Subject: God Hates Florida Posted by smwScott on Sat, 11 Sep 2004 02:55:25 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

j\_ball430I didn't bring it to these forums, which is why I said this had to deal with IRC.

I'm not hiding behind religion or race. It's all about respect you fucking moron. I won't swear in front of elderly or in a professional setting, but when I'm in an informal setting with my friends, I'll cuss up a fucking storm.

There are few things that actually get me offended. Scamp just happened to find one of those things.

Respect for what? It's almost as if you expect others to show your religion more respect than you do. I think it's stupid that people choose to be offended by simple words or jokes. It's as if society is so damn boring and peoples lives have so little strife that they need to create problems for themselves. I also would not use excessive language in a workplace environment, not because I'm afraid of offending someone but because it's simply unprofessional. The same way I wouldn't call my boss "dude" or "bro" as I do with my friends.

I am a Christian, a friend of mine is a jew and another is Chinese. We insult the hell out of each other constantly based entirely around ethnic and religious stereotypes. We don't get uptight and offended, that would be ridiculous. I find it completely uncomprehensible how anyone could take a comment, no matter what the content, offensive when it is not meant in an insulting manor. If someone walks up to you and actively insults you for your beliefs because of genuine feelings in an attempt to put you down, then by all means get offended. But not because of a joke.

Anyway, whatever. My point is that people shouldn't be so damn uptight about religion, race, or whatever and just let it flow. If someone isn't actively trying to offend you then don't take offense, that's my philosophy.

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