

Re: JSH: Why I am distancing

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On Jun 27, 2:31 pm, junexpress
<MTBrenne...@xxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

On Jun 26, 10:55 pm, jst...@xxxxxxxxxx wrote:

I have mathematical results which may eventually
show me to be an
important figure in human history, and it should
be clear by now that
I am distancing myself as rapidly as I can from
the mathematical
community.

Years ago I remember how I excited I was when my
computer screen
filled with prime numbers, so excited as I
thought, finally I had what
I needed to convince math people that there was
value to the problem
solving techniques I used and in my ideas.

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Months of arguing where I'd stress point after point only to have people on newsgroups just deny or ignore those points kind of put me into shock. It took years for me to work out all the details and understand how and why people in the math field deny crucial mathematical results.

Now that I understand completely I also know that there are no results that can break through with the current community and I'm turning my problem solving skills to other areas.

I grew up with a "smart" label. Years of being in gifted programs, doing things like going to Duke University as a teenager, getting a scholarship to Vanderbilt University, and having a sense of my ability to learn quickly and apply what I learned to problems and get solutions got me used to thinking that was just the way most people

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experienced the world.

But it's not.

So some people fake it.

And I kept hoping so I talked about my prime
counting function, but I
moved on from there and even got published and
the people who were
fakes could always just lie. I never knew how
people could just lie
until this experience.

I looked in other areas so unlike most of you I
was a part of the
discussion in the run-up to war with Iraq, and
got a version of a
letter published in TIME magazine where I
stressed caution.

As we've learned what the real evidence was and
was not, and as people
in this country have continued for the most part
without concern as
they have their lives in order I understand so

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much better how most of

you continue as long as you feel you have your
lives in order.

You are not truly human. There is something
missing in you. There is
a loss of soul, a loss of that wonder that some
of us have with
learning, and being certain we have the truth.

I call you parasitic but you are so much less, as
many of you seem to
think that there is something to you valuable,
when how can there be?

You eat, you drink, you defecate, you procreate,
and you will die, but
when you die, what will you leave?

Animals do more. Many of you will leave nothing
but whatever of this
history remains as long as it does that like Bush
and others who have
nothing of value in themselves or their lives
that they truly
appreciate, to you other human beings are just

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things that you

manipulate.

You want to know what button to push to make the

thing do what you

want. What to say to get the money, to get the

praise. So you can do

whatever it takes to get the things--the other

human beings--to do

what makes you happy.

Makes you happy for whatever time you have on

this planet until you

die, then nothing.

So you are nothing. You believe in nothing.

And the destiny that creatures like you bring to

those other human

beings that you cannot see as more than things,

as mechanisms that you

try to figure out how to push to do what you

want, is death.

Our future looks more and more like death from

parasites who look like

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human beings, who act like human beings to get
what they want from
human beings, but who can kill like Bush without
a thought, without
concern about any reason other than to them, it's
ok.

Mathematics is more than just a word or some
people posturing,
presenting themselves as brilliant.

It is a field where the truth can be determined
by mathematical proof.

To the extent that you have broken that field you
have broken the
human species itself, and for those who doubt the
reality of where we
are, the continuing war in Iraq is a taste of
what the future brings
to us all.

A world where death walks freely not because of
what we can't do, but
because of what we cannot see—the parasites who
live among us.

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James Harris

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Just out of *genuine* curiosity though (and I'm not
trying to be mean

here), why didn't you go on to grad school?

Matt

Not a bad question. I did think about it. Talked
with my advisor
about it at various times, but never followed
through.

I think I lost the thrill of physics the discipline.
Before I went to
college I had this image in my mind, and while my
professors were
close they were just far enough away that it lost its
appeal and I
couldn't convince myself to do more school.

Thanks for that question. Who knows how much would
have changed if
I'd just gone on to graduate school. Wonder what I'd
be doing now...

something usefull maybe ????

James Harris

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