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00:00:00,060 --> 00:00:04,619
maybe talking about near-death

2
00:00:01,740 --> 00:00:06,330
experiences today and some of the latest

3
00:00:04,620 --> 00:00:07,769
research that I've been doing involving

4
00:00:06,330 --> 00:00:09,900
near-death experience we've heard from

5
00:00:07,769 --> 00:00:11,339
several speakers already the near-death

6
00:00:09,900 --> 00:00:13,259
experiences are among the strongest

7
00:00:11,339 --> 00:00:15,599
evidence that we have a survival I

8
00:00:13,259 --> 00:00:18,028
couldn't agree more details coming right

9
00:00:15,599 --> 00:00:19,859
up here what exactly is a near-death

10
00:00:18,028 --> 00:00:21,750
experience I know most of you know a lot

11
00:00:19,859 --> 00:00:24,060
about near-death experience but just so

12
00:00:21,750 --> 00:00:25,948
that we're all on the same page at least

13
00:00:24,059 --> 00:00:28,320
for my research purposes I look for two

14
00:00:25,949 --> 00:00:29,939
things in a near-death experience your

15
00:00:28,320 --> 00:00:31,679
near-death and that is you're so

16
00:00:29,939 --> 00:00:33,689
physically compromised that you're

17
00:00:31,678 --> 00:00:36,449
unconscious or may even be clinically

18
00:00:33,689 --> 00:00:39,000
dead absent heartbeat absent spontaneous

19
00:00:36,450 --> 00:00:40,859
respiration you're unconscious at this

20
00:00:39,000 --> 00:00:42,479
point in time and so by dictionary

21
00:00:40,859 --> 00:00:44,789
definition you shouldn't have any

22
00:00:42,479 --> 00:00:46,799
experience when you're that close to

23
00:00:44,789 --> 00:00:48,270
death and yet they do they have the

24
00:00:46,799 --> 00:00:49,619
experience part of a near-death

25
00:00:48,270 --> 00:00:51,629
experience and we'll talk more about

26
00:00:49,619 --> 00:00:53,579
what the common elements are just a

27
00:00:51,628 --> 00:00:56,339
minute here I want to emphasize no two

28
00:00:53,579 --> 00:00:57,660
near-death experiences are the same but

29

00:00:56,340 --> 00:01:00,270
when you study many near-death

30
00:00:57,659 --> 00:01:02,819
experiences you can see this kind of

31
00:01:00,270 --> 00:01:05,040
spectrum of elements typically occurring

32
00:01:02,820 --> 00:01:07,140
in this order but not necessarily often

33
00:01:05,040 --> 00:01:09,000
early in the experience there's what's

34
00:01:07,140 --> 00:01:10,219
called an out-of-body experience have

35
00:01:09,000 --> 00:01:12,569
that life-threatening event

36
00:01:10,219 --> 00:01:15,030
consciousness leaves the body typically

37
00:01:12,569 --> 00:01:17,219
goes above it not always may go level

38
00:01:15,030 --> 00:01:19,560
with body rarely even below the level of

39
00:01:17,219 --> 00:01:22,679
the body there's heightened senses they

40
00:01:19,560 --> 00:01:24,450
may have vision or hearing that super

41
00:01:22,680 --> 00:01:25,710
normal there's intense and generally

42
00:01:24,450 --> 00:01:27,868
positive feelings

43
00:01:25,709 --> 00:01:30,449

peace and love are the two most common

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00:01:27,868 --> 00:01:32,400

words used to describe a near-death

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00:01:30,450 --> 00:01:34,770

experience as part of the intensity of

46

00:01:32,400 --> 00:01:37,228

these emotions typically described as

47

00:01:34,769 --> 00:01:39,868

unearthly in their intensity they may

48

00:01:37,228 --> 00:01:41,459

pass into or through a tunnel often at

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00:01:39,868 --> 00:01:43,709

the end of the tunnel is a mystical

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00:01:41,459 --> 00:01:46,709

brilliant light and then in an unearthly

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00:01:43,709 --> 00:01:48,389

realm they may encounter mystical beings

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00:01:46,709 --> 00:01:51,000

or deceased relatives we'll be talking

53

00:01:48,390 --> 00:01:53,099

about that a little bit later they they

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00:01:51,000 --> 00:01:55,290

almost always have a sense of altered

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00:01:53,099 --> 00:01:58,289

time or space typically with near-death

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00:01:55,290 --> 00:02:00,840

experiences almost uniformly they'll say

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00:01:58,290 --> 00:02:01,890

time doesn't exist time is not like it

58
00:02:00,840 --> 00:02:04,560
is in our earth

59
00:02:01,890 --> 00:02:06,530
everyday life they may see all or a part

60
00:02:04,560 --> 00:02:10,020
of their prior life and the life review

61
00:02:06,530 --> 00:02:12,689
counter unearthly heavenly realms if you

62
00:02:10,020 --> 00:02:14,430
will learn special knowledge often

63
00:02:12,689 --> 00:02:15,900
there's a barrier which means near the

64
00:02:14,430 --> 00:02:17,849
end of the experience they may have a

65
00:02:15,900 --> 00:02:20,370
choice to come back to their earthly

66
00:02:17,849 --> 00:02:22,319
life or stay in this unearthly beautiful

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00:02:20,370 --> 00:02:23,849
round interestingly the great majority

68
00:02:22,319 --> 00:02:25,439
of people that have near-death

69
00:02:23,849 --> 00:02:27,090
experiences when they're at that

70
00:02:25,439 --> 00:02:29,219
boundary and they're involved in a

71
00:02:27,090 --> 00:02:30,989
decision want to stay in that unearthly

72
00:02:29,219 --> 00:02:32,879
realm you do not want to go back to the

73
00:02:30,989 --> 00:02:35,039
earthly life even though that's been

74
00:02:32,879 --> 00:02:37,259
familiar for years two decades of all

75
00:02:35,039 --> 00:02:38,609
their existence up until then and then

76
00:02:37,259 --> 00:02:41,969
they return to their body either

77
00:02:38,610 --> 00:02:45,120
voluntarily or involuntarily well a

78
00:02:41,969 --> 00:02:46,859
little bit about hearing my first

79
00:02:45,120 --> 00:02:49,289
near-death experience again I'm dr.

80
00:02:46,860 --> 00:02:52,260
Jeffery long I'm a physician and medical

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00:02:49,289 --> 00:02:54,479
practice is radiation oncology and it

82
00:02:52,259 --> 00:02:56,099
was many decades ago that I was back in

83
00:02:54,479 --> 00:02:57,299
the days when we had paper journal to

84
00:02:56,099 --> 00:02:59,879
remember that instead of reading it

85
00:02:57,300 --> 00:03:01,080
online but I was actually looking up a

86

00:02:59,879 --> 00:03:03,959
new journal of the American Medical

87
00:03:01,080 --> 00:03:05,790
Association an article about cancer as

88
00:03:03,959 --> 00:03:08,219
part of my training and right now our

89
00:03:05,789 --> 00:03:10,679
articles topline it had the term

90
00:03:08,219 --> 00:03:13,349
near-death experience which I had never

91
00:03:10,680 --> 00:03:15,090
heard I was fascinated stopped looking

92
00:03:13,349 --> 00:03:17,129
for that article and read the article

93
00:03:15,090 --> 00:03:18,719
and was immediately fascinated folks I

94
00:03:17,129 --> 00:03:21,569
mean how can you not be interested in

95
00:03:18,719 --> 00:03:23,370
what happens when we die I was amazed

96
00:03:21,569 --> 00:03:25,049
when I read that article and thought

97
00:03:23,370 --> 00:03:27,150
after reading my very first article

98
00:03:25,049 --> 00:03:29,610
first exposure to near-death experience

99
00:03:27,150 --> 00:03:32,519
if this is for real this changes my view

100
00:03:29,610 --> 00:03:35,310

of the universe consciousness if you

101

00:03:32,519 --> 00:03:36,870

will this changed everything well many

102

00:03:35,310 --> 00:03:38,610

years later and a little bit of a

103

00:03:36,870 --> 00:03:40,620

computer geek I was able to set up a

104

00:03:38,610 --> 00:03:43,320

website the near-death experience

105

00:03:40,620 --> 00:03:45,480

Research Foundation and from the very

106

00:03:43,319 --> 00:03:47,579

inception of this website I had a very

107

00:03:45,479 --> 00:03:49,018

detailed questionnaire asking people to

108

00:03:47,579 --> 00:03:51,510

share not only a narrative of their

109

00:03:49,019 --> 00:03:54,090

experience but answer mini which is now

110

00:03:51,509 --> 00:03:56,578

up to over 140 questions about their

111

00:03:54,090 --> 00:03:59,280

experience so that we could learn about

112

00:03:56,579 --> 00:04:01,310

it and that started my indie research I

113

00:03:59,280 --> 00:04:04,199

want to emphasize it's a public service

114

00:04:01,310 --> 00:04:06,900

we really have not solicited funds for

115
00:04:04,199 --> 00:04:09,119
that and we've we're entirely

116
00:04:06,900 --> 00:04:10,379
self-funded now that was a long time ago

117
00:04:09,120 --> 00:04:12,569
in August 19

118
00:04:10,379 --> 00:04:15,509
ninety-eight that in derf became a live

119
00:04:12,569 --> 00:04:17,939
website and amazingly over the years

120
00:04:15,509 --> 00:04:20,129
we've now accrued over four thousand

121
00:04:17,939 --> 00:04:22,560
near-death experiences that are posted

122
00:04:20,129 --> 00:04:24,629
on the website making this obviously by

123
00:04:22,560 --> 00:04:26,699
far the largest publicly accessible

124
00:04:24,629 --> 00:04:29,250
database and near-death experiences in

125
00:04:26,699 --> 00:04:32,099
the world just been an inspiration to a

126
00:04:29,250 --> 00:04:33,990
vast number of people I want to say at

127
00:04:32,100 --> 00:04:36,300
the beginning of this talk here it's a

128
00:04:33,990 --> 00:04:38,280
basic scientific principle that what is

129
00:04:36,300 --> 00:04:40,370
real is consistently observed and I'm

130
00:04:38,279 --> 00:04:42,209
about to describe some striking

131
00:04:40,370 --> 00:04:44,399
consistencies and consistent

132
00:04:42,209 --> 00:04:46,560
observations in near-death experiences

133
00:04:44,399 --> 00:04:48,239
out of thousands that have led me to

134
00:04:46,560 --> 00:04:50,280
firmly believe that near-death

135
00:04:48,240 --> 00:04:52,800
experiences and their consistent message

136
00:04:50,279 --> 00:04:54,869
of if you will survival is the real

137
00:04:52,800 --> 00:04:57,360
thing and I have to emphasize special

138
00:04:54,870 --> 00:04:59,250
thanks to my wife Jody she's a licensed

139
00:04:57,360 --> 00:05:01,889
attorney but is so fascinated and

140
00:04:59,250 --> 00:05:03,420
interested in the work that we do really

141
00:05:01,889 --> 00:05:05,250
it's a soul calling and I think for both

142
00:05:03,420 --> 00:05:07,020
of us so even though she's a licensed

143

00:05:05,250 --> 00:05:10,199
attorney she's not practice law and

144
00:05:07,019 --> 00:05:12,299
devotes her full time probably full time

145
00:05:10,199 --> 00:05:13,920
and a half to these web near-death

146
00:05:12,300 --> 00:05:15,870
experience and research related

147
00:05:13,920 --> 00:05:22,890
activities that we do I could not do it

148
00:05:15,870 --> 00:05:24,990
without Jody yeah that's for real so big

149
00:05:22,889 --> 00:05:27,689
thanks to Jody will what who has a

150
00:05:24,990 --> 00:05:30,269
near-death experience anyway a Gallup

151
00:05:27,689 --> 00:05:32,459
poll published in 1982 suggested perhaps

152
00:05:30,269 --> 00:05:34,529
as many as five percent of the adults in

153
00:05:32,459 --> 00:05:37,199
the United States it had a near-death

154
00:05:34,529 --> 00:05:39,239
experience well the bottom line we can't

155
00:05:37,199 --> 00:05:41,399
really predict at the time of a

156
00:05:39,240 --> 00:05:43,110
life-threatening event who will have a

157
00:05:41,399 --> 00:05:44,879

near-death experience or what the

158

00:05:43,110 --> 00:05:47,520

content of a near-death experience will

159

00:05:44,879 --> 00:05:50,339

be near-death experiences can happen to

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00:05:47,519 --> 00:05:52,169

children adults physicians scientists

161

00:05:50,339 --> 00:05:54,089

we've had near-death experiences from

162

00:05:52,170 --> 00:05:56,370

the clergy the religious atheists and

163

00:05:54,089 --> 00:05:57,959

even many people who have never heard of

164

00:05:56,370 --> 00:06:00,000

a near-death experience and believe no

165

00:05:57,959 --> 00:06:01,359

such thing as possible have a near-death

166

00:06:00,000 --> 00:06:03,848

experience and then later

167

00:06:01,360 --> 00:06:05,680

share with us I want to emphasize that

168

00:06:03,848 --> 00:06:08,110

the great majority of people that have

169

00:06:05,680 --> 00:06:10,418

that close brush with death do not have

170

00:06:08,110 --> 00:06:13,060

a near-death experience only about 10 to

171

00:06:10,418 --> 00:06:15,370

20 percent of those who nearly died have

172
00:06:13,060 --> 00:06:17,769
a near-death experience and technically

173
00:06:15,370 --> 00:06:19,418
we don't know exactly why certain people

174
00:06:17,769 --> 00:06:21,250
have a near-death experience and why

175
00:06:19,418 --> 00:06:22,418
don't although if there's some interest

176
00:06:21,250 --> 00:06:24,218
in that we had a very interesting

177
00:06:22,418 --> 00:06:25,568
near-death experience where we may have

178
00:06:24,218 --> 00:06:27,399
an answer to that question well the

179
00:06:25,569 --> 00:06:30,819
bottom line is anyone can have a

180
00:06:27,399 --> 00:06:33,519
near-death experience okay here's what

181
00:06:30,819 --> 00:06:35,319
the skeptics think we do this right here

182
00:06:33,519 --> 00:06:38,079
is the fake near-death kit and there's

183
00:06:35,319 --> 00:06:40,629
your life and there's your cut okay

184
00:06:38,079 --> 00:06:42,609
I have great news we don't do our India

185
00:06:40,629 --> 00:06:43,960
research this way I don't think anybody

186
00:06:42,610 --> 00:06:46,028
else does it either but I think the

187
00:06:43,959 --> 00:06:50,348
skeptics believe what we do so there you

188
00:06:46,028 --> 00:06:53,079
go moving on rapidly my first book I

189
00:06:50,348 --> 00:06:54,759
published was some years ago evidence of

190
00:06:53,079 --> 00:06:57,908
the afterlife the science of near-death

191
00:06:54,759 --> 00:06:59,408
experience and worked my tail off to do

192
00:06:57,908 --> 00:07:01,569
that I have a very busy medical practice

193
00:06:59,408 --> 00:07:04,509
but somehow found the time to do that

194
00:07:01,569 --> 00:07:05,919
and oops eight days later it was a New

195
00:07:04,509 --> 00:07:07,810
York Times bestseller which

196
00:07:05,918 --> 00:07:10,180
substantially changed my life and I've

197
00:07:07,810 --> 00:07:11,680
been all sorts of media was I was

198
00:07:10,180 --> 00:07:14,709
prouder to be on The O'Reilly Factor

199
00:07:11,680 --> 00:07:17,379
until recent events troubles we had but

200

00:07:14,709 --> 00:07:19,180
it's been a very fun and very joyful

201
00:07:17,379 --> 00:07:20,500
honored to be invited today talked to

202
00:07:19,180 --> 00:07:21,759
the New York Academy of Science and it's

203
00:07:20,500 --> 00:07:24,218
been a real adventure and I've had an

204
00:07:21,759 --> 00:07:26,110
opportunity literally to talk to tens of

205
00:07:24,218 --> 00:07:28,329
millions of people in various media

206
00:07:26,110 --> 00:07:30,129
events about near-death experiences in

207
00:07:28,329 --> 00:07:30,818
my research and we'll get into that

208
00:07:30,129 --> 00:07:33,968
shortly

209
00:07:30,819 --> 00:07:35,408
now I practice in Houma Louisiana which

210
00:07:33,968 --> 00:07:38,079
you've probably never heard of because

211
00:07:35,408 --> 00:07:39,968
it's a town of 32,000 that is about an

212
00:07:38,079 --> 00:07:41,649
hour away from Louisiana and

213
00:07:39,968 --> 00:07:44,168
interestingly even a little bit south of

214
00:07:41,649 --> 00:07:46,028

Louisiana so even from that small town

215

00:07:44,168 --> 00:07:48,068
which is very conservative from a

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00:07:46,028 --> 00:07:49,478
religious point of view I was thrilled

217

00:07:48,069 --> 00:07:51,759
to find that there was extraordinary

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00:07:49,478 --> 00:07:53,769
local interest people love this I talked

219

00:07:51,759 --> 00:07:55,240
to all sorts of groups down there it

220

00:07:53,769 --> 00:07:58,180
turned out to be a very very positive

221

00:07:55,240 --> 00:08:00,069
part of my experience down there and

222

00:07:58,180 --> 00:08:02,110
actually helped my medical practices

223

00:08:00,069 --> 00:08:04,270
don't make me swamp that's another story

224

00:08:02,110 --> 00:08:05,770
well anyway we're going to get into the

225

00:08:04,269 --> 00:08:07,990
evidence that was in that first book

226

00:08:05,769 --> 00:08:10,149
that I wrote that had nine lines of

227

00:08:07,990 --> 00:08:10,569
evidence the survey the largest survey

228

00:08:10,149 --> 00:08:14,019
we had

229
00:08:10,569 --> 00:08:16,509
to that time had 617 respondents from

230
00:08:14,019 --> 00:08:18,399
our online survey these are sequentially

231
00:08:16,509 --> 00:08:20,979
shared near-death experiences so there's

232
00:08:18,399 --> 00:08:22,959
no file drawer effect but we're gonna go

233
00:08:20,978 --> 00:08:24,938
over all these nine lines of evidence

234
00:08:22,959 --> 00:08:26,679
that I think certainly it convinced me

235
00:08:24,939 --> 00:08:27,879
and I think a lot of other people and

236
00:08:26,678 --> 00:08:30,788
certainly those that have had near-death

237
00:08:27,879 --> 00:08:32,680
experiences that evident that after that

238
00:08:30,788 --> 00:08:34,899
near-death experiences are indeed

239
00:08:32,679 --> 00:08:36,788
evidence of an afterlife survival of

240
00:08:34,899 --> 00:08:38,979
consciousness if you will there

241
00:08:36,788 --> 00:08:41,049
certainly we speak their reality so

242
00:08:38,979 --> 00:08:43,180
let's dive right into it

243
00:08:41,049 --> 00:08:45,068
ed Kelley said that there were two

244
00:08:43,179 --> 00:08:46,899
aspects of near-death experience that he

245
00:08:45,068 --> 00:08:48,639
thought was very evidential one was

246
00:08:46,899 --> 00:08:50,409
near-death experiences during cardiac

247
00:08:48,639 --> 00:08:52,690
arrest when consciousness should not

248
00:08:50,409 --> 00:08:54,578
exist and the second being under general

249
00:08:52,690 --> 00:08:56,380
anesthesia we're going to hit both of

250
00:08:54,578 --> 00:08:58,239
those but first let's talk about what

251
00:08:56,379 --> 00:09:00,490
happens when you have a cardiac arrest

252
00:08:58,240 --> 00:09:02,560
when you have a cardiac arrest your

253
00:09:00,490 --> 00:09:04,329
heart stops beating immediately when

254
00:09:02,559 --> 00:09:06,789
your heart stops beating blood stops

255
00:09:04,328 --> 00:09:08,828
going up to your brain ten to twenty

256
00:09:06,789 --> 00:09:10,448
seconds after blood stops flowing to

257

00:09:08,828 --> 00:09:11,109
your brain at the time of a cardiac

258
00:09:10,448 --> 00:09:13,809
arrest

259
00:09:11,110 --> 00:09:16,688
EEG measure of cortical brain electrical

260
00:09:13,809 --> 00:09:18,609
activity is absolutely flat it should be

261
00:09:16,688 --> 00:09:20,980
absolutely if that possible at that time

262
00:09:18,610 --> 00:09:23,259
to have a conscience at experience and

263
00:09:20,980 --> 00:09:25,659
yet by the scores we have near-death

264
00:09:23,259 --> 00:09:26,919
experiences over the years describing

265
00:09:25,659 --> 00:09:29,230
that out-of-body experience

266
00:09:26,919 --> 00:09:31,958
consciousness over their body while they

267
00:09:29,230 --> 00:09:33,909
are by all political measures dead an

268
00:09:31,958 --> 00:09:36,039
absent heartbeat and yet there they are

269
00:09:33,909 --> 00:09:39,068
with a lucid organized experience and

270
00:09:36,039 --> 00:09:41,469
what they're observing later verified I

271
00:09:39,068 --> 00:09:43,000

asked in a survey question about their

272

00:09:41,470 --> 00:09:45,370

level of consciousness and alertness

273

00:09:43,000 --> 00:09:47,889

surely after they're physically

274

00:09:45,370 --> 00:09:48,909

unconscious or clinically dead that

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00:09:47,889 --> 00:09:51,339

should alter their level of

276

00:09:48,909 --> 00:09:53,049

consciousness but paradoxically among

277

00:09:51,339 --> 00:09:55,000

those that had near-death experiences

278

00:09:53,049 --> 00:09:57,549

and responded to the survey question

279

00:09:55,000 --> 00:09:58,899

nearly 3/4 said they were actually

280

00:09:57,549 --> 00:10:00,669

during the experience having more

281

00:09:58,899 --> 00:10:03,490

consciousness and alertness than usual

282

00:10:00,669 --> 00:10:04,719

only about 20% said normal consciousness

283

00:10:03,490 --> 00:10:06,730

and alertness and even though they're

284

00:10:04,720 --> 00:10:08,560

physically unconscious look at that only

285

00:10:06,730 --> 00:10:10,810

five percent said that their experience

286
00:10:08,559 --> 00:10:12,669
involved them with less consciousness

287
00:10:10,809 --> 00:10:15,638
then again comparison to their earthly

288
00:10:12,669 --> 00:10:17,318
everyday life near-death experiences

289
00:10:15,639 --> 00:10:20,049
seemed to be a very special type of

290
00:10:17,318 --> 00:10:21,719
memory they're remembered verbatim years

291
00:10:20,049 --> 00:10:23,490
two decades later and that's been

292
00:10:21,720 --> 00:10:27,480
proven in several good prospective

293
00:10:23,490 --> 00:10:29,339
studies the second thing that I think is

294
00:10:27,480 --> 00:10:31,319
fascinating about near-death experience

295
00:10:29,339 --> 00:10:34,139
we heard about a lot of body experiences

296
00:10:31,318 --> 00:10:36,120
well that's very common in near-death

297
00:10:34,139 --> 00:10:38,278
experiences to have that separation of

298
00:10:36,120 --> 00:10:40,948
consciousness go above the physical body

299
00:10:38,278 --> 00:10:42,899
and then they can see it here ongoing

300
00:10:40,948 --> 00:10:46,019
earthly events while they're unconscious

301
00:10:42,899 --> 00:10:48,179
or clinically dead about 45 percent of

302
00:10:46,019 --> 00:10:51,000
near-death experiences describe ongoing

303
00:10:48,179 --> 00:10:53,159
earthly events as part of their in de my

304
00:10:51,000 --> 00:10:54,419
research question is very simple what

305
00:10:53,159 --> 00:10:56,759
they're seeing when their consciousness

306
00:10:54,419 --> 00:10:58,948
is apart from their body is real is it

307
00:10:56,759 --> 00:11:01,259
validated well there was a good

308
00:10:58,948 --> 00:11:03,568
prospective study by st. Bowman sarkari

309
00:11:01,259 --> 00:11:05,579
that suggested that what they were

310
00:11:03,568 --> 00:11:07,740
observing is certainly very accurate and

311
00:11:05,578 --> 00:11:09,838
there's a dr. jane holden who reviewed

312
00:11:07,740 --> 00:11:11,930
all india literature up to her

313
00:11:09,839 --> 00:11:15,000
publications some years ago and found

314

00:11:11,929 --> 00:11:17,458
92% of these out-of-body observations

315
00:11:15,000 --> 00:11:19,409
described during near-death experiences

316
00:11:17,458 --> 00:11:20,938
were without any accuracy she'd call

317
00:11:19,409 --> 00:11:22,980
them inaccurate if there was even a

318
00:11:20,938 --> 00:11:25,620
single detail that didn't jibe with

319
00:11:22,980 --> 00:11:28,860
consensus reality and for my study we

320
00:11:25,620 --> 00:11:30,149
found 287 near-death experiences that

321
00:11:28,860 --> 00:11:32,430
described these an out-of-body

322
00:11:30,149 --> 00:11:34,799
observations my researchers questioned

323
00:11:32,429 --> 00:11:38,068
very simple was that absolutely accurate

324
00:11:34,799 --> 00:11:40,378
verbatim and I found 97.6 of these

325
00:11:38,068 --> 00:11:42,659
out-of-body observations or without any

326
00:11:40,379 --> 00:11:45,058
apparent inaccuracy whatsoever and this

327
00:11:42,659 --> 00:11:46,558
includes remarkably people that have

328
00:11:45,058 --> 00:11:48,719

their consciousness separate from the

329

00:11:46,558 --> 00:11:50,789

body and then travel a considerable

330

00:11:48,720 --> 00:11:52,980

distance from the physical body far

331

00:11:50,789 --> 00:11:55,318

outside of any physical awareness we

332

00:11:52,980 --> 00:11:57,569

actually had presented on television a

333

00:11:55,318 --> 00:11:59,818

case report of this type of phenomenon

334

00:11:57,568 --> 00:12:01,378

where the person coded in the operating

335

00:11:59,818 --> 00:12:03,808

room had a near-death experience

336

00:12:01,379 --> 00:12:06,209

consciousness left the operating room

337

00:12:03,808 --> 00:12:08,789

arena and went down into the hospital

338

00:12:06,208 --> 00:12:10,588

cafeteria from that vantage point he was

339

00:12:08,789 --> 00:12:12,688

able to see and hear what his family

340

00:12:10,589 --> 00:12:14,339

members were talking about while he was

341

00:12:12,688 --> 00:12:16,289

under anesthesia while he was what

342

00:12:14,339 --> 00:12:18,180

coated in a completely different part of

343
00:12:16,289 --> 00:12:20,308
the hospital what he saw it heard

344
00:12:18,179 --> 00:12:22,769
verbatim accurate down to fine details

345
00:12:20,308 --> 00:12:24,990
that is anecdotal but that is not a rare

346
00:12:22,769 --> 00:12:26,909
phenomenon Indies at all we have scores

347
00:12:24,990 --> 00:12:29,448
and scores of near-death experiences

348
00:12:26,909 --> 00:12:31,828
with that SAF same type of phenomenon

349
00:12:29,448 --> 00:12:32,359
absolutely inexplicable by brain

350
00:12:31,828 --> 00:12:34,250
function

351
00:12:32,360 --> 00:12:37,009
as we know it today by physical brain

352
00:12:34,250 --> 00:12:39,379
function oh here we go again

353
00:12:37,009 --> 00:12:41,838
okay well alright if you are reading

354
00:12:39,379 --> 00:12:44,689
this so here's here's how we don't do

355
00:12:41,839 --> 00:12:46,910
research is for everybody a person walks

356
00:12:44,690 --> 00:12:48,769
out of a room and says why did this guy

357
00:12:46,909 --> 00:12:51,289
so we don't do this so here's an

358
00:12:48,769 --> 00:12:52,490
operating room and so you could there

359
00:12:51,289 --> 00:12:55,189
have been some interest in placing

360
00:12:52,490 --> 00:12:56,778
targets for prospective indi study and

361
00:12:55,190 --> 00:12:57,950
that's not exactly how it's done that's

362
00:12:56,778 --> 00:12:59,450
the good news

363
00:12:57,950 --> 00:13:01,730
moving on once again moving along

364
00:12:59,450 --> 00:13:03,500
rapidly well a line of evidence number

365
00:13:01,730 --> 00:13:05,209
three are near-death experiences in the

366
00:13:03,500 --> 00:13:07,730
blind I had the opportunity

367
00:13:05,208 --> 00:13:09,259
well blind is different there's

368
00:13:07,730 --> 00:13:11,360
different types of blindness you can be

369
00:13:09,259 --> 00:13:13,069
born blind or develop lioness later in

370
00:13:11,360 --> 00:13:15,110
life you can be totally blind or

371

00:13:13,070 --> 00:13:17,060
partially blind the sternest test

372
00:13:15,110 --> 00:13:18,230
obviously it would be someone born

373
00:13:17,059 --> 00:13:20,659
totally blind

374
00:13:18,230 --> 00:13:25,190
well enter Vicky who I interviewed who

375
00:13:20,659 --> 00:13:27,889
was born at 26 weeks gestation back in

376
00:13:25,190 --> 00:13:29,839
the 50s they put him in oxygen tents and

377
00:13:27,889 --> 00:13:32,629
basically fried the retina leaving them

378
00:13:29,839 --> 00:13:34,730
totally blind from early infancy we

379
00:13:32,629 --> 00:13:37,360
don't do that anymore but suffice it to

380
00:13:34,730 --> 00:13:40,310
say Vicky totally blind throughout life

381
00:13:37,360 --> 00:13:41,690
was involved in a car crash I know what

382
00:13:40,309 --> 00:13:43,909
you're thinking no she wasn't driving

383
00:13:41,690 --> 00:13:45,290
she was a singer and very talented and

384
00:13:43,909 --> 00:13:48,948
she was being driven home by an

385
00:13:45,289 --> 00:13:50,719

inebriated patron who crashed and for

386

00:13:48,948 --> 00:13:52,969

the first time she had vision unlike

387

00:13:50,720 --> 00:13:55,519

anything she'd had in her life she was

388

00:13:52,970 --> 00:13:57,860

physically over her body while I was in

389

00:13:55,519 --> 00:13:59,720

a gurney in the emergency room and you

390

00:13:57,860 --> 00:14:01,039

could just imagine her first reaction to

391

00:13:59,720 --> 00:14:03,560

that kind of vision well you probably

392

00:14:01,039 --> 00:14:05,778

can't I didn't she was horrified vision

393

00:14:03,559 --> 00:14:08,299

was so unknown and unfamiliar too or it

394

00:14:05,778 --> 00:14:10,309

scared her and it was only after a while

395

00:14:08,299 --> 00:14:11,809

that she correlated her long hair which

396

00:14:10,309 --> 00:14:13,669

she knew by sense of feel and

397

00:14:11,809 --> 00:14:15,379

interestingly her father had have given

398

00:14:13,669 --> 00:14:17,179

her her ring which she only knew again

399

00:14:15,379 --> 00:14:19,578

by sense of feel that she now was able

400
00:14:17,179 --> 00:14:21,559
to see so folks when she went through

401
00:14:19,578 --> 00:14:24,349
and had a stunningly detailed near-death

402
00:14:21,559 --> 00:14:26,649
experience her vision and it was what's

403
00:14:24,350 --> 00:14:29,540
often observed in near-death experience

404
00:14:26,649 --> 00:14:31,730
360-degree vision which is actually a

405
00:14:29,539 --> 00:14:34,789
more correct term would be spherical up

406
00:14:31,730 --> 00:14:37,070
down right left forward backward

407
00:14:34,789 --> 00:14:39,409
basically processing a spherical visual

408
00:14:37,070 --> 00:14:41,240
field all simultaneously it was

409
00:14:39,409 --> 00:14:43,100
fascinating to me to talk to Vicky and

410
00:14:41,240 --> 00:14:44,909
explain that our visual field was pie

411
00:14:43,100 --> 00:14:46,259
shaped and I'd still

412
00:14:44,909 --> 00:14:49,199
you know she ever believed me because

413
00:14:46,259 --> 00:14:50,819
for some total of seven detailed vision

414
00:14:49,200 --> 00:14:54,120
was spherical as so many near-death

415
00:14:50,820 --> 00:14:55,830
experiences report well certainly we now

416
00:14:54,120 --> 00:14:57,389
I've asked the most recent version of

417
00:14:55,830 --> 00:14:59,190
our questionnaire for near-death

418
00:14:57,389 --> 00:15:00,809
experiencers the difference between

419
00:14:59,190 --> 00:15:02,940
their earthly everyday vision and their

420
00:15:00,809 --> 00:15:04,889
vision during Indies we now have a

421
00:15:02,940 --> 00:15:07,080
series of we're developing of people

422
00:15:04,889 --> 00:15:09,629
that were either severely visually

423
00:15:07,080 --> 00:15:11,370
impaired or actually blind and had an in

424
00:15:09,629 --> 00:15:13,980
to eat but let's give an example of that

425
00:15:11,370 --> 00:15:16,500
marta marker shared her in de and this

426
00:15:13,980 --> 00:15:18,389
portion of the narrative marta was a

427
00:15:16,500 --> 00:15:20,279
five year old girl and parents don't

428

00:15:18,389 --> 00:15:21,689
ever let your kids go out in the lake if

429
00:15:20,279 --> 00:15:24,179
they're blind here's what can happen

430
00:15:21,690 --> 00:15:26,070
Marta's own words by the way I slowly

431
00:15:24,179 --> 00:15:28,349
breathed in the water and immediately

432
00:15:26,070 --> 00:15:30,600
lost consciousness a beautiful woman

433
00:15:28,350 --> 00:15:32,909
dressed in bright white light pulled me

434
00:15:30,600 --> 00:15:35,340
out and looking into my eyes asked me

435
00:15:32,909 --> 00:15:37,439
what I wanted I was completely satisfied

436
00:15:35,340 --> 00:15:39,360
and could think of nothing until it

437
00:15:37,440 --> 00:15:41,820
occurred to me to take a trip around the

438
00:15:39,360 --> 00:15:44,399
lake I did so and saw a detail I would

439
00:15:41,820 --> 00:15:46,680
have never seen in real life I could go

440
00:15:44,399 --> 00:15:49,799
anywhere even to the tops of trees by

441
00:15:46,679 --> 00:15:51,779
simply intending to do so I was legally

442
00:15:49,799 --> 00:15:54,359

blind and for the first time I saw

443

00:15:51,779 --> 00:15:57,899

leaves on trees birds feathers birds

444

00:15:54,360 --> 00:15:59,580

eyes details on telephone poles and in

445

00:15:57,899 --> 00:16:02,159

people's backyards that was far more

446

00:15:59,580 --> 00:16:03,930

acute than 20/20 vision things we take

447

00:16:02,159 --> 00:16:06,569

for granted birds feathers birds eyes

448

00:16:03,929 --> 00:16:08,399

telephone poles fascinating if you've

449

00:16:06,570 --> 00:16:10,170

never seen it before in your life as was

450

00:16:08,399 --> 00:16:12,899

true for Marta during her near-death

451

00:16:10,169 --> 00:16:15,809

experience at the age of five but a

452

00:16:12,899 --> 00:16:18,269

fourth line of evidence again and Kelley

453

00:16:15,809 --> 00:16:19,859

talked about a very powerful and

454

00:16:18,269 --> 00:16:21,539

persuasive line of evidence so what

455

00:16:19,860 --> 00:16:24,000

about near-death experiences that occur

456

00:16:21,539 --> 00:16:25,860

while you're under general anesthesia it

457
00:16:24,000 --> 00:16:28,019
helps for me to be a physician when

458
00:16:25,860 --> 00:16:29,550
reading these accounts I know darn good

459
00:16:28,019 --> 00:16:32,159
and well what kind of surgeries are done

460
00:16:29,549 --> 00:16:34,829
under general anesthesia anesthesia and

461
00:16:32,159 --> 00:16:36,240
which ones possibly surgery may

462
00:16:34,830 --> 00:16:40,259
potentially be done in her local

463
00:16:36,240 --> 00:16:41,720
anesthesia so I found 23 experiences of

464
00:16:40,259 --> 00:16:45,049
from your own near-death

465
00:16:41,720 --> 00:16:47,329
clearly under general anesthesia at the

466
00:16:45,049 --> 00:16:49,068
time they had their experience of course

467
00:16:47,328 --> 00:16:50,750
don't forget under general anesthesia

468
00:16:49,068 --> 00:16:53,688
they're very careful to monitor

469
00:16:50,750 --> 00:16:55,909
heartbeat and very few get up if you

470
00:16:53,688 --> 00:16:57,740
code during a operation while you're

471
00:16:55,909 --> 00:17:00,169
there general anesthesia it's very well

472
00:16:57,740 --> 00:17:02,299
documented in addition when you're under

473
00:17:00,169 --> 00:17:04,490
general anesthesia it should be

474
00:17:02,299 --> 00:17:06,798
absolutely impossible to have a lucid

475
00:17:04,490 --> 00:17:09,230
organized consciousness and yet they do

476
00:17:06,798 --> 00:17:11,179
I found 23 people that were solidly

477
00:17:09,230 --> 00:17:13,068
convincingly having their near-death

478
00:17:11,179 --> 00:17:15,709
experience at the time they were under

479
00:17:13,068 --> 00:17:17,869
general anesthesia they do occur and

480
00:17:15,709 --> 00:17:20,058
their typical near-death experiences and

481
00:17:17,869 --> 00:17:23,239
in fact my survey questionnaire at the

482
00:17:20,058 --> 00:17:25,250
time had 33 questions that specifically

483
00:17:23,240 --> 00:17:28,159
addressed the content if you will the

484
00:17:25,250 --> 00:17:30,529
elements of a near-death experience 32

485

00:17:28,159 --> 00:17:33,350
of the 33 elements comparing the

486
00:17:30,529 --> 00:17:35,329
anesthesia in the e group to into ease

487
00:17:33,349 --> 00:17:38,178
occurring under all other circumstances

488
00:17:35,329 --> 00:17:41,149
32 of the 33 elements occurred equally

489
00:17:38,179 --> 00:17:43,130
often interestingly the those Indy's

490
00:17:41,150 --> 00:17:44,900
under anesthesia statistically were more

491
00:17:43,130 --> 00:17:47,780
likely to have a tunnel experience I

492
00:17:44,900 --> 00:17:49,548
don't exactly know why but the critical

493
00:17:47,779 --> 00:17:51,440
question I asked about their level of

494
00:17:49,548 --> 00:17:53,509
consciousness and alertness compared to

495
00:17:51,440 --> 00:17:55,159
their earthly everyday life the same

496
00:17:53,509 --> 00:17:57,798
level of consciousness and alert there's

497
00:17:55,159 --> 00:17:59,809
no statistical difference among those

498
00:17:57,798 --> 00:18:01,519
having their India under anesthesia and

499
00:17:59,808 --> 00:18:04,038

those having Indies under all other

500

00:18:01,519 --> 00:18:07,038

circumstances I submit to you you could

501

00:18:04,038 --> 00:18:08,779

look at that very loved that single

502

00:18:07,038 --> 00:18:11,119

question right there and single handedly

503

00:18:08,779 --> 00:18:12,918

proved that you can have consciousness

504

00:18:11,119 --> 00:18:14,658

apart from the physical brain as it's

505

00:18:12,919 --> 00:18:16,009

understood because these are patient

506

00:18:14,659 --> 00:18:18,080

these are all people that had Indies

507

00:18:16,009 --> 00:18:20,359

they were coded and they were under

508

00:18:18,079 --> 00:18:22,819

general anesthesia I submit to you it is

509

00:18:20,359 --> 00:18:24,678

doubly impossible to have any kind of

510

00:18:22,819 --> 00:18:26,470

memory at that point in time and yet

511

00:18:24,679 --> 00:18:29,059

they did and that is I think

512

00:18:26,470 --> 00:18:31,250

single-handedly some of the strongest

513

00:18:29,058 --> 00:18:33,649

evidence that you can you near-death

514
00:18:31,250 --> 00:18:34,940
experiences are for real consciousness

515
00:18:33,650 --> 00:18:36,540
could exist apart from the physical

516
00:18:34,940 --> 00:18:38,730
brain functioning is

517
00:18:36,539 --> 00:18:41,129
nationally understood but there's more

518
00:18:38,730 --> 00:18:44,309
oh boy here's another one okay here we

519
00:18:41,130 --> 00:18:47,490
go here's a hey I have to reassure

520
00:18:44,309 --> 00:18:49,049
everybody I as a physician lights don't

521
00:18:47,490 --> 00:18:51,630
fall from the ceiling in operating rooms

522
00:18:49,049 --> 00:18:53,129
and on patients so don't worry about

523
00:18:51,630 --> 00:18:54,990
this happening

524
00:18:53,130 --> 00:18:56,520
ten-to-one that when he comes he'll tell

525
00:18:54,990 --> 00:18:58,230
when those stories about seeing a bright

526
00:18:56,519 --> 00:18:58,710
light at the end of the tunnel okay here

527
00:18:58,230 --> 00:19:01,319
we go

528
00:18:58,710 --> 00:19:03,450
once again addressing the skeptics

529
00:19:01,319 --> 00:19:07,319
thought about how we do India research

530
00:19:03,450 --> 00:19:10,440
anyway well we got here okay speaking of

531
00:19:07,319 --> 00:19:11,939
India skeptics it has been amazing in

532
00:19:10,440 --> 00:19:13,529
the over eighteen years that I've been

533
00:19:11,940 --> 00:19:15,930
doing this research that there have been

534
00:19:13,529 --> 00:19:18,480
well over 20 some would argue over 30

535
00:19:15,930 --> 00:19:20,610
different skeptical explanations of

536
00:19:18,480 --> 00:19:22,519
near-death experience just about any

537
00:19:20,609 --> 00:19:25,769
conceivable physiological psychological

538
00:19:22,519 --> 00:19:27,480
cultural explanation has been proposed

539
00:19:25,769 --> 00:19:29,160
by some skeptic at some time or another

540
00:19:27,480 --> 00:19:30,750
now why are there so why are there so

541
00:19:29,160 --> 00:19:32,610
many different skeptical explanations

542

00:19:30,750 --> 00:19:35,099
the answer is very simple

543
00:19:32,609 --> 00:19:37,549
the skeptics themselves as a group are

544
00:19:35,099 --> 00:19:39,689
unable to agree on any one or several

545
00:19:37,549 --> 00:19:42,000
explanations of near-death experience

546
00:19:39,690 --> 00:19:44,519
that makes sense even to the skeptics

547
00:19:42,000 --> 00:19:46,410
themselves and it goes on and on every

548
00:19:44,519 --> 00:19:48,359
year a new skeptical explanation is

549
00:19:46,410 --> 00:19:50,160
raised and I feel like raising my hand

550
00:19:48,359 --> 00:19:51,750
and saying okay your explanations right

551
00:19:50,160 --> 00:19:53,340
are you going to tell all these other 20

552
00:19:51,750 --> 00:19:55,319
people that their explanation is wrong

553
00:19:53,339 --> 00:19:57,359
but we haven't had that dialogue it

554
00:19:55,319 --> 00:20:00,000
would be fascinating but suffice it to

555
00:19:57,359 --> 00:20:01,649
say skeptics can't explain any of the

556
00:20:00,000 --> 00:20:04,259

lines of evidence we're going over today

557

00:20:01,650 --> 00:20:06,030

let alone the totality of them I just

558

00:20:04,259 --> 00:20:09,990

condensed line of evidence for the

559

00:20:06,029 --> 00:20:11,220

reality of India 5 6 & 7 life review we

560

00:20:09,990 --> 00:20:13,049

found it to be so-called perfect

561

00:20:11,220 --> 00:20:15,509

playback during the life review which

562

00:20:13,049 --> 00:20:18,059

only about 15% of people having in Indy

563

00:20:15,509 --> 00:20:20,609

have they may see a part or even all of

564

00:20:18,059 --> 00:20:22,859

their prior life long forgotten memories

565

00:20:20,609 --> 00:20:24,809

may be recalled I have yet to have a

566

00:20:22,859 --> 00:20:27,419

near-death experience where they were

567

00:20:24,809 --> 00:20:29,730

aware of a memory from say toddlerhood

568

00:20:27,420 --> 00:20:31,110

or early childhood they saw during their

569

00:20:29,730 --> 00:20:33,210

life review and an NDE

570

00:20:31,109 --> 00:20:35,339

that they later went back and asked

571
00:20:33,210 --> 00:20:37,319
often their parents or others to see if

572
00:20:35,339 --> 00:20:39,750
it really happened I was told yes it did

573
00:20:37,319 --> 00:20:41,639
so even long forgotten memories seem to

574
00:20:39,750 --> 00:20:43,619
be remembered and seen and can be

575
00:20:41,640 --> 00:20:44,130
validated by the near-death experiencer

576
00:20:43,619 --> 00:20:46,259
after the

577
00:20:44,130 --> 00:20:48,120
recover from what nearly killed them we

578
00:20:46,259 --> 00:20:52,200
talked about countering deceased loved

579
00:20:48,119 --> 00:20:54,179
ones I did a study in my survey and I

580
00:20:52,200 --> 00:20:55,890
was curious now if all other forms of

581
00:20:54,180 --> 00:20:58,200
altered consciousness that I'm aware of

582
00:20:55,890 --> 00:21:00,030
as a physician if you encounter another

583
00:20:58,200 --> 00:21:01,799
being in that form of altered

584
00:21:00,029 --> 00:21:04,019
consciousness it's going to be like say

585
00:21:01,799 --> 00:21:05,849
the bank teller you did business with

586
00:21:04,019 --> 00:21:07,740
that day or the family member you said

587
00:21:05,849 --> 00:21:09,719
hi to before you went up to your bedroom

588
00:21:07,740 --> 00:21:11,099
and code it or something but it's going

589
00:21:09,720 --> 00:21:12,690
to be somebody who's alive in the

590
00:21:11,099 --> 00:21:15,349
forefront of consciousness interestingly

591
00:21:12,690 --> 00:21:17,850
in my study of near-death experiences

592
00:21:15,349 --> 00:21:20,099
only 4% of the beings that they

593
00:21:17,849 --> 00:21:23,009
encounter were actually alive at the

594
00:21:20,099 --> 00:21:25,019
time of their near-death experience 96%

595
00:21:23,009 --> 00:21:26,970
of the time they weren't and in fact we

596
00:21:25,019 --> 00:21:29,639
have a small series of people that had

597
00:21:26,970 --> 00:21:31,589
actually died but the near-death

598
00:21:29,640 --> 00:21:33,420
experimenter did not know they died at

599

00:21:31,589 --> 00:21:35,250
the time they had they're in de and they

600
00:21:33,420 --> 00:21:37,470
only found out about it later and yet

601
00:21:35,250 --> 00:21:39,000
there they were encountering that person

602
00:21:37,470 --> 00:21:40,470
who died and they didn't even know of it

603
00:21:39,000 --> 00:21:42,720
during the indeed we have a few

604
00:21:40,470 --> 00:21:44,670
interesting anecdotal cases of

605
00:21:42,720 --> 00:21:46,380
encountering siblings who died that they

606
00:21:44,670 --> 00:21:49,380
didn't even know of until they met them

607
00:21:46,380 --> 00:21:52,740
in the end EE and the gender was always

608
00:21:49,380 --> 00:21:54,180
accurate and validate that you're not

609
00:21:52,740 --> 00:21:56,970
speaking of children near-death

610
00:21:54,180 --> 00:21:59,310
experiences and children are in some way

611
00:21:56,970 --> 00:22:00,660
an ideal study group my study group was

612
00:21:59,309 --> 00:22:03,149
people that had their near-death

613
00:22:00,660 --> 00:22:05,370

experience aged 5 and younger median age

614

00:22:03,150 --> 00:22:08,580

of three and a half years old these were

615

00:22:05,369 --> 00:22:10,619

very young that young a kid they're

616

00:22:08,579 --> 00:22:12,629

practically in some significant ways

617

00:22:10,619 --> 00:22:14,129

culturally a blank slate they probably

618

00:22:12,630 --> 00:22:15,570

don't know much about religion they

619

00:22:14,130 --> 00:22:17,250

don't understand much about death

620

00:22:15,569 --> 00:22:19,639

they've almost certainly not heard about

621

00:22:17,250 --> 00:22:22,289

a near-death experience and yet when I

622

00:22:19,640 --> 00:22:24,390

surveyed the folks that had into East

623

00:22:22,289 --> 00:22:28,349

aged five and younger versus all other

624

00:22:24,390 --> 00:22:30,570

age six and older I found that we talked

625

00:22:28,349 --> 00:22:32,549

about those 33 questions pertaining to

626

00:22:30,569 --> 00:22:34,230

near-death experience elements no

627

00:22:32,549 --> 00:22:36,480

statistical difference between those two

628
00:22:34,230 --> 00:22:38,400
groups of young children and older

629
00:22:36,480 --> 00:22:41,250
children adults even very very young age

630
00:22:38,400 --> 00:22:43,170
still seems to not substantially modify

631
00:22:41,250 --> 00:22:44,460
the elements that occur with the

632
00:22:43,170 --> 00:22:46,410
near-death experience which is

633
00:22:44,460 --> 00:22:48,059
interesting now here's an interesting

634
00:22:46,410 --> 00:22:50,730
one well what about near-death

635
00:22:48,059 --> 00:22:53,190
experiences around the world thanks

636
00:22:50,730 --> 00:22:55,980
largely to the heroics of Jody we have

637
00:22:53,190 --> 00:22:58,170
the Ender website translated into

638
00:22:55,980 --> 00:22:59,789
amazingly 30 different non-english

639
00:22:58,170 --> 00:23:02,580
languages and by the way we don't use

640
00:22:59,789 --> 00:23:04,470
Google for translation or Internet

641
00:23:02,579 --> 00:23:06,329
sources all of these are hand

642
00:23:04,470 --> 00:23:08,279
translated by volunteers who've

643
00:23:06,329 --> 00:23:10,529
literally had hundreds that have helped

644
00:23:08,279 --> 00:23:12,629
us translate portions of the enders

645
00:23:10,529 --> 00:23:14,639
website including the survey that we

646
00:23:12,630 --> 00:23:16,620
asked into a huge number of different

647
00:23:14,640 --> 00:23:18,360
languages so we have gotten hundreds of

648
00:23:16,619 --> 00:23:21,149
near-death experiences from all around

649
00:23:18,359 --> 00:23:23,309
the world and we really get are by the

650
00:23:21,150 --> 00:23:26,009
way when you get a non-english in DVD

651
00:23:23,309 --> 00:23:27,450
we'll always post it both and again they

652
00:23:26,009 --> 00:23:30,960
have to get approval to post it which

653
00:23:27,450 --> 00:23:33,269
over 95% of people do but we then have

654
00:23:30,960 --> 00:23:35,490
volunteered human translators translate

655
00:23:33,269 --> 00:23:37,319
it and we post both the English

656

00:23:35,490 --> 00:23:39,000
translation as well as the original

657
00:23:37,319 --> 00:23:42,179
language version of the near-death

658
00:23:39,000 --> 00:23:44,190
experience we have 70 80 thousand unique

659
00:23:42,180 --> 00:23:45,930
visitors on our website of it month and

660
00:23:44,190 --> 00:23:47,850
we figure if there's any significant

661
00:23:45,930 --> 00:23:50,370
inaccuracies and translation we'll hear

662
00:23:47,849 --> 00:23:52,169
about it and the translation seems to be

663
00:23:50,369 --> 00:23:54,209
very very good well anyway this is by

664
00:23:52,170 --> 00:23:56,160
far the largest cross-cultural study of

665
00:23:54,210 --> 00:23:59,130
near-death experiences ever it was ever

666
00:23:56,160 --> 00:24:01,950
even possible absolutely in conclusion

667
00:23:59,130 --> 00:24:05,850
the unique content is strikingly similar

668
00:24:01,950 --> 00:24:07,590
language gets in the way but even in DES

669
00:24:05,849 --> 00:24:08,879
from non-western countries appear

670
00:24:07,589 --> 00:24:10,589

strikingly similar

671

00:24:08,880 --> 00:24:12,240
and certainly the implications are

672

00:24:10,589 --> 00:24:13,529
enormous all of this evidence is

673

00:24:12,240 --> 00:24:15,450
converging on the thought of your

674

00:24:13,529 --> 00:24:16,859
spiritual beings having a human

675

00:24:15,450 --> 00:24:19,259
experience here

676

00:24:16,859 --> 00:24:21,299
number 9 both prospective and

677

00:24:19,259 --> 00:24:23,849
retrospective studies all find huge

678

00:24:21,299 --> 00:24:25,619
changes in the lives of people after

679

00:24:23,849 --> 00:24:27,869
they have near-death experiences they're

680

00:24:25,619 --> 00:24:29,729
changed often profoundly and they're

681

00:24:27,869 --> 00:24:30,179
changed over appropriate for the rest of

682

00:24:29,730 --> 00:24:32,370
their life

683

00:24:30,180 --> 00:24:33,930
typically the changes progress this is

684

00:24:32,369 --> 00:24:36,029
just some of a listing of the more

685
00:24:33,930 --> 00:24:38,519
common after effects that are we call

686
00:24:36,029 --> 00:24:40,200
them after Indies now here's a real

687
00:24:38,519 --> 00:24:42,089
interest when getting away to my more

688
00:24:40,200 --> 00:24:43,740
recent research here's a question number

689
00:24:42,089 --> 00:24:46,439
two a sort of line of evidence number

690
00:24:43,740 --> 00:24:48,329
ten this is real easy if you want to

691
00:24:46,440 --> 00:24:51,210
find out if near-death experiences real

692
00:24:48,329 --> 00:24:53,599
asked our most recent survey as at the

693
00:24:51,210 --> 00:24:56,610
time the crows enclosed and cruel had

694
00:24:53,599 --> 00:24:58,469
1122 people that had responded to it and

695
00:24:56,609 --> 00:24:59,308
we asked them very directly how do you

696
00:24:58,470 --> 00:25:01,278
currently

697
00:24:59,308 --> 00:25:03,990
the reality of your experience a

698
00:25:01,278 --> 00:25:05,460
whopping 95.5%

699
00:25:03,990 --> 00:25:07,620
out of the four options declared that

700
00:25:05,460 --> 00:25:10,200
their experience was definitely real a

701
00:25:07,619 --> 00:25:12,808
much smaller percentage with others of

702
00:25:10,200 --> 00:25:14,519
the other three options selected and I

703
00:25:12,808 --> 00:25:16,888
would submit to you out of respect for

704
00:25:14,519 --> 00:25:19,019
people's ability to generally understand

705
00:25:16,888 --> 00:25:20,699
reality if you skeptics want to

706
00:25:19,019 --> 00:25:22,829
represent the near-death experiences are

707
00:25:20,700 --> 00:25:24,629
not real they should present strong

708
00:25:22,829 --> 00:25:26,548
evidence that near-death experiences are

709
00:25:24,628 --> 00:25:28,769
not real and as we've discussed they

710
00:25:26,548 --> 00:25:30,929
aren't even close line of evidence

711
00:25:28,769 --> 00:25:32,909
number eleven it's what I call shared

712
00:25:30,929 --> 00:25:35,070
near-death experiences these are two or

713

00:25:32,909 --> 00:25:38,879
more people simultaneously with the

714
00:25:35,069 --> 00:25:40,378
life-threatening event and they have

715
00:25:38,878 --> 00:25:43,528
both heaven near basically a near-death

716
00:25:40,378 --> 00:25:45,990
experience and are aware of each other I

717
00:25:43,528 --> 00:25:48,269
have 15 we call shared near-death

718
00:25:45,990 --> 00:25:50,490
experiences they do occur and they're

719
00:25:48,269 --> 00:25:52,288
typical into ease and I can't do better

720
00:25:50,490 --> 00:25:54,899
than to give you an example right here

721
00:25:52,288 --> 00:25:57,118
William him again his near-death

722
00:25:54,898 --> 00:25:58,888
experience I was taking my girlfriend to

723
00:25:57,118 --> 00:26:01,168
this is in Canada by the way to her

724
00:25:58,888 --> 00:26:03,689
parents home in Welland I went to sleep

725
00:26:01,169 --> 00:26:05,038
while driving then I was aware that we

726
00:26:03,690 --> 00:26:07,259
were out of our bodies and quickly

727
00:26:05,038 --> 00:26:09,569

flying up towards space holding hands

728

00:26:07,259 --> 00:26:11,878

we flew straight up for a minute or so

729

00:26:09,569 --> 00:26:14,490

when we started to see a park or country

730

00:26:11,878 --> 00:26:17,189

one side like landscape suddenly we were

731

00:26:14,490 --> 00:26:19,019

intercepted by four creatures - flanked

732

00:26:17,190 --> 00:26:21,298

each of us and began to gently separate

733

00:26:19,019 --> 00:26:23,609

us they overwhelmed at the feeling of

734

00:26:21,298 --> 00:26:25,740

highest love and compassion and was well

735

00:26:23,609 --> 00:26:28,498

beyond anything we could experience on

736

00:26:25,740 --> 00:26:30,839

earth a divine love we therefore had no

737

00:26:28,499 --> 00:26:32,368

resistance to their effort I recall

738

00:26:30,839 --> 00:26:34,829

feeling sort of like a baby in the

739

00:26:32,368 --> 00:26:37,319

mother's arm but it's hard to accurately

740

00:26:34,829 --> 00:26:39,749

describe two of them moved her upward

741

00:26:37,319 --> 00:26:41,970

toward the distant landscape and two

742
00:26:39,749 --> 00:26:44,639
moved me back down when I felt so much

743
00:26:41,970 --> 00:26:46,710
loved peace and comfort and apparent

744
00:26:44,638 --> 00:26:49,189
protest and say no please let me hear

745
00:26:46,710 --> 00:26:52,590
but hearing inwardly without ears or

746
00:26:49,190 --> 00:26:54,629
psychically that I could not stay next I

747
00:26:52,589 --> 00:26:56,878
could see my car in flames for maybe a

748
00:26:54,628 --> 00:26:58,678
quarter of a mile above I felt a

749
00:26:56,878 --> 00:27:00,808
sensation of following and awakened in

750
00:26:58,679 --> 00:27:04,230
the car the front of the car was on fire

751
00:27:00,808 --> 00:27:06,538
I moved her from leaning on me as she

752
00:27:04,230 --> 00:27:07,500
was when I fell asleep knowing that her

753
00:27:06,538 --> 00:27:09,569
body was in the empty

754
00:27:07,500 --> 00:27:12,509
shall I have left her above with those

755
00:27:09,569 --> 00:27:14,460
beings first obvious via a fiance was

756
00:27:12,509 --> 00:27:17,069
dead and then a shared near-death

757
00:27:14,460 --> 00:27:19,920
experience so that's some pretty

758
00:27:17,069 --> 00:27:21,869
powerful evidence right there going very

759
00:27:19,920 --> 00:27:24,210
quickly in the limited time I have some

760
00:27:21,869 --> 00:27:25,769
of my most recent I consider a line of

761
00:27:24,210 --> 00:27:28,259
twelve for the reality of near-death

762
00:27:25,769 --> 00:27:29,759
experience if there's a now everyone in

763
00:27:28,259 --> 00:27:32,160
this room has got to be thinking Jesus

764
00:27:29,759 --> 00:27:34,349
I'm convinced their science survival our

765
00:27:32,160 --> 00:27:37,259
consciousness goes on what does that

766
00:27:34,349 --> 00:27:40,079
mean where do we go float around what's

767
00:27:37,259 --> 00:27:42,180
next well near-death experiences have

768
00:27:40,079 --> 00:27:43,819
some suggestion as to what so these

769
00:27:42,180 --> 00:27:46,049
qualitative we might be going on

770

00:27:43,819 --> 00:27:48,059
certainly an important question I have

771
00:27:46,049 --> 00:27:50,009
on my mind is there's an afterlife is

772
00:27:48,059 --> 00:27:51,990
there a god well I think we've seen some

773
00:27:50,009 --> 00:27:54,180
very powerful evidence that there's that

774
00:27:51,990 --> 00:27:57,180
afterlife oh here we go I think this is

775
00:27:54,180 --> 00:27:58,560
last one of these but here's a God so

776
00:27:57,180 --> 00:28:00,720
this is not again how we did the

777
00:27:58,559 --> 00:28:04,679
research here's God and just follow the

778
00:28:00,720 --> 00:28:06,509
life the lightest piece okay so I

779
00:28:04,680 --> 00:28:08,130
published it in my most recent book God

780
00:28:06,509 --> 00:28:09,900
and the afterlife some evidence we'll

781
00:28:08,130 --> 00:28:11,580
get into that briefly the graphics are

782
00:28:09,900 --> 00:28:14,220
solely due to Jody because she thought

783
00:28:11,579 --> 00:28:16,289
it would be cool with my wife reviewed

784
00:28:14,220 --> 00:28:18,600

all into Eastern sequentially over about

785

00:28:16,289 --> 00:28:22,440

three years and methodology first-person

786

00:28:18,599 --> 00:28:25,230

in des indes scaled as a methodology I

787

00:28:22,440 --> 00:28:27,990

reviewed all Indies that describe an

788

00:28:25,230 --> 00:28:30,150

awareness or encounter of God or G -

789

00:28:27,990 --> 00:28:31,650

deed that occurred only during their

790

00:28:30,150 --> 00:28:34,710

near-death experience and not in any

791

00:28:31,650 --> 00:28:36,780

other time I found 277 near-death

792

00:28:34,710 --> 00:28:38,279

experiences describing that awareness or

793

00:28:36,779 --> 00:28:40,379

encounter during their experience

794

00:28:38,279 --> 00:28:43,769

interestingly encountering God during a

795

00:28:40,380 --> 00:28:45,120

near-death experience obviously is again

796

00:28:43,769 --> 00:28:47,430

what impressed me was a striking

797

00:28:45,119 --> 00:28:49,939

consistency across all these hundreds of

798

00:28:47,430 --> 00:28:52,860

people describing God it seemed to be

799
00:28:49,940 --> 00:28:55,679
separate from prevailing conventional

800
00:28:52,859 --> 00:28:57,149
police again I said it's not in common

801
00:28:55,679 --> 00:28:59,640
there's the key question I asked in the

802
00:28:57,150 --> 00:29:01,320
most recent version of the survey during

803
00:28:59,640 --> 00:29:03,570
your experience did you encounter any

804
00:29:01,319 --> 00:29:06,089
specific information and awareness that

805
00:29:03,569 --> 00:29:07,980
God or a Supreme Being beings to being

806
00:29:06,089 --> 00:29:10,589
straight out of the dictionary for God

807
00:29:07,980 --> 00:29:12,450
either does or does not exist I asked

808
00:29:10,589 --> 00:29:13,980
you to binary forms I knew the skeptic

809
00:29:12,450 --> 00:29:14,970
would say you're only asking if they

810
00:29:13,980 --> 00:29:16,740
encounter to God

811
00:29:14,970 --> 00:29:18,480
information about God you didn't ask

812
00:29:16,740 --> 00:29:20,700
there's information that there's no God

813
00:29:18,480 --> 00:29:22,170
so I asked it that way here's the

814
00:29:20,700 --> 00:29:24,029
statistics right there we had a

815
00:29:22,170 --> 00:29:26,400
narrative response after this and I can

816
00:29:24,029 --> 00:29:28,500
assure you the text box following this

817
00:29:26,400 --> 00:29:30,960
question essentially everybody answering

818
00:29:28,500 --> 00:29:32,669
yes was saying yes they actually didn't

819
00:29:30,960 --> 00:29:34,470
count information or awareness that God

820
00:29:32,669 --> 00:29:36,120
exists in other words they were not

821
00:29:34,470 --> 00:29:38,308
saying they encountered information that

822
00:29:36,119 --> 00:29:40,769
God does not exist

823
00:29:38,308 --> 00:29:41,910
is the consistency observed and when God

824
00:29:40,769 --> 00:29:42,539
is encountered in a near-death

825
00:29:41,910 --> 00:29:44,610
experience

826
00:29:42,539 --> 00:29:46,829
explainable by preexisting religious or

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00:29:44,609 --> 00:29:48,829
cultural belief very good question

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00:29:46,829 --> 00:29:51,990
I don't think so for my evidence

829
00:29:48,829 --> 00:29:53,789
atheists may encounter God and we have

830
00:29:51,990 --> 00:29:55,650
about a dozen of them to describe that

831
00:29:53,789 --> 00:29:57,750
very young children may encounter gods

832
00:29:55,650 --> 00:29:59,790
or not enough thought much about God or

833
00:29:57,750 --> 00:30:02,369
don't have a preconceived notion of what

834
00:29:59,789 --> 00:30:04,529
God would be very commonly God was

835
00:30:02,369 --> 00:30:06,629
described as not what they expected from

836
00:30:04,529 --> 00:30:09,048
the earthly life they often would use

837
00:30:06,630 --> 00:30:11,220
the terms unearthly for what they

838
00:30:09,048 --> 00:30:13,410
religious background and I ran the

839
00:30:11,220 --> 00:30:15,179
statistics on this whether they were a

840
00:30:13,410 --> 00:30:17,759
liberal moderate or conservative

841
00:30:15,179 --> 00:30:19,230

fundamentalist had no statistical

842

00:30:17,759 --> 00:30:21,419
correlation at all whether they

843

00:30:19,230 --> 00:30:22,798
encountered God again the life changes

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00:30:21,419 --> 00:30:25,140
they had after they encountered God

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00:30:22,798 --> 00:30:27,960
certainly suggested that they had God

846

00:30:25,140 --> 00:30:29,850
clearly I mean evidence of survival off

847

00:30:27,960 --> 00:30:31,350
the scale as far as I'm concerned we

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00:30:29,849 --> 00:30:34,019
have powerful evidence that their

849

00:30:31,349 --> 00:30:34,500
survival the near-death experiences are

850

00:30:34,019 --> 00:30:36,808
real

851

00:30:34,500 --> 00:30:38,298
the skeptics all explanations that have

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00:30:36,808 --> 00:30:40,859
people tried for literally decades

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00:30:38,298 --> 00:30:42,240
cannot explain these other than what

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00:30:40,859 --> 00:30:44,519
people that have had these near-death

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00:30:42,240 --> 00:30:46,919
experiences personally believe and that

856
00:30:44,519 --> 00:30:48,480
I was a real visit to an unearthly realm

857
00:30:46,919 --> 00:30:51,060
of existence thank you very much

858
00:30:48,480 --> 00:30:53,789
[Applause]

859
00:30:51,059 --> 00:30:57,000
after itemizing all of the benefits do

860
00:30:53,789 --> 00:30:58,710
you recommend not trying this yeah I

861
00:30:57,000 --> 00:31:00,029
reckon me I don't try this is not

862
00:30:58,710 --> 00:31:02,460
something you try at home

863
00:31:00,029 --> 00:31:04,440
yeah near-death experiences should not

864
00:31:02,460 --> 00:31:06,870
be induced in fact I would be suspicious

865
00:31:04,440 --> 00:31:08,880
from from my research on this that if

866
00:31:06,869 --> 00:31:11,819
someone tried to induce an Indian that

867
00:31:08,880 --> 00:31:13,680
they would not be successful one of the

868
00:31:11,819 --> 00:31:15,179
near-death experiencers encountered God

869
00:31:13,680 --> 00:31:17,340
here and there near-death experience and

870
00:31:15,180 --> 00:31:18,509
was basically asking why me why did I

871
00:31:17,339 --> 00:31:20,129
hit you why did I have a near-death

872
00:31:18,509 --> 00:31:22,470
experience it was so blissful and

873
00:31:20,130 --> 00:31:24,630
wonderful and God's response I think was

874
00:31:22,470 --> 00:31:27,779
revealing and said is almost exactly

875
00:31:24,630 --> 00:31:30,390
quote love falls on everyone equally

876
00:31:27,779 --> 00:31:32,730
this is simply what you needed to live

877
00:31:30,390 --> 00:31:34,320
your earthly life so I think Indies are

878
00:31:32,730 --> 00:31:36,480
basically a gift I think that was the

879
00:31:34,319 --> 00:31:38,369
rosetta stone of understanding why some

880
00:31:36,480 --> 00:31:41,039
have been DS and some don't why some

881
00:31:38,369 --> 00:31:43,349
have different content yes ah please

882
00:31:41,039 --> 00:31:45,599
clarify something about your survey it

883
00:31:43,349 --> 00:31:47,639
sounds like you're doing online surveys

884

00:31:45,599 --> 00:31:52,069
and how do you verify that the people

885
00:31:47,640 --> 00:31:52,070
who fill them out actually have had NDEs

886
00:32:00,559 --> 00:32:06,980
we go we spend a lot of effort to

887
00:32:03,029 --> 00:32:06,980
minimize the risk of falsified in these

888
00:32:07,579 --> 00:32:12,210
people spend a huge amount of time

889
00:32:09,839 --> 00:32:15,089
answering over 140 different questions

890
00:32:12,210 --> 00:32:16,620
and filling out a huge narrative if we

891
00:32:15,089 --> 00:32:19,049
have a few falsified near-death

892
00:32:16,619 --> 00:32:20,549
experiences if they are so uncommon as I

893
00:32:19,049 --> 00:32:22,379
believe they are less than a few percent

894
00:32:20,549 --> 00:32:24,720
for people to go through all that by the

895
00:32:22,380 --> 00:32:26,220
way they're not recognized by name when

896
00:32:24,720 --> 00:32:28,170
they're posted on the NDE they gained

897
00:32:26,220 --> 00:32:30,839
absolutely nothing monetarily or in

898
00:32:28,170 --> 00:32:33,180

terms of recognition we believe the

899

00:32:30,839 --> 00:32:35,309

consistency is so overwhelmingly there

900

00:32:33,180 --> 00:32:38,580

from those that share their experiences

901

00:32:35,309 --> 00:32:40,379

honorably with integrity that we believe

902

00:32:38,579 --> 00:32:42,000

it's a real thing furthermore what we're

903

00:32:40,380 --> 00:32:43,620

observing in our very large group of

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00:32:42,000 --> 00:32:45,559

near-death experiences seems to be

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00:32:43,619 --> 00:32:47,279

strikingly consistent with what other

906

00:32:45,559 --> 00:32:49,559

researchers and what other organizations

907

00:32:47,279 --> 00:32:52,079

are seeing when they ask for near-death

908

00:32:49,559 --> 00:32:52,490

experiences and post their accounts as

909

00:32:52,079 --> 00:32:54,799

well

910

00:32:52,490 --> 00:32:57,349

so I'm confident that this is that this

911

00:32:54,799 --> 00:32:59,629

is a real thing yeah I used to describe

912

00:32:57,349 --> 00:33:01,490

it as going into a shamanic state when

913
00:32:59,630 --> 00:33:03,410
being type one diabetic my blood sure

914
00:33:01,490 --> 00:33:05,720
would go very very low it's almost like

915
00:33:03,410 --> 00:33:07,850
I'd be lifted out to a cloud but my

916
00:33:05,720 --> 00:33:09,650
feeling was that it was very gradual it

917
00:33:07,849 --> 00:33:11,619
wasn't in one state or not so I'm

918
00:33:09,650 --> 00:33:13,850
wondering if there's some studies on

919
00:33:11,619 --> 00:33:15,379
areas of the brain that light up when

920
00:33:13,849 --> 00:33:18,289
people are having near-death experiences

921
00:33:15,380 --> 00:33:20,090
and if there's any work with how to

922
00:33:18,289 --> 00:33:22,960
stimulate this kind of sensory awareness

923
00:33:20,089 --> 00:33:25,639
for we've got some great great questions

924
00:33:22,960 --> 00:33:27,529
there's no work work done to the best of

925
00:33:25,640 --> 00:33:28,670
my knowledge on like functional imaging

926
00:33:27,529 --> 00:33:30,740
that people have a near-death experience

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00:33:28,670 --> 00:33:33,440
of course this is unexpected

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00:33:30,740 --> 00:33:34,599
they're critically ill so are medically

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00:33:33,440 --> 00:33:38,360
speaking we're all worried about

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00:33:34,599 --> 00:33:40,189
resuscitating so it would be it would be

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00:33:38,359 --> 00:33:41,929
fascinating if somebody could actually

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00:33:40,190 --> 00:33:44,570
do that there was at least one study

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00:33:41,930 --> 00:33:46,460
that did the EEG measurements on that

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00:33:44,569 --> 00:33:48,349
group that had indies and did not

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00:33:46,460 --> 00:33:50,450
suggest that there might be a different

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00:33:48,349 --> 00:33:52,969
temporal lobe but I think what you're

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00:33:50,450 --> 00:33:54,559
suggested there is a very important

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00:33:52,970 --> 00:33:57,460
significant area that I'd like to see a

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00:33:54,559 --> 00:33:57,460
lot more research

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00:34:03,769 --> 00:34:06,429
thank you