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00:00:27,910 --> 00:00:25,990
welcome back to liminal frames

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00:00:30,790 --> 00:00:27,920
i'm your host nathan and i'm here with

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00:00:33,590 --> 00:00:30,800
my co-host exo academian it's good to be

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00:00:35,350 --> 00:00:33,600
back with all of you who are listening

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00:00:37,430 --> 00:00:35,360
exo how's it going

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00:00:39,510 --> 00:00:37,440
it's going great this is going to be a

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00:00:40,790 --> 00:00:39,520
fun topic tonight and i know it'll be

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00:00:42,630 --> 00:00:40,800
interesting for people out there and

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00:00:46,150 --> 00:00:42,640
interesting for us

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00:00:49,670 --> 00:00:46,160
absolutely uh yeah tonight's topic is

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00:00:52,470 --> 00:00:49,680
a little bit of a loaded one uh it's not

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00:00:54,150 --> 00:00:52,480

a topic that i think everyone uh

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particularly likes to talk about when

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when you think about ufology

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uh some people on the other hand like to

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talk about it quite a bit uh i recognize

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00:01:04,789 --> 00:01:03,440

and i think you do as well that this

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topic

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is a little bit of a loaded one uh that

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for some people

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uh it um i think kind of brings in a

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little bit of a third rail uh for some

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um and so

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as we talked about kind of before we

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started uh we really want to sort of

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ask for the charity of the audience here

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uh that they

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kind of bear with us as we work our way

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through this material

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uh and uh and know that we are

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you know we are trying to go to a

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certain place we're trying to take

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everyone on a little bit of a journey uh

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both

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the journey that we each have gone

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through but also how we look at this

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material now

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and you know with that being said uh

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we'll just get right into it so we are

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going to

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talk about

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uh angels and demons

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00:01:59,109 --> 00:01:55,119

on this episode

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um exo just saying it out loud i realize

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how much of a sort of loaded topic that

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really is uh i know you've done an

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episode on this uh i think it was um a

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little bit midway through

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the life of your podcast um

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and uh so you've got some thoughts on it

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00:02:18,309 --> 00:02:15,280
i was wondering if you would be willing

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00:02:20,309 --> 00:02:18,319
to kind of start us off and talk

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00:02:21,750 --> 00:02:20,319
to some degree about your own journey

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00:02:24,470 --> 00:02:21,760
with this topic

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maybe outside of ufology but of course

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00:02:28,070 --> 00:02:26,080
with ufology

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00:02:29,910 --> 00:02:28,080
as well

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00:02:31,830 --> 00:02:29,920
yeah sure and i think

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00:02:34,309 --> 00:02:31,840
what's interesting about this is

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00:02:36,550 --> 00:02:34,319
depending on your background

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00:02:39,190 --> 00:02:36,560
you'll either be um you'll either

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00:02:41,750 --> 00:02:39,200

understand or be flammoxed by how peop

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how some people approach this because

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the angels and demons topic to some

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people seems like you know not related

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00:02:50,630 --> 00:02:48,000

to ufology what's that got to do with

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aliens and spacecraft you know and

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interdimensionals

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and yet there are some people coming in

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it thinking it's it's got everything in

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the world to do with it because

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basically

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you know these ets or these aliens or

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these interdimensionals are actually you

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know demons in disguise or these

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nefarious spiritual figures in disguise

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that are referenced in

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historical

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spiritual traditions like uh

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christianity in the bible right in terms

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of where it is in scripture

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so this is this is a this is a tricky

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one some people will be even a bit

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triggered i think uh by this topic

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either in the positive or the negative

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some people will sort of be like this

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well that's religion this has got

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nothing to do with this i don't want to

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hear about that at the same time when

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you look at some of the experiences

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people have whether either positive or

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negative

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there's always this discussion of the

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spiritual element you know that even

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researchers who go in like when heineken

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valley went in and talked to people even

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john keel

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you know they weren't going in looking

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for a spiritual interpretation of what

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00:03:56,869 --> 00:03:55,439
happened to people they weren't going in

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assuming these were

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celestial figures that they encountered

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they were thinking they had some sort of

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experience with

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perhaps an extraterrestrial like we've

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discussed before

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for heineken valley that was the

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beginning hypothesis right

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but it was the nature of the experiences

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00:04:17,349 --> 00:04:15,040
people had how it changed them how it

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00:04:18,870 --> 00:04:17,359
changed their perspective on reality and

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00:04:19,990 --> 00:04:18,880

who they are you know and even when we

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look at the

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the free data um

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that came out it talked about people's

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perspective on life and material goods

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and everything

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how they relate to other people

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everything changed

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um again some for the negative some for

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the positive i'm not suggesting it's all

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positive experiences i think that's that

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does a disservice to the to the data

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whenever we try and do that but within

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that totality there's often a spiritual

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element that's very common so i think

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sooner or later you have to dive into

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this right so that's what we're gonna

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we're gonna dive in now

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i think we're going to look at it from

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from many different perspectives because

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i think you have to to sort of try and

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you know wrap your head around it do

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justice to the data

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it's it's also interesting because when

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you and i talked about um first starting

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up this podcast

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we both um have christianity as part of

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our background

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and what i also want to

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inform people out there

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about is that

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that can mean many different things you

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know say if you're not coming from a

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christian background saying you are

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coming from a christian background can

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mean many different things

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um of course in in americana it's to

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some degree been uh you know

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welded to the the fabric of the national

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identity for some people right

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but we're going to talk about it beyond

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that kind of parameter um

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but

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for me

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i'll just give a quick

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quick intro and then jump it over to you

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00:05:53,350 --> 00:05:50,160
so you can give yours as well

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so part of my life has been at one point

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i identified as a christian it's not so

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much that i don't identify as a

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christian now i'm just more sort of

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universalist i'm very

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spiritually minded um

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i'm but i'm as as informed by zen

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buddhism as i am by contemplative

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christianity um

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and

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you know sort of follow the

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sort of the the good buddhist notion

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that you know if you're buddhist you

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don't call yourself a buddhist kind of

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thing you know and same thing with

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christianity like

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the terms are not really helpful um i

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don't find so what i will say is that

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i'm a spiritual person again some people

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want to draw this hard line between

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spiritual versus religious i don't i

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think it's more murky than that um

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i've had sort of

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official traditional religion in my

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background as well as much more um you

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know loose affiliation kind of a

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smorgasbord of taking a bit of that a

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bit of this

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um

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and that's more where i am now

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but at one point

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in my late teens i became what i would

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call an evangelical christian

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and um

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and have been in sort of several

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different

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modalities within that so i've been

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everything from

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a southern baptist to

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a charismatic christian uh even even

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eastern orthodox for for a period of

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time so quite a range you know

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um pentecostal

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presbyterian for a while so really it's

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almost like i was making sure i stopped

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and and so i've been in places where

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the spiritual experience was in some

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ways

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reduced to

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references to things that happened to

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people in a book right and that's sort

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of more

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one way of looking at it for some

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christian traditions other ones very

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much things were happening in real time

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you know in more the more charismatic

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circles

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things were happening um you know people

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were having spiritual experiences not

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just individuals but entire groups of

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people were having things and those were

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not just

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like psychosomatic kind of projections

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of people these really were experiences

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and i think

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those experiences actually prepped me

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for some understandings of what's going

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on with the phenomenon because they're

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not as

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dislike as some people think

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yeah so that's what i would say as a

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brief introduction is that i've been in

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i've had spiritual experiences in more

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traditional christian circles that

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actually helped prep me for

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uh experiences with the phenomenon and

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experiences that i couldn't put in a box

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and and i would say that

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it's interesting how

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the frameworks we use the framing again

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right that we we apply to these

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experiences has as much to do with what

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we take away from them as as the nature

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of the experience itself uh which is was

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interesting when we talk about

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maybe we can get into this later how

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different people take different things

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out of their experiences even with the

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phenomenon and talking about how our own

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interpretive framework feeds into that

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so that's what i'd say for me how about

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for you

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yeah it's

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it's been quite a journey

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uh for me as well so i

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and i do approach this topic for you

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know with that context a similar context

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and this is you know partly why we get

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along so well as we do share

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i think a little bit of a common fabric

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uh and a way of thinking as well about

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these issues

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um i

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you know come at this from a christian

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background grew up in a christian home

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and

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my sort of lens

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really through the uh more of an

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academic perspective um academic and and

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practical

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um so

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my father was a minister a very educated

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minister uh

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you know he he could read the greek new

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testament um and so he

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he

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took that kind of scholarship to uh

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to his ministry

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uh and and then imparted that really

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without

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just i kind of got it through osmosis if

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you will

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just being in the household and so

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you know when we talk about things like

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spirituality

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for me at least

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00:10:18,389 --> 00:10:17,200

that was something i always kind of

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00:10:22,150 --> 00:10:18,399

categorized

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00:10:27,430 --> 00:10:24,949

something that could be

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00:10:29,269 --> 00:10:27,440

understood through the lens of

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00:10:31,590 --> 00:10:29,279

really materialism or the chemical

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00:10:33,509 --> 00:10:31,600

processes of the brain you know kind of

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00:10:36,630 --> 00:10:33,519

really lumping it into

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00:10:40,949 --> 00:10:38,949

maybe were just mislabeled

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00:10:42,389 --> 00:10:40,959

you know so that could be better

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00:10:43,350 --> 00:10:42,399

understood

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00:10:45,509 --> 00:10:43,360

and so

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00:10:47,430 --> 00:10:45,519

with that very sort of strongly kind of

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00:10:49,430 --> 00:10:47,440

rational perspective

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00:10:51,350 --> 00:10:49,440

on on spirituality and spiritual

301
00:10:52,949 --> 00:10:51,360
experience not that i never had friends

302
00:10:55,750 --> 00:10:52,959
who had spiritual experiences or heard

303
00:10:57,190 --> 00:10:55,760
of them i always just sort of

304
00:10:58,949 --> 00:10:57,200
took those on

305
00:11:01,030 --> 00:10:58,959
from the vantage point of okay that's

306
00:11:02,710 --> 00:11:01,040
interesting that's not something i've

307
00:11:04,949 --> 00:11:02,720
ever experienced and whatever that is

308
00:11:06,310 --> 00:11:04,959
that they're sharing with me it's

309
00:11:07,750 --> 00:11:06,320
probably something that they're

310
00:11:10,710 --> 00:11:07,760
translating

311
00:11:13,190 --> 00:11:10,720
uh to me through their their lived

312
00:11:14,790 --> 00:11:13,200
experience but at the root of that is

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00:11:17,509 --> 00:11:14,800

something that is actually very

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00:11:19,509 --> 00:11:17,519

explainable in uh in the way that we

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00:11:21,509 --> 00:11:19,519

would explain

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00:11:23,509 --> 00:11:21,519

any kind of mental process

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00:11:26,470 --> 00:11:23,519

uh or something that we would you know

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00:11:28,870 --> 00:11:26,480

sort of examine in a laboratory so in a

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00:11:31,829 --> 00:11:28,880

way i kind of like made it very clinical

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00:11:33,910 --> 00:11:31,839

and cold uh spirituality but they sort

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00:11:34,710 --> 00:11:33,920

of secretly like really wanted that as

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00:11:36,550 --> 00:11:34,720

well

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00:11:39,670 --> 00:11:36,560

um i think

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00:11:42,470 --> 00:11:39,680

it's important too to highlight that

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00:11:45,750 --> 00:11:42,480

that as a human being

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00:11:48,230 --> 00:11:45,760

we have a lot of experiences that

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00:11:52,230 --> 00:11:48,240

we we aren't good at categorizing you

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00:11:56,629 --> 00:11:54,230

there are many things that that we we

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00:12:00,230 --> 00:11:56,639

experience on a daily basis

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00:12:03,670 --> 00:12:00,240

that we experience in a very visceral

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00:12:06,870 --> 00:12:03,680

uh in a phenomenal way not in a

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00:12:09,110 --> 00:12:06,880

examined you know dissected way and so

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00:12:10,870 --> 00:12:09,120

when you talked about uh

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00:12:13,509 --> 00:12:10,880

labels you know sort of christianity or

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00:12:15,590 --> 00:12:13,519

buddhism i really resonate a lot with

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00:12:17,910 --> 00:12:15,600

that perspective because for me those

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00:12:19,990 --> 00:12:17,920

labels

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00:12:22,310 --> 00:12:20,000

at some point in my life got in the way

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00:12:24,949 --> 00:12:22,320

they got in the way of of what we were

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00:12:27,190 --> 00:12:24,959

really talking about and i find it

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00:12:29,030 --> 00:12:27,200

pretty difficult and and honestly

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00:12:32,230 --> 00:12:29,040

disingenuous even

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00:12:34,150 --> 00:12:32,240

for people to say that they are an ex

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00:12:36,389 --> 00:12:34,160

because the truth is at least at least

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00:12:39,350 --> 00:12:36,399

in the experience that i know and i

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00:12:42,069 --> 00:12:39,360

that's all that i have to go on um

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00:12:43,670 --> 00:12:42,079

at any given moment any given day

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00:12:49,509 --> 00:12:43,680

my

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00:12:52,790 --> 00:12:49,519

is really going through

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00:12:55,670 --> 00:12:52,800

a stream of different feelings and

351
00:12:57,590 --> 00:12:55,680
thoughts conclusions beliefs

352
00:12:59,590 --> 00:12:57,600
and all those different things and to

353
00:13:01,590 --> 00:12:59,600
say that i'm an ex

354
00:13:04,870 --> 00:13:01,600
almost feels like it really reduces me

355
00:13:07,590 --> 00:13:04,880
to something that is no longer

356
00:13:09,509 --> 00:13:07,600
you know valuable it's it's uh it's if i

357
00:13:10,710 --> 00:13:09,519
just i'm calling myself a rock and i'm

358
00:13:13,190 --> 00:13:10,720
not a rock

359
00:13:13,990 --> 00:13:13,200
you know so um i know that i'm something

360
00:13:17,110 --> 00:13:14,000
else

361
00:13:19,750 --> 00:13:17,120
beyond that and so you know this topic i

362
00:13:22,069 --> 00:13:19,760
know we're kind of getting our way there

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00:13:23,269 --> 00:13:22,079

with angels and demons but i think it's

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00:13:24,870 --> 00:13:23,279

important for our listeners to

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00:13:27,670 --> 00:13:24,880

understand the

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00:13:29,190 --> 00:13:27,680

the pathway that we both have taken to

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00:13:31,110 --> 00:13:29,200

this subject

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00:13:34,069 --> 00:13:31,120

we have

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00:13:36,870 --> 00:13:34,079

come at it a little differently

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00:13:37,670 --> 00:13:36,880

you know i've never been one that has

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00:13:39,509 --> 00:13:37,680

uh

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00:13:43,030 --> 00:13:39,519

really kind of

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00:13:45,910 --> 00:13:43,040

gone hard and into the experiential side

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00:13:49,350 --> 00:13:45,920

of religion i've gone into it very much

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00:13:51,829 --> 00:13:49,360

from a analytical side

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00:13:55,189 --> 00:13:51,839

but but i yearn in a way for that

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00:13:58,069 --> 00:13:55,199

experiential side and i think you if you

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00:13:59,990 --> 00:13:58,079

know in the talks that we've had uh

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00:14:01,670 --> 00:14:00,000

you know you've been much more willing

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00:14:05,110 --> 00:14:01,680

or have had moments in your life where

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00:14:07,750 --> 00:14:05,120

you have embraced that experiential side

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00:14:10,470 --> 00:14:07,760

uh more readily uh would you say that's

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00:14:12,389 --> 00:14:10,480

a fair uh assessment

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00:14:15,430 --> 00:14:12,399

yeah it's it's interesting because i've

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00:14:16,790 --> 00:14:15,440

definitely done both you know i've i've

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00:14:17,750 --> 00:14:16,800

you know when you're growing up you kind

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00:14:20,389 --> 00:14:17,760

of

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00:14:22,550 --> 00:14:20,399

try different perspectives on reality

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00:14:24,790 --> 00:14:22,560

like a like a suit that you try on for a

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00:14:26,150 --> 00:14:24,800

while and see how it fits until it feels

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00:14:28,230 --> 00:14:26,160

too constricting or something and then

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00:14:30,470 --> 00:14:28,240

you're like this this isn't quite right

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00:14:32,470 --> 00:14:30,480

but i i would always sort of like live

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00:14:33,829 --> 00:14:32,480

it to the fullest so i'd wear that suit

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00:14:35,750 --> 00:14:33,839

proudly you know and say this is i'm

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00:14:38,069 --> 00:14:35,760

going to say this is reality and i'm

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00:14:40,790 --> 00:14:38,079

going to try this out and i because i

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00:14:42,310 --> 00:14:40,800

would push it to the to the nth degree

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00:14:43,430 --> 00:14:42,320

i would often

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00:14:45,030 --> 00:14:43,440

you know get to the point where the suit

401
00:14:45,750 --> 00:14:45,040
was no longer comfortable pretty quickly

402
00:14:47,110 --> 00:14:45,760
too

403
00:14:50,629 --> 00:14:47,120
um we can use the suit as sort of an

404
00:14:52,069 --> 00:14:50,639
analogy for a world view so i remember

405
00:14:56,230 --> 00:14:52,079
times where i was you know in

406
00:14:58,550 --> 00:14:56,240
charismatic circles and and and really

407
00:15:00,230 --> 00:14:58,560
you have this imminent sense that god is

408
00:15:02,470 --> 00:15:00,240
doing something in the world and you can

409
00:15:03,350 --> 00:15:02,480
feel it and you feel like you're at the

410
00:15:04,790 --> 00:15:03,360
um

411
00:15:06,710 --> 00:15:04,800
you're right at the front lines and it's

412
00:15:08,069 --> 00:15:06,720
a very exciting feeling because you feel

413
00:15:09,590 --> 00:15:08,079

like you know

414

00:15:11,829 --> 00:15:09,600

the most important things are happening

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00:15:13,030 --> 00:15:11,839

right now you know and and we're a part

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00:15:15,269 --> 00:15:13,040

of it and

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00:15:16,389 --> 00:15:15,279

and i've also been at different times in

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00:15:17,990 --> 00:15:16,399

my life

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00:15:19,430 --> 00:15:18,000

had a much more of a like an arm's

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00:15:20,470 --> 00:15:19,440

length kind of perspective where i'm

421

00:15:22,470 --> 00:15:20,480

like

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00:15:23,430 --> 00:15:22,480

let me take a historical critical view

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00:15:26,230 --> 00:15:23,440

of

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00:15:28,550 --> 00:15:26,240

spiritual experiences and even the way

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00:15:29,910 --> 00:15:28,560

we interpret it interpret previous

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00:15:31,030 --> 00:15:29,920

spiritual experiences from various

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00:15:33,110 --> 00:15:31,040

traditions

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00:15:35,430 --> 00:15:33,120

and and so it's kind of funny even when

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00:15:37,269 --> 00:15:35,440

i think back now and i look back on it

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00:15:39,350 --> 00:15:37,279

i've almost become these like alter

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00:15:42,470 --> 00:15:39,360

personalities kind of thing and tried on

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00:15:44,069 --> 00:15:42,480

both and realized that some um

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00:15:46,389 --> 00:15:44,079

combination of the two or some

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00:15:47,910 --> 00:15:46,399

transcendence of the two into some that

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00:15:50,069 --> 00:15:47,920

both of those were sort of two sides of

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00:15:52,150 --> 00:15:50,079

the same coin that was too restrictive

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00:15:53,590 --> 00:15:52,160

but that was one developmental level

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00:15:55,030 --> 00:15:53,600

like two different sides of one

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00:15:57,350 --> 00:15:55,040

developmental level

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00:15:59,030 --> 00:15:57,360

and it's only when i transcended that

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00:16:00,629 --> 00:15:59,040

and that i think the discomfort of

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00:16:03,030 --> 00:16:00,639

living in both those and neither one

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00:16:05,030 --> 00:16:03,040

feeling right is what births the

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00:16:07,990 --> 00:16:05,040

transcendence to a to a

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00:16:08,949 --> 00:16:08,000

to a higher level that's broader as well

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00:16:11,430 --> 00:16:08,959

um

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00:16:13,590 --> 00:16:11,440

so yeah i would say that's been my my

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00:16:16,470 --> 00:16:13,600

take is sort of like trying on both to

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00:16:17,910 --> 00:16:16,480

the nth degree until uh it transcends

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00:16:19,990 --> 00:16:17,920

transcends into something different

451
00:16:21,509 --> 00:16:20,000
entirely

452
00:16:23,910 --> 00:16:21,519
well with this topic partic in

453
00:16:26,629 --> 00:16:23,920
particular what

454
00:16:28,230 --> 00:16:26,639
what what's your sense in which why

455
00:16:30,949 --> 00:16:28,240
looking at

456
00:16:33,189 --> 00:16:30,959
you know sort of ufos or aliens you know

457
00:16:35,189 --> 00:16:33,199
from the vantage of

458
00:16:36,550 --> 00:16:35,199
angels and demons and

459
00:16:39,269 --> 00:16:36,560
you know this sort of

460
00:16:44,470 --> 00:16:41,910
modern uh you know kind of christian

461
00:16:45,749 --> 00:16:44,480
good and evil dichotomy dualism you know

462
00:16:48,310 --> 00:16:45,759
what what what do you think is

463
00:16:49,590 --> 00:16:48,320

attractive about that perspective as it

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00:16:52,310 --> 00:16:49,600

applies to

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00:16:54,389 --> 00:16:52,320

to the topic of ufos

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00:16:55,910 --> 00:16:54,399

well i would i would say and i've said

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00:16:57,829 --> 00:16:55,920

this so many times now whether either

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00:16:59,350 --> 00:16:57,839

here or on point of convergence that

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00:17:00,790 --> 00:16:59,360

it's almost funny now but i almost

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00:17:03,350 --> 00:17:00,800

always feel the need to give this

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00:17:05,270 --> 00:17:03,360

disclaimer which is that

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00:17:08,069 --> 00:17:05,280

for many people especially in western

473

00:17:10,230 --> 00:17:08,079

civilization um we're not accustomed to

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00:17:11,189 --> 00:17:10,240

dealing with different entities you know

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00:17:13,510 --> 00:17:11,199

like we

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00:17:15,750 --> 00:17:13,520

we have a very cookie cutter kind of

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00:17:17,909 --> 00:17:15,760

perspective on reality that you know

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00:17:19,669 --> 00:17:17,919

we're here hanging out with the animals

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00:17:21,829 --> 00:17:19,679

and the insects

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00:17:24,470 --> 00:17:21,839

but other than that there's there's no

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00:17:26,470 --> 00:17:24,480

intelligent entities around and we also

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00:17:28,710 --> 00:17:26,480

have this bias that what we see what we

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00:17:29,830 --> 00:17:28,720

perceive of the world is an accurate

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00:17:31,669 --> 00:17:29,840

portrayal

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00:17:32,710 --> 00:17:31,679

and we can get into later on how that's

486

00:17:34,549 --> 00:17:32,720

really

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00:17:36,390 --> 00:17:34,559

almost guaranteed not to be the case now

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00:17:37,669 --> 00:17:36,400

based on on research

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00:17:39,350 --> 00:17:37,679

um

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00:17:43,110 --> 00:17:39,360

but because of that

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00:17:44,789 --> 00:17:43,120

uh when people hear about you know um

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00:17:47,590 --> 00:17:44,799

thomas merton who we were talking about

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00:17:49,190 --> 00:17:47,600

thomas burton earlier

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00:17:53,029 --> 00:17:49,200

travis walton

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00:17:53,909 --> 00:17:53,039

looking for not thomas rudin travis

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00:17:56,630 --> 00:17:53,919

walters

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00:17:57,990 --> 00:17:56,640

yes travis walton uh

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00:17:59,990 --> 00:17:58,000

when he came back and shared his

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00:18:02,070 --> 00:18:00,000

experience after being you know gone for

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00:18:04,549 --> 00:18:02,080

like a week one of the most famous cases

501
00:18:05,990 --> 00:18:04,559
in history uh i think his mother you

502
00:18:07,510 --> 00:18:06,000
know her perspective was that sounds

503
00:18:09,510 --> 00:18:07,520
like demons to me

504
00:18:11,750 --> 00:18:09,520
and i know if not him then some of the

505
00:18:13,430 --> 00:18:11,760
other guys that definitely was the the

506
00:18:15,110 --> 00:18:13,440
response

507
00:18:16,390 --> 00:18:15,120
so you know half the town thought they

508
00:18:17,510 --> 00:18:16,400
were making it up and the other other

509
00:18:19,190 --> 00:18:17,520
half thought they were abducted by

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00:18:21,029 --> 00:18:19,200
demons right so that's kind of like what

511
00:18:23,830 --> 00:18:21,039
happens um

512
00:18:26,549 --> 00:18:23,840
but but it comes down to

513
00:18:28,789 --> 00:18:26,559

again this unfamiliarity not so much in

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00:18:30,950 --> 00:18:28,799

shamanic cultures but in western

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00:18:33,909 --> 00:18:30,960

cultures uh traditions

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00:18:35,190 --> 00:18:33,919

we we have this view that again um

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00:18:37,669 --> 00:18:35,200

either have

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00:18:38,950 --> 00:18:37,679

angels and god in heaven demons and

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00:18:39,990 --> 00:18:38,960

satan

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00:18:41,270 --> 00:18:40,000

in hell

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00:18:42,710 --> 00:18:41,280

and everything else is the in-between

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00:18:44,310 --> 00:18:42,720

world that we live in

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00:18:45,669 --> 00:18:44,320

and if we ever run into something that

524

00:18:47,270 --> 00:18:45,679

doesn't fit

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00:18:49,750 --> 00:18:47,280

animal or human it's got to be one of

526

00:18:51,990 --> 00:18:49,760

those other two domains so that's why

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00:18:54,310 --> 00:18:52,000

the first one i think why that's a big

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00:18:55,909 --> 00:18:54,320

reason why people jump to that quickly

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00:18:57,190 --> 00:18:55,919

the second one again is because of the

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00:18:59,830 --> 00:18:57,200

spiritual element that i already

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00:19:02,470 --> 00:18:59,840

discussed you know that the um

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00:19:05,110 --> 00:19:02,480

there there's

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00:19:07,350 --> 00:19:05,120

there's such a spiritual experience that

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00:19:09,990 --> 00:19:07,360

people have um

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00:19:11,669 --> 00:19:10,000

it it expands their consciousness you

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00:19:13,669 --> 00:19:11,679

know that's usually the case even in in

537

00:19:14,630 --> 00:19:13,679

ones that begin as kind of negative

538

00:19:17,350 --> 00:19:14,640

experiences because they're so

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00:19:19,510 --> 00:19:17,360

overwhelming and so um

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00:19:21,350 --> 00:19:19,520

you know ontologically shocking

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00:19:23,909 --> 00:19:21,360

but they're also mind-expanding right

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00:19:26,549 --> 00:19:23,919

and even people um like whitley strouper

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00:19:28,549 --> 00:19:26,559

have talked about is the

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00:19:30,870 --> 00:19:28,559

stretching to the nth degree right to

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00:19:33,029 --> 00:19:30,880

the edge you know your mind to the point

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00:19:34,950 --> 00:19:33,039

where it almost breaks is that actually

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00:19:36,310 --> 00:19:34,960

the birthing process for an expansion of

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00:19:38,390 --> 00:19:36,320

consciousness

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00:19:40,150 --> 00:19:38,400

he he's an interesting person to listen

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00:19:42,230 --> 00:19:40,160

to because on the one hand you see this

551
00:19:43,990 --> 00:19:42,240
guy early on when he was writing the

552
00:19:46,549 --> 00:19:44,000
original communion trilogy who seemed

553
00:19:47,590 --> 00:19:46,559
really tormented by his experiences

554
00:19:49,590 --> 00:19:47,600
and yet

555
00:19:51,430 --> 00:19:49,600
he he wouldn't trade them looking back

556
00:19:53,110 --> 00:19:51,440
now that he feels like it's the it

557
00:19:55,990 --> 00:19:53,120
creates the greatest

558
00:19:58,070 --> 00:19:56,000
opportunity for spiritual transformation

559
00:19:59,430 --> 00:19:58,080
um that's available to a human being in

560
00:20:01,029 --> 00:19:59,440
some ways

561
00:20:03,110 --> 00:20:01,039
and there are other spiritual traditions

562
00:20:04,950 --> 00:20:03,120
speaking of today's topic where where

563
00:20:07,430 --> 00:20:04,960

similar things happen we talk about a

564

00:20:08,630 --> 00:20:07,440

kundalini break you know where where

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00:20:11,669 --> 00:20:08,640

people have

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00:20:14,470 --> 00:20:11,679

an expansion of consciousness so quickly

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00:20:16,630 --> 00:20:14,480

and so expansively that it basically

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00:20:18,390 --> 00:20:16,640

cracks their their sense of who they are

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00:20:20,470 --> 00:20:18,400

for a while and so i even know people

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00:20:23,029 --> 00:20:20,480

who've been committed you know into an

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00:20:24,470 --> 00:20:23,039

asylum or whatever or under care for a

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00:20:26,390 --> 00:20:24,480

week or two because they've had these

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00:20:28,070 --> 00:20:26,400

kind of breaking experiences

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00:20:29,750 --> 00:20:28,080

so they can be

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00:20:30,870 --> 00:20:29,760

extremely disruptive

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00:20:32,390 --> 00:20:30,880

so

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00:20:34,390 --> 00:20:32,400

getting back to your initial question i

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00:20:36,149 --> 00:20:34,400

think it's partly to do with

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00:20:38,070 --> 00:20:36,159

the way especially in the west and by

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00:20:40,470 --> 00:20:38,080

that i mean western civilization

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00:20:42,070 --> 00:20:40,480

we tend to have a very truncated view of

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00:20:44,549 --> 00:20:42,080

what's available in terms of who's

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00:20:45,669 --> 00:20:44,559

around and then we have this spiritual

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00:20:48,950 --> 00:20:45,679

element

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00:20:52,230 --> 00:20:48,960

that is so often part of these cases and

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00:20:56,950 --> 00:20:54,549

so mind expanding they

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00:20:59,190 --> 00:20:56,960

they blow apart our previous conception

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00:21:01,029 --> 00:20:59,200

of reality whether for the good or for

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00:21:03,909 --> 00:21:01,039

the bad or start with a bad end with a

590

00:21:06,390 --> 00:21:03,919

good whatever um they're still so so

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00:21:08,470 --> 00:21:06,400

mind stretching that um they end up

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00:21:11,510 --> 00:21:08,480

being perceived as spiritual experiences

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00:21:16,390 --> 00:21:13,590

something you said

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00:21:18,549 --> 00:21:16,400

the way you kind of put that to me it

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00:21:20,390 --> 00:21:18,559

makes me think of

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00:21:23,430 --> 00:21:20,400

the phrase

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00:21:25,669 --> 00:21:23,440

sort of hegemonic frameworks right

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00:21:27,669 --> 00:21:25,679

which is a really awkward phrase to use

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00:21:29,190 --> 00:21:27,679

but what i'm getting at there is the way

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00:21:32,070 --> 00:21:29,200

in which

601
00:21:34,230 --> 00:21:32,080
all of us approach experience

602
00:21:37,669 --> 00:21:34,240
and and and we we approach it from a

603
00:21:39,590 --> 00:21:37,679
from a place we are grounded in a place

604
00:21:40,950 --> 00:21:39,600
and so we we have

605
00:21:43,990 --> 00:21:40,960
conceptions

606
00:21:46,390 --> 00:21:44,000
uh ideas beliefs buckets in which we

607
00:21:48,789 --> 00:21:46,400
place experience whenever we're having

608
00:21:49,830 --> 00:21:48,799
any experience we are categorizing those

609
00:21:51,110 --> 00:21:49,840
things

610
00:21:54,870 --> 00:21:51,120
into

611
00:21:56,070 --> 00:21:54,880
these groups that we are familiar with

612
00:21:58,549 --> 00:21:56,080
and

613
00:22:00,310 --> 00:21:58,559

you know even as you sort of compare

614

00:22:03,510 --> 00:22:00,320

western ways of thinking with eastern

615

00:22:05,750 --> 00:22:03,520

ways of thinking i'm reminded of uh sort

616

00:22:07,190 --> 00:22:05,760

of ways of thought that i've had in the

617

00:22:09,430 --> 00:22:07,200

past where

618

00:22:10,950 --> 00:22:09,440

you think to yourself well yeah that

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00:22:12,470 --> 00:22:10,960

that may be that maybe that's the way

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00:22:14,470 --> 00:22:12,480

that they think but that's very

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00:22:16,630 --> 00:22:14,480

superstitious you know that's very so

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00:22:18,870 --> 00:22:16,640

right there i'm already making a

623

00:22:21,510 --> 00:22:18,880

i'm categorizing and making a value

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00:22:23,190 --> 00:22:21,520

judgment and putting these beliefs

625

00:22:24,830 --> 00:22:23,200

you know and what i find what i have

626
00:22:26,789 --> 00:22:24,840
found to be very

627
00:22:28,950 --> 00:22:26,799
um

628
00:22:30,870 --> 00:22:28,960
true at least for me

629
00:22:33,669 --> 00:22:30,880
is that

630
00:22:35,990 --> 00:22:33,679
those judgments and assumptions

631
00:22:36,950 --> 00:22:36,000
inevitably fall apart

632
00:22:39,909 --> 00:22:36,960
so

633
00:22:41,909 --> 00:22:39,919
if i'm if i'm really being honest and

634
00:22:43,830 --> 00:22:41,919
and looking at

635
00:22:46,310 --> 00:22:43,840
the conclusions that i come to with

636
00:22:49,909 --> 00:22:46,320
respect to experience

637
00:22:52,149 --> 00:22:49,919
it's very rare where i will

638
00:22:54,149 --> 00:22:52,159

over the course of time

639

00:22:55,510 --> 00:22:54,159

come to the same conclusion about the

640

00:22:58,549 --> 00:22:55,520

experience

641

00:23:00,470 --> 00:22:58,559

and i really think that should inform

642

00:23:01,350 --> 00:23:00,480

and i know you you know you would agree

643

00:23:03,750 --> 00:23:01,360

like

644

00:23:06,310 --> 00:23:03,760

inform the way we look at this topic

645

00:23:08,630 --> 00:23:06,320

just period you know so we have this

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00:23:11,029 --> 00:23:08,640

position or this sort of i think

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00:23:13,909 --> 00:23:11,039

unchecked assumption that the way we're

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00:23:17,029 --> 00:23:13,919

looking at the phenomenon now

649

00:23:18,950 --> 00:23:17,039

is the way it will always be looked at

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00:23:21,029 --> 00:23:18,960

and we look back in history and say look

651
00:23:23,110 --> 00:23:21,039
at the way they looked at the world

652
00:23:26,710 --> 00:23:23,120
and how absolutely

653
00:23:29,430 --> 00:23:26,720
silly you know was that perspective

654
00:23:30,149 --> 00:23:29,440
from where we are and and we almost like

655
00:23:35,990 --> 00:23:30,159
it's

656
00:23:38,149 --> 00:23:36,000
there is no future there is no future

657
00:23:38,950 --> 00:23:38,159
where there is a world looking back at

658
00:23:42,390 --> 00:23:38,960
us

659
00:23:44,070 --> 00:23:42,400
and saying the exact same thing and so

660
00:23:46,549 --> 00:23:44,080
you know with this topic

661
00:23:48,390 --> 00:23:46,559
and i know i'm talking very very broadly

662
00:23:49,590 --> 00:23:48,400
here just about you know frameworks

663
00:23:51,590 --> 00:23:49,600

generally

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00:23:52,390 --> 00:23:51,600

but i i think it's an important point to

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00:23:54,950 --> 00:23:52,400

make

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00:23:57,430 --> 00:23:54,960

that we come at the we come at the

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00:23:59,830 --> 00:23:57,440

subject the subject of the phenomenon

668

00:24:04,710 --> 00:23:59,840

from a from a grounded place and

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00:24:06,789 --> 00:24:04,720

everyone comes in from a different angle

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00:24:08,870 --> 00:24:06,799

yeah i think that's a great point and i

671

00:24:10,950 --> 00:24:08,880

really want to

672

00:24:12,310 --> 00:24:10,960

you know put a nail on that board as

673

00:24:13,510 --> 00:24:12,320

well because

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00:24:15,110 --> 00:24:13,520

i think

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00:24:16,710 --> 00:24:15,120

one thing we want to do with this show

676

00:24:19,590 --> 00:24:16,720

in general because i know that this is

677

00:24:22,149 --> 00:24:19,600

the way we think about reality is that

678

00:24:24,630 --> 00:24:22,159

again the framing is just as important

679

00:24:25,830 --> 00:24:24,640

as the experiences themselves and i was

680

00:24:27,430 --> 00:24:25,840

thinking about what you were just saying

681

00:24:29,110 --> 00:24:27,440

there in terms of i was i was going to

682

00:24:31,029 --> 00:24:29,120

say the same thing you said

683

00:24:32,789 --> 00:24:31,039

in the sense that not only will we

684

00:24:34,950 --> 00:24:32,799

change and will society look at these

685

00:24:35,830 --> 00:24:34,960

things differently in the future

686

00:24:38,470 --> 00:24:35,840

but

687

00:24:40,230 --> 00:24:38,480

we we assume that the ones from the past

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00:24:42,870 --> 00:24:40,240

are just silly right

689

00:24:45,510 --> 00:24:42,880

but it's true even of our own lives that

690

00:24:47,110 --> 00:24:45,520

if i were to ask you know nathan

691

00:24:48,710 --> 00:24:47,120

of 10 years ago

692

00:24:49,830 --> 00:24:48,720

and say and tell you what you're doing

693

00:24:51,510 --> 00:24:49,840

right now

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00:24:53,269 --> 00:24:51,520

you might think that sounds insane like

695

00:24:54,630 --> 00:24:53,279

there's no way i would ever in 10 years

696

00:24:55,669 --> 00:24:54,640

from now be the kind of person who does

697

00:24:57,510 --> 00:24:55,679

this show

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00:24:59,110 --> 00:24:57,520

like this um

699

00:25:01,029 --> 00:24:59,120

and same thing with me i don't think

700

00:25:02,789 --> 00:25:01,039

there's any way that previous iterations

701
00:25:03,909 --> 00:25:02,799
of myself could have predicted where i

702
00:25:05,750 --> 00:25:03,919
am now

703
00:25:07,750 --> 00:25:05,760
but it's very easy for us to make the

704
00:25:09,269 --> 00:25:07,760
mistake of thinking but finally at least

705
00:25:11,269 --> 00:25:09,279
we're here now

706
00:25:13,669 --> 00:25:11,279
from here until the rest of our lives

707
00:25:15,430 --> 00:25:13,679
it's good to know we've arrived but no

708
00:25:16,950 --> 00:25:15,440
that's not the case you know five years

709
00:25:18,230 --> 00:25:16,960
from now ten years from now we will look

710
00:25:20,310 --> 00:25:18,240
back again

711
00:25:24,070 --> 00:25:20,320
and be convinced that the way we saw it

712
00:25:25,750 --> 00:25:24,080
now uh is was partial and incomplete and

713
00:25:28,390 --> 00:25:25,760

in some ways silly

714

00:25:30,470 --> 00:25:28,400

so part of it's just recognizing that we

715

00:25:32,149 --> 00:25:30,480

we are the river you know like we were

716

00:25:34,710 --> 00:25:32,159

and you never enter the same river twice

717

00:25:36,310 --> 00:25:34,720

you know this idea that um we are not

718

00:25:37,590 --> 00:25:36,320

the same people and

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00:25:39,750 --> 00:25:37,600

um

720

00:25:41,430 --> 00:25:39,760

when we look at this this kind of topic

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00:25:43,029 --> 00:25:41,440

both from a cultural frame as well as a

722

00:25:44,310 --> 00:25:43,039

personal frame we have to remember that

723

00:25:47,269 --> 00:25:44,320

you know that

724

00:25:49,510 --> 00:25:47,279

um that we're moving targets and

725

00:25:51,510 --> 00:25:49,520

again how we interpret these experiences

726

00:25:53,590 --> 00:25:51,520

as a culture and as individuals has as

727

00:25:54,630 --> 00:25:53,600

much to do with our history and where we

728

00:25:57,029 --> 00:25:54,640

grew up

729

00:25:59,669 --> 00:25:57,039

and our uh our upbringing and our

730

00:26:01,990 --> 00:25:59,679

socio-economic class even sometimes all

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00:26:03,350 --> 00:26:02,000

of that comes into how we make sense of

732

00:26:05,510 --> 00:26:03,360

the world and definitely how we make

733

00:26:07,190 --> 00:26:05,520

sense of something as mind-boggling as

734

00:26:09,190 --> 00:26:07,200

the phenomenon right

735

00:26:10,950 --> 00:26:09,200

right and with this and with this topic

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00:26:11,669 --> 00:26:10,960

in particular so angels and demons i

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00:26:12,549 --> 00:26:11,679

mean

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00:26:14,230 --> 00:26:12,559

it

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00:26:18,549 --> 00:26:14,240

maybe more so than the others although

740

00:26:25,590 --> 00:26:20,710

it's in its way and it's sort of stark

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00:26:27,909 --> 00:26:25,600

contrast is more notably uh

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00:26:29,669 --> 00:26:27,919

in some ways easy to chastise you know

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00:26:31,990 --> 00:26:29,679

and i'm saying that

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00:26:34,470 --> 00:26:32,000

i don't i'm not trying to you know cast

745

00:26:35,909 --> 00:26:34,480

too much judgment there but

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00:26:37,269 --> 00:26:35,919

you know when you when we look at the

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00:26:39,190 --> 00:26:37,279

different sort of

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00:26:41,190 --> 00:26:39,200

ways in which we could couch the

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00:26:42,789 --> 00:26:41,200

phenomenon you know oh it's it's

750

00:26:44,390 --> 00:26:42,799

extraterrestrial

751
00:26:46,630 --> 00:26:44,400
interdimensional ultra-terrestrial

752
00:26:49,510 --> 00:26:46,640
crypto terrestrial whatever those all

753
00:26:52,149 --> 00:26:49,520
seem a little bit more highbrow you know

754
00:26:54,310 --> 00:26:52,159
sort of socially acceptable than angels

755
00:26:55,190 --> 00:26:54,320
and demons and that that framework right

756
00:26:57,909 --> 00:26:55,200
there

757
00:27:01,350 --> 00:26:57,919
like already puts it in a lane

758
00:27:03,750 --> 00:27:01,360
that in our modern western experience is

759
00:27:06,390 --> 00:27:03,760
is like super obvious to see it's we're

760
00:27:08,230 --> 00:27:06,400
talking in different territory here

761
00:27:10,070 --> 00:27:08,240
because there's an immediate sense that

762
00:27:10,789 --> 00:27:10,080
there is a

763
00:27:12,630 --> 00:27:10,799

uh

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00:27:13,830 --> 00:27:12,640

there is a cosmology

765

00:27:14,789 --> 00:27:13,840

there that is

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00:27:16,630 --> 00:27:14,799

pretty

767

00:27:19,510 --> 00:27:16,640

black and white you know that there is a

768

00:27:21,590 --> 00:27:19,520

god that these angels serve there is a

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00:27:23,430 --> 00:27:21,600

god that these demons you know seem to

770

00:27:25,909 --> 00:27:23,440

be against you know there is this you

771

00:27:28,389 --> 00:27:25,919

know entire structure and i recognize

772

00:27:30,310 --> 00:27:28,399

even just saying that that it's it's way

773

00:27:32,549 --> 00:27:30,320

more nuanced and people that that may

774

00:27:34,630 --> 00:27:32,559

hold this hypothesis to be valuable

775

00:27:36,630 --> 00:27:34,640

probably have a much more nuanced

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00:27:39,029 --> 00:27:36,640

perspective on it so i am being very

777

00:27:40,230 --> 00:27:39,039

reductionist uh just for the sake of

778

00:27:41,269 --> 00:27:40,240

discussion

779

00:27:42,710 --> 00:27:41,279

uh

780

00:27:45,430 --> 00:27:42,720

but

781

00:27:46,630 --> 00:27:45,440

you know i think as you said earlier

782

00:27:48,630 --> 00:27:46,640

this

783

00:27:50,950 --> 00:27:48,640

looking at it from the vantage of angels

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00:27:51,830 --> 00:27:50,960

and demons i would imagine

785

00:27:54,789 --> 00:27:51,840

uh

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00:27:55,830 --> 00:27:54,799

is is purely an on-ramp to something

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00:27:57,510 --> 00:27:55,840

else

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00:27:59,669 --> 00:27:57,520

that would come later

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00:28:01,510 --> 00:27:59,679

um because you can

790

00:28:04,789 --> 00:28:01,520

you really have two choices so you can

791

00:28:07,590 --> 00:28:04,799

continue to look at it from that

792

00:28:10,149 --> 00:28:07,600

neatly packaged view

793

00:28:13,269 --> 00:28:10,159

and then continually reinforce

794

00:28:16,310 --> 00:28:13,279

your boundaries and barriers so that

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00:28:18,310 --> 00:28:16,320

the walls you've constructed there stay

796

00:28:20,950 --> 00:28:18,320

strong and people do you know they

797

00:28:22,710 --> 00:28:20,960

really do or you can you can wrestle

798

00:28:25,110 --> 00:28:22,720

with that experience

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00:28:27,990 --> 00:28:25,120

as you said and it stretches you and it

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00:28:29,909 --> 00:28:28,000

causes you to sort of maybe look at

801
00:28:31,750 --> 00:28:29,919
that wall very closely and say okay wait

802
00:28:35,110 --> 00:28:31,760
there might be some cracks here

803
00:28:36,630 --> 00:28:35,120
that i wasn't aware of and and this way

804
00:28:38,310 --> 00:28:36,640
of looking at

805
00:28:40,549 --> 00:28:38,320
an experience that i had or the

806
00:28:42,870 --> 00:28:40,559
phenomenon that i'm reading about you

807
00:28:45,430 --> 00:28:42,880
know it for whatever reason

808
00:28:47,110 --> 00:28:45,440
just couching it as an angel or a demon

809
00:28:50,470 --> 00:28:47,120
something that is pro-human and

810
00:28:52,710 --> 00:28:50,480
anti-human pro-god anti-like those

811
00:28:54,630 --> 00:28:52,720
categories alone end up really just

812
00:28:56,470 --> 00:28:54,640
being insufficient

813
00:28:58,310 --> 00:28:56,480

at least i think so but but i know that

814

00:29:00,230 --> 00:28:58,320

there are there are those that will you

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00:29:01,669 --> 00:29:00,240

know that for whatever reason maybe very

816

00:29:04,310 --> 00:29:01,679

good reasons we'll just sort of double

817

00:29:06,549 --> 00:29:04,320

down and and really hold tightly

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00:29:08,470 --> 00:29:06,559

to that world view

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00:29:09,830 --> 00:29:08,480

yeah and i think before we get into sort

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00:29:13,909 --> 00:29:09,840

of the

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00:29:15,350 --> 00:29:13,919

and where they came from

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00:29:16,870 --> 00:29:15,360

and sort of walk through the history of

823

00:29:17,750 --> 00:29:16,880

that which i think will be helpful for

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00:29:22,710 --> 00:29:17,760

people

825

00:29:26,470 --> 00:29:24,870

whenever you try and present a

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00:29:28,710 --> 00:29:26,480

hypothesis for what's going on in

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00:29:30,549 --> 00:29:28,720

reality you have to begin with a miracle

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00:29:32,950 --> 00:29:30,559

to some degree you know

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00:29:34,950 --> 00:29:32,960

any any postulation has to begin with if

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00:29:37,590 --> 00:29:34,960

you give me this i will then build the

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00:29:39,350 --> 00:29:37,600

rest for you right but because we can't

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00:29:41,750 --> 00:29:39,360

touch that first thing

833

00:29:43,830 --> 00:29:41,760

that first primary thing we have to sort

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00:29:44,710 --> 00:29:43,840

of dream up what it is and then go from

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00:29:46,389 --> 00:29:44,720

there

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00:29:49,190 --> 00:29:46,399

the the challenge with the angel and

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00:29:50,950 --> 00:29:49,200

demon hypothesis in terms of taking a

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00:29:52,549 --> 00:29:50,960

very sort of traditional christian

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00:29:54,470 --> 00:29:52,559

perspective fundamentalist christian

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00:29:55,990 --> 00:29:54,480

perspective because again later on we

841

00:29:58,630 --> 00:29:56,000

can get into

842

00:30:00,389 --> 00:29:58,640

how specific within the broad brush of

843

00:30:01,909 --> 00:30:00,399

christianity how specific that

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00:30:04,710 --> 00:30:01,919

particular kind of

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00:30:06,710 --> 00:30:04,720

um coining was specifically even amongst

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00:30:07,590 --> 00:30:06,720

some of the federal government

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00:30:08,549 --> 00:30:07,600

um

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00:30:10,310 --> 00:30:08,559

but

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00:30:11,830 --> 00:30:10,320

what i want to get at is that to some

850

00:30:14,149 --> 00:30:11,840

degree this just begs the question

851

00:30:16,070 --> 00:30:14,159

because if you say these are the angels

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00:30:17,669 --> 00:30:16,080

and demons from the bible then you say

853

00:30:20,870 --> 00:30:17,679

okay well what are the angels and demons

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00:30:23,510 --> 00:30:20,880

in the bible you know like um

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00:30:24,870 --> 00:30:23,520

the bible is um

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00:30:26,630 --> 00:30:24,880

you know with my biblical studies

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00:30:27,669 --> 00:30:26,640

background i'm very happy to say that it

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00:30:29,029 --> 00:30:27,679

is the

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00:30:31,350 --> 00:30:29,039

record of

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00:30:35,269 --> 00:30:31,360

human interaction with

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00:30:38,149 --> 00:30:35,279

um phenomena over time recorded across

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00:30:41,350 --> 00:30:38,159

time which includes both the experiences

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00:30:43,669 --> 00:30:41,360

with the phenomena but also

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00:30:45,510 --> 00:30:43,679

with these different phenomena but also

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00:30:47,590 --> 00:30:45,520

with a shifting perspective amongst

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00:30:49,590 --> 00:30:47,600

those different human groups so

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00:30:51,909 --> 00:30:49,600

as much as in some circles that i was in

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00:30:54,389 --> 00:30:51,919

in the past where they want to pretend

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00:30:56,470 --> 00:30:54,399

that the bible is one book and it's put

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00:31:00,230 --> 00:30:56,480

together nicely and reflects sort of one

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00:31:01,669 --> 00:31:00,240

theology throughout one perspective

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00:31:03,350 --> 00:31:01,679

not the case at all you know when you

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00:31:05,029 --> 00:31:03,360

look at it you know from an historical

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00:31:07,269 --> 00:31:05,039

critical point of view

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00:31:08,789 --> 00:31:07,279

you do textual analysis you become aware

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00:31:10,070 --> 00:31:08,799

of the context of the cultures where

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00:31:11,909 --> 00:31:10,080

they were written

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00:31:13,029 --> 00:31:11,919

very different cultures written over

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00:31:15,669 --> 00:31:13,039

thousands of years right so we're

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00:31:17,190 --> 00:31:15,679

talking about a long time

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00:31:18,710 --> 00:31:17,200

and some of it borrowed from previous

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00:31:20,950 --> 00:31:18,720

traditions even even though that will be

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00:31:22,470 --> 00:31:20,960

that'll be um controversial for some

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00:31:24,870 --> 00:31:22,480

people

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00:31:26,710 --> 00:31:24,880

so all that is to say

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00:31:29,430 --> 00:31:26,720

if that's the case we look at the bible

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00:31:32,149 --> 00:31:29,440

that way or any kind of scriptural text

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00:31:33,430 --> 00:31:32,159

then you see it as human beings trying

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00:31:36,630 --> 00:31:33,440

to wrestle

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00:31:38,470 --> 00:31:36,640

honestly and you know with sincerity

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00:31:40,149 --> 00:31:38,480

with their god with their conception of

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00:31:42,470 --> 00:31:40,159

god and with their conception of this

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00:31:44,470 --> 00:31:42,480

these otherworldly entities and trying

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00:31:46,710 --> 00:31:44,480

to make sense of what this means and

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00:31:48,870 --> 00:31:46,720

from this they form a mythology and i

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00:31:51,909 --> 00:31:48,880

mean mythology not in the sense of they

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00:31:53,990 --> 00:31:51,919

make stuff up but it's a story by which

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00:31:55,350 --> 00:31:54,000

we frame our reality for you and i to

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00:31:56,870 --> 00:31:55,360

get up in the morning decide to brush

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00:31:58,789 --> 00:31:56,880

brush our teeth

901
00:32:00,789 --> 00:31:58,799
we have to have some idea of what life's

902
00:32:03,110 --> 00:32:00,799
about and why we're doing it you know

903
00:32:05,110 --> 00:32:03,120
and presumably we it's even if it

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00:32:07,590 --> 00:32:05,120
evolves it's it's an enduring myth

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00:32:09,669 --> 00:32:07,600
because we do the same thing every day

906
00:32:11,509 --> 00:32:09,679
generally right so that's right we must

907
00:32:14,149 --> 00:32:11,519
even if it's in the background we all

908
00:32:16,149 --> 00:32:14,159
have this narrative framework by which

909
00:32:17,110 --> 00:32:16,159
we navigate our lives

910
00:32:18,549 --> 00:32:17,120
so

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00:32:20,070 --> 00:32:18,559
again getting back to the angels and

912
00:32:22,230 --> 00:32:20,080
demons thing

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00:32:24,149 --> 00:32:22,240

even if you think that's what they are

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00:32:25,430 --> 00:32:24,159

even even if you think

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00:32:26,870 --> 00:32:25,440

think that

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00:32:29,269 --> 00:32:26,880

the question of whether or not you take

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00:32:30,789 --> 00:32:29,279

the interpretation of a particular group

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00:32:33,110 --> 00:32:30,799

at a particular time of what those

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00:32:34,470 --> 00:32:33,120

experiences were i mean i'm very happy

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00:32:36,789 --> 00:32:34,480

to say

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00:32:38,710 --> 00:32:36,799

the bible is recording real experiences

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00:32:40,070 --> 00:32:38,720

and and i've been in

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00:32:41,909 --> 00:32:40,080

academic

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00:32:43,430 --> 00:32:41,919

settings where the assumption was those

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00:32:45,269 --> 00:32:43,440

weren't real experiences because we know

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00:32:46,950 --> 00:32:45,279

those things can't happen

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00:32:48,630 --> 00:32:46,960

i no longer believe that because i've

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00:32:50,230 --> 00:32:48,640

some of my own experiences and knowing

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00:32:52,630 --> 00:32:50,240

so many other people who've had these

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00:32:54,710 --> 00:32:52,640

experiences so they're real experiences

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00:32:56,549 --> 00:32:54,720

but the question of what they mean and

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00:32:57,909 --> 00:32:56,559

what they are is a different matter

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00:32:59,909 --> 00:32:57,919

entirely and i think that's partly what

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00:33:01,990 --> 00:32:59,919

we're doing today is trying to separate

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00:33:04,070 --> 00:33:02,000

those two matters yeah completely agree

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00:33:06,230 --> 00:33:04,080

and and i would encourage anyone no

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00:33:09,190 --> 00:33:06,240

matter where you are

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00:33:10,950 --> 00:33:09,200

with this topic

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00:33:12,789 --> 00:33:10,960

let's say that you are very firmly

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00:33:15,110 --> 00:33:12,799

rooted in a biblical

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00:33:16,789 --> 00:33:15,120

you know kind of context and worldview

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00:33:19,750 --> 00:33:16,799

perspective

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00:33:22,149 --> 00:33:19,760

go to that text and do look at how

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00:33:25,430 --> 00:33:22,159

this issue is wrestled with over the

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00:33:27,590 --> 00:33:25,440

span of that entire story

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00:33:29,430 --> 00:33:27,600

because as you pointed out there is a

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00:33:33,350 --> 00:33:29,440

variance there there is

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00:33:36,310 --> 00:33:33,360

a changing narrative of of how these

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00:33:38,789 --> 00:33:36,320

non-human entities are experienced

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00:33:40,630 --> 00:33:38,799

recorded reflected on

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00:33:42,470 --> 00:33:40,640
uh and that

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00:33:44,230 --> 00:33:42,480
and it carries through as well so it's

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00:33:46,310 --> 00:33:44,240
not just um you don't you can't just

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00:33:48,470 --> 00:33:46,320
take a chapter from the old testament

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00:33:50,149 --> 00:33:48,480
and say okay well that that that's how

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00:33:51,990 --> 00:33:50,159
it was it's sort of fixed right there

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00:33:52,789 --> 00:33:52,000
you actually can see in many places

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00:33:53,669 --> 00:33:52,799
where

959
00:33:56,230 --> 00:33:53,679
uh

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00:33:58,149 --> 00:33:56,240
in the new testament language they are

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00:34:00,070 --> 00:33:58,159
they are reinterpreting

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00:34:01,669 --> 00:34:00,080
reimagining

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00:34:03,830 --> 00:34:01,679

what that what that

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00:34:05,430 --> 00:34:03,840

story was like from

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00:34:07,509 --> 00:34:05,440

the old testament you know they because

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00:34:09,990 --> 00:34:07,519

it's part of their cultural framework as

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00:34:12,069 --> 00:34:10,000

well which changed over time you know

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00:34:14,230 --> 00:34:12,079

and maybe that's a very good segue

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00:34:15,990 --> 00:34:14,240

uh you know sort of to to unpacking this

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00:34:17,669 --> 00:34:16,000

a little bit more

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00:34:19,190 --> 00:34:17,679

in that uh

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00:34:21,990 --> 00:34:19,200

in something that maybe not everyone is

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00:34:24,629 --> 00:34:22,000

particularly familiar with but the this

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00:34:26,790 --> 00:34:24,639

you know where does

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00:34:29,270 --> 00:34:26,800

our sort of modern notion and i mean i

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00:34:31,270 --> 00:34:29,280
should say modern popular notion maybe

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00:34:32,790 --> 00:34:31,280
best way to say it of angels and demons

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00:34:35,349 --> 00:34:32,800
where does it that ultimately kind of

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00:34:37,430 --> 00:34:35,359
trace back to if we're going really

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00:34:39,030 --> 00:34:37,440
through the lens of the bible and the

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00:34:41,030 --> 00:34:39,040
peoples of the bible

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00:34:44,149 --> 00:34:41,040
you know where is this concept coming

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00:34:45,909 --> 00:34:44,159
from and what ways has it changed

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00:34:49,270 --> 00:34:45,919
over time

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00:34:51,270 --> 00:34:49,280
in that text to now

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00:34:53,510 --> 00:34:51,280
yeah and i think as we begin this

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00:34:55,349 --> 00:34:53,520
journey i would just say again we're not

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00:34:57,510 --> 00:34:55,359

here to try and invalidate anyone's

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00:34:58,870 --> 00:34:57,520

personal experience or interpretation we

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00:35:01,190 --> 00:34:58,880

all have them

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00:35:03,190 --> 00:35:01,200

um it's like we talked about

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00:35:04,310 --> 00:35:03,200

nathan and exo have theirs as well and

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00:35:05,750 --> 00:35:04,320

they're different than they were five

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00:35:07,510 --> 00:35:05,760

years ago and they'll be different again

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00:35:09,430 --> 00:35:07,520

in five years from now so we're not

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00:35:11,510 --> 00:35:09,440

pretending that we are

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00:35:13,030 --> 00:35:11,520

you know above that because it's just

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00:35:14,550 --> 00:35:13,040

part of the human condition you know you

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00:35:15,910 --> 00:35:14,560

can't you can't get up in the morning

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00:35:16,950 --> 00:35:15,920

and go about your day without a

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00:35:18,470 --> 00:35:16,960
narrative

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00:35:20,310 --> 00:35:18,480
framework you know

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00:35:22,069 --> 00:35:20,320
but that said

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00:35:24,630 --> 00:35:22,079
um you know

1005
00:35:27,109 --> 00:35:24,640
what often happens in history is that

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00:35:29,109 --> 00:35:27,119
when different groups come into power i

1007
00:35:30,470 --> 00:35:29,119
mean when they have societal power and

1008
00:35:32,790 --> 00:35:30,480
authority right

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00:35:34,470 --> 00:35:32,800
and by that we basically mean

1010
00:35:37,270 --> 00:35:34,480
um they have the power of the state

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00:35:39,030 --> 00:35:37,280
behind them right um

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00:35:40,710 --> 00:35:39,040
the founding fathers of our country you

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00:35:42,630 --> 00:35:40,720

know had to wrestle with how that had

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00:35:44,230 --> 00:35:42,640

been a problem in pr in in europe for

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00:35:46,230 --> 00:35:44,240

instance you know and trying to separate

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00:35:49,030 --> 00:35:46,240

this all and how do you guarantee the

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00:35:52,230 --> 00:35:49,040

freedom of an of an individual to pursue

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00:35:54,710 --> 00:35:52,240

you know life liberty and happiness um

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00:35:57,030 --> 00:35:54,720

while also allowing for spirituality but

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00:35:58,950 --> 00:35:57,040

not not centralizing it with an estate

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00:36:01,109 --> 00:35:58,960

kind of thing right

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00:36:03,430 --> 00:36:01,119

so what happened was you know initially

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00:36:05,750 --> 00:36:03,440

that the term demon is sort of like a

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00:36:08,310 --> 00:36:05,760

co-opting of a much older

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00:36:10,069 --> 00:36:08,320

uh sort of term from greek mythology and

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00:36:11,829 --> 00:36:10,079

even before that

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00:36:13,750 --> 00:36:11,839

that we'll we'll use the term daemon it

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00:36:15,270 --> 00:36:13,760

can it can sometimes be pronounced demon

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00:36:16,550 --> 00:36:15,280

as well but so we're clear to people

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00:36:18,630 --> 00:36:16,560

which one we're talking about i'm going

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00:36:21,430 --> 00:36:18,640

to say damon so when i say damon i'm

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00:36:24,310 --> 00:36:21,440

referring to sort of the greek mythology

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00:36:25,670 --> 00:36:24,320

and these were figures who were um

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00:36:28,550 --> 00:36:25,680

and i'll get in a second to how that got

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00:36:30,470 --> 00:36:28,560

co-opted later but these this initial

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00:36:33,190 --> 00:36:30,480

sort of understanding was that

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00:36:34,790 --> 00:36:33,200

there are entities intelligences beings

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00:36:36,630 --> 00:36:34,800

that people encounter

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00:36:39,109 --> 00:36:36,640

that are sort of somewhere between

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00:36:40,790 --> 00:36:39,119

divine and and mortal you know or they

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00:36:42,870 --> 00:36:40,800

they have some characteristics to seem

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00:36:45,190 --> 00:36:42,880

to be like they live in both worlds

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00:36:46,950 --> 00:36:45,200

they're in a liminal frame

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00:36:49,750 --> 00:36:46,960

and um

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00:36:51,349 --> 00:36:49,760

and and there was a really a range you

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00:36:53,510 --> 00:36:51,359

know it's not like they were either good

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00:36:55,750 --> 00:36:53,520

or bad or one or the other it's that

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00:36:57,109 --> 00:36:55,760

they just like you go to the supermarket

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00:36:58,870 --> 00:36:57,119

you get a range of people with different

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00:37:00,790 --> 00:36:58,880

backgrounds and

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00:37:02,470 --> 00:37:00,800
um a range of whether you not would call

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00:37:03,910 --> 00:37:02,480
them good or bad people or whatever you

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00:37:06,150 --> 00:37:03,920
know if we realize that's kind of

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00:37:07,670 --> 00:37:06,160
simplistic and black and white um well

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00:37:09,430 --> 00:37:07,680
in the same way that the original

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00:37:11,349 --> 00:37:09,440
understanding was

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00:37:13,910 --> 00:37:11,359
that there was a breadth and depth to

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00:37:15,510 --> 00:37:13,920
these these beings um that sort of

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00:37:16,390 --> 00:37:15,520
covered the gamut

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00:37:17,990 --> 00:37:16,400
um

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00:37:21,030 --> 00:37:18,000
and there was also sort of this this

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00:37:22,710 --> 00:37:21,040
sense uh sometimes that great figures

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00:37:24,790 --> 00:37:22,720

human figures when they died heroic

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00:37:27,349 --> 00:37:24,800

figures would become like demonic

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00:37:29,270 --> 00:37:27,359

figures for people in the future

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00:37:32,069 --> 00:37:29,280

um and there was also a sense of kind of

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00:37:34,550 --> 00:37:32,079

like a a protecting or a guardian angel

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00:37:37,990 --> 00:37:34,560

or demon or demon kind of notion as well

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00:37:39,829 --> 00:37:38,000

that you um

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00:37:41,270 --> 00:37:39,839

you know you're born with a demon that's

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00:37:43,030 --> 00:37:41,280

with you through your whole life kind of

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00:37:44,790 --> 00:37:43,040

thing and is guiding you and giving you

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00:37:46,630 --> 00:37:44,800

feedback and whatnot

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00:37:49,109 --> 00:37:46,640

um

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00:37:51,589 --> 00:37:49,119

so but what happened was when

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00:37:53,990 --> 00:37:51,599
when christianity kind of rose to power

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00:37:56,069 --> 00:37:54,000
uh in the roman empire

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00:37:57,829 --> 00:37:56,079
um what often happens is that traditions

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00:37:59,430 --> 00:37:57,839
that are already existing

1080
00:38:01,510 --> 00:37:59,440
end up being sort of brought into the

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00:38:02,710 --> 00:38:01,520
mix because if it's if it's a tradition

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00:38:04,390 --> 00:38:02,720
that's already

1083
00:38:05,829 --> 00:38:04,400
really embedded in a culture it's hard

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00:38:07,109 --> 00:38:05,839
to just say okay you can't do that

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00:38:09,270 --> 00:38:07,119
anymore right

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00:38:11,829 --> 00:38:09,280
so instead it gets altered it gets

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00:38:14,950 --> 00:38:11,839
modified it mutates and becomes part of

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00:38:17,270 --> 00:38:14,960

the of the the new dominant system so

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00:38:19,430 --> 00:38:17,280

you know when you have constantine

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00:38:20,630 --> 00:38:19,440

you know adopting christianity and then

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00:38:22,390 --> 00:38:20,640

sort of saying this is going to be the

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00:38:24,630 --> 00:38:22,400

official religion of the empire then

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00:38:26,950 --> 00:38:24,640

what happens is that other aspects of

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00:38:29,109 --> 00:38:26,960

the the cultural mix

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00:38:30,470 --> 00:38:29,119

get brought in as well so

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00:38:32,390 --> 00:38:30,480

even things like everything from like a

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00:38:34,069 --> 00:38:32,400

christmas tree right it was was it was a

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00:38:35,829 --> 00:38:34,079

part of a pagan tradition but got kind

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00:38:37,910 --> 00:38:35,839

of brought in and now if you were to

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00:38:39,430 --> 00:38:37,920

tell a modern american you know

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00:38:41,030 --> 00:38:39,440
evangelical that a christmas tree was

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00:38:42,550 --> 00:38:41,040
originally a pagan ceremony they would

1103
00:38:44,390 --> 00:38:42,560
be you know horrified and shocked but

1104
00:38:45,670 --> 00:38:44,400
that's the truth right

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00:38:48,230 --> 00:38:45,680
in the same way

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00:38:49,990 --> 00:38:48,240
the demons that you know then then the

1107
00:38:51,910 --> 00:38:50,000
christian sort of hierarchy had to

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00:38:53,510 --> 00:38:51,920
figure out the elite in and that now

1109
00:38:55,910 --> 00:38:53,520
only had power not only in the church

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00:38:57,670 --> 00:38:55,920
but over the society as well they were

1111
00:38:58,790 --> 00:38:57,680
the lawmaker the judge

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00:39:00,150 --> 00:38:58,800
everything

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00:39:04,069 --> 00:39:00,160

they had to figure out what do we do

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00:39:06,310 --> 00:39:04,079

with these demonic figures and um

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00:39:08,710 --> 00:39:06,320

so there was a notion in christianity

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00:39:10,390 --> 00:39:08,720

this sort of creation story where

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00:39:13,430 --> 00:39:10,400

as you alluded to

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00:39:15,829 --> 00:39:13,440

um there was one you know really amazing

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00:39:17,589 --> 00:39:15,839

creature one of the story goes like the

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00:39:19,750 --> 00:39:17,599

most beautiful and amazing and powerful

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00:39:22,470 --> 00:39:19,760

creature that god had ever

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00:39:25,030 --> 00:39:22,480

created so much so that you know kind of

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00:39:27,190 --> 00:39:25,040

got a big head about him and and sort of

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00:39:29,589 --> 00:39:27,200

rebelled against god and was cast out of

1125

00:39:32,310 --> 00:39:29,599

heaven right this is the creation myth

1126

00:39:34,790 --> 00:39:32,320

and along with him a bunch of the other

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00:39:37,270 --> 00:39:34,800

angelic figures that were on the scene

1128

00:39:39,190 --> 00:39:37,280

also sort of like sided with the satanic

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00:39:40,790 --> 00:39:39,200

figure and by the way speaking of

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00:39:43,190 --> 00:39:40,800

shifting perspectives

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00:39:45,030 --> 00:39:43,200

that satan figure in early sort of

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hebrew scriptures

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was was

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coined very differently sort of part of

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the council of the godhead

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really gets complex once you really look

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at it

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but anyway so the idea is that you know

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this the satanic figure was cast out of

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heaven uh you know damned to hell this

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this different landscape this different

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domain or realm

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and some of the angels went with him

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they were cast out that sort of aligned

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with him

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and then left in heaven was god and the

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the angels that stayed on the good side

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so these these are the these are the

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the

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that were coined in that tradition so

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what they what what christianity did

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when it came into power

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was say was said okay yes there are

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demons but they're actually

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all one of these two types they're

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either angels or demons according to

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this creation myth and that's how that

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kind of got co-opted and shifted and

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mutated over time

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yeah it's a fascinating

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story and i would encourage people

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there's just a lot of really great

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material out there and it would take way

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more than an hour and a half episode uh

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to unpack this but so i would encourage

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folks to to really uh dive into this

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subject there's some great content on

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youtube on the history of

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demonic entities

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also i would encourage folks to look at

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the influence of hellenism which was

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greek culture

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on

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christianity itself because

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you really cannot separate

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those things that it's all in the mix

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there um

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for a believer i honestly think it

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actually provides a richer landscape to

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your belief to understand that that was

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sort of the world in which these texts

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emerged

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and for those who aren't a believer i

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think it will provide you with a little

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greater clarity on

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how some of these ideas

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sort of came to be and adopted uh and

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and and changed over time um i'm

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particularly struck you know talking

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about changing over time

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the power of this idea of monotheism

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and and the adoption of monotheism

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uh

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by constantine

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and then really that becoming kind of

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the dominant

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uh worldview and theology in the western

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uh in what western societies

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you know

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when you kind of go that down that path

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anything that is against

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uh that

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monotheistic idea that is against god

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00:42:33,990 --> 00:42:30,960
and many in many cases was always it was

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associated the state so it would be you

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know whoever was uh the emperor or the

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king you know they were very closely

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00:42:44,230 --> 00:42:42,000
aligned uh to the church uh you know so

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00:42:45,990 --> 00:42:44,240
anything that is not in that category

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00:42:47,990 --> 00:42:46,000
not in can we talk about this notion of

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00:42:50,710 --> 00:42:48,000
buckets and frameworks if you're not in

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00:42:52,309 --> 00:42:50,720
that category that very narrow slice

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00:42:54,150 --> 00:42:52,319

then you are

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just by ex you know by definition you're

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not you know you're you're on the

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opposition and so as uh you know the

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roman culture advanced uh into europe uh

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you know and and had to

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intermingle with the cultures that were

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there you know they are taking on uh

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the

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north norse mythology and you know

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putting those things as you know

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oftentimes demoting those deities into

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into the demonic category

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as well so this is just sort of a

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natural way in which

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uh

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thought frames you know really have a

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life of their own and begin acting in

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the world uh to parse

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experience and categorize uh different

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groups

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so all that being said

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which is you know quite a bit there to

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kind of think about again we could do a

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lot more on it i i know we want to talk

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about something

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kind of much more specific and this

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isn't this is very interesting to me

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uh and that is the uh the the sort of

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rumors or

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even uh in many places reported as true

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00:44:03,910 --> 00:44:01,359

uh

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preponderance of belief in some circles

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of the us intelligence community uh

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that you know that this is what what it

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really is that it is angels and demons

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that it is a very strongly held sort of

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christian

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uh

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um

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there's an end times knit narrative

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there's very much this coming apocalypse

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you know all of these sort of loaded

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terms

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seem to be hel closely held beliefs by

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at least some

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of the folks who might be closest to the

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study of what this really is

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what what do you think about that

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yeah well

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what's interesting

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about that is that again we can't

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separate

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the interpretation from

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the um the landscape that these people

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live within right and

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and we want to make it really clear

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we're not mocking anyone for again for

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having an interpretive grid we all have

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it it's part of being a human being and

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usually what happens is

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any modern culture tends to look back at

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the past and sort of mock and laugh at

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the previous iterations

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only because the current mythology is

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worn so tightly that you don't see it

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it's the pair of glasses you're wearing

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constantly so you think you finally

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achieved objectivity where every

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previous culture has not um again with

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my integral background i'm kind of uh

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you know immunized against that that

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notion that i know it keeps rolling out

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uh and that that's an iterative pro

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editor of process that keeps happening

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that's emergent and there will be new

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ways of seeing reality that will be

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better and more transcendent and more

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inclusive

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in the in the future than i can i or

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anyone else can imagine yet that's just

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the way it goes

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so

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with that in mind again that everyone

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grows up in an era when there's cultural

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frameworks all around them whether

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they're aware of them or not

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we have to remember that these because

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00:46:04,470 --> 00:46:02,240
this is interesting i've had people

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after i did the one podcast episode on

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00:46:08,870 --> 00:46:06,720
the collins elite and

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00:46:10,630 --> 00:46:08,880
um which is the sort of unofficial name

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that was given to this group of people

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within the the us intelligence community

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who came to believe that these were or

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00:46:20,470 --> 00:46:17,200
these were demons right

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00:46:21,750 --> 00:46:20,480
so it's a really fascinating case um

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00:46:25,829 --> 00:46:21,760
and

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00:46:28,630 --> 00:46:25,839
know surely these people with like you

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00:46:30,710 --> 00:46:28,640
know security clearances and sometimes

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00:46:32,870 --> 00:46:30,720

high degrees of education

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00:46:34,870 --> 00:46:32,880

couldn't be fooled just by interpretive

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grids and and i want to say to people

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yes they can

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i mean not that there weren't real

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events and we'll get to those we want to

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really get into that today

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but don't dismiss or

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look the other way from

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how powerful these interpretive grids

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are they

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an experience is one thing how you land

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it ground it make sense of it

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is another thing it has as much to do

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with your interpretive grid as it does

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the experience itself

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so

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i think when you look back at it as

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objectively as possible and by the way

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nick redfern wrote a book called final

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events

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um speaking of the sort of apocalyptic

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nature you used to touched on um

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that that books uh comes highly

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recommended he he documented a lot of

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this where he and he kept an objective

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perspective he didn't adopt the

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perspective of the collins elite

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he tried to just talk about the

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experiences the events historically and

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then what they concluded and why they

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concluded that

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and what you come away with as i said in

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that podcast episode is

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a lot of correlation but not necessarily

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causation in my mind and i think that

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from my perspective what the collins

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elite did a lot of

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was assuming one implies the other

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so you had things like

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it sort of goes back to aleister crowley

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you know in the late 19th century and

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and um he's a controversial figure

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people in occultic circles kind of like

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he's kind of a heroic figure who tried

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to

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dimensions and make contact with um with

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beings

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so that's one framing right people see

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him as a kind of heroic pioneering

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figure but there's some people in

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christian traditions who think

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that's a foolish man who is messing with

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demonic entities that never ends well

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for you right so

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um

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and uh so

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he began some stuff um in the late 19th

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century reaching across and

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and part of the narrative that began to

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be

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reinterpreted again we talked about

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christian traditions um you know

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uh and hellenistic uh you know aspects

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king

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boiled into the mix

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in the same way in the

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uh you know the 40s or so 40s and 50s

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with the collins elite um you know they

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they looked back at things maybe there

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was a portal opened by by aleister

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crowley they look back at these historic

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events where people were trying to reach

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across and

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even if they thought

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they were well-meaning and we're trying

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to just reach contact other beings from

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the christian fundamentalist perspective

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the only door you're knocking on is is

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the satanic realm the doors of hell the

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gates of hell right and and so they

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believe that crowley

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opened that portal right and so that

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could have create cracked open the door

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for spiritual entities to come in

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and then you have people like jack

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parsons uh later on

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uh who were devotees of crowley who also

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was was he had his own rocket company

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and and worked for you know was

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developed rockets for nasa and stuff was

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very intelligent guy with a with a high

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security clearance and yet he he had

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these kind of occultic practices in the

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background right that he was interested

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in

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00:49:54,950 --> 00:49:53,839

um

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00:49:59,510 --> 00:49:54,960

and

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00:50:02,470 --> 00:49:59,520

we even have people like kenneth arnold

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00:50:03,430 --> 00:50:02,480

the man who saw the first saucers right

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00:50:05,829 --> 00:50:03,440

uh

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00:50:07,510 --> 00:50:05,839

around mount rainier this sort of was

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00:50:09,430 --> 00:50:07,520

the birth of the entire sort of 20th

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00:50:12,710 --> 00:50:09,440

century flying saucer

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00:50:13,670 --> 00:50:12,720

thing that took off in the u.s right um

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00:50:15,349 --> 00:50:13,680

he

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00:50:17,190 --> 00:50:15,359

actually was someone that knew jack

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00:50:18,790 --> 00:50:17,200

parsons and so

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00:50:20,630 --> 00:50:18,800

what happened is the collins elite

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00:50:22,150 --> 00:50:20,640

started started ticking off boxes right

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00:50:24,309 --> 00:50:22,160

they said aha

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00:50:25,990 --> 00:50:24,319

jack parsons was a devotee of aleister

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00:50:28,390 --> 00:50:26,000

crowley right

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00:50:30,390 --> 00:50:28,400

kenneth arnold knew jack parsons and so

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00:50:31,829 --> 00:50:30,400

they they start seeing like this

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00:50:34,230 --> 00:50:31,839

nefarious

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00:50:35,510 --> 00:50:34,240

causal link between these different

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00:50:37,829 --> 00:50:35,520

figures

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00:50:39,510 --> 00:50:37,839

and we have to we have to say some

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00:50:42,069 --> 00:50:39,520

people had negative experiences some

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00:50:43,990 --> 00:50:42,079

people really had um you know scary

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00:50:46,309 --> 00:50:44,000

experiences with entities they perceived

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00:50:49,589 --> 00:50:46,319

as nefarious and so

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00:50:51,750 --> 00:50:49,599

and you know for jack parsons um there's

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00:50:53,589 --> 00:50:51,760

his famous you know how his life ended

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00:50:55,589 --> 00:50:53,599

is kind of famous because or infamous

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00:50:57,750 --> 00:50:55,599

depending on your point of view because

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00:50:59,270 --> 00:50:57,760

there was an explosion and he died you

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00:51:01,270 --> 00:50:59,280

know got to got as far as the hospital

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00:51:03,190 --> 00:51:01,280

but died there

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00:51:04,470 --> 00:51:03,200

some people believed that he was again

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00:51:06,069 --> 00:51:04,480

trying to

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00:51:07,589 --> 00:51:06,079

engage in some sort of a cultic practice

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00:51:10,230 --> 00:51:07,599

and ended up opening a portal which

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00:51:12,549 --> 00:51:10,240

caused an explosion and killed him

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00:51:14,470 --> 00:51:12,559

again from the fundamentalist christian

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00:51:16,390 --> 00:51:14,480

perspective held by summon the collins

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00:51:18,150 --> 00:51:16,400

elite most of them

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00:51:20,710 --> 00:51:18,160

again even if you think you're doing

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00:51:22,390 --> 00:51:20,720

something funny or fun or exciting

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00:51:24,069 --> 00:51:22,400

it never ends well for you because these

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00:51:26,470 --> 00:51:24,079

are deceptive entities right that's

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00:51:28,870 --> 00:51:26,480

that's a key part that they're deceptive

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00:51:30,710 --> 00:51:28,880

so he died in this explosion some people

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00:51:32,230 --> 00:51:30,720

look at it like perhaps he was engaged

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00:51:33,589 --> 00:51:32,240

in some sort of cultic practice that

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00:51:35,190 --> 00:51:33,599

went bad

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00:51:37,109 --> 00:51:35,200

other people say no he was just working

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00:51:38,309 --> 00:51:37,119

on you know rocket technology because

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00:51:40,390 --> 00:51:38,319

that's what he was he was a rocket

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00:51:41,829 --> 00:51:40,400

scientist and that that was all that was

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00:51:43,109 --> 00:51:41,839

was an accident you know nothing more

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00:51:45,990 --> 00:51:43,119

than that

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00:51:48,710 --> 00:51:46,000

but this deception part is key because

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00:51:51,109 --> 00:51:48,720

the the collins elite believe that

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00:51:52,710 --> 00:51:51,119

the flying saucer mythology right this

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00:51:55,829 --> 00:51:52,720

sort of rose up in the 20th century

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00:51:56,790 --> 00:51:55,839

speaking of framing was just a deceptive

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00:51:58,870 --> 00:51:56,800

uh

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00:52:01,829 --> 00:51:58,880

front it was the it was the veneer the

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00:52:03,030 --> 00:52:01,839

facade of what was actually demonic

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00:52:05,670 --> 00:52:03,040

activity

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00:52:08,069 --> 00:52:05,680

um and so

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00:52:10,470 --> 00:52:08,079

that's that's the key that the again the

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00:52:12,069 --> 00:52:10,480

interpretive grid already told them that

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00:52:13,750 --> 00:52:12,079

and if you talk to anyone or you've been

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00:52:15,910 --> 00:52:13,760

in fundamentalist christian circles

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00:52:17,910 --> 00:52:15,920

you'll know that

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00:52:19,750 --> 00:52:17,920

people take passages from the bible like

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00:52:22,470 --> 00:52:19,760

you know satan can parade as an angel of

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00:52:24,150 --> 00:52:22,480

light and they'll they really can apply

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00:52:25,750 --> 00:52:24,160

that across the board and say so you

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00:52:28,870 --> 00:52:25,760

could see something looks like shining

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00:52:30,710 --> 00:52:28,880

and glorious and beautiful and angelic

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00:52:32,549 --> 00:52:30,720

still satan man

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00:52:34,150 --> 00:52:32,559

and i'm not trying to be you know

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00:52:37,109 --> 00:52:34,160

totally dismissive there but it is

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00:52:39,990 --> 00:52:37,119

sometimes frustrating how people are not

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00:52:41,910 --> 00:52:40,000

willing to ever question that theology

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00:52:44,630 --> 00:52:41,920

because it basically is

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00:52:46,710 --> 00:52:44,640

um non-dismissable right it's it's you

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00:52:48,549 --> 00:52:46,720

can never disprove it because you just

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00:52:50,710 --> 00:52:48,559

say no matter how good it looks it's

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00:52:52,069 --> 00:52:50,720

probably demonic still because it can

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00:52:54,309 --> 00:52:52,079

fool you right

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00:52:55,990 --> 00:52:54,319

so they they really believe that yes

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00:52:58,069 --> 00:52:56,000

they were manifesting as saucers they

1501
00:53:00,069 --> 00:52:58,079
were manifesting as ufos people really

1502
00:53:01,270 --> 00:53:00,079
were having these experiences but really

1503
00:53:04,150 --> 00:53:01,280
what they were

1504
00:53:07,349 --> 00:53:04,160
was like demonic alchemy basically the

1505
00:53:10,630 --> 00:53:07,359
the fruit of demonic alchemy and that it

1506
00:53:13,510 --> 00:53:10,640
was um the satanic ruse

1507
00:53:16,470 --> 00:53:13,520
designed to ultimately um you know try

1508
00:53:17,430 --> 00:53:16,480
and rob people's souls uh leading up to

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00:53:22,790 --> 00:53:17,440
the

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00:53:23,829 --> 00:53:22,800
you know armageddon uh as depicted again

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00:53:26,150 --> 00:53:23,839
according to some people's

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00:53:28,390 --> 00:53:26,160
interpretation of the book of revelation

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00:53:30,390 --> 00:53:28,400

uh the end times all that was

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00:53:31,750 --> 00:53:30,400

so when you start tying it all together

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00:53:33,430 --> 00:53:31,760

you see that it's an interesting

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00:53:35,589 --> 00:53:33,440

combination of historical events that

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00:53:37,109 --> 00:53:35,599

did happen some negative experiences

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00:53:40,870 --> 00:53:37,119

people did have

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00:53:42,630 --> 00:53:40,880

um and a group of people who already

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00:53:44,549 --> 00:53:42,640

were immersed in

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00:53:46,230 --> 00:53:44,559

this interpreter framework and you put

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00:53:47,670 --> 00:53:46,240

that all together and that's how you end

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00:53:48,870 --> 00:53:47,680

up with something like the collins elite

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00:53:50,309 --> 00:53:48,880

yeah

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00:53:51,829 --> 00:53:50,319

and that that's the power of these

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00:53:54,470 --> 00:53:51,839
eschatological

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00:53:58,069 --> 00:53:54,480
you know sort of narratives right that

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00:54:00,790 --> 00:53:58,079
it's not that they just um

1529
00:54:02,790 --> 00:54:00,800
take something from the past they they

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00:54:03,829 --> 00:54:02,800
they must include elements of the

1531
00:54:04,870 --> 00:54:03,839
present

1532
00:54:06,390 --> 00:54:04,880
and so

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00:54:08,950 --> 00:54:06,400
you know you

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00:54:12,309 --> 00:54:08,960
the degree to which

1535
00:54:14,870 --> 00:54:12,319
you are very much an active participant

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00:54:18,069 --> 00:54:14,880
in that eschatology you know is what was

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00:54:19,589 --> 00:54:18,079
what in in large part gives it its power

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00:54:22,390 --> 00:54:19,599

um and so

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00:54:24,470 --> 00:54:22,400

you know i think that um

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00:54:28,069 --> 00:54:24,480

coming back to what you said about

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00:54:32,549 --> 00:54:30,150

and not demeaning

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00:54:34,870 --> 00:54:32,559

where people come at this from i i find

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00:54:37,589 --> 00:54:34,880

that to be a very valuable point because

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00:54:41,190 --> 00:54:37,599

we we can really break down

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00:54:43,990 --> 00:54:41,200

this topic and i think be uh

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00:54:45,829 --> 00:54:44,000

you know quite reductionistic and and

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00:54:47,750 --> 00:54:45,839

and really place a lot of value judgment

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00:54:49,109 --> 00:54:47,760

on it as a framework for understanding

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00:54:50,870 --> 00:54:49,119

what is going on

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00:54:54,470 --> 00:54:50,880

but there is a different path that we

1551
00:54:56,630 --> 00:54:54,480
could take when when looking at this

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00:54:59,030 --> 00:54:56,640
hypothesis and and i think any

1553
00:55:01,670 --> 00:54:59,040
hypothesis quite frankly

1554
00:55:04,230 --> 00:55:01,680
and that is the path that seeks to find

1555
00:55:05,750 --> 00:55:04,240
the greater truth at play

1556
00:55:07,829 --> 00:55:05,760
with this with the underlying

1557
00:55:09,589 --> 00:55:07,839
assumptions right so

1558
00:55:11,589 --> 00:55:09,599
we're for if we're if we're couching

1559
00:55:13,829 --> 00:55:11,599
this as angels and demons

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00:55:15,109 --> 00:55:13,839
you know we we are

1561
00:55:19,430 --> 00:55:15,119
applying

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00:55:23,030 --> 00:55:19,440
uh this is sort of pro uh pro human

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00:55:24,630 --> 00:55:23,040

uh anti-human you know sort of pro-soul

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00:55:25,910 --> 00:55:24,640

anti-soul

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00:55:28,390 --> 00:55:25,920

you know

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00:55:30,309 --> 00:55:28,400

these are concepts that are at play also

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00:55:32,230 --> 00:55:30,319

as you mentioned the trickster element

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00:55:35,750 --> 00:55:32,240

is very much part of the

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00:55:37,990 --> 00:55:35,760

sort of popular uh demon lore

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00:55:40,150 --> 00:55:38,000

and and then in the in the daemon and

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00:55:43,030 --> 00:55:40,160

the demonic entity concept this this

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00:55:45,430 --> 00:55:43,040

notion of ambiguity is is very important

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00:55:47,349 --> 00:55:45,440

plays a very uh uh sort of important

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00:55:49,109 --> 00:55:47,359

role and uh when we look at the

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00:55:49,990 --> 00:55:49,119

phenomenon what do we see you know we

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00:55:59,109 --> 00:55:50,000

see

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00:56:00,789 --> 00:55:59,119

some experiences that are interpreted

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00:56:04,069 --> 00:56:00,799

very negatively

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00:56:06,230 --> 00:56:04,079

sort of anti-self uh anti-human

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00:56:09,190 --> 00:56:06,240

um even though later on they may as you

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00:56:11,910 --> 00:56:09,200

said become reinterpreted as being uh

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00:56:12,950 --> 00:56:11,920

the opposite of that uh and we also see

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00:56:15,030 --> 00:56:12,960

plenty of experiences that are

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00:56:17,430 --> 00:56:15,040

interpreted uh incredibly positively you

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00:56:20,950 --> 00:56:17,440

know so as in the it couched in the

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00:56:24,150 --> 00:56:20,960

messenger uh sort of motif that angels

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00:56:26,470 --> 00:56:24,160

are traditionally uh understood you know

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00:56:28,950 --> 00:56:26,480

messengers of the divine

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00:56:32,150 --> 00:56:28,960
and intermediaries between

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00:56:34,789 --> 00:56:32,160
god and humanity uh and so

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00:56:36,789 --> 00:56:34,799
you know how many stories we can we

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00:56:38,870 --> 00:56:36,799
we'd be here all night try to count them

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00:56:39,910 --> 00:56:38,880
of instances where people were given a

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00:56:41,510 --> 00:56:39,920
message

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00:56:43,990 --> 00:56:41,520
about whatever

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00:56:46,630 --> 00:56:44,000
you know it was important to know of the

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00:56:48,630 --> 00:56:46,640
time um and so you know when you look at

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00:56:49,750 --> 00:56:48,640
it from that perspective and trying to

1599

00:56:52,470 --> 00:56:49,760
kind of come up

1600

00:56:54,470 --> 00:56:52,480
above the above the surface it's easy to

1601
00:56:58,150 --> 00:56:54,480
see i think some things that we can

1602
00:56:59,910 --> 00:56:58,160
celebrate in this in in this concept uh

1603
00:57:02,950 --> 00:56:59,920
but i think you know you and i would

1604
00:57:04,470 --> 00:57:02,960
probably just sort of say

1605
00:57:07,430 --> 00:57:04,480
it's important to

1606
00:57:09,910 --> 00:57:07,440
be able to challenge the the core

1607
00:57:11,750 --> 00:57:09,920
the notions themselves it's not

1608
00:57:12,470 --> 00:57:11,760
necessarily that it's wrong to have

1609
00:57:14,549 --> 00:57:12,480
these

1610
00:57:15,349 --> 00:57:14,559
perspectives but we need to at the same

1611
00:57:18,230 --> 00:57:15,359
time

1612
00:57:19,829 --> 00:57:18,240
be able and willing to unpack them and

1613
00:57:22,150 --> 00:57:19,839

and examine them from different

1614

00:57:24,789 --> 00:57:22,160

perspectives and then if they still hold

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00:57:26,870 --> 00:57:24,799

true for you well that's okay

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00:57:29,030 --> 00:57:26,880

and i think that that is fine but but if

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00:57:31,430 --> 00:57:29,040

you haven't gone through that process

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00:57:33,589 --> 00:57:31,440

uh you know it's probably worthwhile to

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00:57:35,829 --> 00:57:33,599

do so

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00:57:37,510 --> 00:57:35,839

i agree and i think too

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00:57:40,630 --> 00:57:37,520

um i think you made a really good point

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00:57:42,789 --> 00:57:40,640

about the ambiguity i think that we

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00:57:46,150 --> 00:57:42,799

really have to look that in the face you

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00:57:51,030 --> 00:57:48,309

if your current

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00:57:53,430 --> 00:57:51,040

narratives um

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00:57:56,150 --> 00:57:53,440
no matter how much you try and fit these

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00:57:58,069 --> 00:57:56,160
different phenomena into

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00:57:59,829 --> 00:57:58,079
these narratives if they always end up

1629
00:58:01,990 --> 00:57:59,839
looking ambiguous

1630
00:58:03,589 --> 00:58:02,000
it's probably a good sign that whatever

1631
00:58:06,630 --> 00:58:03,599
hypothesis you're putting forward is

1632
00:58:09,349 --> 00:58:06,640
incomplete and has either some

1633
00:58:11,030 --> 00:58:09,359
only partial truth or perhaps some

1634
00:58:12,950 --> 00:58:11,040
just some notions of reality that are

1635
00:58:15,430 --> 00:58:12,960
completely off and

1636
00:58:16,789 --> 00:58:15,440
something i've sort of done historically

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00:58:18,470 --> 00:58:16,799
in trying

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00:58:19,829 --> 00:58:18,480

my darndest to make sense of what's

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00:58:22,630 --> 00:58:19,839

going on

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00:58:24,150 --> 00:58:22,640

is to is to come to ever more sort of

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00:58:26,390 --> 00:58:24,160

transcendent

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00:58:28,230 --> 00:58:26,400

and inclusive again from an integral

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00:58:31,030 --> 00:58:28,240

point of view

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00:58:33,910 --> 00:58:31,040

hypotheses that can make sense of

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00:58:36,950 --> 00:58:33,920

the vast you know panorama of

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00:58:39,510 --> 00:58:36,960

experiences that people have and and

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00:58:41,510 --> 00:58:39,520

you know i saw someone today on on ufo

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00:58:42,309 --> 00:58:41,520

twitter say you know listen

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00:58:45,030 --> 00:58:42,319

um

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00:58:46,549 --> 00:58:45,040

these aliens are taking women and and

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00:58:47,510 --> 00:58:46,559
impregnating them and then stealing

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00:58:48,950 --> 00:58:47,520
their babies in the middle of night

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00:58:50,710 --> 00:58:48,960
that's not okay

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00:58:52,150 --> 00:58:50,720
and i totally get that

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00:58:53,270 --> 00:58:52,160
perspective i mean when someone says it

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00:58:55,510 --> 00:58:53,280
lays it out like that it's hard to

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00:58:56,950 --> 00:58:55,520
disagree right and and that would be

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00:58:58,309 --> 00:58:56,960
criminal activity in a court of law

1659
00:59:00,069 --> 00:58:58,319
right for sure

1660
00:59:02,309 --> 00:59:00,079
um but then there's another entire

1661
00:59:04,069 --> 00:59:02,319
narrative around people who later on

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00:59:06,470 --> 00:59:04,079
realized they made a sole agreement in

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00:59:08,069 --> 00:59:06,480

between lifetimes and they

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00:59:09,829 --> 00:59:08,079

they were once a hybrid themselves or

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00:59:12,789 --> 00:59:09,839

they are a hybrid or they agreed to have

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00:59:14,470 --> 00:59:12,799

hybrid children that they just you know

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00:59:16,230 --> 00:59:14,480

lost touch with a certain modality of

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00:59:17,589 --> 00:59:16,240

themselves

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00:59:25,750 --> 00:59:17,599

so

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00:59:27,990 --> 00:59:25,760

reaching for a hypothesis that's broad

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00:59:29,750 --> 00:59:28,000

enough that's deep enough to

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00:59:31,430 --> 00:59:29,760

make sense of all of these different

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00:59:33,750 --> 00:59:31,440

experiences not just the experiences

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00:59:35,589 --> 00:59:33,760

themselves not just the many different

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00:59:38,710 --> 00:59:35,599

kinds of entities and craft that are

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00:59:41,030 --> 00:59:38,720

described but also how broad the

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00:59:42,710 --> 00:59:41,040

assortment of interpretations of the

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00:59:44,309 --> 00:59:42,720

experiences like you have to make sense

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00:59:45,910 --> 00:59:44,319

of all of that

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00:59:47,589 --> 00:59:45,920

i mean i feel like i've made some some

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00:59:49,430 --> 00:59:47,599

headway in that and

1682

00:59:50,630 --> 00:59:49,440

um

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00:59:52,470 --> 00:59:50,640

you know sort of like have some

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00:59:56,069 --> 00:59:52,480

conceptions now of how to make sense of

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00:59:57,750 --> 00:59:56,079

that but but what made me move away from

1686

00:59:59,349 --> 00:59:57,760

any of the previous conceptions was

1687

01:00:01,109 --> 00:59:59,359

recognizing that there's some data that

1688

01:00:02,549 --> 01:00:01,119

just didn't fit and i'm i wasn't

1689

01:00:04,150 --> 01:00:02,559

comfortable saying

1690

01:00:05,109 --> 01:00:04,160

this is pretty good this gets like 80

1691

01:00:06,710 --> 01:00:05,119

percent

1692

01:00:09,589 --> 01:00:06,720

but then there's this 20

1693

01:00:11,910 --> 01:00:09,599

you know steaming pile of refuse that

1694

01:00:12,870 --> 01:00:11,920

like refuses to be ignored you know and

1695

01:00:15,349 --> 01:00:12,880

it's like

1696

01:00:17,430 --> 01:00:15,359

um do you want simple answers or do you

1697

01:00:19,589 --> 01:00:17,440

want truth you know and and

1698

01:00:21,510 --> 01:00:19,599

uh if you if it doesn't make sense of

1699

01:00:23,270 --> 01:00:21,520

all the data yet keep trying keep

1700

01:00:25,030 --> 01:00:23,280

looking that's that's an invitation to

1701

01:00:28,069 --> 01:00:25,040

another layer of depth

1702

01:00:30,390 --> 01:00:28,079

uh and and the goal being eventually

1703

01:00:32,069 --> 01:00:30,400

trying to make sense not of just the

1704

01:00:34,309 --> 01:00:32,079

depth and breadth of the experiences

1705

01:00:37,109 --> 01:00:34,319

themselves but the entities themselves

1706

01:00:39,030 --> 01:00:37,119

all of it um

1707

01:00:40,789 --> 01:00:39,040

and you know this

1708

01:00:43,109 --> 01:00:40,799

this spiritual element you know getting

1709

01:00:45,589 --> 01:00:43,119

down to those angels demons uh i like

1710

01:00:47,910 --> 01:00:45,599

the way you put it pro-human anti-human

1711

01:00:50,069 --> 01:00:47,920

pro-soul anti-soul

1712

01:00:52,710 --> 01:00:50,079

uh you know because even within even

1713

01:00:55,109 --> 01:00:52,720

within ufology you get um you know like

1714

01:00:57,190 --> 01:00:55,119

an allies of humanity kind of notion

1715

01:00:59,190 --> 01:00:57,200

right you get people who say no this

1716

01:01:01,270 --> 01:00:59,200

this is kind of about et's there's

1717

01:01:02,870 --> 01:01:01,280

different et groups some some are for

1718

01:01:04,230 --> 01:01:02,880

ref some are against us some are trying

1719

01:01:06,710 --> 01:01:04,240

to enslave us

1720

01:01:07,510 --> 01:01:06,720

for some we're like farm animals

1721

01:01:09,750 --> 01:01:07,520

uh

1722

01:01:11,750 --> 01:01:09,760

property you know this gets tossed

1723

01:01:14,069 --> 01:01:11,760

around a lot right and we we have these

1724

01:01:15,349 --> 01:01:14,079

like notions of like terror overcome us

1725

01:01:16,630 --> 01:01:15,359

when we suddenly realize what if you

1726

01:01:18,390 --> 01:01:16,640

know we're just like

1727

01:01:19,430 --> 01:01:18,400

grazing on farmland to some of these

1728

01:01:21,430 --> 01:01:19,440

beings

1729

01:01:23,510 --> 01:01:21,440

uh

1730

01:01:26,309 --> 01:01:23,520

all that is to say you know all of these

1731

01:01:27,990 --> 01:01:26,319

uh these notions i think we have to you

1732

01:01:29,829 --> 01:01:28,000

know in other words it's not just

1733

01:01:31,990 --> 01:01:29,839

trying to dismiss or

1734

01:01:34,230 --> 01:01:32,000

belittle um

1735

01:01:35,750 --> 01:01:34,240

narrow spiritual interpretations because

1736

01:01:38,309 --> 01:01:35,760

again even for people who want to keep

1737

01:01:40,309 --> 01:01:38,319

it just as physical entities uh there

1738

01:01:42,309 --> 01:01:40,319

are some notions that still seem pretty

1739

01:01:45,109 --> 01:01:42,319

black and white and pretty like

1740

01:01:46,789 --> 01:01:45,119

cookie cutter good aliens bad aliens you

1741

01:01:47,910 --> 01:01:46,799

know

1742

01:01:49,990 --> 01:01:47,920

and

1743

01:01:51,349 --> 01:01:50,000

you know if if the data feels like it's

1744

01:01:53,670 --> 01:01:51,359

just not quite fitting when you hear

1745

01:01:55,750 --> 01:01:53,680

someone say my take is it's this this is

1746

01:01:57,910 --> 01:01:55,760

what's going on and you just have this

1747

01:02:00,150 --> 01:01:57,920

nagging feeling that that

1748

01:02:02,230 --> 01:02:00,160

awkwardly fits with the data and maybe

1749

01:02:03,910 --> 01:02:02,240

just ignores some data then i think

1750

01:02:06,870 --> 01:02:03,920

that's an invitation to keep looking

1751

01:02:08,150 --> 01:02:06,880

keep exploring and see where you end up

1752

01:02:12,950 --> 01:02:08,160

well and

1753

01:02:16,750 --> 01:02:15,190

in the tradition of that view looking

1754

01:02:19,589 --> 01:02:16,760

back at

1755

01:02:21,270 --> 01:02:19,599

interpretations that have been given in

1756

01:02:25,829 --> 01:02:21,280

in history of the phenomenon a

1757

01:02:29,349 --> 01:02:27,670

i think it's safe to say that that it

1758

01:02:30,630 --> 01:02:29,359

does change

1759

01:02:32,069 --> 01:02:30,640

right so

1760

01:02:33,910 --> 01:02:32,079

you know we haven't

1761

01:02:35,750 --> 01:02:33,920

we haven't quite touched on this

1762

01:02:37,910 --> 01:02:35,760

component of it but you do you

1763

01:02:39,190 --> 01:02:37,920

definitely do see it in the literature

1764

01:02:41,670 --> 01:02:39,200

and particularly if you look at this

1765

01:02:43,349 --> 01:02:41,680

from a very very broad view which we

1766

01:02:47,190 --> 01:02:43,359

have been with you know talking about

1767

01:02:51,190 --> 01:02:50,069

there is this uh sense in which

1768

01:02:54,470 --> 01:02:51,200

the

1769

01:02:57,109 --> 01:02:54,480

phenomenon

1770

01:02:58,870 --> 01:02:57,119

literally changes over time

1771

01:03:00,150 --> 01:02:58,880

um and that

1772

01:03:01,109 --> 01:03:00,160

you know you and i have talked about

1773

01:03:05,750 --> 01:03:01,119

this

1774

01:03:07,270 --> 01:03:05,760

that is a signpost to something truer

1775

01:03:09,990 --> 01:03:07,280

in and of itself

1776

01:03:12,309 --> 01:03:10,000

you know so we we do

1777

01:03:14,549 --> 01:03:12,319

i think it is easy for us to approach

1778

01:03:17,589 --> 01:03:14,559

this topic the way that we have

1779

01:03:19,990 --> 01:03:17,599

largely on this on this show

1780

01:03:21,829 --> 01:03:20,000

kind of looking at it pretty critically

1781

01:03:23,910 --> 01:03:21,839

and i mean that in a in just sort of an

1782

01:03:26,069 --> 01:03:23,920

objective analysis sort of way not not

1783

01:03:27,430 --> 01:03:26,079

judgmental per se

1784

01:03:28,710 --> 01:03:27,440

um

1785

01:03:30,950 --> 01:03:28,720

you know looking at it from the the

1786

01:03:33,109 --> 01:03:30,960

standpoint of cultural frameworks but

1787

01:03:35,349 --> 01:03:33,119

but really it could be just as equally

1788

01:03:36,789 --> 01:03:35,359

valid to say that the phenomenon itself

1789

01:03:39,349 --> 01:03:36,799

literally has

1790

01:03:41,589 --> 01:03:39,359

represented itself to humanity

1791

01:03:44,390 --> 01:03:41,599

differently over time and what might

1792

01:03:47,910 --> 01:03:44,400

that imply what might that mean uh for

1793

01:03:50,150 --> 01:03:47,920

what it truly is

1794

01:03:51,990 --> 01:03:50,160

yeah i mean that's that's a fascinating

1795

01:03:54,069 --> 01:03:52,000

aspect to bring in and i agree with you

1796

01:03:55,910 --> 01:03:54,079

that we have to um

1797

01:03:57,029 --> 01:03:55,920

you know but even the way we just coined

1798

01:03:58,630 --> 01:03:57,039

it there

1799

01:03:59,750 --> 01:03:58,640

you could you could see it differently

1800

01:04:01,670 --> 01:03:59,760

you could say

1801
01:04:03,510 --> 01:04:01,680
is it that they are clothing themselves

1802
01:04:07,430 --> 01:04:03,520
differently or that

1803
01:04:09,270 --> 01:04:07,440
we are always a uh an inevitable aspect

1804
01:04:11,510 --> 01:04:09,280
of the framing itself right that

1805
01:04:13,109 --> 01:04:11,520
something about our consciousness

1806
01:04:15,349 --> 01:04:13,119
as much as we talk about

1807
01:04:17,430 --> 01:04:15,359
some notion that they can manipulate our

1808
01:04:19,190 --> 01:04:17,440
consciousness

1809
01:04:21,029 --> 01:04:19,200
but putting that aside for a second to

1810
01:04:23,029 --> 01:04:21,039
what degree

1811
01:04:24,549 --> 01:04:23,039
is it possible that

1812
01:04:26,549 --> 01:04:24,559
in the same way that i mentioned the

1813
01:04:28,950 --> 01:04:26,559

biblical texts cover a large period of

1814

01:04:30,630 --> 01:04:28,960

time in many different cultures

1815

01:04:32,069 --> 01:04:30,640

different ways of seeing the world and

1816

01:04:33,430 --> 01:04:32,079

when you're honest about it when you

1817

01:04:35,750 --> 01:04:33,440

look at it

1818

01:04:39,349 --> 01:04:35,760

you know in close detail you see those

1819

01:04:42,069 --> 01:04:40,549

you know

1820

01:04:44,309 --> 01:04:42,079

so what i was saying was that really

1821

01:04:46,069 --> 01:04:44,319

what the bible is is a document

1822

01:04:48,470 --> 01:04:46,079

historical document

1823

01:04:50,549 --> 01:04:48,480

referencing not just experiences with

1824

01:04:52,789 --> 01:04:50,559

god and spiritual entities

1825

01:04:55,270 --> 01:04:52,799

but people's interpretation of what that

1826
01:04:57,109 --> 01:04:55,280
meant for reality and the way that they

1827
01:04:58,870 --> 01:04:57,119
experienced the world as that shifted

1828
01:05:00,150 --> 01:04:58,880
that also changed their perspective of

1829
01:05:02,230 --> 01:05:00,160
god so

1830
01:05:04,230 --> 01:05:02,240
um some people will look at the new

1831
01:05:05,670 --> 01:05:04,240
testament and say you have a picture of

1832
01:05:07,270 --> 01:05:05,680
a loving god in the new testament and

1833
01:05:08,710 --> 01:05:07,280
more of a judgmental

1834
01:05:11,190 --> 01:05:08,720
harsh kind of

1835
01:05:13,109 --> 01:05:11,200
um you know angry

1836
01:05:14,390 --> 01:05:13,119
damning kind of god in the old testament

1837
01:05:15,829 --> 01:05:14,400
and

1838
01:05:17,430 --> 01:05:15,839

but even that's too simplistic because

1839

01:05:20,829 --> 01:05:17,440

the old testament covers a long period

1840

01:05:23,510 --> 01:05:20,839

of time and different frameworks

1841

01:05:25,589 --> 01:05:23,520

so um

1842

01:05:28,549 --> 01:05:25,599

what i'm getting at there is that what

1843

01:05:31,750 --> 01:05:28,559

the bible is is a historical record of

1844

01:05:33,910 --> 01:05:31,760

humanity's shifting perspective with

1845

01:05:35,430 --> 01:05:33,920

spiritual phenomena okay

1846

01:05:38,390 --> 01:05:35,440

in the same way

1847

01:05:40,630 --> 01:05:38,400

the way that we've coined and described

1848

01:05:42,710 --> 01:05:40,640

and understood the different experiences

1849

01:05:45,190 --> 01:05:42,720

with the phenomenon over time

1850

01:05:48,069 --> 01:05:45,200

yes it could be that they've they've

1851

01:05:50,549 --> 01:05:48,079

changed the way they appear

1852

01:05:52,549 --> 01:05:50,559

or that they and perhaps that they're

1853

01:05:54,309 --> 01:05:52,559

they're wise enough to know

1854

01:05:56,390 --> 01:05:54,319

what we expect and so they show up in a

1855

01:05:59,270 --> 01:05:56,400

way is to sort of interact

1856

01:06:01,589 --> 01:05:59,280

with our framings as they exist

1857

01:06:02,549 --> 01:06:01,599

or you could even say

1858

01:06:05,029 --> 01:06:02,559

um

1859

01:06:05,910 --> 01:06:05,039

kind of like an interference pattern

1860

01:06:08,549 --> 01:06:05,920

that

1861

01:06:09,750 --> 01:06:08,559

the the way they manifest is always

1862

01:06:12,069 --> 01:06:09,760

going to be

1863

01:06:14,789 --> 01:06:12,079

a combination of

1864

01:06:17,029 --> 01:06:14,799

who they are and what we expect them to

1865

01:06:19,829 --> 01:06:17,039

be or what we have even on our

1866

01:06:22,230 --> 01:06:19,839

unconscious palette of what can manifest

1867

01:06:24,549 --> 01:06:22,240

and what reality is consisted of

1868

01:06:27,430 --> 01:06:24,559

uh comprised of those all of those

1869

01:06:29,029 --> 01:06:27,440

factors combine to create something that

1870

01:06:31,270 --> 01:06:29,039

actually shows up in what looks like

1871

01:06:32,789 --> 01:06:31,280

manifest reality and of course when you

1872

01:06:34,950 --> 01:06:32,799

get there

1873

01:06:36,789 --> 01:06:34,960

as you know i've kind of been

1874

01:06:37,910 --> 01:06:36,799

going down that path

1875

01:06:39,270 --> 01:06:37,920

then that

1876

01:06:41,510 --> 01:06:39,280

lands you at the point where you say

1877

01:06:44,230 --> 01:06:41,520

okay our entire understanding of what

1878

01:06:45,990 --> 01:06:44,240

reality is it now shifts

1879

01:06:48,390 --> 01:06:46,000

but from my point of view again when i

1880

01:06:50,230 --> 01:06:48,400

kept when i was mentioning a while ago

1881

01:06:52,069 --> 01:06:50,240

keep going deeper keep going broader

1882

01:06:53,670 --> 01:06:52,079

keep you know reaching until you have

1883

01:06:56,390 --> 01:06:53,680

something that makes sense i think

1884

01:06:58,069 --> 01:06:56,400

that's where you have to end up that are

1885

01:06:59,349 --> 01:06:58,079

our current models of reality as are

1886

01:07:02,150 --> 01:06:59,359

often

1887

01:07:05,270 --> 01:07:02,160

described cannot make sense of this

1888

01:07:07,029 --> 01:07:05,280

with any of the the known players e.t

1889

01:07:09,430 --> 01:07:07,039

et's crypto-terrestrials

1890

01:07:11,589 --> 01:07:09,440

ultra-terrestrials interdimensionals

1891

01:07:13,589 --> 01:07:11,599

none of them quite fit

1892

01:07:14,870 --> 01:07:13,599

because i think all of those to some

1893

01:07:17,829 --> 01:07:14,880

degree

1894

01:07:20,230 --> 01:07:17,839

uh are born out of um

1895

01:07:22,549 --> 01:07:20,240

our current model like within physics of

1896

01:07:23,670 --> 01:07:22,559

what what constitutes reality

1897

01:07:25,510 --> 01:07:23,680

um

1898

01:07:26,470 --> 01:07:25,520

and and i think when none of those quite

1899

01:07:29,029 --> 01:07:26,480

fit

1900

01:07:31,910 --> 01:07:29,039

inevitably you end up at it's the model

1901

01:07:33,109 --> 01:07:31,920

of reality that is that is off and until

1902

01:07:35,670 --> 01:07:33,119

we have

1903

01:07:37,270 --> 01:07:35,680

that evolve into something else

1904

01:07:39,109 --> 01:07:37,280

um we're not going to be able to make

1905

01:07:40,710 --> 01:07:39,119

sense of that

1906

01:07:42,950 --> 01:07:40,720

yeah

1907

01:07:46,390 --> 01:07:42,960

i'm really sort of

1908

01:07:51,349 --> 01:07:49,029

the the truth that we we

1909

01:07:52,710 --> 01:07:51,359

the tensions between certainty and

1910

01:07:55,190 --> 01:07:52,720

change

1911

01:07:57,109 --> 01:07:55,200

right so we really want certainty we

1912

01:08:01,349 --> 01:07:57,119

want to believe

1913

01:08:03,109 --> 01:08:01,359

in a reality that is fixed and even in

1914

01:08:06,309 --> 01:08:03,119

most

1915

01:08:11,270 --> 01:08:08,470

and quite frankly our cosmologies too in

1916

01:08:13,589 --> 01:08:11,280

many respects we approach them from the

1917

01:08:15,750 --> 01:08:13,599

vantage point that there are these

1918

01:08:17,669 --> 01:08:15,760

variables that are fixed

1919

01:08:19,829 --> 01:08:17,679

in that equation that they they

1920

01:08:21,749 --> 01:08:19,839

themselves do not change they themselves

1921

01:08:24,709 --> 01:08:21,759

are not dynamic

1922

01:08:26,390 --> 01:08:24,719

and and i wonder whether that is uh a

1923

01:08:28,470 --> 01:08:26,400

false assumption

1924

01:08:29,910 --> 01:08:28,480

that we really have to work hard and

1925

01:08:31,110 --> 01:08:29,920

kind of fight hard against that

1926

01:08:33,349 --> 01:08:31,120

compulsion

1927

01:08:35,349 --> 01:08:33,359

you know so we really

1928

01:08:37,590 --> 01:08:35,359

for most of the topics that we're going

1929

01:08:39,510 --> 01:08:37,600

to cover there is this

1930

01:08:41,349 --> 01:08:39,520

strong compulsion at least that i feel

1931

01:08:43,349 --> 01:08:41,359

to say you know what that's it

1932

01:08:45,430 --> 01:08:43,359

we nailed it you know it's it is this

1933

01:08:47,349 --> 01:08:45,440

it's going to go in this box

1934

01:08:50,309 --> 01:08:47,359

we've solved it

1935

01:08:54,149 --> 01:08:50,319

let's move on and i think

1936

01:08:55,669 --> 01:08:54,159

the longer that i study this uh and and

1937

01:08:58,070 --> 01:08:55,679

and really reflect not only on this

1938

01:09:00,149 --> 01:08:58,080

topic but really any

1939

01:09:02,470 --> 01:09:00,159

uh subject that has been

1940

01:09:04,550 --> 01:09:02,480

uh valuable to my own life

1941

01:09:05,669 --> 01:09:04,560

you know i have to be honest with the

1942

01:09:06,630 --> 01:09:05,679

fact that

1943

01:09:09,749 --> 01:09:06,640

i

1944

01:09:12,149 --> 01:09:09,759

to be solved

1945

01:09:14,309 --> 01:09:12,159

you know that i would rather it be

1946

01:09:16,550 --> 01:09:14,319

always in flux

1947

01:09:18,470 --> 01:09:16,560

and not only would i prefer it but in in

1948

01:09:21,749 --> 01:09:18,480

reality it is

1949

01:09:24,789 --> 01:09:21,759

it is constantly changing

1950

01:09:27,269 --> 01:09:24,799

and will constantly change

1951

01:09:28,870 --> 01:09:27,279

so i think coming to that place that

1952

01:09:31,030 --> 01:09:28,880

realization

1953

01:09:32,149 --> 01:09:31,040

when you approach this topic is very

1954

01:09:33,510 --> 01:09:32,159

healthy

1955

01:09:35,430 --> 01:09:33,520

and and you and i have talked about this

1956

01:09:37,269 --> 01:09:35,440

a lot the people that have studied this

1957

01:09:39,669 --> 01:09:37,279

often the most

1958

01:09:42,229 --> 01:09:39,679

have have landed in a place where they

1959

01:09:44,070 --> 01:09:42,239

say they don't really know

1960

01:09:45,829 --> 01:09:44,080

all that there is they have not come to

1961

01:09:47,110 --> 01:09:45,839

some firm conclusions

1962

01:09:49,430 --> 01:09:47,120

and i think we need to take them at

1963

01:09:51,349 --> 01:09:49,440

their word you know they've sent many

1964

01:09:52,630 --> 01:09:51,359

many cases their lives devoted to the

1965

01:09:54,470 --> 01:09:52,640

study of this

1966

01:09:56,630 --> 01:09:54,480

uh and if they're saying that you know

1967

01:09:58,070 --> 01:09:56,640

our search for easy answers

1968

01:10:02,149 --> 01:09:58,080

i think should be

1969

01:10:04,229 --> 01:10:02,159

uh really called into question there

1970

01:10:05,510 --> 01:10:04,239

yeah it comes back to that that phrase i

1971

01:10:06,950 --> 01:10:05,520

mentioned earlier about you never enter

1972

01:10:08,950 --> 01:10:06,960

the same river twice you know that

1973

01:10:11,669 --> 01:10:08,960

that's true of our lives it's true the

1974

01:10:13,110 --> 01:10:11,679

of the different you like you say these

1975

01:10:14,550 --> 01:10:13,120

these poles that we prefer to be

1976

01:10:16,709 --> 01:10:14,560

cemented into the ground that they're

1977

01:10:18,310 --> 01:10:16,719

always going to be in the same place

1978

01:10:20,310 --> 01:10:18,320

but they're not and you know you think

1979

01:10:21,990 --> 01:10:20,320

about even how

1980

01:10:23,669 --> 01:10:22,000

human beings you know

1981

01:10:25,990 --> 01:10:23,679

not all that long ago

1982

01:10:27,350 --> 01:10:26,000

didn't make it past 30 or 40 years old

1983

01:10:30,630 --> 01:10:27,360

right and so

1984

01:10:33,350 --> 01:10:30,640

you didn't have a lot of time nor

1985

01:10:35,510 --> 01:10:33,360

rich cultural experiences to begin to

1986

01:10:37,510 --> 01:10:35,520

shift your perspective on what you know

1987

01:10:38,870 --> 01:10:37,520

what reality was right that wasn't

1988

01:10:40,630 --> 01:10:38,880

common you know you

1989

01:10:42,630 --> 01:10:40,640

you had long periods of history where

1990

01:10:45,030 --> 01:10:42,640

there not much change in terms of the

1991

01:10:47,189 --> 01:10:45,040

cosmology and whatnot um

1992

01:10:49,750 --> 01:10:47,199

now again as i mentioned before with the

1993

01:10:52,630 --> 01:10:49,760

soul technological singularity thing

1994

01:10:54,870 --> 01:10:52,640

we're racing at break deck speed between

1995

01:10:56,709 --> 01:10:54,880

you know towards some some

1996

01:10:57,510 --> 01:10:56,719

peninsula penultimate point that's you

1997

01:11:01,669 --> 01:10:57,520

know

1998

01:11:04,550 --> 01:11:01,679

other side of it um

1999

01:11:07,110 --> 01:11:04,560

but yeah it's even interesting for us as

2000

01:11:09,189 --> 01:11:07,120

21st century people to recognize that we

2001

01:11:12,550 --> 01:11:09,199

uh we live long enough now if we're

2002

01:11:14,709 --> 01:11:12,560

lucky um to to really

2003

01:11:16,870 --> 01:11:14,719

be able to live through these changes

2004

01:11:18,070 --> 01:11:16,880

not just the way that society has

2005

01:11:20,229 --> 01:11:18,080

changed you know

2006

01:11:22,149 --> 01:11:20,239

some of the the things that are not okay

2007

01:11:23,510 --> 01:11:22,159

culturally now were not the case when

2008

01:11:26,790 --> 01:11:23,520

you and i were teenagers you know it's

2009

01:11:29,189 --> 01:11:26,800

like it's amazing to to go and and we

2010

01:11:30,630 --> 01:11:29,199

both have kids and our kids probably

2011

01:11:33,189 --> 01:11:30,640

can't imagine that there ever was a

2012

01:11:34,870 --> 01:11:33,199

world where that was okay but there was

2013

01:11:36,870 --> 01:11:34,880

and we were you know we're not even at

2014

01:11:40,070 --> 01:11:36,880

old and yet we remember

2015

01:11:41,110 --> 01:11:40,080

when that was the case and so

2016

01:11:42,709 --> 01:11:41,120

yes

2017

01:11:45,350 --> 01:11:42,719

you can either become overwhelmed by

2018

01:11:47,189 --> 01:11:45,360

that you can become um you know

2019

01:11:49,750 --> 01:11:47,199

unmoored by that

2020

01:11:51,189 --> 01:11:49,760

or you can learn to swim you know or

2021

01:11:53,669 --> 01:11:51,199

just recognize you're on the boat you're

2022

01:11:56,550 --> 01:11:53,679

part of the river you go with it and i

2023

01:11:58,070 --> 01:11:56,560

agree with you too that

2024

01:11:59,830 --> 01:11:58,080

i do feel like i've had some

2025

01:12:03,350 --> 01:11:59,840

breakthroughs in terms of understanding

2026

01:12:04,950 --> 01:12:03,360

how to how a a model of reality would

2027

01:12:07,110 --> 01:12:04,960

have to shift to make sense of more of

2028

01:12:09,350 --> 01:12:07,120

these kinds of experiences but even then

2029

01:12:11,750 --> 01:12:09,360

i still think inevitably like i was

2030

01:12:13,430 --> 01:12:11,760

mentioning with integral theory and um

2031

01:12:14,630 --> 01:12:13,440

developmental levels that come online

2032

01:12:15,910 --> 01:12:14,640

over time

2033

01:12:17,110 --> 01:12:15,920

um

2034

01:12:18,630 --> 01:12:17,120

you're always

2035

01:12:19,990 --> 01:12:18,640

unwrapping the onion

2036

01:12:21,350 --> 01:12:20,000

that's what it is and and just be

2037

01:12:23,910 --> 01:12:21,360

comfortable with that you know and

2038

01:12:25,830 --> 01:12:23,920

embrace the adventure the experience

2039

01:12:28,550 --> 01:12:25,840

and you know

2040

01:12:31,510 --> 01:12:28,560

i think even the ultimate uh you know

2041

01:12:33,510 --> 01:12:31,520

directionality of of of the cosmos with

2042

01:12:35,990 --> 01:12:33,520

the k like the interior and the exterior

2043

01:12:37,590 --> 01:12:36,000

cosmos is that it that's it it's a

2044

01:12:39,110 --> 01:12:37,600

journey you know and that

2045

01:12:41,750 --> 01:12:39,120

you know we often have this phrase you

2046

01:12:43,430 --> 01:12:41,760

know uh the journey is half the fun

2047

01:12:45,270 --> 01:12:43,440

right or you know sometimes when you get

2048

01:12:46,709 --> 01:12:45,280

there you're like getting there was was

2049

01:12:48,790 --> 01:12:46,719

what really was exciting and i think

2050

01:12:50,630 --> 01:12:48,800

that's both you and i kind of take that

2051

01:12:52,390 --> 01:12:50,640

perspective

2052

01:12:54,229 --> 01:12:52,400

both out of necessity because you

2053

01:12:56,790 --> 01:12:54,239

recognize no no simple answers are going

2054

01:12:58,870 --> 01:12:56,800

to fit here

2055

01:13:01,270 --> 01:12:58,880

but just the nature of reality

2056

01:13:02,630 --> 01:13:01,280

and being a a

2057

01:13:05,030 --> 01:13:02,640

sentient

2058

01:13:07,510 --> 01:13:05,040

being living in this reality means that

2059

01:13:09,110 --> 01:13:07,520

it will always be shifting and

2060

01:13:11,910 --> 01:13:09,120

what i find exciting about that is that

2061

01:13:14,950 --> 01:13:11,920

you have ever more transcendent uh

2062

01:13:16,630 --> 01:13:14,960

meaningful ways of framing and that your

2063

01:13:18,390 --> 01:13:16,640

sense of self becomes ever more

2064

01:13:20,149 --> 01:13:18,400

expansive

2065

01:13:21,830 --> 01:13:20,159

so it's always an additive kind of

2066

01:13:22,950 --> 01:13:21,840

process um

2067

01:13:25,270 --> 01:13:22,960

but yeah

2068

01:13:26,709 --> 01:13:25,280

if if you're seeking for simple

2069

01:13:27,990 --> 01:13:26,719

certitude this this is the wrong

2070

01:13:30,149 --> 01:13:28,000

business to be in

2071

01:13:33,510 --> 01:13:30,159

no that's so true well as we kind of

2072

01:13:36,709 --> 01:13:33,520

steer toward the end of the show

2073

01:13:38,070 --> 01:13:36,719

what would be your advice to

2074

01:13:40,630 --> 01:13:38,080

someone who

2075

01:13:42,310 --> 01:13:40,640

finds themselves situated

2076

01:13:44,709 --> 01:13:42,320

in looking at the phenomenon from this

2077

01:13:46,950 --> 01:13:44,719

perspective right now

2078

01:13:48,149 --> 01:13:46,960

or if you were in dialogue with someone

2079

01:13:50,709 --> 01:13:48,159

who

2080

01:13:52,950 --> 01:13:50,719

uh had that perspective you know how

2081

01:13:54,709 --> 01:13:52,960

would you approach that conversation uh

2082

01:13:57,110 --> 01:13:54,719

you know in that relationship you know

2083

01:14:00,149 --> 01:13:57,120

what kinds of things would you

2084

01:14:02,550 --> 01:14:00,159

uh want to touch on or discuss or or

2085

01:14:04,709 --> 01:14:02,560

challenge if if any

2086

01:14:06,709 --> 01:14:04,719

where do you meet someone who has a view

2087

01:14:11,430 --> 01:14:06,719

that may be counter to a conclusion that

2088

01:14:15,910 --> 01:14:13,030

well i think you know one one of the

2089

01:14:18,149 --> 01:14:15,920

perspectives that i i have and this is

2090

01:14:19,590 --> 01:14:18,159

in being a human being who's

2091

01:14:21,990 --> 01:14:19,600

evolved through dif different world

2092

01:14:24,790 --> 01:14:22,000

views myself right so i can almost

2093

01:14:26,950 --> 01:14:24,800

imagine trying to um have a conversation

2094

01:14:30,390 --> 01:14:26,960

with myself you know 15 years ago or

2095

01:14:32,790 --> 01:14:30,400

whatever um and what i would say about

2096

01:14:35,910 --> 01:14:32,800

that experience is just as true as

2097

01:14:38,310 --> 01:14:35,920

talking to someone else and that is that

2098

01:14:39,430 --> 01:14:38,320

all you can ever do uh is meet someone

2099

01:14:42,390 --> 01:14:39,440

where they are

2100

01:14:44,149 --> 01:14:42,400

you have to try and help them develop a

2101

01:14:46,790 --> 01:14:44,159

more mature

2102

01:14:48,709 --> 01:14:46,800

well-rounded view where they are

2103

01:14:50,709 --> 01:14:48,719

um

2104

01:14:52,790 --> 01:14:50,719

if they are ever to perhaps transcend

2105

01:14:54,630 --> 01:14:52,800

that and have a

2106

01:14:56,390 --> 01:14:54,640

a different view that sort of more

2107

01:14:58,709 --> 01:14:56,400

transcendent and inclusive

2108

01:15:00,709 --> 01:14:58,719

of larger territory

2109

01:15:01,910 --> 01:15:00,719

then you have to um

2110

01:15:03,189 --> 01:15:01,920

you have to meet them where they are and

2111

01:15:05,910 --> 01:15:03,199

you have to start where they are and you

2112

01:15:09,030 --> 01:15:05,920

have to ask questions get them to think

2113

01:15:11,189 --> 01:15:09,040

about things within that perspective

2114

01:15:14,310 --> 01:15:11,199

because like i said before with you know

2115

01:15:15,990 --> 01:15:14,320

my different uh historical iterations uh

2116

01:15:17,669 --> 01:15:16,000

wearing different suits until it no

2117

01:15:19,350 --> 01:15:17,679

longer felt comfortable

2118

01:15:21,430 --> 01:15:19,360

um you know

2119

01:15:23,189 --> 01:15:21,440

if people are sincere and they're really

2120

01:15:25,030 --> 01:15:23,199

trying to find truth then i think you

2121

01:15:28,470 --> 01:15:25,040

just um

2122

01:15:30,790 --> 01:15:28,480

maybe interject some um some of the data

2123

01:15:31,990 --> 01:15:30,800

that doesn't fit with their current

2124

01:15:33,990 --> 01:15:32,000

perspective and i would want other

2125

01:15:36,630 --> 01:15:34,000

people to do the same for me you know

2126
01:15:38,390 --> 01:15:36,640
we're not uh you know immune to this

2127
01:15:40,390 --> 01:15:38,400
and um

2128
01:15:43,430 --> 01:15:40,400
and and do it respectfully you know like

2129
01:15:44,950 --> 01:15:43,440
not again not to be dismissive um

2130
01:15:47,189 --> 01:15:44,960
there are

2131
01:15:49,510 --> 01:15:47,199
again i i i'm frequently amazed that i

2132
01:15:51,590 --> 01:15:49,520
run into people who want to

2133
01:15:53,830 --> 01:15:51,600
uh paint this entire thing as love and

2134
01:15:56,550 --> 01:15:53,840
light and that anybody who has a

2135
01:15:59,189 --> 01:15:56,560
negative experience either

2136
01:16:00,790 --> 01:15:59,199
has psychological problems or

2137
01:16:02,790 --> 01:16:00,800
they're making it up or they were

2138
01:16:04,790 --> 01:16:02,800

convinced by someone else who told them

2139

01:16:06,950 --> 01:16:04,800

freaky things

2140

01:16:08,630 --> 01:16:06,960

so you have some people who

2141

01:16:10,390 --> 01:16:08,640

again come in with a predetermined

2142

01:16:13,030 --> 01:16:10,400

perspective and exclude

2143

01:16:14,070 --> 01:16:13,040

any outlier data

2144

01:16:15,750 --> 01:16:14,080

coming from the love and light

2145

01:16:17,270 --> 01:16:15,760

perspective and you also get the people

2146

01:16:19,030 --> 01:16:17,280

coming from the demonic perspective who

2147

01:16:22,870 --> 01:16:19,040

are convinced that you know

2148

01:16:24,709 --> 01:16:22,880

these might look like et's um but they

2149

01:16:25,990 --> 01:16:24,719

are inevitably

2150

01:16:27,910 --> 01:16:26,000

ultimately

2151

01:16:29,669 --> 01:16:27,920

these nefarious interdimensional

2152

01:16:31,430 --> 01:16:29,679

entities that are the very beings that

2153

01:16:34,950 --> 01:16:31,440

were cast out of heaven

2154

01:16:37,110 --> 01:16:34,960

that are the servants of satan that also

2155

01:16:39,030 --> 01:16:37,120

whenever they hear about any outlier

2156

01:16:40,950 --> 01:16:39,040

data to their perspective like you know

2157

01:16:42,470 --> 01:16:40,960

well they they healed me or they healed

2158

01:16:45,110 --> 01:16:42,480

my dog or

2159

01:16:46,709 --> 01:16:45,120

um you know they've shown me things that

2160

01:16:48,950 --> 01:16:46,719

have made me more loving and accepting

2161

01:16:50,390 --> 01:16:48,960

of others they'll say well that's just a

2162

01:16:51,830 --> 01:16:50,400

ruse and none of that really matters

2163

01:16:53,110 --> 01:16:51,840

because you're going to lose your soul

2164

01:16:54,790 --> 01:16:53,120

in the process and then you're going to

2165

01:16:56,470 --> 01:16:54,800

spend eternity with satan and those

2166

01:16:57,590 --> 01:16:56,480

demons and then you'll see them for what

2167

01:16:59,189 --> 01:16:57,600

they are and you'll regret the whole

2168

01:17:01,830 --> 01:16:59,199

thing

2169

01:17:04,470 --> 01:17:01,840

you see my point in both cases you have

2170

01:17:06,390 --> 01:17:04,480

exclusion of data

2171

01:17:09,270 --> 01:17:06,400

and for the in the process of trying to

2172

01:17:12,070 --> 01:17:09,280

defend a predetermined position so

2173

01:17:15,750 --> 01:17:12,080

i would encourage everyone to

2174

01:17:16,950 --> 01:17:15,760

to not opt for those easy solutions to

2175

01:17:18,630 --> 01:17:16,960

if you take anything from what we're

2176
01:17:19,750 --> 01:17:18,640
saying it's that there's a depth and a

2177
01:17:21,110 --> 01:17:19,760
breadth of

2178
01:17:23,030 --> 01:17:21,120
of data

2179
01:17:24,630 --> 01:17:23,040
that covers the gamut

2180
01:17:27,430 --> 01:17:24,640
some people who want to say that even

2181
01:17:28,950 --> 01:17:27,440
negative experiences ultimately are just

2182
01:17:31,510 --> 01:17:28,960
positive experiences that just haven't

2183
01:17:32,709 --> 01:17:31,520
been seen in the right light yet

2184
01:17:34,470 --> 01:17:32,719
there are other people who get really

2185
01:17:35,990 --> 01:17:34,480
frustrated with that and feel they feel

2186
01:17:39,590 --> 01:17:36,000
like it um

2187
01:17:41,189 --> 01:17:39,600
it uh it blockades truth because there's

2188
01:17:42,550 --> 01:17:41,199

the truth for some people is that these

2189

01:17:44,790 --> 01:17:42,560

have always been and always will be

2190

01:17:46,149 --> 01:17:44,800

negative experiences as we've said many

2191

01:17:47,830 --> 01:17:46,159

times before

2192

01:17:50,070 --> 01:17:47,840

even for those who end up with a

2193

01:17:51,910 --> 01:17:50,080

positive interpretation ultimately like

2194

01:17:54,470 --> 01:17:51,920

a whitley strieber

2195

01:17:56,950 --> 01:17:54,480

they were extremely traumatic

2196

01:17:58,950 --> 01:17:56,960

always ontologically shocking

2197

01:18:00,310 --> 01:17:58,960

they tear your life apart

2198

01:18:02,229 --> 01:18:00,320

even if they ultimately end up being

2199

01:18:03,590 --> 01:18:02,239

rebuilt into something more transcendent

2200

01:18:05,030 --> 01:18:03,600

and beautiful

2201

01:18:06,390 --> 01:18:05,040

there's a there's a middle process

2202

01:18:08,229 --> 01:18:06,400

that's no fun

2203

01:18:10,630 --> 01:18:08,239

where your cognitive dissonance is off

2204

01:18:13,270 --> 01:18:10,640

the charts right so um

2205

01:18:15,030 --> 01:18:13,280

yeah i would just say that's how i would

2206

01:18:16,229 --> 01:18:15,040

i would interact with people is is try

2207

01:18:19,430 --> 01:18:16,239

to

2208

01:18:20,790 --> 01:18:19,440

maybe their their current model doesn't

2209

01:18:22,310 --> 01:18:20,800

fit and that's on both sides of the

2210

01:18:24,070 --> 01:18:22,320

spectrum and we're not trying to dismiss

2211

01:18:26,630 --> 01:18:24,080

anyone

2212

01:18:28,870 --> 01:18:26,640

the the perspective i like to bring

2213

01:18:30,709 --> 01:18:28,880

to people in general is that people most

2214

01:18:32,470 --> 01:18:30,719

people are doing the best they can to

2215

01:18:34,709 --> 01:18:32,480

show up in life as best they can and

2216

01:18:35,830 --> 01:18:34,719

make sense of the world and do what they

2217

01:18:37,910 --> 01:18:35,840

think

2218

01:18:40,149 --> 01:18:37,920

their transcendent idea of what ultimate

2219

01:18:42,390 --> 01:18:40,159

spirituality is wants them to do that's

2220

01:18:44,310 --> 01:18:42,400

what everyone's trying to do and and so

2221

01:18:46,070 --> 01:18:44,320

i think we want to honor

2222

01:18:48,229 --> 01:18:46,080

that um

2223

01:18:49,910 --> 01:18:48,239

that intention in people and try and

2224

01:18:52,310 --> 01:18:49,920

meet people where they are and and just

2225

01:18:56,070 --> 01:18:52,320

see where the conversation goes yeah i

2226

01:18:57,510 --> 01:18:56,080

completely agree uh it's important to

2227

01:18:59,350 --> 01:18:57,520

recognize

2228

01:19:01,990 --> 01:18:59,360

where someone is situated

2229

01:19:03,590 --> 01:19:02,000

and if they feel

2230

01:19:06,229 --> 01:19:03,600

that it makes sense of the world they

2231

01:19:07,910 --> 01:19:06,239

find themselves if it

2232

01:19:09,830 --> 01:19:07,920

you know helps them to navigate that

2233

01:19:11,110 --> 01:19:09,840

world interact in a healthy way with

2234

01:19:11,910 --> 01:19:11,120

other people

2235

01:19:13,350 --> 01:19:11,920

uh

2236

01:19:15,430 --> 01:19:13,360

you know and they don't

2237

01:19:17,430 --> 01:19:15,440

really want to rock that boat uh they're

2238

01:19:20,149 --> 01:19:17,440

not looking to rock that boat i don't

2239

01:19:23,030 --> 01:19:20,159

necessarily see it as my job to be

2240

01:19:24,709 --> 01:19:23,040

the boat rocker uh at the same time

2241

01:19:27,910 --> 01:19:24,719

uh if

2242

01:19:31,189 --> 01:19:27,920

they do seem interested in

2243

01:19:35,990 --> 01:19:33,510

exploring new territory or

2244

01:19:37,750 --> 01:19:36,000

or firming up the beliefs that they that

2245

01:19:39,830 --> 01:19:37,760

they currently have

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01:19:41,430 --> 01:19:39,840

then i completely concur and that's what

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01:19:43,189 --> 01:19:41,440

i would want to tell myself too if i

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01:19:45,830 --> 01:19:43,199

were to go back and talk to my younger

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01:19:47,270 --> 01:19:45,840

self you know it would be to say

2250

01:19:48,950 --> 01:19:47,280

i know you've got some pretty good

2251

01:19:51,669 --> 01:19:48,960

opinions pretty strong opinions about

2252

01:19:54,390 --> 01:19:51,679

what you think is going on you know take

2253

01:19:55,990 --> 01:19:54,400

those opinions and put them against

2254

01:19:57,590 --> 01:19:56,000

some of the data some of the other

2255

01:19:59,430 --> 01:19:57,600

experience that you may be less

2256

01:20:01,430 --> 01:19:59,440

comfortable confronting

2257

01:20:03,430 --> 01:20:01,440

and how do you wrestle with that and

2258

01:20:04,950 --> 01:20:03,440

make sense of it and it's much the same

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01:20:06,629 --> 01:20:04,960

way that

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01:20:09,189 --> 01:20:06,639

i would encourage people

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01:20:10,950 --> 01:20:09,199

uh who feel very comfortable where they

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01:20:13,030 --> 01:20:10,960

live to travel

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01:20:15,350 --> 01:20:13,040

and see other parts of the world you

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01:20:16,950 --> 01:20:15,360

know that that through travel you gain a

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01:20:18,950 --> 01:20:16,960

new appreciation

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01:20:20,950 --> 01:20:18,960

i think for work for what you have where

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01:20:23,590 --> 01:20:20,960

you are where you've come from

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01:20:25,990 --> 01:20:23,600

and and you incorporate the experience

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01:20:28,149 --> 01:20:26,000

that you gain so it's it's very much

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01:20:30,470 --> 01:20:28,159

uh not uh

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01:20:33,350 --> 01:20:30,480

a process or experience that

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01:20:35,510 --> 01:20:33,360

uh belittles you know what you have it

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01:20:38,310 --> 01:20:35,520

actually expands what you have

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01:20:39,830 --> 01:20:38,320

uh expands your understanding and and

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01:20:42,550 --> 01:20:39,840

hopefully makes that

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01:20:45,430 --> 01:20:42,560

in the end a a richer exercise

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01:20:46,390 --> 01:20:45,440

a more valuable meaningful life

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01:20:49,030 --> 01:20:46,400

and that

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01:20:50,390 --> 01:20:49,040

you know i'm reminded frequently quite

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01:20:52,790 --> 01:20:50,400

frankly

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01:20:53,990 --> 01:20:52,800

that in our search for the truth with a

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01:20:56,070 --> 01:20:54,000

capital t

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01:20:57,270 --> 01:20:56,080

uh that our search for disclosure with a

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01:20:59,189 --> 01:20:57,280

capital d

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01:21:01,830 --> 01:20:59,199

you know we really want these

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01:21:03,510 --> 01:21:01,840

we want these things so badly

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01:21:05,910 --> 01:21:03,520

and

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01:21:07,750 --> 01:21:05,920

i do go through this sort of imaginative

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01:21:08,870 --> 01:21:07,760

exercise okay what if you got those

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01:21:13,030 --> 01:21:08,880

things

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01:21:16,229 --> 01:21:13,040

tomorrow you know what it what does

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01:21:18,229 --> 01:21:16,239

nathan still have to do you know so who

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01:21:19,750 --> 01:21:18,239

is nathan still have to be

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01:21:22,149 --> 01:21:19,760

you know and i think this is these are

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01:21:23,750 --> 01:21:22,159

the the ultimate questions that we have

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01:21:26,149 --> 01:21:23,760

to wrestle with

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01:21:28,950 --> 01:21:26,159

uh because

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01:21:32,950 --> 01:21:28,960

there's not

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01:21:34,950 --> 01:21:32,960

if we have this notion that there is a

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01:21:36,629 --> 01:21:34,960

there's someone coming to save us

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01:21:38,070 --> 01:21:36,639

there's this salvific

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01:21:40,149 --> 01:21:38,080

expectation

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01:21:43,590 --> 01:21:40,159

you know i really think that that will

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01:21:44,629 --> 01:21:43,600

be uh that is misplaced

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01:21:48,149 --> 01:21:44,639

that

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01:21:52,229 --> 01:21:48,159

reductionist

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01:21:54,790 --> 01:21:52,239

uh and flattens uh the lived experience

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01:21:57,270 --> 01:21:54,800

you know so we really have to be true to

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01:21:58,070 --> 01:21:57,280

to what we value most in life and that

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01:21:58,950 --> 01:21:58,080

is

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01:22:01,990 --> 01:21:58,960

uh

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01:22:04,070 --> 01:22:02,000

relationship and and and experience

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01:22:06,070 --> 01:22:04,080

itself and novelty

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01:22:08,310 --> 01:22:06,080

and and beauty and all these things when

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01:22:12,149 --> 01:22:08,320

you when you think about them are very

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01:22:16,149 --> 01:22:14,149

totally and i think that you know when

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01:22:17,830 --> 01:22:16,159

when you get on a platform like ufo

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01:22:20,229 --> 01:22:17,840

twitter rather than saying uh those are

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01:22:21,990 --> 01:22:20,239

the nuts and bolts crowd and this is the

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01:22:24,470 --> 01:22:22,000

spiritually transcendent crowd and this

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01:22:26,550 --> 01:22:24,480

is the you know whatever crowd remember

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01:22:28,070 --> 01:22:26,560

that they're all human beings you know

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01:22:30,390 --> 01:22:28,080

and therefore have more in common with

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01:22:33,270 --> 01:22:30,400

you than they do than they don't and um

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01:22:34,629 --> 01:22:33,280

and and yeah i think that sometimes

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01:22:36,950 --> 01:22:34,639

as much as we

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01:22:38,550 --> 01:22:36,960

legitimately ask ourselves why are we so

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01:22:40,070 --> 01:22:38,560

fascinated with this topic you know

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01:22:42,149 --> 01:22:40,080

drawn into it

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01:22:43,669 --> 01:22:42,159

and we discussed last time how

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01:22:45,030 --> 01:22:43,679

partly it's because it touches on all

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01:22:46,629 --> 01:22:45,040

the big questions

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01:22:47,910 --> 01:22:46,639

the most transcending questions about

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01:22:51,830 --> 01:22:47,920

why we're here where we're going all

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01:22:53,990 --> 01:22:51,840

that um but we also don't want to let

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01:22:55,669 --> 01:22:54,000

that become um

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01:22:56,870 --> 01:22:55,679

you know excuse not not to live our

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01:22:58,709 --> 01:22:56,880

lives you know that you have to make

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01:23:00,709 --> 01:22:58,719

sure that this is not just a sort of a

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01:23:02,070 --> 01:23:00,719

fill-in or stand-in

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01:23:03,830 --> 01:23:02,080

for um

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01:23:05,350 --> 01:23:03,840

not being comfortable in your own skin

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01:23:06,950 --> 01:23:05,360

kind of thing you know and

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01:23:08,950 --> 01:23:06,960

um

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01:23:10,470 --> 01:23:08,960

i always you know encourage speaking of

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01:23:11,990 --> 01:23:10,480

spirituality

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01:23:14,629 --> 01:23:12,000

you know people having a meditative

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01:23:17,189 --> 01:23:14,639

practice um not just because it becomes

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01:23:19,350 --> 01:23:17,199

a a way to potentially

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01:23:21,189 --> 01:23:19,360

reach across the veil and experience

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01:23:23,430 --> 01:23:21,199

other entities and other aspects of

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01:23:25,830 --> 01:23:23,440

reality in the stream of consciousness

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01:23:28,470 --> 01:23:25,840

but also because it it stops the mental

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01:23:30,790 --> 01:23:28,480

activity all the guessing games that go

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01:23:33,590 --> 01:23:30,800

on that become its own thing right we

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01:23:35,430 --> 01:23:33,600

get become defined by and it lets just

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01:23:38,310 --> 01:23:35,440

lets you sit in your own skin and just

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01:23:40,870 --> 01:23:38,320

be you know and not have to know

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01:23:43,350 --> 01:23:40,880

um and to be in that moment in the now

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01:23:44,629 --> 01:23:43,360

is enough and to really

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01:23:45,750 --> 01:23:44,639

not just tell yourself that

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01:23:47,669 --> 01:23:45,760

intellectually but get to the point

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01:23:49,590 --> 01:23:47,679

where it feels that way you know that i

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01:23:50,629 --> 01:23:49,600

really would encourage people to do that

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01:23:52,790 --> 01:23:50,639

and

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01:23:54,390 --> 01:23:52,800

i was thinking about what you said about

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01:23:56,550 --> 01:23:54,400

if we finally did get the answer or if

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01:23:58,229 --> 01:23:56,560

we finally did get capital t disclos or

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01:23:59,990 --> 01:23:58,239

capital d disclosure

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01:24:02,629 --> 01:24:00,000

i'm reminded of that you know proverb

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01:24:04,470 --> 01:24:02,639

that says you know but before

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01:24:07,350 --> 01:24:04,480

enlightenment you know chop wood fold

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01:24:09,270 --> 01:24:07,360

laundry after enlightenment chop wood

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01:24:10,470 --> 01:24:09,280

fold laundry you know

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01:24:12,390 --> 01:24:10,480

in other words

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01:24:14,550 --> 01:24:12,400

um

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01:24:16,310 --> 01:24:14,560

your perspective may shift might become

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01:24:19,030 --> 01:24:16,320

more transcendent might become deeper

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01:24:19,990 --> 01:24:19,040

richer but remember to show up live your

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01:24:21,990 --> 01:24:20,000

life

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01:24:25,510 --> 01:24:22,000

treat other people as human beings

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01:24:26,790 --> 01:24:25,520

and and and let's not divide over these

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01:24:29,110 --> 01:24:26,800

um you know

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01:24:31,110 --> 01:24:29,120

arbitrary lines between how we interpret

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01:24:32,629 --> 01:24:31,120

this phenomenon and and let's keep the

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01:24:33,510 --> 01:24:32,639

conversation going and i hope that when

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01:24:35,510 --> 01:24:33,520

we

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01:24:37,350 --> 01:24:35,520

for people who've tuned in today

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01:24:40,229 --> 01:24:37,360

i hope we haven't we didn't mean to

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01:24:41,350 --> 01:24:40,239

dismiss anyone's perspective um

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01:24:43,110 --> 01:24:41,360

we're not trying to claim that we're

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01:24:45,189 --> 01:24:43,120

right that we you know if you just align

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01:24:47,669 --> 01:24:45,199

with us you'll be you'll be good to go

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01:24:49,910 --> 01:24:47,679

uh we're trying to admit

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01:24:51,910 --> 01:24:49,920

um that we believe ourselves that we are

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01:24:53,830 --> 01:24:51,920

moving targets and that

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01:24:55,110 --> 01:24:53,840

five years from now our future selves

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01:24:57,510 --> 01:24:55,120

will want to come back and have a

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01:24:59,669 --> 01:24:57,520

conversation with our current selves and

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01:25:01,350 --> 01:24:59,679

and suggest some shifts and some some

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01:25:02,629 --> 01:25:01,360
new data that we hadn't considered right

2402
01:25:04,070 --> 01:25:02,639
now so

2403
01:25:05,750 --> 01:25:04,080
like we've been saying all along this is

2404
01:25:06,950 --> 01:25:05,760
just the journey let's enjoy it let's

2405
01:25:09,669 --> 01:25:06,960
treat it like an adventure and let's

2406
01:25:11,750 --> 01:25:09,679
keep going absolutely

2407
01:25:14,070 --> 01:25:11,760
yeah i'm i'm grateful to be on this

2408
01:25:15,590 --> 01:25:14,080
journey with you and uh and with our

2409
01:25:17,110 --> 01:25:15,600
listeners we've gotten a lot of

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01:25:18,870 --> 01:25:17,120
excellent feedback

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01:25:20,950 --> 01:25:18,880
uh from our listeners and and look

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01:25:23,990 --> 01:25:20,960
forward to receiving more feedback

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01:25:25,830 --> 01:25:24,000

uh as time goes on uh we do encourage

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01:25:28,629 --> 01:25:25,840

folks to engage with us we we love

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01:25:30,550 --> 01:25:28,639

reading your comments on youtube or

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01:25:32,310 --> 01:25:30,560

anyone that sends us a message on

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01:25:34,709 --> 01:25:32,320

twitter

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01:25:36,229 --> 01:25:34,719

very much welcome uh all of the feedback

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01:25:38,310 --> 01:25:36,239

that we receive

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01:25:41,110 --> 01:25:38,320

you can find our show

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01:25:43,350 --> 01:25:41,120

on most podcast platforms uh you can

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01:25:44,149 --> 01:25:43,360

search under liminal frames on youtube

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01:25:48,070 --> 01:25:44,159

under

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01:25:50,870 --> 01:25:48,080

uh the exo academian uh youtube channel

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01:25:52,550 --> 01:25:50,880

and then uh if you want to uh find us uh

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01:25:56,149 --> 01:25:52,560

uh kind of on our personal twitter

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01:25:57,350 --> 01:25:56,159

accounts uh you can find me at awayf

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01:26:00,950 --> 01:25:57,360

soul

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01:26:02,470 --> 01:26:00,960

and then exo at exo academian

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01:26:05,350 --> 01:26:02,480

it's been a pleasure

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01:26:07,270 --> 01:26:05,360

covering this topic today it felt very

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01:26:09,430 --> 01:26:07,280

personal for me in a way that i think i

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01:26:11,110 --> 01:26:09,440

wasn't expecting uh and i very much

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01:26:13,110 --> 01:26:11,120

enjoyed it but looking forward to the

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01:26:15,590 --> 01:26:13,120

next episode

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01:26:17,189 --> 01:26:15,600

yeah myself also and uh just as a quick

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01:26:18,229 --> 01:26:17,199

reminder on the liminal frames you

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01:26:19,830 --> 01:26:18,239

probably already know this if you're

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01:26:21,270 --> 01:26:19,840

listening to this but it's built with a

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01:26:24,310 --> 01:26:21,280

ph so don't forget that if you're

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01:26:26,550 --> 01:26:24,320

looking for it look for frames with a ph

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01:26:28,070 --> 01:26:26,560

i enjoyed it too and

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01:26:30,149 --> 01:26:28,080

again like we've mentioned before we

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01:26:31,590 --> 01:26:30,159

really hope that this becomes a

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01:26:34,629 --> 01:26:31,600

conversation that includes more than

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01:26:36,629 --> 01:26:34,639

just the two of us so we do hope people

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01:26:38,470 --> 01:26:36,639

give us feedback

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01:26:40,870 --> 01:26:38,480

give us thoughts give us ideas on what

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01:26:43,030 --> 01:26:40,880

they'd like to see in future shows

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01:26:45,030 --> 01:26:43,040

we've even talked about maybe doing a

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01:26:46,629 --> 01:26:45,040

show in the future where we engage with

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01:26:49,030 --> 01:26:46,639

listener questions for the entire 90

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01:26:50,629 --> 01:26:49,040

minutes so if you have burning questions

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01:26:52,870 --> 01:26:50,639

you would like to have

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01:26:53,590 --> 01:26:52,880

us engage with to do with the phenomenon

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01:26:55,830 --> 01:26:53,600

or

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01:26:57,990 --> 01:26:55,840

you know hi strangers in general please

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01:26:59,750 --> 01:26:58,000

let us know if you think there's some

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01:27:02,550 --> 01:26:59,760

aspect that you think we are

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01:27:03,830 --> 01:27:02,560

underrepresenting or too dismissive of

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01:27:05,669 --> 01:27:03,840

you know let us know that as well we

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01:27:07,510 --> 01:27:05,679

might not agree but we're always open to

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01:27:08,950 --> 01:27:07,520

hearing other perspectives and we really

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01:27:11,110 --> 01:27:08,960

do want this to be

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01:27:12,149 --> 01:27:11,120

a wide reaching conversation with many

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01:27:13,669 --> 01:27:12,159

people

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01:27:16,470 --> 01:27:13,679

absolutely

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01:27:19,189 --> 01:27:16,480

and now we'll close with our benediction

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01:27:22,070 --> 01:27:19,199

may the quality of our questions

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01:27:24,550 --> 01:27:22,080

shaped by a desire for understanding

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01:27:26,149 --> 01:27:24,560

enhance our journey of discovery

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01:27:28,790 --> 01:27:26,159

and may our travels broaden the sphere

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01:27:32,149 --> 01:27:28,800

of our consciousness reminding us that

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01:27:33,350 --> 01:27:32,159

new discoveries beget new horizons and

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01:27:35,430 --> 01:27:33,360

as always

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01:27:39,870 --> 01:27:35,440

adventure awaits we'll see you next time

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01:27:43,670 --> 01:27:42,000

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01:27:49,950 --> 01:27:43,680

[Laughter]