayer will have to support you anyway; even though you stopped paying into the plan? You should have no problem telling me the plan for all this. I don't get the whole concept. So I asked. Thats all.

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Subject: As you say  
Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Thu, 08 Jun 2006 17:18:46 GMT  
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"I think the thing about listening to someone express their opinions and beliefs while not wanting to express your own is a self-esteem issue." "I answer anything; no one else seems to want to express their beliefs." "Wayne; So you ran out of ideas? Why disrespect me like that? I gave you the courtesey of a real answer. Even Mr Vinyl never resorted to such simpleminded tactics; at least he had the cojones to defend his position." "I am doing all the answering; while you answer my questions with another question. Same with Wayne; soon as I ask how he feels about things the conversation ends." "Now you are being deliberately silly. If you dont have an answer then say so; thats just childish."

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Subject: Re: As you say  
Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Thu, 08 Jun 2006 18:18:46 GMT  
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Just can't tell what the things you say might mean and i guess I never will find out. Learn not to take what you say seriously; I should know better. Back to the cartoons.

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Subject: Re: As you say  
Posted by [Wayne Parham](#) on Thu, 08 Jun 2006 19:06:44 GMT  
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This is an audio messageboard, John.

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Subject: Re: And the rude repitition  
Posted by [Manualblock](#) on Thu, 08 Jun 2006 19:42:53 GMT  
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Very clever.

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