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00:00:06,960 --> 00:00:23,269

so

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00:00:28,070 --> 00:00:25,670

welcome back to liminal frames i'm your

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00:00:31,109 --> 00:00:28,080

host nathan and i'm here with my co-host

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00:00:34,389 --> 00:00:31,119

exo academian uh you're listening to

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00:00:37,830 --> 00:00:34,399

episode five of the show

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00:00:40,549 --> 00:00:37,840

exo do you think we'd make it this far

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00:00:43,350 --> 00:00:40,559

i did absolutely i the reason why i put

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00:00:45,430 --> 00:00:43,360

like three digits zero zero five because

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00:00:46,709 --> 00:00:45,440

i pictured us getting to episode 100 one

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00:00:49,110 --> 00:00:46,719

day and that way wouldn't have to change

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00:00:51,510 --> 00:00:49,120

the number of digits in the titles

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00:00:54,069 --> 00:00:51,520

but uh yeah happy to get back into it

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00:00:57,029 --> 00:00:54,079

and we've got another uh loaded and fun

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00:01:00,069 --> 00:00:57,039

topic to uh to unpack today

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00:01:02,069 --> 00:01:00,079

we do yeah this topic uh so fun in fact

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00:01:03,590 --> 00:01:02,079

that we uh have trouble even

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00:01:06,710 --> 00:01:03,600

categorizing it but i think we're going

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00:01:08,950 --> 00:01:06,720

to give it our best shot uh we've talked

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00:01:10,789 --> 00:01:08,960

a lot about on the show

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00:01:13,429 --> 00:01:10,799

even the name of the show itself liminal

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00:01:15,670 --> 00:01:13,439

frames one of the goals of our show is

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00:01:17,830 --> 00:01:15,680

to take topics within

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00:01:20,469 --> 00:01:17,840

the phenomenon the ufology the

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00:01:23,109 --> 00:01:20,479

paranormal and

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00:01:24,870 --> 00:01:23,119

kind of walk through ways of examining

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00:01:27,749 --> 00:01:24,880

those topics

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00:01:30,069 --> 00:01:27,759

from from different vantage points

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00:01:32,310 --> 00:01:30,079

and i think that's incredibly useful

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00:01:34,149 --> 00:01:32,320

uh just as a general tool

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00:01:35,910 --> 00:01:34,159

not just for this subject but for

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00:01:38,069 --> 00:01:35,920

anything but it's also something that i

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think our listeners and and ourselves

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00:01:42,630 --> 00:01:39,680

personally can

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00:01:46,149 --> 00:01:42,640

directly relate to we all bring

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00:01:48,469 --> 00:01:46,159

with us to experience our own

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perspectives our own frameworks of

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00:01:51,510 --> 00:01:49,759

understanding

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00:01:52,550 --> 00:01:51,520

and when it comes to the phenomenon

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that's

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00:01:58,950 --> 00:01:55,759

no different at all and so what we want

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00:02:01,990 --> 00:01:58,960

to do in this episode is kind of look at

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00:02:04,230 --> 00:02:02,000

and i think even validate the the

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00:02:07,030 --> 00:02:04,240

different ways of approaching

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00:02:09,589 --> 00:02:07,040

uh and different ways of framing uh our

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00:02:12,229 --> 00:02:09,599

experience of the phenomenon and our

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00:02:14,229 --> 00:02:12,239

experience of really life itself

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00:02:16,869 --> 00:02:14,239

uh and so i know that's pretty pretty

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broad and vague but uh hopefully it'll

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become clear as we walk through it

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exo when you think about uh you know

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kind of

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stories of the phenomenon or high

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00:02:29,110 --> 00:02:27,520

strangeness

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00:02:30,630 --> 00:02:29,120

uh you know

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00:02:32,630 --> 00:02:30,640

what are some of the

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00:02:34,390 --> 00:02:32,640

on-ramps for you

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00:02:37,110 --> 00:02:34,400

into approaching

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those stories if you were to break

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down into kind of different kind of

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categorical uh uh models you know how

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would how do you

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00:02:47,430 --> 00:02:45,760

you know

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turn your attention and kind of walk

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through and work with the things that

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00:02:55,030 --> 00:02:52,000

you experience in those stories and in

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00:02:56,630 --> 00:02:55,040

the data that you that you see

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00:02:58,710 --> 00:02:56,640

yeah it's a good question and i think

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00:03:00,790 --> 00:02:58,720

that what we're trying to point out

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00:03:03,190 --> 00:03:00,800

tonight is that

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00:03:05,110 --> 00:03:03,200

we have these pre-existing frames we all

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do whether we're conscious of them or

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00:03:08,390 --> 00:03:05,920

not

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um and uh

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that has as much an impact on

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our take away regarding when we look at

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00:03:18,710 --> 00:03:16,560

data to do to do with a phenomenon as it

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does with the the actual data itself in

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00:03:21,910 --> 00:03:20,159

other words

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interpretation is always part of the

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exercise um

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00:03:27,589 --> 00:03:25,760

and

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it's interesting because for instance on

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00:03:30,949 --> 00:03:29,440

a platform like ufo twitter where we're

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both pretty active

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you know you see different groups uh

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there that are pretty distinct

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and someone might come away

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without realizing the sort of framing

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piece and go this is so strange like how

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can there be these

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polar opposite different perspectives

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here

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and of course it comes down to number

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one

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this data is hard to digest and parse

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anyway because you've got high

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strangeness you've got

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you know

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as as john alexander coined it so you

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00:04:07,589 --> 00:04:05,920

you've got um

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00:04:09,670 --> 00:04:07,599
your cause and effect and all that kind

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00:04:11,830 --> 00:04:09,680
of stuff is thrown out and you're even

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00:04:13,750 --> 00:04:11,840
your expectation of what can happen in

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00:04:15,910 --> 00:04:13,760
reality is thrown out

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00:04:17,670 --> 00:04:15,920
so already the data itself is really

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00:04:20,150 --> 00:04:17,680
tricky to sort of tease apart and you

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00:04:22,469 --> 00:04:20,160
can't put it through your usual

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00:04:24,469 --> 00:04:22,479
kind of cycles and you can't recreate it

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00:04:25,990 --> 00:04:24,479
in a lab very easily

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00:04:32,150 --> 00:04:26,000
so

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00:04:34,070 --> 00:04:32,160
people's presuppositions really

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00:04:35,510 --> 00:04:34,080
weigh heavily on what they come away

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00:04:36,550 --> 00:04:35,520

with here because some people will look

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00:04:39,350 --> 00:04:36,560

at one

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00:04:42,390 --> 00:04:39,360

part of the data and say there's just no

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way that can happen like a priori so

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00:04:46,230 --> 00:04:44,800

therefore it didn't happen right someone

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00:04:49,110 --> 00:04:46,240

else might say

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00:04:50,790 --> 00:04:49,120

uh i'm i'm skeptical you know i want to

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00:04:52,790 --> 00:04:50,800

see evidence before i'll say something

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00:04:54,790 --> 00:04:52,800

happen but i'm also not going to deny it

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00:04:56,710 --> 00:04:54,800

that it's possible right

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00:04:59,510 --> 00:04:56,720

and then you get someone who's actually

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personally experienced it that says

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there's no question here there's no

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debate i went through this i don't need

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you to tell me it's real i experienced

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00:05:10,629 --> 00:05:08,240

it so you've got this range and it is

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00:05:12,870 --> 00:05:10,639

such an interesting topic because again

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00:05:14,550 --> 00:05:12,880

the presuppositional you know framework

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00:05:17,110 --> 00:05:14,560

we bring to it

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00:05:19,029 --> 00:05:17,120

has as much a role as anything in what

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00:05:22,230 --> 00:05:19,039

we take away and probably with this

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00:05:23,350 --> 00:05:22,240

topic more than any other

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completely

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uh i think we're gonna you know sort of

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tonight we're gonna champion uh all of

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00:05:32,390 --> 00:05:29,840

those perspectives you know so you know

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when you talked about ufo twitter

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00:05:36,469 --> 00:05:35,360

uh it came to my mind you know it's it

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00:05:38,870 --> 00:05:36,479

is not

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it feels like not a week goes by or

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there's not some sort of uh in a kind of

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beef

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that that someone is having with another

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person and

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00:05:49,590 --> 00:05:47,680

and it's i think it's helpful to

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remember that it's not

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00:05:54,550 --> 00:05:52,240

necessarily personality driven it is the

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it is kind of based on these

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uh frameworks of of understanding uh

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that that that just as you articulated

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you know

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most folks kind of plant themselves in a

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particular

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spot when they're approaching everything

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00:06:14,950 --> 00:06:12,880

that kind of comes to them and they're

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00:06:18,390 --> 00:06:14,960

you know and we are going to be

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just defenders of those positions

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we have built up these walls that we you

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00:06:26,550 --> 00:06:23,840

know we have fortified and they help us

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00:06:27,990 --> 00:06:26,560

navigate our day-to-day life and help us

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00:06:30,550 --> 00:06:28,000

make sense of

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00:06:33,430 --> 00:06:30,560

the experiences that we have had in our

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00:06:36,150 --> 00:06:33,440

lives both the mundane experiences and

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00:06:39,670 --> 00:06:36,160

the phenomenal so this is uh something

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00:06:41,830 --> 00:06:39,680

that we live out uh every single day

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and then we take that with us into these

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conversations so i want to start you

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know as we kind of we we have i think

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00:06:50,870 --> 00:06:49,280

hinted at the spectrum

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i want to go through it so if we were to

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00:06:55,189 --> 00:06:53,120

start if i were to say maybe on the left

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side of the spectrum

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of

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00:07:02,469 --> 00:06:59,440
about

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00:07:04,309 --> 00:07:02,479
the the the qualities of those that are

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00:07:06,070 --> 00:07:04,319
what we would call maybe believers or

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00:07:07,749 --> 00:07:06,080
even experiencers as you pointed out

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00:07:08,950 --> 00:07:07,759
those who've had a firsthand experience

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00:07:10,710 --> 00:07:08,960
of something

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00:07:11,830 --> 00:07:10,720
uh

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what

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in when you're kind of

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00:07:17,830 --> 00:07:15,919
reading people's reactions or takes on

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00:07:20,390 --> 00:07:17,840
certain things what what are the

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highlights to you of a person that

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00:07:23,670 --> 00:07:22,080

you know really is kind of firmly in

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that camp of

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i think

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many of them

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there has to be a personal piece either

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they themselves experience something or

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they know someone that did

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uh

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only because again it's so much outside

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of the norm of what's

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the accepted consensus reality of what

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can happen

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that uh that to

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00:07:52,390 --> 00:07:51,199
get firmly planted in that category of

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00:07:53,110 --> 00:07:52,400
believer

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00:07:54,550 --> 00:07:53,120
uh

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00:07:56,550 --> 00:07:54,560
usually there's something pretty

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personal there that's happened

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00:07:59,909 --> 00:07:57,520
um

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00:08:01,909 --> 00:07:59,919
some people the rare people like jacques

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00:08:04,550 --> 00:08:01,919
ville maybe

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just the sheer weight of the data itself

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00:08:08,790 --> 00:08:05,680
you know like

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00:08:10,469 --> 00:08:08,800
and not just reading you know dry books

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00:08:12,070 --> 00:08:10,479
or something that are cataloging

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00:08:13,110 --> 00:08:12,080

experiences but him actually getting out

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in the field

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and interviewing witnesses and seeing

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that these are

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professional people with good

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reputations who have families and jobs

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and responsibilities like everyone else

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and he sees how they are fundamentally

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changed by these experiences

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he becomes convinced over time that

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there's no way that that's

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being made up and many of these people

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would rather it have not happened to

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them you know and i know that personally

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some of the cases i've researched people

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basically did everything they could

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they looked at every other alternative

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as opposed to this being real

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to try to make sense of things you know

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people who would rather have had

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literally a psychologist declare the

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mentally unstable or they have some sort

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of

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chemical imbalance they need some drug

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to manage

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some people would rather go there

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than actually believe this really

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happened to them they got abducted by

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aliens or something

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so yeah for the for the the strong

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believers it's either a personal

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experience

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or

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they are

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uniquely qualified to objectively put

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aside all presupposition and just let

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the data itself speak to them someone

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like a jacqueline

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you know in that recently in a podcast

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episode

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i talked about their six-layer model

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eric davis and choc-voy and they they

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sort of throw critique at both ufology

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00:09:39,190 --> 00:09:37,760
and mainstream science because both from

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00:09:41,910 --> 00:09:39,200
their point of view

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um tend to skew the data either they

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they say this can't happen in the

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00:09:47,509 --> 00:09:45,440
mainstream science perspective so

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why would i even bother looking at it

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00:09:51,269 --> 00:09:49,279
and then you've got ufology that kind of

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00:09:52,310 --> 00:09:51,279

like uh pitch and holds it into saying

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as long as this fits the

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extraterrestrial narrative then we're

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good with it and everything else we'll

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kind of ignore and suppress

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whereas what ballet did was say no

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this this is in the data like it's

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repeatedly shows up time and time again

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i'm going to be convinced by that

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especially because he met some of these

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people

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firsthand but

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with believers

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definitely the the actual experience

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comes into it centrally

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right and and there's a quality uh that

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is felt

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uh kind of viscerally as well that's

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what i associate with

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uh belief

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in my own experience um growing up in a

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christian tradition you know belief

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it had a relationship with

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with knowledge

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and learning

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but it was also something that was

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deeply felt

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00:10:55,829 --> 00:10:52,640

that was intuited or or you know

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00:10:57,750 --> 00:10:55,839

subjectively you know kind of verified

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00:11:00,389 --> 00:10:57,760

and i think that that's a when i think

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00:11:02,310 --> 00:11:00,399

about belief at least that's a quality

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00:11:04,470 --> 00:11:02,320

a belief that just you know always kind

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00:11:07,350 --> 00:11:04,480

of comes to mind because of that

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00:11:10,550 --> 00:11:07,360

uh personal experience that i have had

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00:11:14,710 --> 00:11:10,560

that it's not necessarily a um a

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00:11:17,990 --> 00:11:14,720

relationship or a perspective uh with

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00:11:20,710 --> 00:11:18,000

facts per se as it is something that i

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00:11:23,350 --> 00:11:20,720

have lived or or you know felt in my own

301
00:11:24,710 --> 00:11:23,360
being to be true even with the example

302
00:11:26,949 --> 00:11:24,720
of jacques fillet

303
00:11:29,990 --> 00:11:26,959
uh you know collecting and

304
00:11:31,910 --> 00:11:30,000
researching so many cases and encounters

305
00:11:34,710 --> 00:11:31,920
and experiences

306
00:11:37,350 --> 00:11:34,720
he's always you know showing up

307
00:11:39,910 --> 00:11:37,360
to the scene after the the crime has

308
00:11:41,430 --> 00:11:39,920
been committed he's he's arriving after

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00:11:44,710 --> 00:11:41,440
the events have taken place so he's

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00:11:47,030 --> 00:11:44,720
getting just relayed information and

311
00:11:49,350 --> 00:11:47,040
it's it's that sheer sort of volume of

312
00:11:51,990 --> 00:11:49,360
relayed information that ultimately i

313
00:11:55,110 --> 00:11:52,000

would imagine tips the tide in the favor

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00:11:58,310 --> 00:11:55,120

of you know there is some truthfulness

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00:12:01,110 --> 00:11:58,320

here to this that i can't ignore but i

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00:12:04,069 --> 00:12:01,120

have not myself experienced it but i but

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00:12:06,150 --> 00:12:04,079

it's it's a proximate experience now

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00:12:07,030 --> 00:12:06,160

that is uh in a sort of

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00:12:11,829 --> 00:12:07,040

too

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00:12:15,110 --> 00:12:11,839

in a way almost becomes consumed by the

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00:12:17,670 --> 00:12:15,120

person that investigates it uh

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00:12:19,829 --> 00:12:17,680

and then digested you know

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00:12:23,829 --> 00:12:19,839

in that in that process so you know i

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00:12:25,990 --> 00:12:23,839

think belief to me at least has a very

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00:12:28,470 --> 00:12:26,000

you know sort of physicality to it

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00:12:30,310 --> 00:12:28,480

strong physicality to it um i don't know

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00:12:32,470 --> 00:12:30,320

if you would you know sort of echo that

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00:12:34,230 --> 00:12:32,480

perspective or or not

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00:12:35,760 --> 00:12:34,240

yeah i think i think that's true and i i

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00:12:37,110 --> 00:12:35,770

think it's it is helpful to

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00:12:39,910 --> 00:12:37,120

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00:12:41,750 --> 00:12:39,920

think about different ways that people

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00:12:44,389 --> 00:12:41,760

sort of ascertain knowledge you know

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00:12:46,629 --> 00:12:44,399

sometimes it's sort of a left brain

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00:12:48,230 --> 00:12:46,639

objective you know show it to me through

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00:12:49,350 --> 00:12:48,240

the scientific method

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00:12:51,030 --> 00:12:49,360

but

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00:12:52,949 --> 00:12:51,040

and in many ways our culture has kind of

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00:12:55,190 --> 00:12:52,959

been biased towards that

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00:12:56,470 --> 00:12:55,200

there's a strong prejudice towards that

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00:12:57,990 --> 00:12:56,480

even though when we're honest with

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00:12:59,430 --> 00:12:58,000

ourselves uh

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00:13:00,790 --> 00:12:59,440

and you can even see it borne out in the

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00:13:03,110 --> 00:13:00,800

data when it's when it's actually

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00:13:05,190 --> 00:13:03,120

studied we make decisions constantly

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00:13:06,550 --> 00:13:05,200

based on gut instinct and things like

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00:13:08,790 --> 00:13:06,560

that and we have these

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00:13:11,269 --> 00:13:08,800

vague terms like gut instinct or

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00:13:13,030 --> 00:13:11,279

intuition or feeling

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00:13:15,509 --> 00:13:13,040

but what we're basically saying is there

351
00:13:18,230 --> 00:13:15,519
is another side to knowledge another

352
00:13:20,230 --> 00:13:18,240
side to reality that we're motivated by

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00:13:22,870 --> 00:13:20,240
that doesn't fit in those those easy

354
00:13:24,710 --> 00:13:22,880
categories

355
00:13:26,389 --> 00:13:24,720
so yes i think sometimes it is very

356
00:13:28,870 --> 00:13:26,399
visceral

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00:13:32,470 --> 00:13:30,870
again when people say

358
00:13:33,670 --> 00:13:32,480
they feel it in their gut they use that

359
00:13:35,030 --> 00:13:33,680
expression i think because that's what

360
00:13:35,750 --> 00:13:35,040
they're saying it's not like some sort

361
00:13:38,550 --> 00:13:35,760
of

362
00:13:40,389 --> 00:13:38,560
cold calculated you know

363
00:13:42,550 --> 00:13:40,399

parsing of data it's more like something

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00:13:44,470 --> 00:13:42,560

rises up like you say physically in them

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00:13:46,949 --> 00:13:44,480

a heat they feel

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00:13:48,150 --> 00:13:46,959

that makes them feel invested

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00:13:51,189 --> 00:13:48,160

i think the other thing is important to

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00:13:52,550 --> 00:13:51,199

point out about this this believer side

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00:13:54,470 --> 00:13:52,560

sort of these three different groups

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00:13:55,990 --> 00:13:54,480

right believer skeptic denier or

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00:13:57,269 --> 00:13:56,000

debunker

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00:13:59,590 --> 00:13:57,279

i would also say that it's important to

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00:14:01,910 --> 00:13:59,600

point out that

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00:14:03,670 --> 00:14:01,920

we want to sort of be fair to everyone

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00:14:05,269 --> 00:14:03,680

here which means we want to be fair with

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00:14:09,189 --> 00:14:05,279

our

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00:14:11,030 --> 00:14:09,199

critique right

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00:14:12,310 --> 00:14:11,040

and when we talk about the believers

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00:14:13,750 --> 00:14:12,320

you've got everything from the people

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00:14:15,670 --> 00:14:13,760

who actually

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00:14:16,949 --> 00:14:15,680

are just attention seekers you know that

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00:14:19,590 --> 00:14:16,959

people who

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00:14:21,269 --> 00:14:19,600

basically want the limelight and will

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00:14:22,710 --> 00:14:21,279

play things up

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00:14:24,710 --> 00:14:22,720

you've got everything from that side of

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00:14:26,629 --> 00:14:24,720

the spectrum to on the other side of the

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00:14:28,150 --> 00:14:26,639

believer spectrum someone who this is

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00:14:30,389 --> 00:14:28,160

their worst nightmare they would not

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00:14:31,910 --> 00:14:30,399

want to be associated with this they've

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00:14:34,710 --> 00:14:31,920

always maybe even some of them been

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00:14:36,470 --> 00:14:34,720

anti-woo-woo right and yet they have an

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00:14:39,430 --> 00:14:36,480

experience that they they

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00:14:40,790 --> 00:14:39,440

can't see any other way and so even

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00:14:42,550 --> 00:14:40,800

amongst

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00:14:45,110 --> 00:14:42,560

we're talking about the broad spectrum

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00:14:47,350 --> 00:14:45,120

right of perspectives believer skeptic

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00:14:49,269 --> 00:14:47,360

denier but i'm saying even within each

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00:14:51,509 --> 00:14:49,279

of these there's a spectrum

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00:14:53,030 --> 00:14:51,519

especially in the believer category

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00:14:55,030 --> 00:14:53,040

because you've got some people who kind

401
00:14:56,629 --> 00:14:55,040
of are just kind of that's kind of their

402
00:14:58,629 --> 00:14:56,639
inclination

403
00:15:00,230 --> 00:14:58,639
and other people it was absolutely not

404
00:15:03,509 --> 00:15:00,240
their inclination but personal

405
00:15:06,389 --> 00:15:03,519
experience forced it upon them

406
00:15:08,949 --> 00:15:06,399
yeah that's an excellent point

407
00:15:13,670 --> 00:15:10,470
i'm trying to think how best to phrase

408
00:15:15,910 --> 00:15:13,680
this but we are so i think uh primed or

409
00:15:16,790 --> 00:15:15,920
conditioned to

410
00:15:19,189 --> 00:15:16,800
uh

411
00:15:20,949 --> 00:15:19,199
approaching any kind of knowledge from

412
00:15:23,189 --> 00:15:20,959
the standpoint of

413
00:15:25,670 --> 00:15:23,199

uh

414

00:15:28,389 --> 00:15:25,680

like the almost like an equation or a

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00:15:31,509 --> 00:15:28,399

variable in the equation that that

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00:15:35,350 --> 00:15:33,670

stake out that position or that ground

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00:15:36,470 --> 00:15:35,360

it will be a static thing that is

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00:15:38,389 --> 00:15:36,480

obtained

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00:15:40,470 --> 00:15:38,399

and that it is not fluid in any way

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00:15:43,430 --> 00:15:40,480

shape or form it is it is

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00:15:45,590 --> 00:15:43,440

you know it is a unit a kind of unit of

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00:15:48,230 --> 00:15:45,600

knowledge uh or you have

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00:15:49,430 --> 00:15:48,240

a perspective that is uh that is

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00:15:51,030 --> 00:15:49,440

incredibly

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00:15:54,629 --> 00:15:51,040

uh solid

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00:15:56,710 --> 00:15:54,639

non-permeable uh non-changing

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00:15:58,790 --> 00:15:56,720

you know that that's who we are we are

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00:16:01,509 --> 00:15:58,800

not people that live in flux we are

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00:16:04,310 --> 00:16:01,519

people that have positions and that have

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00:16:05,990 --> 00:16:04,320

uh philosophies and those things are

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00:16:08,629 --> 00:16:06,000

incredibly uh

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00:16:09,670 --> 00:16:08,639

uh sort of either sound or

433

00:16:13,670 --> 00:16:09,680

uh

434

00:16:16,550 --> 00:16:13,680

like to believe at least that they are

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00:16:18,870 --> 00:16:16,560

inherently coherent uh you know there's

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00:16:22,389 --> 00:16:18,880

no discordance there and the things that

437

00:16:25,509 --> 00:16:22,399

we have come to hold to be true but the

438

00:16:27,430 --> 00:16:25,519

the reality is that that all of our uh

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00:16:29,829 --> 00:16:27,440

all of our perspectives

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00:16:32,550 --> 00:16:29,839

every day every moment of every day

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00:16:33,509 --> 00:16:32,560

are going through a a sort of

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00:16:36,389 --> 00:16:33,519

uh

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00:16:37,670 --> 00:16:36,399

you know

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00:16:40,069 --> 00:16:37,680

experience

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00:16:42,710 --> 00:16:40,079

uh you know we

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00:16:44,389 --> 00:16:42,720

and and i would hope

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00:16:47,590 --> 00:16:44,399

when it comes to this topic

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00:16:49,509 --> 00:16:47,600

that as we uh you know are digesting new

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00:16:50,870 --> 00:16:49,519

bits of information

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00:16:51,749 --> 00:16:50,880

and i would hope from the purpose of

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00:16:53,749 --> 00:16:51,759

this

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00:16:56,870 --> 00:16:53,759

episode as well that we

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00:16:58,949 --> 00:16:56,880

can recognize when we walk through

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00:17:02,310 --> 00:16:58,959

these kind of different modalities and

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00:17:04,710 --> 00:17:02,320

also celebrate them and as well as as

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00:17:07,510 --> 00:17:04,720

just as you pointed out uh be be in a

457

00:17:10,230 --> 00:17:07,520

position to critique them um and and

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00:17:12,789 --> 00:17:10,240

maybe that is a good sort of uh

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00:17:13,909 --> 00:17:12,799

transition to spending some time talking

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00:17:16,230 --> 00:17:13,919

about the

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00:17:17,909 --> 00:17:16,240

uh the kind of the center point here of

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00:17:19,990 --> 00:17:17,919

the spectrum and that is the the

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00:17:22,230 --> 00:17:20,000

position of the skeptic you know this is

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00:17:24,150 --> 00:17:22,240

someone who uh you know i typically

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00:17:26,470 --> 00:17:24,160

associate with

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

a person who may want to be a believer

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00:17:31,590 --> 00:17:28,720

but just can't get there

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00:17:33,110 --> 00:17:31,600

and is going to withhold their judgment

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00:17:34,630 --> 00:17:33,120

until they have

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00:17:35,909 --> 00:17:34,640

uh more

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00:17:38,630 --> 00:17:35,919

you know sort of

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00:17:41,190 --> 00:17:38,640

proof for lack of a bit better term uh

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00:17:43,590 --> 00:17:41,200

they want so objective data i would i

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00:17:45,830 --> 00:17:43,600

think there are a lot of folks in

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00:17:48,470 --> 00:17:45,840

the kind of ufo circles that that are

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00:17:50,870 --> 00:17:48,480

skeptics and they they really do

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00:17:54,710 --> 00:17:50,880

they have been uh

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00:17:58,789 --> 00:17:54,720

animated by the idea of ufos but cannot

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00:18:01,830 --> 00:17:58,799

themselves commit to a particular uh in

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00:18:04,470 --> 00:18:01,840

a sort of uh statement uh of fact

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00:18:06,870 --> 00:18:04,480

related to the the the topic they want

482

00:18:08,390 --> 00:18:06,880

that data they need that proof and until

483

00:18:09,909 --> 00:18:08,400

they get it they're just going to sort

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00:18:10,710 --> 00:18:09,919

of sit on the fence

485

00:18:12,950 --> 00:18:10,720

uh

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00:18:14,549 --> 00:18:12,960

as long as possible i have to tell you i

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00:18:16,630 --> 00:18:14,559

personally identify with that you know

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00:18:19,510 --> 00:18:16,640

it's uh because i am not myself an

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00:18:21,830 --> 00:18:19,520

experiencer uh i think that's where i

490

00:18:25,830 --> 00:18:21,840

kind of feel the most at home and and

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00:18:27,750 --> 00:18:25,840

kind of comfortable uh because i i worry

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00:18:29,750 --> 00:18:27,760

about over committing to something that

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00:18:31,110 --> 00:18:29,760

i have not had direct first-hand

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00:18:32,150 --> 00:18:31,120

experience with

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00:18:34,789 --> 00:18:32,160

i don't know what what do you think

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00:18:36,549 --> 00:18:34,799

about when you think about those who you

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00:18:38,789 --> 00:18:36,559

know really fall into that skeptic

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00:18:41,190 --> 00:18:38,799

category

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00:18:45,270 --> 00:18:41,200

yeah i think that that's a loaded term

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00:18:46,630 --> 00:18:45,280

skeptic you know or skeptical and uh

501
00:18:49,270 --> 00:18:46,640
i would say even just like with the

502
00:18:51,190 --> 00:18:49,280
believer group even within the skeptical

503
00:18:52,950 --> 00:18:51,200
crowd that's quite a range

504
00:18:54,630 --> 00:18:52,960
because you get some people who sort of

505
00:18:56,150 --> 00:18:54,640
are more being

506
00:18:57,750 --> 00:18:56,160
true to the spirit of the word in the

507
00:18:59,669 --> 00:18:57,760
sense of

508
00:19:01,190 --> 00:18:59,679
they're not saying they don't believe it

509
00:19:03,590 --> 00:19:01,200
or they do believe it they're saying

510
00:19:05,990 --> 00:19:03,600
that they are waiting for

511
00:19:08,310 --> 00:19:06,000
persuasive evidence so it's it's really

512
00:19:10,710 --> 00:19:08,320
meant to be a neutral position

513
00:19:12,230 --> 00:19:10,720

based not on emotion and that kind of

514

00:19:13,990 --> 00:19:12,240

visceral feeling but based more on

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00:19:17,669 --> 00:19:14,000

something objective

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00:19:19,669 --> 00:19:17,679

and calculated like data right um

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00:19:21,990 --> 00:19:19,679

the challenge though i would say is that

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00:19:25,110 --> 00:19:22,000

again like i mentioned already

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00:19:27,029 --> 00:19:25,120

this phenomenon kind of uh

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00:19:29,110 --> 00:19:27,039

does away with our usual expectations

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00:19:31,350 --> 00:19:29,120

about how data is supposed to be amassed

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00:19:34,150 --> 00:19:31,360

and and how phenomena is supposed to

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00:19:37,430 --> 00:19:34,160

show up and so if you go in with a

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00:19:39,270 --> 00:19:37,440

really rigid perspective on

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00:19:41,830 --> 00:19:39,280

look if it falls in these categories

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00:19:45,029 --> 00:19:41,840

then i will be persuaded my skepticism

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00:19:47,190 --> 00:19:45,039

will be will be uh you know dealt with

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00:19:49,350 --> 00:19:47,200

but the challenge is you can't do that

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00:19:50,870 --> 00:19:49,360

with this phenomenon that it it's its

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00:19:52,950 --> 00:19:50,880

most perplexing

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00:19:54,310 --> 00:19:52,960

aspect is that it it

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00:19:56,470 --> 00:19:54,320

whether you want to say it's some sort

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00:19:59,590 --> 00:19:56,480

of conscious trickster element that

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00:20:02,470 --> 00:19:59,600

deliberately confounds our attempts at

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00:20:04,310 --> 00:20:02,480

trying to get clear data

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00:20:07,510 --> 00:20:04,320

or it's just the nature of itself that

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00:20:11,029 --> 00:20:07,520

the way it interacts with our space-time

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00:20:13,669 --> 00:20:11,039

construct uh it comes in in an obtuse

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00:20:15,350 --> 00:20:13,679

angle and so it just ends up

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00:20:17,990 --> 00:20:15,360

rendering really strangely in terms of

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00:20:20,070 --> 00:20:18,000

our perception and again even there what

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00:20:22,310 --> 00:20:20,080

we perceive versus versus what's really

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00:20:23,590 --> 00:20:22,320

out there is a a whole other question

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00:20:25,669 --> 00:20:23,600

itself

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00:20:27,590 --> 00:20:25,679

so the skeptical crowd is interesting

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00:20:29,590 --> 00:20:27,600

and i think also i would i would

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00:20:31,909 --> 00:20:29,600

encourage people who do sort of take on

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00:20:34,789 --> 00:20:31,919

this moniker

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00:20:37,510 --> 00:20:34,799

to be clear on

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00:20:40,390 --> 00:20:37,520

what would be persuasive to you and and

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00:20:43,029 --> 00:20:40,400

uh especially with this particular uh

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00:20:44,870 --> 00:20:43,039

data set because it is so tricky

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00:20:46,470 --> 00:20:44,880

for instance i sometimes see people show

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00:20:48,470 --> 00:20:46,480

up and say and you kind of have to learn

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00:20:50,310 --> 00:20:48,480

this through the school of hard knocks

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00:20:52,390 --> 00:20:50,320

will show up in social media like places

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00:20:53,830 --> 00:20:52,400

like ufo twitter and they'll say

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00:20:55,590 --> 00:20:53,840

i'm looking for

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00:20:56,870 --> 00:20:55,600

i had this happen recently someone said

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00:20:58,870 --> 00:20:56,880

i'm looking for

561

00:21:00,230 --> 00:20:58,880

you know credible evidence to support

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00:21:02,710 --> 00:21:00,240

remote viewing

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00:21:04,789 --> 00:21:02,720

and from my point of view there's plenty

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00:21:06,630 --> 00:21:04,799

like there's been a hundred years of

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00:21:08,230 --> 00:21:06,640

parapsychological research now that's

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00:21:10,630 --> 00:21:08,240

undeniable

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00:21:11,990 --> 00:21:10,640

and and so i pointed out to this

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00:21:13,510 --> 00:21:12,000

individual that

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00:21:16,870 --> 00:21:13,520

not only is there a lot of good data but

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00:21:18,789 --> 00:21:16,880

even the cia funded a program with sri

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00:21:20,710 --> 00:21:18,799

russell targ hal put off people we've

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00:21:22,789 --> 00:21:20,720

talked about before they ran for 20

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00:21:25,430 --> 00:21:22,799

years straight and i said

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00:21:27,270 --> 00:21:25,440

the cia does not fund programs for 20

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00:21:29,510 --> 00:21:27,280

years if it's not producing valid intel

576
00:21:32,070 --> 00:21:29,520
especially in the midst of the cold war

577
00:21:33,830 --> 00:21:32,080
and his comeback was ah the cia

578
00:21:35,270 --> 00:21:33,840
absolutely will fund ridiculous things

579
00:21:37,029 --> 00:21:35,280
i've seen it time and time again and

580
00:21:39,350 --> 00:21:37,039
blah blah blah blah

581
00:21:40,950 --> 00:21:39,360
my point being that i don't think he was

582
00:21:43,270 --> 00:21:40,960
actually

583
00:21:46,549 --> 00:21:43,280
in that case an individual looking for

584
00:21:47,909 --> 00:21:46,559
data he wasn't looking to be persuaded

585
00:21:49,430 --> 00:21:47,919
he basically was coming in with a

586
00:21:54,870 --> 00:21:49,440
position

587
00:21:57,350 --> 00:21:54,880
to be a skeptic willing to look at data

588
00:21:58,390 --> 00:21:57,360

objectively so you kind of have to you

589

00:21:59,909 --> 00:21:58,400

know

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00:22:01,430 --> 00:21:59,919

look out for the wolves and sheep

591

00:22:03,430 --> 00:22:01,440

sheep's clothing

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00:22:05,590 --> 00:22:03,440

in this field because you will get

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00:22:08,230 --> 00:22:05,600

people like that who

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00:22:10,710 --> 00:22:08,240

basically are out to debunk and the and

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00:22:13,110 --> 00:22:10,720

you have to get good at recognizing that

596

00:22:15,830 --> 00:22:13,120

person is open to having a conversation

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00:22:17,510 --> 00:22:15,840

and open to being persuaded by data

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00:22:19,350 --> 00:22:17,520

other people will sound like they are

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00:22:21,270 --> 00:22:19,360

and are not so

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00:22:23,430 --> 00:22:21,280

the the line between the skeptic versus

601
00:22:24,950 --> 00:22:23,440
denier or skeptic versus debunker is

602
00:22:27,190 --> 00:22:24,960
sometimes

603
00:22:28,870 --> 00:22:27,200
a tricky one because

604
00:22:31,190 --> 00:22:28,880
it sounds better

605
00:22:33,909 --> 00:22:31,200
it sounds more objective sounds more

606
00:22:36,230 --> 00:22:33,919
neutral to show up as a skeptic

607
00:22:37,830 --> 00:22:36,240
but sometimes people who who wear that

608
00:22:40,230 --> 00:22:37,840
moniker are actually more like a

609
00:22:41,669 --> 00:22:40,240
debunker and they've they have very

610
00:22:43,909 --> 00:22:41,679
hard-line

611
00:22:45,669 --> 00:22:43,919
categories but what can happen

612
00:22:48,310 --> 00:22:45,679
and since the phenomenon seems to

613
00:22:49,909 --> 00:22:48,320

confound those they are out to basically

614

00:22:51,110 --> 00:22:49,919

do away with that annoying data that

615

00:22:52,870 --> 00:22:51,120

doesn't fit their pre-existing

616

00:22:55,590 --> 00:22:52,880

categories

617

00:22:57,270 --> 00:22:55,600

yes and and i think too there's a sense

618

00:23:00,310 --> 00:22:57,280

of self-preservation

619

00:23:02,789 --> 00:23:00,320

that is tied with that uh skepticism

620

00:23:04,630 --> 00:23:02,799

uh that um

621

00:23:07,110 --> 00:23:04,640

you know look none of us want to be

622

00:23:09,029 --> 00:23:07,120

wrong none of us want to be uh made a

623

00:23:10,310 --> 00:23:09,039

fool you know and if you've ever been

624

00:23:12,070 --> 00:23:10,320

made a fool

625

00:23:13,430 --> 00:23:12,080

uh if you've ever been made you know to

626
00:23:15,990 --> 00:23:13,440
feel wrong

627
00:23:18,070 --> 00:23:16,000
it's not a good feeling

628
00:23:19,830 --> 00:23:18,080
that the bad feelings stay with us

629
00:23:20,950 --> 00:23:19,840
pretty strongly that's part of our

630
00:23:23,350 --> 00:23:20,960
survival

631
00:23:25,750 --> 00:23:23,360
uh drive you know to remember what what

632
00:23:27,430 --> 00:23:25,760
hurts us and feels bad and avoid those

633
00:23:30,870 --> 00:23:27,440
things at all costs

634
00:23:33,190 --> 00:23:30,880
and so we we take that as a

635
00:23:35,430 --> 00:23:33,200
uh that experience

636
00:23:37,909 --> 00:23:35,440
you know into the way in which we

637
00:23:40,630 --> 00:23:37,919
interact with the world around us

638
00:23:43,669 --> 00:23:40,640

and we we create a shell

639

00:23:44,710 --> 00:23:43,679

that prevents us from over committing to

640

00:23:45,510 --> 00:23:44,720

something

641

00:23:48,149 --> 00:23:45,520

uh

642

00:23:50,149 --> 00:23:48,159

you know otherwise we risk you know kind

643

00:23:51,269 --> 00:23:50,159

of being made a fool being being

644

00:23:53,190 --> 00:23:51,279

vulnerable

645

00:23:55,269 --> 00:23:53,200

uh being hurt again so it's it's very

646

00:23:56,070 --> 00:23:55,279

much that kind of protective

647

00:23:59,110 --> 00:23:56,080

uh

648

00:24:01,350 --> 00:23:59,120

reflex

649

00:24:04,149 --> 00:24:01,360

um and you know again i i do identify

650

00:24:04,950 --> 00:24:04,159

with it and and i wonder

651

00:24:07,269 --> 00:24:04,960

uh

652

00:24:09,350 --> 00:24:07,279

you know i do wonder to what degree

653

00:24:13,110 --> 00:24:09,360

my religious upbringing you know plays a

654

00:24:15,110 --> 00:24:13,120

part in in kind of my comfort level

655

00:24:17,590 --> 00:24:15,120

with that particular category you know

656

00:24:19,029 --> 00:24:17,600

sort of coming to a place in my own life

657

00:24:20,950 --> 00:24:19,039

where

658

00:24:24,230 --> 00:24:20,960

the truths of my

659

00:24:25,190 --> 00:24:24,240

belief you know no longer sort of rang

660

00:24:29,590 --> 00:24:25,200

true

661

00:24:31,990 --> 00:24:29,600

and i was i sort of had a sense in which

662

00:24:34,710 --> 00:24:32,000

it had been a fool's errand you know to

663

00:24:37,510 --> 00:24:34,720

place belief in in those things and so

664

00:24:40,149 --> 00:24:37,520

you know don't fool me once right

665

00:24:41,750 --> 00:24:40,159

shame on me uh

666

00:24:44,230 --> 00:24:41,760

or what you know i never know that

667

00:24:45,110 --> 00:24:44,240

phrase neither does george bush bush but

668

00:24:48,789 --> 00:24:45,120

uh

669

00:24:51,269 --> 00:24:48,799

position there

670

00:24:53,029 --> 00:24:51,279

um and then i think that that does bleed

671

00:24:53,830 --> 00:24:53,039

into

672

00:25:00,870 --> 00:24:53,840

the

673

00:25:03,510 --> 00:25:00,880

protective mechanism is

674

00:25:06,230 --> 00:25:03,520

is on you know a sort of extreme display

675

00:25:09,110 --> 00:25:06,240

you know it's it's um

676

00:25:11,190 --> 00:25:09,120

you know it's that sort of

677

00:25:13,110 --> 00:25:11,200

see no evil hear no evil speak no evil

678

00:25:14,710 --> 00:25:13,120

i'm not going to let anything kind of

679

00:25:17,590 --> 00:25:14,720

come into this

680

00:25:18,710 --> 00:25:17,600

inner space i have already staked out my

681

00:25:21,269 --> 00:25:18,720

position

682

00:25:24,950 --> 00:25:21,279

and no matter what you put forward to me

683

00:25:28,230 --> 00:25:24,960

i'm going to hunt down

684

00:25:30,789 --> 00:25:28,240

the things the items that only buttress

685

00:25:33,029 --> 00:25:30,799

what i've already concluded and that is

686

00:25:34,310 --> 00:25:33,039

that you're wrong

687

00:25:36,549 --> 00:25:34,320

and that

688

00:25:38,149 --> 00:25:36,559

that that feels pretty good if you're

689

00:25:39,909 --> 00:25:38,159

good at that if you've kind of made that

690

00:25:41,990 --> 00:25:39,919

your landing spot

691

00:25:43,830 --> 00:25:42,000

uh you know you're going to feel i think

692

00:25:45,269 --> 00:25:43,840

a strong sense of

693

00:25:46,870 --> 00:25:45,279

of of

694

00:25:50,310 --> 00:25:46,880

purpose and power

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00:25:51,590 --> 00:25:50,320

in the act of committing to that process

696

00:25:53,269 --> 00:25:51,600

over and over again in fact you're going

697

00:25:55,350 --> 00:25:53,279

to look for and this is what we see in

698

00:25:58,789 --> 00:25:55,360

the behavior too you're going to look

699

00:26:00,789 --> 00:25:58,799

for opportunities to do that

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00:26:03,430 --> 00:26:00,799

and and you're going to

701
00:26:06,789 --> 00:26:03,440
kind of take delight in opportunities to

702
00:26:08,789 --> 00:26:06,799
exercise that

703
00:26:11,350 --> 00:26:08,799
tendency that you that you've developed

704
00:26:13,830 --> 00:26:11,360
so strongly yeah several really

705
00:26:15,750 --> 00:26:13,840
important points in there i think uh

706
00:26:17,830 --> 00:26:15,760
again we're getting back to this

707
00:26:19,029 --> 00:26:17,840
visceral aspect again

708
00:26:20,630 --> 00:26:19,039
um

709
00:26:22,870 --> 00:26:20,640
you'll sometimes see people who again

710
00:26:25,590 --> 00:26:22,880
will sort of posture themselves as if

711
00:26:27,430 --> 00:26:25,600
they are cool and collected and hey man

712
00:26:29,830 --> 00:26:27,440
i'm just all about the data

713
00:26:31,909 --> 00:26:29,840

but number one like you said

714

00:26:33,590 --> 00:26:31,919

some have a vested interest in

715

00:26:34,630 --> 00:26:33,600

protecting a certain position even if

716

00:26:36,549 --> 00:26:34,640

they're not

717

00:26:38,230 --> 00:26:36,559

either being honest about it or they may

718

00:26:39,909 --> 00:26:38,240

not even be self-aware about it that

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00:26:42,950 --> 00:26:39,919

that's what they're really doing

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00:26:45,110 --> 00:26:42,960

they may have convinced themselves

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00:26:46,870 --> 00:26:45,120

that they are all about objectively

722

00:26:48,470 --> 00:26:46,880

evaluating data

723

00:26:51,110 --> 00:26:48,480

and yet what you'll sometimes notice is

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00:26:53,350 --> 00:26:51,120

when there's increasing

725

00:26:55,669 --> 00:26:53,360

amounts of data

726

00:26:57,190 --> 00:26:55,679

challenging their current position

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00:26:58,710 --> 00:26:57,200

they'll get more and more heated and

728

00:27:00,149 --> 00:26:58,720

you'll you'll notice them even getting

729

00:27:02,630 --> 00:27:00,159

defensive

730

00:27:04,230 --> 00:27:02,640

and that is a clear sign that they're

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00:27:05,350 --> 00:27:04,240

beginning to experience cognitive

732

00:27:07,909 --> 00:27:05,360

dissonance

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00:27:10,230 --> 00:27:07,919

that they are being confronted by data

734

00:27:12,630 --> 00:27:10,240

data that does not fit with their their

735

00:27:14,310 --> 00:27:12,640

preconceptions

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00:27:15,510 --> 00:27:14,320

and that's why we get so many heated

737

00:27:19,110 --> 00:27:15,520

debates

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00:27:21,190 --> 00:27:19,120

uh in in the ufo twitter land because

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00:27:23,510 --> 00:27:21,200

people have a vested interest

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00:27:25,669 --> 00:27:23,520

we are not robots right we don't just

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00:27:27,029 --> 00:27:25,679

look at data and uh

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00:27:29,669 --> 00:27:27,039

you know ascribe

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00:27:30,549 --> 00:27:29,679

identity in one set versus another

744

00:27:33,430 --> 00:27:30,559

we

745

00:27:35,510 --> 00:27:33,440

have very visceral reactions and when

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00:27:37,590 --> 00:27:35,520

our very world view our very way of

747

00:27:39,110 --> 00:27:37,600

making sense of why we get up in the

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00:27:40,310 --> 00:27:39,120

morning and what can possibly happen to

749

00:27:43,029 --> 00:27:40,320

us that day

750

00:27:46,070 --> 00:27:43,039

gets challenged very few people

751
00:27:49,430 --> 00:27:46,080
are prepared to handle that well um

752
00:27:52,070 --> 00:27:49,440
and on top of that you know

753
00:27:53,510 --> 00:27:52,080
the the mainstream scientific circles

754
00:27:54,789 --> 00:27:53,520
have kind of become the modern day

755
00:27:57,269 --> 00:27:54,799
priesthood we've talked about this

756
00:27:59,430 --> 00:27:57,279
before right so they kind of have a

757
00:28:01,669 --> 00:27:59,440
position of entitlement

758
00:28:03,190 --> 00:28:01,679
that they're not even

759
00:28:04,870 --> 00:28:03,200
they feel so

760
00:28:06,870 --> 00:28:04,880
comfortable in that position that they

761
00:28:08,870 --> 00:28:06,880
really believe that

762
00:28:10,230 --> 00:28:08,880
centuries and centuries and centuries of

763
00:28:12,310 --> 00:28:10,240

investigation

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00:28:14,230 --> 00:28:12,320

have already made it very clear that

765

00:28:15,669 --> 00:28:14,240

their position is correct that even when

766

00:28:17,110 --> 00:28:15,679

they're coming in saying they're

767

00:28:19,029 --> 00:28:17,120

skeptical and they're willing to

768

00:28:20,470 --> 00:28:19,039

consider different positions

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00:28:23,350 --> 00:28:20,480

really they're coming in more from a

770

00:28:24,870 --> 00:28:23,360

defensive posture of saying

771

00:28:26,549 --> 00:28:24,880

sure i'll use all the right language but

772

00:28:28,389 --> 00:28:26,559

listen we know what's real right we've

773

00:28:29,590 --> 00:28:28,399

already established that over the last

774

00:28:30,710 --> 00:28:29,600

several centuries we don't need to go

775

00:28:33,110 --> 00:28:30,720

back to the church we don't want to go

776

00:28:35,590 --> 00:28:33,120

back to some sort of spiritual woo stuff

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00:28:37,909 --> 00:28:35,600

so let's let's be clear let's look at

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00:28:40,149 --> 00:28:37,919

evidence let's make sure we can study it

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00:28:42,230 --> 00:28:40,159

scientifically in a lab and make sure

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00:28:45,190 --> 00:28:42,240

it's reproducible if it's not it's not

781

00:28:47,110 --> 00:28:45,200

real blah blah so

782

00:28:48,230 --> 00:28:47,120

we also have to deal with that too that

783

00:28:49,990 --> 00:28:48,240

um

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00:28:52,470 --> 00:28:50,000

a lot of the skeptics are coming from

785

00:28:53,510 --> 00:28:52,480

that sort of mainstream position as well

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00:28:55,430 --> 00:28:53,520

that

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00:28:57,830 --> 00:28:55,440

and it's very difficult it's a rare

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00:28:59,110 --> 00:28:57,840

breed to find someone who's equally

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00:29:01,990 --> 00:28:59,120

skeptical

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00:29:04,470 --> 00:29:02,000

about the current mainstream perspective

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00:29:06,149 --> 00:29:04,480

as is someone who's skeptical about

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00:29:07,830 --> 00:29:06,159

something they consider woo-woo you know

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00:29:10,870 --> 00:29:07,840

what i mean like in other words

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00:29:13,110 --> 00:29:10,880

skepticism should be neutral

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00:29:14,549 --> 00:29:13,120

and yet in reality it's often not in the

796

00:29:17,110 --> 00:29:14,559

same way that

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00:29:18,710 --> 00:29:17,120

uh you know in the middle ages whatever

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00:29:19,990 --> 00:29:18,720

it was very difficult

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00:29:23,750 --> 00:29:20,000

for

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00:29:25,510 --> 00:29:23,760

uh skeptics to believe that galileo was

801
00:29:27,669 --> 00:29:25,520
right you know what i mean

802
00:29:30,070 --> 00:29:27,679
um

803
00:29:32,470 --> 00:29:30,080
in the same way today when mainstream

804
00:29:35,350 --> 00:29:32,480
science you know has the four

805
00:29:36,310 --> 00:29:35,360
it's it's very difficult for people to

806
00:29:37,669 --> 00:29:36,320
um

807
00:29:39,430 --> 00:29:37,679
really position themselves to be

808
00:29:41,669 --> 00:29:39,440
skeptical about that because the bottom

809
00:29:44,710 --> 00:29:41,679
line is again this is visceral

810
00:29:46,310 --> 00:29:44,720
belief systems do come in we'd like to

811
00:29:48,149 --> 00:29:46,320
as human beings even though we

812
00:29:49,669 --> 00:29:48,159
constantly trade

813
00:29:51,750 --> 00:29:49,679

one world view for another over the

814

00:29:53,830 --> 00:29:51,760

history course of our history

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00:29:55,669 --> 00:29:53,840

we we very rarely in fact we've never

816

00:29:57,669 --> 00:29:55,679

gotten to a point where we said listen

817

00:29:58,789 --> 00:29:57,679

we've learned our lesson the key is to

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00:29:59,830 --> 00:29:58,799

not be

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00:30:01,830 --> 00:29:59,840

you know

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00:30:03,110 --> 00:30:01,840

too concretized around one worldview so

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00:30:04,549 --> 00:30:03,120

we're going to sit back and we're not

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00:30:05,590 --> 00:30:04,559

going to do that no that's not what we

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00:30:07,990 --> 00:30:05,600

do we just

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00:30:10,070 --> 00:30:08,000

adopt a new one over top of the old one

825

00:30:11,590 --> 00:30:10,080

and we basically often sort of cancel

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00:30:13,750 --> 00:30:11,600

out the old one and think everything bad

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00:30:16,710 --> 00:30:13,760

about it and think the new one is is

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00:30:18,470 --> 00:30:16,720

fresh and golden and sweet smelling

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00:30:19,830 --> 00:30:18,480

and uh

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00:30:21,909 --> 00:30:19,840

you know

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00:30:23,430 --> 00:30:21,919

sort of the modernist materialistic

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00:30:25,990 --> 00:30:23,440

perspective probably had the greatest

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00:30:28,070 --> 00:30:26,000

sway in like the 19th century

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00:30:29,510 --> 00:30:28,080

but it's still very strong today even

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00:30:31,830 --> 00:30:29,520

after all the revelations that have come

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00:30:33,110 --> 00:30:31,840

out of quantum mechanics and whatnot and

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00:30:35,269 --> 00:30:33,120

so again

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00:30:37,430 --> 00:30:35,279

a lot of the skeptics that show up are

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00:30:38,230 --> 00:30:37,440

coming from that position of entitlement

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00:30:40,630 --> 00:30:38,240

that

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00:30:43,029 --> 00:30:40,640

they represent the establishment as it

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00:30:44,710 --> 00:30:43,039

is today

843

00:30:46,870 --> 00:30:44,720

yeah it's funny because a as you're

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00:30:47,990 --> 00:30:46,880

talking about i i apologize to our

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00:30:50,470 --> 00:30:48,000

listeners i'm going to keep coming back

846

00:30:51,990 --> 00:30:50,480

to using my children as an analogy but i

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00:30:54,310 --> 00:30:52,000

think we've all been children so i think

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00:30:57,430 --> 00:30:54,320

we can relate to this too uh but you can

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00:30:59,269 --> 00:30:57,440

map on to the spectrum the the human

850

00:31:01,990 --> 00:30:59,279

development right so

851

00:31:04,630 --> 00:31:02,000

from believer to skeptic to to

852

00:31:06,710 --> 00:31:04,640

denier uh you know which is a very

853

00:31:07,990 --> 00:31:06,720

strong word to use and we can kind of

854

00:31:09,590 --> 00:31:08,000

come up with other words there other

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00:31:10,389 --> 00:31:09,600

than even debunker

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00:31:12,549 --> 00:31:10,399

but

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00:31:13,830 --> 00:31:12,559

if you follow me through this when when

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00:31:16,470 --> 00:31:13,840

we're young

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00:31:19,590 --> 00:31:16,480

we our default position really is very

860

00:31:22,549 --> 00:31:19,600

much kind of a a faith

861

00:31:24,310 --> 00:31:22,559

you know sort of trust uh in in in our

862

00:31:26,070 --> 00:31:24,320

parents and in the world that they are

863

00:31:28,230 --> 00:31:26,080

portraying to us that that that's the

864

00:31:30,549 --> 00:31:28,240

way things are i don't i don't have a

865

00:31:33,509 --> 00:31:30,559

way of my of my

866

00:31:35,430 --> 00:31:33,519

that i can myself verify

867

00:31:38,070 --> 00:31:35,440

you know sort of what what is true or

868

00:31:39,590 --> 00:31:38,080

not it has been mediated to me from my

869

00:31:41,909 --> 00:31:39,600

caregivers who

870

00:31:44,310 --> 00:31:41,919

who you know meet every need that i have

871

00:31:48,789 --> 00:31:44,320

and and why would i not trust them so so

872

00:31:51,750 --> 00:31:48,799

that belief begins at a very young age

873

00:31:53,430 --> 00:31:51,760

and then inevitably as as we all have

874

00:31:54,549 --> 00:31:53,440

had an experience some of us have an

875

00:31:56,789 --> 00:31:54,559

experience

876

00:31:58,549 --> 00:31:56,799

uh sooner in our lives than others but

877

00:32:01,190 --> 00:31:58,559

inevitably

878

00:32:03,990 --> 00:32:01,200

those individuals let us down you know

879

00:32:06,470 --> 00:32:04,000

those uh caregivers will will fail us in

880

00:32:09,269 --> 00:32:06,480

some way it may be a small way or a big

881

00:32:10,070 --> 00:32:09,279

way but failure it is and we will that

882

00:32:15,909 --> 00:32:10,080

that

883

00:32:18,149 --> 00:32:15,919

and and what made sense

884

00:32:21,269 --> 00:32:18,159

now starts to have a crack and and kind

885

00:32:23,509 --> 00:32:21,279

of you know is shaken and then that that

886

00:32:25,669 --> 00:32:23,519

transition that you see happen often in

887

00:32:27,430 --> 00:32:25,679

in a kind of young adulthood

888

00:32:29,430 --> 00:32:27,440

teenager years you know

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00:32:31,350 --> 00:32:29,440

you're learning to kind of figure out

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00:32:32,070 --> 00:32:31,360

what is what is your truth you're going

891

00:32:32,950 --> 00:32:32,080

to

892

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

uh

893

00:32:36,310 --> 00:32:34,960

you know sort of be a little bit on the

894

00:32:38,470 --> 00:32:36,320

fence about

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00:32:40,230 --> 00:32:38,480

what you are told because you know again

896

00:32:42,950 --> 00:32:40,240

you don't want to be hurt you don't want

897

00:32:44,789 --> 00:32:42,960

to over commit to someone and then as we

898

00:32:46,470 --> 00:32:44,799

get older and we see this happen i see

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00:32:47,830 --> 00:32:46,480

it in my own life the older i get you

900

00:32:50,470 --> 00:32:47,840

know the more

901
00:32:52,149 --> 00:32:50,480
uh i kind of instinctively react to

902
00:32:53,909 --> 00:32:52,159
things that are different

903
00:32:55,669 --> 00:32:53,919
and want to

904
00:32:57,509 --> 00:32:55,679
you know say well no it's not that you

905
00:32:59,590 --> 00:32:57,519
know uh it's actually like that it's

906
00:33:02,070 --> 00:32:59,600
only this uh i know you think it's like

907
00:33:03,669 --> 00:33:02,080
that young people

908
00:33:05,590 --> 00:33:03,679
uh but it's not you know and i think

909
00:33:07,750 --> 00:33:05,600
that that so that's only natural through

910
00:33:10,230 --> 00:33:07,760
our lived experience that you know that

911
00:33:12,870 --> 00:33:10,240
we kind of arrive and at that place so

912
00:33:15,590 --> 00:33:12,880
so even physiologically you know these

913
00:33:17,029 --> 00:33:15,600

uh sort of modes are things that i think

914

00:33:20,070 --> 00:33:17,039

we can relate to

915

00:33:22,630 --> 00:33:20,080

uh just in our in our lived experience

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00:33:25,110 --> 00:33:22,640

uh and and you know on that note and

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00:33:27,669 --> 00:33:25,120

i've already talked about my own sort of

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00:33:30,549 --> 00:33:27,679

comfort level or position of comfort on

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00:33:32,789 --> 00:33:30,559

this spectrum uh even though i i have

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00:33:33,990 --> 00:33:32,799

found myself at the other places as well

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00:33:35,669 --> 00:33:34,000

but exo

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00:33:38,710 --> 00:33:35,679

you know i know we've talked about this

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00:33:40,630 --> 00:33:38,720

a lot in our private conversations

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00:33:42,789 --> 00:33:40,640

you've certainly been through all three

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00:33:44,789 --> 00:33:42,799

of these uh sort of areas in your own

926
00:33:46,950 --> 00:33:44,799
life

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00:33:49,590 --> 00:33:46,960
yeah and i think that um

928
00:33:51,750 --> 00:33:49,600
we we've talked before about

929
00:33:54,070 --> 00:33:51,760
once you've been through

930
00:33:55,430 --> 00:33:54,080
one or two worldview shifts

931
00:33:57,190 --> 00:33:55,440
and you've experienced that cognitive

932
00:34:00,389 --> 00:33:57,200
dissonance

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00:34:04,389 --> 00:34:00,399
you hopefully hold your most recent one

934
00:34:06,870 --> 00:34:04,399
a bit more loosely and not so tightly

935
00:34:08,470 --> 00:34:06,880
and

936
00:34:10,790 --> 00:34:08,480
but nevertheless it's never a good

937
00:34:12,869 --> 00:34:10,800
feeling when you start noticing there's

938
00:34:14,710 --> 00:34:12,879

mounting evidence that your way of

939

00:34:16,310 --> 00:34:14,720

seeing the world is insufficient or

940

00:34:18,389 --> 00:34:16,320

especially if it feels starts to feel

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00:34:19,909 --> 00:34:18,399

wrong misguided

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00:34:22,310 --> 00:34:19,919

that's not a good feeling you know you

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00:34:24,629 --> 00:34:22,320

sort of think about someone who has to

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00:34:26,230 --> 00:34:24,639

retrain for their career like halfway

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00:34:27,750 --> 00:34:26,240

through their adult life it's not a good

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00:34:29,270 --> 00:34:27,760

feeling

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00:34:32,470 --> 00:34:29,280

most people have the energy and the

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00:34:34,389 --> 00:34:32,480

wherewithal to do that at 20 you know

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00:34:37,109 --> 00:34:34,399

not so much later in life

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00:34:38,950 --> 00:34:37,119

in the same way

951
00:34:41,190 --> 00:34:38,960
yes getting back to your point the older

952
00:34:41,990 --> 00:34:41,200
we get the more in some ways rigid we

953
00:34:42,950 --> 00:34:42,000
are

954
00:34:44,550 --> 00:34:42,960
um

955
00:34:46,629 --> 00:34:44,560
we have more experience behind us so

956
00:34:48,470 --> 00:34:46,639
we're more convinced of the way we've

957
00:34:50,069 --> 00:34:48,480
seen things and it's it

958
00:34:53,190 --> 00:34:50,079
becomes more and more difficult for us

959
00:34:55,510 --> 00:34:53,200
to stay flexible and malleable

960
00:34:59,589 --> 00:34:55,520
um

961
00:35:03,750 --> 00:35:00,630
first of all i would say with the

962
00:35:05,589 --> 00:35:03,760
believer part i've definitely had

963
00:35:07,829 --> 00:35:05,599

some of my own experiences which i've

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00:35:09,349 --> 00:35:07,839

shared at various places including on

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00:35:11,109 --> 00:35:09,359

point of convergence

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00:35:13,910 --> 00:35:11,119

and i think when i talked to you guys on

967

00:35:18,470 --> 00:35:15,349

had that experience of things that are

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00:35:20,230 --> 00:35:18,480

not supposed to happen like i'm i was

969

00:35:21,420 --> 00:35:20,240

i think i was very left-brained at that

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00:35:22,950 --> 00:35:21,430

point and um

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00:35:25,990 --> 00:35:22,960

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00:35:27,829 --> 00:35:26,000

you know i had a certain idea of uh

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00:35:29,270 --> 00:35:27,839

what could or couldn't happen in reality

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00:35:30,790 --> 00:35:29,280

and yet i had an experience of something

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00:35:31,829 --> 00:35:30,800

that was not supposed to be one of those

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00:35:34,230 --> 00:35:31,839

things

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00:35:36,310 --> 00:35:34,240

and so you're confronted with it and you

978
00:35:37,990 --> 00:35:36,320

know on top of that experienced it with

979
00:35:40,630 --> 00:35:38,000

someone else too so i know it wasn't

980
00:35:42,870 --> 00:35:40,640

just bad pizza or my own delusion if it

981
00:35:45,829 --> 00:35:42,880

was delusion it was a shared delusion

982
00:35:49,750 --> 00:35:45,839

um and there were physiological effects

983
00:35:51,349 --> 00:35:49,760

and whatnot that showed up as well so um

984
00:35:52,790 --> 00:35:51,359

you come away going

985
00:35:53,910 --> 00:35:52,800

feeling this cognitive dissonance

986
00:35:56,150 --> 00:35:53,920

because you go

987
00:35:59,270 --> 00:35:56,160

wow the data i have a really hard time

988
00:36:01,349 --> 00:35:59,280

dismissing here like i would have rather

989

00:36:03,670 --> 00:36:01,359

written it off as as a weird dream or

990

00:36:05,910 --> 00:36:03,680

something but it wasn't a dream

991

00:36:08,550 --> 00:36:05,920

um and

992

00:36:10,950 --> 00:36:08,560

it wasn't delusion um

993

00:36:13,190 --> 00:36:10,960

so you are confronted with

994

00:36:14,790 --> 00:36:13,200

okay i have to create a new category now

995

00:36:15,990 --> 00:36:14,800

and that's not a fun feeling it really

996

00:36:16,920 --> 00:36:16,000

isn't you

997

00:36:18,630 --> 00:36:16,930

you um

998

00:36:21,190 --> 00:36:18,640

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00:36:24,150 --> 00:36:21,200

again we have an emotional attachment to

1000

00:36:25,589 --> 00:36:24,160

our perspectives and we

1001
00:36:27,349 --> 00:36:25,599
the same way it's a shock to the system

1002
00:36:29,670 --> 00:36:27,359
when we find out santa claus maybe isn't

1003
00:36:30,710 --> 00:36:29,680
what we thought he was um in the same

1004
00:36:33,030 --> 00:36:30,720
way

1005
00:36:35,750 --> 00:36:33,040
even more so as adults we are less

1006
00:36:37,430 --> 00:36:35,760
malleable or more concretized

1007
00:36:39,589 --> 00:36:37,440
with all the responsibilities we have to

1008
00:36:41,190 --> 00:36:39,599
juggle it's not a good feeling when your

1009
00:36:42,310 --> 00:36:41,200
very understanding of reality is

1010
00:36:45,910 --> 00:36:42,320
questioned

1011
00:36:48,230 --> 00:36:45,920
um so i've been through that personally

1012
00:36:50,550 --> 00:36:48,240
so that definitely

1013
00:36:52,630 --> 00:36:50,560

changes my perspective i can know what

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00:36:54,710 --> 00:36:52,640

it feels like to i mean thankfully i've

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00:36:56,710 --> 00:36:54,720

never been around people who

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00:36:57,910 --> 00:36:56,720

uh you know would mock me for having

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00:37:00,230 --> 00:36:57,920

that experience or anything like that

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00:37:02,230 --> 00:37:00,240

i've never been around that kind of

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00:37:04,310 --> 00:37:02,240

crowd of people um

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00:37:06,829 --> 00:37:04,320

but i know people that are and i see

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00:37:09,990 --> 00:37:06,839

people who suffer because

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00:37:11,750 --> 00:37:10,000

um people basically ridicule them mock

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00:37:13,510 --> 00:37:11,760

them for even claiming to have such an

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00:37:15,030 --> 00:37:13,520

experience

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00:37:17,270 --> 00:37:15,040

so that's how i sort of got to the

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00:37:19,589 --> 00:37:17,280

believer part um

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00:37:21,910 --> 00:37:19,599

but i should also say when i i still

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00:37:24,390 --> 00:37:21,920

bring healthy skepticism to that

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00:37:26,230 --> 00:37:24,400

believer aspect though you know like i

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00:37:29,109 --> 00:37:26,240

i see some people

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00:37:30,069 --> 00:37:29,119

uh on ufo twitter for instance

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00:37:32,150 --> 00:37:30,079

i think

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00:37:34,470 --> 00:37:32,160

make this two black and white they they

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00:37:35,270 --> 00:37:34,480

try and make it too binary you know it's

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00:37:37,910 --> 00:37:35,280

like

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00:37:39,270 --> 00:37:37,920

you're either 100 in the believer camp

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00:37:40,710 --> 00:37:39,280

you know the experience for camp or

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00:37:42,790 --> 00:37:40,720

you're not what's it going to be you

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00:37:44,710 --> 00:37:42,800

know tell us right now

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00:37:46,310 --> 00:37:44,720

no you're in or you're out and i just

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00:37:48,470 --> 00:37:46,320

don't think that's

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00:37:49,510 --> 00:37:48,480

a helpful fruitful or realistic way to

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00:37:51,030 --> 00:37:49,520

look at it

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00:37:53,430 --> 00:37:51,040

you're still going to have the spectrum

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00:37:55,190 --> 00:37:53,440

of people everything from people who are

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00:37:57,349 --> 00:37:55,200

absolutely truthful and would rather

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00:37:59,829 --> 00:37:57,359

this not have happened to some people

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00:38:01,589 --> 00:37:59,839

who have fanciful imaginations and maybe

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00:38:03,670 --> 00:38:01,599

are looking for attention

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00:38:05,109 --> 00:38:03,680

you still have to accept that that will

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00:38:07,589 --> 00:38:05,119

be in there

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00:38:09,750 --> 00:38:07,599

part of the reason why i land firmly in

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00:38:13,109 --> 00:38:09,760

the

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00:38:14,630 --> 00:38:13,119

something is happening on mass to a lot

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00:38:16,790 --> 00:38:14,640

of people is because of the sheer

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00:38:19,030 --> 00:38:16,800

numbers so partly what i do there and

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00:38:21,670 --> 00:38:19,040

sometimes i'll have so-called skeptics

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00:38:24,310 --> 00:38:21,680

say to me oh so you just accept every

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00:38:25,430 --> 00:38:24,320

every you know circumstantial case every

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00:38:28,710 --> 00:38:25,440

hearsay

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00:38:30,470 --> 00:38:28,720

uh account as real and i say no i don't

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00:38:32,470 --> 00:38:30,480

i assume actually a certain percentage

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00:38:34,230 --> 00:38:32,480

of them are flat out false

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00:38:36,710 --> 00:38:34,240

what i'm saying is when you have that

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00:38:40,550 --> 00:38:36,720

much data that that brought a body of

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00:38:43,990 --> 00:38:40,560

data you can say 10 15 20 falls through

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00:38:47,430 --> 00:38:44,000

the cracks as a misidentification or

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00:38:49,589 --> 00:38:47,440

fraud or whatever exaggeration but you

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00:38:51,430 --> 00:38:49,599

still even after

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00:38:54,390 --> 00:38:51,440

you know building in some pretty healthy

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00:38:55,670 --> 00:38:54,400

filters you've got just a huge amount of

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00:38:57,510 --> 00:38:55,680

data saying something really is

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00:38:59,670 --> 00:38:57,520

happening so

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00:39:01,829 --> 00:38:59,680

that's the way i personally apply

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00:39:03,990 --> 00:39:01,839

healthy skepticism i think

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00:39:05,589 --> 00:39:04,000

you you come away

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00:39:07,030 --> 00:39:05,599

looking at the totality of the data i

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00:39:09,030 --> 00:39:07,040

say this all the time you know we have

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00:39:11,750 --> 00:39:09,040

to look at the totality of the data and

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00:39:13,670 --> 00:39:11,760

what i mean by that is you allow for all

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00:39:15,430 --> 00:39:13,680

those different aspects those different

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00:39:16,950 --> 00:39:15,440

filters and see what you're left with

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00:39:19,430 --> 00:39:16,960

when you do allow for some of those

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00:39:21,349 --> 00:39:19,440

cases

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00:39:22,950 --> 00:39:21,359

and i would also say too that i i re

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00:39:24,470 --> 00:39:22,960

there was a period in my life where i

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00:39:26,470 --> 00:39:24,480

was pretty

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00:39:29,270 --> 00:39:26,480

um

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00:39:31,670 --> 00:39:29,280

you know rigidly modern

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00:39:34,470 --> 00:39:31,680

uh and

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00:39:35,990 --> 00:39:34,480

physicalist in my perspective and

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00:39:38,710 --> 00:39:36,000

you might have called me a denier you

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00:39:40,069 --> 00:39:38,720

know like i i um

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00:39:41,750 --> 00:39:40,079

i remember when i was younger being

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00:39:43,990 --> 00:39:41,760

around people who claim to be seeing

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00:39:46,150 --> 00:39:44,000

things and i just assumed look if i

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00:39:47,990 --> 00:39:46,160

can't see it and if somebody else in the

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00:39:50,150 --> 00:39:48,000

room here can't see it can't be real

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00:39:52,230 --> 00:39:50,160

like at that point in my life i assumed

1100

00:39:54,950 --> 00:39:52,240

that anything that was quote unquote

1101
00:39:59,670 --> 00:39:57,990
by definition had to be perceivable

1102
00:40:02,550 --> 00:39:59,680
by everyone

1103
00:40:04,710 --> 00:40:02,560
there now we know the phenomenon

1104
00:40:05,829 --> 00:40:04,720
constantly challenges that assumption

1105
00:40:07,510 --> 00:40:05,839
right that

1106
00:40:09,990 --> 00:40:07,520
you'll have um

1107
00:40:13,190 --> 00:40:10,000
people that know each other well even

1108
00:40:14,630 --> 00:40:13,200
either see like in my case you know

1109
00:40:16,230 --> 00:40:14,640
i saw something slightly different than

1110
00:40:17,510 --> 00:40:16,240
my wife saw you know even though we saw

1111
00:40:19,510 --> 00:40:17,520
basically the same thing there were some

1112
00:40:21,750 --> 00:40:19,520
subtle differences

1113
00:40:24,150 --> 00:40:21,760

but some people will say look do you not

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00:40:25,510 --> 00:40:24,160

see that ufo and and someone will say no

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00:40:28,150 --> 00:40:25,520

i don't see anything what's there you

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00:40:30,309 --> 00:40:28,160

know and and yet we see that happen time

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00:40:31,910 --> 00:40:30,319

and time again so

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00:40:33,670 --> 00:40:31,920

that's when the whole question about is

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00:40:35,750 --> 00:40:33,680

this being projected into individual

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00:40:37,990 --> 00:40:35,760

consciousnesses or you know into our

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00:40:39,430 --> 00:40:38,000

perceptual apparatus or what's going on

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00:40:40,630 --> 00:40:39,440

i think it's even more complicated than

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00:40:42,550 --> 00:40:40,640

that

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00:40:44,309 --> 00:40:42,560

but

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00:40:46,390 --> 00:40:44,319

again it comes down to the

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00:40:47,750 --> 00:40:46,400

presuppositions you bring in so like i

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00:40:49,109 --> 00:40:47,760

said at one point in my life i would

1128

00:40:50,950 --> 00:40:49,119

have said

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00:40:53,510 --> 00:40:50,960

if something's real everybody there has

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00:40:55,430 --> 00:40:53,520

to see it now i would absolutely say

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00:40:57,589 --> 00:40:55,440

that's not the case the phenomenon

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00:40:59,190 --> 00:40:57,599

confounds that assumption

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00:41:01,270 --> 00:40:59,200

but again i'm i'm

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00:41:03,109 --> 00:41:01,280

sympathetic to those who have a hard

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00:41:04,550 --> 00:41:03,119

time seeing that because until you've

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00:41:05,990 --> 00:41:04,560

had an experience like that or until

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00:41:07,430 --> 00:41:06,000

you've become really familiar with the

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00:41:08,630 --> 00:41:07,440

data

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00:41:10,150 --> 00:41:08,640

that is the

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00:41:11,750 --> 00:41:10,160

the suppose you know the supposition

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00:41:14,230 --> 00:41:11,760

that exists in our in our mainstream

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00:41:16,230 --> 00:41:14,240

society

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00:41:18,870 --> 00:41:16,240

yeah and i i was thinking too like when

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00:41:22,790 --> 00:41:18,880

i went from when i left the kind of

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00:41:26,069 --> 00:41:24,470

you know i didn't go into the skeptic

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00:41:28,309 --> 00:41:26,079

phase i actually went right into the

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00:41:29,670 --> 00:41:28,319

denier phase so i

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00:41:30,870 --> 00:41:29,680

i didn't

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00:41:33,670 --> 00:41:30,880

um

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00:41:35,670 --> 00:41:33,680

kind of gradual gradually take that path

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00:41:39,750 --> 00:41:35,680

i actually took the opposite

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00:41:42,150 --> 00:41:39,760

um and that probably is fairly common

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00:41:43,270 --> 00:41:42,160

uh to have that journey

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00:41:44,950 --> 00:41:43,280

either way

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00:41:48,550 --> 00:41:44,960

you know so if you're a believer and

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00:41:50,710 --> 00:41:48,560

that belief has been uh you know sort of

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00:41:52,630 --> 00:41:50,720

shattered uh

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00:41:54,790 --> 00:41:52,640

you know you've been confronted

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00:41:56,390 --> 00:41:54,800

with something that you can no longer

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00:41:57,990 --> 00:41:56,400

ignore

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00:41:59,349 --> 00:41:58,000

you know as again that defensive

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00:42:01,829 --> 00:41:59,359

mechanism

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00:42:03,829 --> 00:42:01,839

you know your tendency will be to take

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00:42:04,710 --> 00:42:03,839

the opposite approach so i i certainly

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00:42:07,349 --> 00:42:04,720

did

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00:42:09,750 --> 00:42:07,359

uh in my life and it went from

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00:42:10,710 --> 00:42:09,760

you know kind of being open-minded about

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00:42:12,069 --> 00:42:10,720

uh

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00:42:13,829 --> 00:42:12,079

you know people's

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00:42:15,270 --> 00:42:13,839

experiences that they would share to

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00:42:17,190 --> 00:42:15,280

kind of taking the position that you

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00:42:18,950 --> 00:42:17,200

articulated that

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00:42:21,990 --> 00:42:18,960

you know if it's not something that most

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00:42:25,430 --> 00:42:22,000

people are having or that we don't have

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00:42:27,349 --> 00:42:25,440

uh you know sort of a photograph of or

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00:42:29,589 --> 00:42:27,359

you know some other you know data that

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00:42:32,230 --> 00:42:29,599

we can look at then it's just something

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00:42:35,030 --> 00:42:32,240

that happens you know in in your mind it

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00:42:35,910 --> 00:42:35,040

happens you know you you imagined this

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00:42:38,550 --> 00:42:35,920

uh

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00:42:41,829 --> 00:42:38,560

you know out of whole cloth

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00:42:43,589 --> 00:42:41,839

and i think that that's a fairly common

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00:42:45,349 --> 00:42:43,599

step to take and then and the opposite

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00:42:46,870 --> 00:42:45,359

is true as well so you could be in the

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00:42:49,990 --> 00:42:46,880

denier camp

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00:42:50,950 --> 00:42:50,000

in a a sort of very staunch you know

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00:42:51,670 --> 00:42:50,960

sort of

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00:42:54,150 --> 00:42:51,680

uh

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00:42:57,190 --> 00:42:54,160

modernist you know and have an

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00:43:00,230 --> 00:42:57,200

experience that you can no longer deny

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00:43:03,750 --> 00:43:00,240

uh and and it confronts you just as uh

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00:43:05,270 --> 00:43:03,760

profoundly uh if not more perhaps um and

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00:43:08,470 --> 00:43:05,280

so you do have that

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00:43:11,109 --> 00:43:08,480

uh you know sort of ontological shock

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00:43:12,790 --> 00:43:11,119

and you go right into that believer camp

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00:43:14,470 --> 00:43:12,800

pretty quickly

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00:43:16,069 --> 00:43:14,480

totally and i i when i think about what

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00:43:17,990 --> 00:43:16,079

you just described there a couple things

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00:43:19,430 --> 00:43:18,000

come to mind one is that

1200

00:43:20,870 --> 00:43:19,440

i think

1201
00:43:23,510 --> 00:43:20,880
you would probably admit that part of

1202
00:43:25,349 --> 00:43:23,520
the reason why you had such a

1203
00:43:26,550 --> 00:43:25,359
massive shift basically going from one

1204
00:43:28,230 --> 00:43:26,560
pole to the other

1205
00:43:31,270 --> 00:43:28,240
is because when you again have that

1206
00:43:33,829 --> 00:43:31,280
feeling of being lied to or feeling like

1207
00:43:36,550 --> 00:43:33,839
a fool or you know whatever

1208
00:43:38,710 --> 00:43:36,560
you retreat to a safe position right and

1209
00:43:41,349 --> 00:43:38,720
so suddenly going from

1210
00:43:42,950 --> 00:43:41,359
believing some things can happen to then

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00:43:44,710 --> 00:43:42,960
feeling like evidence is mounting

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00:43:45,990 --> 00:43:44,720
suggesting that was all

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00:43:47,670 --> 00:43:46,000

a farce

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00:43:50,230 --> 00:43:47,680

the safe position i'm talking about

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00:43:52,150 --> 00:43:50,240

emotionally right not objectively but

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00:43:54,150 --> 00:43:52,160

emotionally the safe position is not to

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00:43:56,950 --> 00:43:54,160

move to the center and say okay i'm

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00:43:58,950 --> 00:43:56,960

going to go right at the 50 50 line and

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00:44:01,109 --> 00:43:58,960

wait for evidence what we do is to

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00:44:03,750 --> 00:44:01,119

protect ourselves emotionally we go

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00:44:05,829 --> 00:44:03,760

right to the other pole and say

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00:44:06,630 --> 00:44:05,839

none of this is real prove me wrong

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00:44:09,190 --> 00:44:06,640

right

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00:44:10,230 --> 00:44:09,200

and it's like it's on you uh to prove me

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00:44:12,150 --> 00:44:10,240

wrong

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00:44:13,270 --> 00:44:12,160
so there's that part but i think another

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00:44:16,150 --> 00:44:13,280
part that

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00:44:18,470 --> 00:44:16,160
for me really was a wake up is that when

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00:44:20,309 --> 00:44:18,480
we when we're young

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00:44:22,150 --> 00:44:20,319
we tend to think that

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00:44:25,910 --> 00:44:22,160
the consensus reality what the

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00:44:29,109 --> 00:44:25,920
mainstream power sort of put forward

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00:44:31,670 --> 00:44:29,119
has really been objectively and fairly

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00:44:34,230 --> 00:44:31,680
discerned you know over many many many

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00:44:35,829 --> 00:44:34,240
many years decades centuries and so we

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00:44:37,030 --> 00:44:35,839
have a really the same way like you

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00:44:39,430 --> 00:44:37,040
talked about our parents right we have

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00:44:40,950 --> 00:44:39,440

that initial trust in our parents that

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00:44:43,589 --> 00:44:40,960

everything they say is golden and why

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00:44:46,069 --> 00:44:43,599

would they ever deceive us and

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00:44:48,069 --> 00:44:46,079

uh we we also sort of take that view

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00:44:48,870 --> 00:44:48,079

towards societal powers and so i think

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00:44:51,430 --> 00:44:48,880

even

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00:44:53,270 --> 00:44:51,440

many people right now have difficulty

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00:44:54,870 --> 00:44:53,280

accepting the reality of the ufo

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00:44:56,230 --> 00:44:54,880

phenomenon because they don't see

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00:44:58,069 --> 00:44:56,240

widespread

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00:45:00,309 --> 00:44:58,079

acceptance or acknowledgement amongst

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00:45:02,309 --> 00:45:00,319

the powers that be and so they for some

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00:45:04,230 --> 00:45:02,319

people that creates cognitive dissonance

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00:45:06,790 --> 00:45:04,240

that if this is really real on the level

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00:45:08,790 --> 00:45:06,800

you're talking about why is this not

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00:45:11,510 --> 00:45:08,800

headline news or being talked about by

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00:45:13,510 --> 00:45:11,520

our politicians right

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00:45:15,829 --> 00:45:13,520

but i think

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00:45:19,670 --> 00:45:15,839

one of the shocks to my system was

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00:45:24,870 --> 00:45:22,309

there's very much a lack of objectivity

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00:45:27,030 --> 00:45:24,880

behind the consensus position

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00:45:28,069 --> 00:45:27,040

and when you get to a certain period in

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00:45:29,910 --> 00:45:28,079

time where

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00:45:31,510 --> 00:45:29,920

something's been the consensus position

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00:45:33,829 --> 00:45:31,520

for a long time like we have right now

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00:45:35,990 --> 00:45:33,839

with like a rigid rigid modernist kind

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of physicalist perspective that what

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00:45:39,349 --> 00:45:37,040

really

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00:45:41,109 --> 00:45:39,359

counts as real is is matter and energy

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00:45:42,710 --> 00:45:41,119

things we can measure be the scientific

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00:45:44,790 --> 00:45:42,720

method everything else is kind of mushy

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00:45:47,109 --> 00:45:44,800

and not real subjective right these are

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00:45:48,390 --> 00:45:47,119

bad words slurs almost

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00:45:49,430 --> 00:45:48,400

um

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00:45:51,270 --> 00:45:49,440

you

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00:45:54,790 --> 00:45:51,280

but i found that

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actually that the system as it is as is

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00:45:59,750 --> 00:45:58,000

always the case in every era in society

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00:46:02,790 --> 00:45:59,760

is actually set up to defend that

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00:46:05,109 --> 00:46:02,800

position not to try and accurately

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00:46:06,630 --> 00:46:05,119

fairly gauge all possibilities but

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00:46:08,069 --> 00:46:06,640

actually there's a vested interest in

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00:46:10,069 --> 00:46:08,079

the same way that you had invested

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00:46:11,750 --> 00:46:10,079

emotional interest in protecting

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00:46:13,109 --> 00:46:11,760

yourself by swinging to the other pole

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00:46:15,670 --> 00:46:13,119

and saying i'm not going to believe any

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of this we as a society do that too

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00:46:20,710 --> 00:46:18,880

because we as a society as a collective

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00:46:22,069 --> 00:46:20,720

like to feel like we know what the heck

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00:46:23,990 --> 00:46:22,079

is going on

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00:46:25,910 --> 00:46:24,000

it's not a good feeling the way that

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00:46:27,750 --> 00:46:25,920

we've been raised anyway in our society

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00:46:28,870 --> 00:46:27,760

maybe less so in shamanic cultures but

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00:46:31,510 --> 00:46:28,880

in our

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00:46:35,829 --> 00:46:31,520

culture for a very long time

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00:46:37,589 --> 00:46:35,839

we we believe in rationality you know

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00:46:41,270 --> 00:46:37,599

and we believe that

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00:46:43,510 --> 00:46:41,280

when we approach the world with certain

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00:46:45,349 --> 00:46:43,520

ways to gauge it to measure it that it's

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00:46:46,870 --> 00:46:45,359

going to always return

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00:46:48,550 --> 00:46:46,880

absolute

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00:46:50,630 --> 00:46:48,560

predictable results that we're pretty

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00:46:51,829 --> 00:46:50,640

sure we know what they are ahead of time

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00:46:53,270 --> 00:46:51,839
uh so

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00:46:55,190 --> 00:46:53,280
for me that was a big part of it was

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00:46:57,910 --> 00:46:55,200
recognizing

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00:47:03,109 --> 00:47:00,150
uncomfortable moment where you recognize

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00:47:04,309 --> 00:47:03,119
okay if the consensus sort of powers the

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00:47:08,150 --> 00:47:04,319
b

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00:47:09,589 --> 00:47:08,160
or they don't even have the capacity to

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00:47:10,950 --> 00:47:09,599
because they're blinded by their own

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00:47:12,069 --> 00:47:10,960
prejudice

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00:47:14,069 --> 00:47:12,079
what else

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00:47:16,470 --> 00:47:14,079
are we not being honest about and what

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00:47:19,030 --> 00:47:16,480
else are we not really engaging with in

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00:47:21,750 --> 00:47:19,040

a in a truly fair and objective way in

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00:47:23,829 --> 00:47:21,760

the way that we claim to be so that that

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that then you have a sort of

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00:47:27,270 --> 00:47:25,520

two levels of it you have your own

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00:47:29,349 --> 00:47:27,280

emotional

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00:47:30,470 --> 00:47:29,359

trauma around things happening perhaps

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00:47:31,910 --> 00:47:30,480

that you couldn't understand but then

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00:47:32,710 --> 00:47:31,920

you also recognize that the powers that

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00:47:34,150 --> 00:47:32,720

be

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00:47:35,829 --> 00:47:34,160

actually have a vested interest in

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00:47:37,829 --> 00:47:35,839

protecting a current position rather

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00:47:40,309 --> 00:47:37,839

than really evaluating from a fair point

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00:47:45,670 --> 00:47:43,349

yes well these outer sort of states uh

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00:47:46,950 --> 00:47:45,680

do in fact mirror our inner states right

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00:47:47,750 --> 00:47:46,960

so that's

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00:47:49,589 --> 00:47:47,760

uh

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00:47:51,589 --> 00:47:49,599

something we've talked about in the past

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00:47:55,030 --> 00:47:51,599

as well

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as as we accumulate more experience

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00:48:01,190 --> 00:47:58,640

you know we have an inertia that uh

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00:48:04,829 --> 00:48:01,200

you know is is is built up

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00:48:07,910 --> 00:48:04,839

and that's incredibly powerful um

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00:48:10,950 --> 00:48:07,920

and you know in a way it kind of takes

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00:48:12,470 --> 00:48:10,960

on a life of its own

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00:48:14,230 --> 00:48:12,480

and i think you alluded to this you know

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00:48:15,829 --> 00:48:14,240

just sort of societally

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00:48:18,390 --> 00:48:15,839

you know that that

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00:48:19,589 --> 00:48:18,400

we are born into a structure

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00:48:22,230 --> 00:48:19,599

a world

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00:48:23,349 --> 00:48:22,240

where there are a particular set of

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00:48:25,829 --> 00:48:23,359

facts

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00:48:28,069 --> 00:48:25,839

uh and that has existed before we were

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00:48:30,790 --> 00:48:28,079

here you know we just sort of

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00:48:31,750 --> 00:48:30,800

appeared on the scene and you know are

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00:48:33,109 --> 00:48:31,760

going to

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00:48:36,150 --> 00:48:33,119

absorb

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00:48:37,829 --> 00:48:36,160

you know everything that is in that mix

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00:48:40,150 --> 00:48:37,839

uh you know and i think if we look

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00:48:43,270 --> 00:48:40,160

through history we're going to see

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00:48:44,309 --> 00:48:43,280

uh mirrored in historical movements

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00:48:46,309 --> 00:48:44,319

uh

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00:48:47,750 --> 00:48:46,319

the same kinds of modalities that we've

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00:48:49,750 --> 00:48:47,760

already talked about you know so a

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00:48:52,950 --> 00:48:49,760

period of human history

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00:48:56,069 --> 00:48:52,960

very much centered on uh belief

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00:48:58,309 --> 00:48:56,079

you know on uh a system of beliefs that

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00:49:01,510 --> 00:48:58,319

you know very sort of viscerally felt

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00:49:03,990 --> 00:49:01,520

not uh necessarily objectively

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00:49:06,230 --> 00:49:04,000

analyze the way and we in which we would

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consider that to be done today and those

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00:49:09,510 --> 00:49:07,200

belief

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structures and mythologies

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00:49:15,589 --> 00:49:12,319

became challenged you know became

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no longer functionally valuable um and

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once they lost their uh sort of power

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00:49:24,470 --> 00:49:20,559

their narrative power

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00:49:26,390 --> 00:49:24,480

uh over over the lives of the individual

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00:49:29,589 --> 00:49:26,400

then you saw this you know kind of

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00:49:32,630 --> 00:49:29,599

proliferation of alternative ideas

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00:49:35,910 --> 00:49:32,640

of of you know sort of a plethora of

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emerging mythologies uh that existed in

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in society uh that challenged that sort

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of old conventional thinking uh and then

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in that mix of of different ideas

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you know you had

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00:49:51,670 --> 00:49:49,200

sort of gave it gay ultimately gave

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00:49:53,349 --> 00:49:51,680

birth to the modern world and which we

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00:49:55,990 --> 00:49:53,359

live which has showed all of those

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things so you can see just right there

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kind of a

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you know and a very

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00:50:03,109 --> 00:50:01,520

you know kind of simplistic overview

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the path that

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we as as human civilization have taken

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through these uh ways of understanding

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00:50:14,950 --> 00:50:12,960

uh what what what is true and it's it's

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00:50:16,710 --> 00:50:14,960

very likely that

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that we are going to

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continually move through these different

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phases

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uh not only in our own personal lives

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00:50:28,630 --> 00:50:26,480

but in our lives uh as a collective and

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00:50:31,510 --> 00:50:28,640

i think that that's an important

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uh in a sort of point

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to highlight because

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00:50:38,309 --> 00:50:35,599

we are

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anytime we're going to be grappling with

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00:50:42,950 --> 00:50:40,000

uh something that is going to

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00:50:45,030 --> 00:50:42,960
potentially shatter the paradigm of our

1402
00:50:48,309 --> 00:50:45,040
of our conventional understanding

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00:50:51,829 --> 00:50:48,319
uh we need to be prepared for the

1404
00:50:54,470 --> 00:50:51,839
fallout uh that that occurs in the wake

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00:50:57,829 --> 00:50:54,480
of that impact and i think we could

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00:50:58,950 --> 00:50:57,839
pretty fairly say that uh

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00:51:01,270 --> 00:50:58,960
that

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00:51:03,270 --> 00:51:01,280
you know human civilization being told

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00:51:05,430 --> 00:51:03,280
that we are not alone you know that we

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00:51:07,750 --> 00:51:05,440
are not the only kind of type of

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00:51:09,829 --> 00:51:07,760
intelligence that there's a you know

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00:51:11,750 --> 00:51:09,839
there are other intelligences on par or

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00:51:14,150 --> 00:51:11,760

maybe more intelligent than we are

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00:51:16,309 --> 00:51:14,160

that's a pretty profound uh in a

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00:51:18,309 --> 00:51:16,319

paradigm shifting moment

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00:51:21,190 --> 00:51:18,319

we are going to then have to grapple

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00:51:23,829 --> 00:51:21,200

with all of the downstream consequences

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00:51:25,910 --> 00:51:23,839

because that will absolutely shatter our

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00:51:28,630 --> 00:51:25,920

notions of uh

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00:51:30,950 --> 00:51:28,640

of truth it will it will absolutely

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00:51:33,349 --> 00:51:30,960

shatter uh our

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00:51:35,510 --> 00:51:33,359

you know kind of

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00:51:38,710 --> 00:51:35,520

modernistic kind of worldview we're

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00:51:41,109 --> 00:51:38,720

going to have people that will uh

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00:51:43,109 --> 00:51:41,119

jump right into the belief camp

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00:51:44,870 --> 00:51:43,119

uh you know and believe you know

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00:51:47,270 --> 00:51:44,880

whatever

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00:51:49,910 --> 00:51:47,280

that it leaves open that door in a way

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00:51:51,990 --> 00:51:49,920

it's like well if that's true then what

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00:51:53,829 --> 00:51:52,000

else is true anything is true you know

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00:51:55,670 --> 00:51:53,839

so i'm gonna believe it all now

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00:51:58,069 --> 00:51:55,680

everything that i've ever heard as being

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00:51:58,950 --> 00:51:58,079

you know fantastical that also must be

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00:52:01,349 --> 00:51:58,960

true

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00:52:02,950 --> 00:52:01,359

uh and then similarly you know folks are

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00:52:05,030 --> 00:52:02,960

going to

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00:52:06,150 --> 00:52:05,040

uh look at that with a very skeptical

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00:52:08,710 --> 00:52:06,160

position

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00:52:10,549 --> 00:52:08,720

uh you know i i

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00:52:11,829 --> 00:52:10,559

and that and that way that too will be

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00:52:14,150 --> 00:52:11,839

impacted by

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00:52:17,670 --> 00:52:14,160

just the ways in which

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00:52:21,349 --> 00:52:17,680

the message is is is provided and we've

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00:52:23,589 --> 00:52:21,359

talked about this some too but they're

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00:52:25,349 --> 00:52:23,599

you know how do you

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00:52:26,790 --> 00:52:25,359

i feel like we're in a unique position

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00:52:32,309 --> 00:52:26,800

now in history

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00:52:37,030 --> 00:52:35,030

coming to a consensus on what is true

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00:52:38,470 --> 00:52:37,040

and so how do these different sort of

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00:52:40,790 --> 00:52:38,480

approaches

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00:52:42,470 --> 00:52:40,800
uh and different perspectives you know

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00:52:44,390 --> 00:52:42,480
how do they

1453
00:52:47,109 --> 00:52:44,400
work their way through

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00:52:49,030 --> 00:52:47,119
what is being told to us and and from

1455
00:52:50,710 --> 00:52:49,040
whom it comes from you know it is

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00:52:52,069 --> 00:52:50,720
because it's no longer traditional it's

1457
00:52:53,589 --> 00:52:52,079
no longer just like well i read it in

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00:52:55,829 --> 00:52:53,599
the newspaper

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00:52:57,430 --> 00:52:55,839
and that's you know i can i can agree my

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00:52:59,430 --> 00:52:57,440
neighbor can agree

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00:53:00,870 --> 00:52:59,440
we're on the same page here

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00:53:02,870 --> 00:53:00,880
it's it's we're going to be entering we

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00:53:05,030 --> 00:53:02,880

already are entering into a different uh

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00:53:07,109 --> 00:53:05,040

sort of way of understanding

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00:53:08,710 --> 00:53:07,119

what what is true

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00:53:12,470 --> 00:53:08,720

yeah when you were talking there i was

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00:53:14,549 --> 00:53:12,480

thinking about thomas kuhn and his um

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00:53:16,950 --> 00:53:14,559

his definition of the the structure of

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00:53:18,790 --> 00:53:16,960

scientific revolutions you know and he

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00:53:19,589 --> 00:53:18,800

he kind of challenged this notion that

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00:53:22,150 --> 00:53:19,599

we

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00:53:24,069 --> 00:53:22,160

um that science sort of

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00:53:26,549 --> 00:53:24,079

is about the steady progression of the

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00:53:28,309 --> 00:53:26,559

accumulation of new ideas that science

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00:53:30,870 --> 00:53:28,319

basically is just an additive process

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00:53:32,150 --> 00:53:30,880
that moves in one direction in a steady

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00:53:34,150 --> 00:53:32,160
way and

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00:53:35,829 --> 00:53:34,160
fine-tuning along the way that's that's

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00:53:37,190 --> 00:53:35,839
actually not what has happened

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00:53:38,790 --> 00:53:37,200
historically

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00:53:40,870 --> 00:53:38,800
what happens is you have a certain

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00:53:42,470 --> 00:53:40,880
dogmatic perspective even within science

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00:53:45,670 --> 00:53:42,480
which is not supposed to be dogmatic but

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00:53:47,349 --> 00:53:45,680
it certainly is just like any other

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00:53:49,510 --> 00:53:47,359
strong

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00:53:51,910 --> 00:53:49,520
identity system right

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00:53:53,829 --> 00:53:51,920
and initially when data comes forward

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00:53:55,510 --> 00:53:53,839

that challenges some of the existing

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00:53:57,670 --> 00:53:55,520

scientific perspective

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00:53:59,589 --> 00:53:57,680

it's usually ridiculed

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00:54:01,190 --> 00:53:59,599

at first and and kind of made fun of

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00:54:03,349 --> 00:54:01,200

because it's almost like that

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00:54:05,190 --> 00:54:03,359

come on we all know that can't be true

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00:54:06,549 --> 00:54:05,200

so why are you even bothering telling us

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00:54:07,829 --> 00:54:06,559

about this

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00:54:10,630 --> 00:54:07,839

then it gets the point where as the

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00:54:12,230 --> 00:54:10,640

evidence grows more and more you will

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00:54:14,230 --> 00:54:12,240

actually find it becomes almost

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00:54:16,390 --> 00:54:14,240

violently opposed that's the word he

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00:54:18,549 --> 00:54:16,400

that the phrase he uses is violent

1501
00:54:20,710 --> 00:54:18,559
opposition now on the one hand we might

1502
00:54:23,829 --> 00:54:20,720
say why would anyone get violent about

1503
00:54:25,670 --> 00:54:23,839
ideas but of course we do as individuals

1504
00:54:28,710 --> 00:54:25,680
and as a collective

1505
00:54:30,870 --> 00:54:28,720
again we have a vested interest in

1506
00:54:32,390 --> 00:54:30,880
feeling like we know what's going on and

1507
00:54:34,309 --> 00:54:32,400
before you can even adopt a new

1508
00:54:37,430 --> 00:54:34,319
perspective you have that uncomfortable

1509
00:54:39,589 --> 00:54:37,440
in-between zone of i don't know what the

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00:54:41,510 --> 00:54:39,599
heck's going on and what counts as real

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00:54:43,990 --> 00:54:41,520
no one likes that

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00:54:45,829 --> 00:54:44,000
zone some some more so than others but

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00:54:46,870 --> 00:54:45,839

most people do not like that feeling and

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00:54:48,950 --> 00:54:46,880

that's why you get the violent

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00:54:51,270 --> 00:54:48,960

opposition because it's it's the

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00:54:53,109 --> 00:54:51,280

it's the final stand so to speak of the

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00:54:54,309 --> 00:54:53,119

the previous guard saying

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00:54:55,990 --> 00:54:54,319

this is the way we've always seen the

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00:54:58,309 --> 00:54:56,000

world and i'm gonna i'm this is the hill

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00:55:00,390 --> 00:54:58,319

i'm gonna die on to say this is true

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00:55:02,549 --> 00:55:00,400

now what's interesting is is the third

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00:55:04,630 --> 00:55:02,559

stage is um

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00:55:08,390 --> 00:55:04,640

that the new

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00:55:10,870 --> 00:55:08,400

perspective is accepted as self-evident

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00:55:13,109 --> 00:55:10,880

that's so fascinating to me it goes from

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00:55:14,230 --> 00:55:13,119

violent opposition to self-evident

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00:55:16,630 --> 00:55:14,240

truths

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00:55:18,150 --> 00:55:16,640

uh so

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00:55:20,150 --> 00:55:18,160

i think we always need to remember that

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00:55:21,829 --> 00:55:20,160

that that we've been through this before

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00:55:23,349 --> 00:55:21,839

with our collective society and we will

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00:55:24,950 --> 00:55:23,359

go through it again

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00:55:26,789 --> 00:55:24,960

the revelations coming out of the

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00:55:29,349 --> 00:55:26,799

phenomenon absolutely are one of these

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00:55:30,549 --> 00:55:29,359

scientific revolution moments where

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00:55:32,630 --> 00:55:30,559

um

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00:55:35,030 --> 00:55:32,640

you will get people who will almost

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00:55:37,910 --> 00:55:35,040

violently oppose this

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00:55:39,990 --> 00:55:37,920

and on top of that you've got the added

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00:55:41,910 --> 00:55:40,000

piece of of these sort of people coming

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00:55:43,109 --> 00:55:41,920

from a really fundamentalist religious

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00:55:45,270 --> 00:55:43,119

point of view

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00:55:48,950 --> 00:55:45,280

who they are convinced it's angels and

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00:55:51,109 --> 00:55:48,960

demons mostly demons and so they will

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00:55:53,349 --> 00:55:51,119

uh think that even to talk about these

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00:55:55,270 --> 00:55:53,359

things is to give power to that right

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00:55:57,990 --> 00:55:55,280

we've talked about this before

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00:56:01,270 --> 00:55:58,000

so you get you've got some very strongly

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00:56:02,390 --> 00:56:01,280

embedded vested interests not interested

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00:56:04,870 --> 00:56:02,400

in in

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00:56:07,589 --> 00:56:04,880
acknowledging this phenomenon whatsoever

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00:56:09,510 --> 00:56:07,599
and that's why you get

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00:56:11,589 --> 00:56:09,520
the bizarre scenario we have now where

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00:56:13,349 --> 00:56:11,599
so many of us are aware of data that's

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00:56:16,390 --> 00:56:13,359
staring us in the face and yet it's not

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00:56:18,230 --> 00:56:16,400
being talked about uh i think

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00:56:20,549 --> 00:56:18,240
again for anyone who's come from sort of

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00:56:23,190 --> 00:56:20,559
the modernist sort of mainstream

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00:56:24,630 --> 00:56:23,200
perspective that

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00:56:25,910 --> 00:56:24,640
you think that that's a valid way of

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00:56:27,750 --> 00:56:25,920
seeing the world and it's been tested

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00:56:29,990 --> 00:56:27,760
and proven and you take you take as

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00:56:31,430 --> 00:56:30,000

self-evident that the current powers

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00:56:32,870 --> 00:56:31,440

that be have done all their homework

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00:56:34,230 --> 00:56:32,880

they know all that stuff so that's why

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00:56:35,430 --> 00:56:34,240

we can grow up and accept what we're

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00:56:36,950 --> 00:56:35,440

taught in school

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00:56:38,069 --> 00:56:36,960

then you get to a point as an adult

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00:56:39,510 --> 00:56:38,079

especially when you've been confronted

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00:56:41,349 --> 00:56:39,520

with data for instance in the ufo

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phenomenon

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00:56:45,829 --> 00:56:43,359

where you realize that's not the case

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00:56:47,510 --> 00:56:45,839

that there are absolutely

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00:56:49,910 --> 00:56:47,520

things that are happening in our world

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00:56:52,950 --> 00:56:49,920

in our reality that are not talked about

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00:56:54,789 --> 00:56:52,960

because the consensus reality has a an

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00:56:57,030 --> 00:56:54,799

unspoken data set that you're allowed to

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00:56:59,589 --> 00:56:57,040

draw from and it's taboo

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00:57:01,750 --> 00:56:59,599

to to not and that's why

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00:57:04,230 --> 00:57:01,760

ever since 2017 the revelations that

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00:57:05,430 --> 00:57:04,240

came out of those new york times article

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00:57:07,510 --> 00:57:05,440

has been about

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00:57:09,829 --> 00:57:07,520

uh the first few years is trying to just

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00:57:12,150 --> 00:57:09,839

trying to get past this the the uh this

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00:57:13,349 --> 00:57:12,160

you know snide remarks on the x-files

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00:57:15,109 --> 00:57:13,359

music

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00:57:17,510 --> 00:57:15,119

because none of that of course is based

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00:57:18,870 --> 00:57:17,520

on an evaluation of the data objectively

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00:57:21,349 --> 00:57:18,880

it's based on

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the presupposition about this we know

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this is silly you know tin foil hat

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00:57:28,069 --> 00:57:24,839

stuff

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uh flat earth kind of thing

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so

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00:57:35,430 --> 00:57:31,920

we always need to remember that that

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00:57:37,510 --> 00:57:35,440

as much as we'd love to next week

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00:57:39,829 --> 00:57:37,520

have you know the today show have a

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00:57:42,630 --> 00:57:39,839

segment where we see joe biden or some

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00:57:43,510 --> 00:57:42,640

other political figures maybe together

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00:57:45,589 --> 00:57:43,520

saying

1601
00:57:47,270 --> 00:57:45,599
it's time to come clean this is what's

1602
00:57:48,789 --> 00:57:47,280
really been going on

1603
00:57:50,630 --> 00:57:48,799
that's not how these things work they

1604
00:57:52,710 --> 00:57:50,640
worked themselves up from the ground up

1605
00:57:54,549 --> 00:57:52,720
actually and we talked about this a

1606
00:57:56,549 --> 00:57:54,559
couple episodes ago how this tends to

1607
00:57:59,270 --> 00:57:56,559
happen with our governments versus the

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00:58:01,430 --> 00:57:59,280
populace and and what gets proposed as a

1609
00:58:03,270 --> 00:58:01,440
belief system and and often you actually

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00:58:06,150 --> 00:58:03,280
have to have an intense

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00:58:07,670 --> 00:58:06,160
upsurge from the grassroots so to speak

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00:58:09,589 --> 00:58:07,680
from the people

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00:58:11,829 --> 00:58:09,599

and a lot of lobbying

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00:58:14,150 --> 00:58:11,839

but before you actually get people to

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00:58:16,710 --> 00:58:14,160

even listen to your argument from an

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00:58:18,549 --> 00:58:16,720

objective point of view so that's what's

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00:58:19,910 --> 00:58:18,559

happening here i think is you could

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00:58:21,589 --> 00:58:19,920

argue that

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00:58:23,270 --> 00:58:21,599

uh the people on the scene like the

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00:58:26,309 --> 00:58:23,280

luella zondos and the chris melons of

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00:58:28,870 --> 00:58:26,319

the world are out there trying to lobby

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00:58:30,710 --> 00:58:28,880

to make this to normalize this as a

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00:58:33,190 --> 00:58:30,720

topic that's primarily what they've been

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00:58:35,510 --> 00:58:33,200

doing is just trying to normalize it

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00:58:38,309 --> 00:58:35,520

get on every network they can every show

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00:58:39,750 --> 00:58:38,319
they can every podcast they can

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00:58:43,829 --> 00:58:39,760
just to

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00:58:46,309 --> 00:58:43,839
have a sheer repetition of this message

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00:58:47,750 --> 00:58:46,319
so people begin to subtly shift towards

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00:58:51,109 --> 00:58:47,760
being open

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00:58:52,150 --> 00:58:51,119
to objectively analyzing the data and

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00:58:53,670 --> 00:58:52,160
that's what i'm saying here you have to

1633
00:58:56,230 --> 00:58:53,680
go through the entire process before

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00:58:58,549 --> 00:58:56,240
people will even be ready to look at the

1635
00:59:00,549 --> 00:58:58,559
data

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00:59:02,390 --> 00:59:00,559
yeah and i want um

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00:59:05,910 --> 00:59:02,400
i want our listeners too to understand

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00:59:09,030 --> 00:59:05,920

that this is not i i think

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00:59:11,109 --> 00:59:09,040

it's easy to approach this topic

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00:59:13,670 --> 00:59:11,119

and and our discussion of it from the

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00:59:15,750 --> 00:59:13,680

vantage point of oh

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00:59:17,270 --> 00:59:15,760

you know that sort of exo and nathan

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00:59:18,630 --> 00:59:17,280

just kind of

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00:59:21,510 --> 00:59:18,640

really just

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playing with words here as we you know

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00:59:26,470 --> 00:59:24,160

talk about this issue and that

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we're we're in a way almost carving out

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00:59:30,230 --> 00:59:27,680

a position

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00:59:31,910 --> 00:59:30,240

uh for ourselves that is uh you know to

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00:59:34,069 --> 00:59:31,920

a certain degree neutral but i think

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00:59:36,230 --> 00:59:34,079

what we are advocating for

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00:59:38,549 --> 00:59:36,240

is really looking at each of these

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00:59:39,750 --> 00:59:38,559

positions these different frameworks and

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00:59:42,230 --> 00:59:39,760

saying

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00:59:43,589 --> 00:59:42,240

they are each valuable they are each

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00:59:45,190 --> 00:59:43,599

bringing to

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00:59:48,309 --> 00:59:45,200

the table

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00:59:50,789 --> 00:59:48,319

to to whatever may come out of

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00:59:52,390 --> 00:59:50,799

you know the channels of disclosure you

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00:59:54,309 --> 00:59:52,400

know they're going to bring something

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00:59:56,230 --> 00:59:54,319

important uh to

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to that revelation

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uh that

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that it's good to be a believer

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sometimes it's good to be a skeptic it's

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good to be a denier these are all

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uh

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normal

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01:00:14,549 --> 01:00:09,520

healthy

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01:00:17,510 --> 01:00:14,559

and necessary sort of states of being

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01:00:18,230 --> 01:00:17,520

with respect to not just the phenomenon

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01:00:20,710 --> 01:00:18,240

but

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01:00:22,309 --> 01:00:20,720

lived experience period

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01:00:24,630 --> 01:00:22,319

you know so

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you know if you are a healthy

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uh person with any lived experience in

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your at all you know you should be able

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to

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modalities

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and be okay

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01:00:40,390 --> 01:00:38,960

with with with finding yourself

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comfortably

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you know within the parameters of the

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those modalities themselves uh you know

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want to say to those that are in that

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believer camp

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01:00:56,549 --> 01:00:54,079

you know that is valid valuable

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and and good you know so it's

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it's important that you

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01:01:01,910 --> 01:01:00,160

i think uh

1692

01:01:03,910 --> 01:01:01,920

you know kind of share that experience

1693

01:01:05,430 --> 01:01:03,920

with with people that you try to you

1694

01:01:08,470 --> 01:01:05,440

know articulate

1695

01:01:10,230 --> 01:01:08,480

why it is that you do believe uh

1696

01:01:12,150 --> 01:01:10,240

and and and be okay with that and don't

1697

01:01:15,829 --> 01:01:12,160

feel that you have to be

1698

01:01:17,990 --> 01:01:15,839

necessarily apologetic uh for that

1699

01:01:18,789 --> 01:01:18,000

either you know we do live in a culture

1700

01:01:20,470 --> 01:01:18,799

that

1701

01:01:23,190 --> 01:01:20,480

you know i think does kind of

1702

01:01:26,470 --> 01:01:23,200

reflexively look down on those that that

1703

01:01:28,549 --> 01:01:26,480

believe uh you know but

1704

01:01:31,510 --> 01:01:28,559

i would sort of challenge

1705

01:01:33,910 --> 01:01:31,520

uh that perspective uh for a variety of

1706

01:01:35,990 --> 01:01:33,920

reasons and those that are skeptical

1707

01:01:38,390 --> 01:01:36,000

you know it's important it's important

1708

01:01:40,789 --> 01:01:38,400

to be skeptical of what you hear

1709

01:01:43,750 --> 01:01:40,799

um of what you've been told of kind of

1710

01:01:45,589 --> 01:01:43,760

where information is coming from

1711

01:01:48,950 --> 01:01:45,599

you know we all should be

1712

01:01:50,390 --> 01:01:48,960

able to sort of don that hat uh and and

1713

01:01:52,630 --> 01:01:50,400

kind of suss out

1714

01:01:54,630 --> 01:01:52,640

what it is that we uh

1715

01:01:57,589 --> 01:01:54,640

are are hearing and looking at

1716

01:02:00,630 --> 01:01:57,599

and then the denier stance look

1717

01:02:03,430 --> 01:02:00,640

if we didn't hold strong positions even

1718

01:02:08,390 --> 01:02:03,440

you know pre preconceived positions

1719

01:02:09,750 --> 01:02:08,400

uh you know we would be so uh malleable

1720

01:02:11,910 --> 01:02:09,760

and gullible

1721

01:02:14,230 --> 01:02:11,920

and foolish that you know we wouldn't

1722

01:02:15,029 --> 01:02:14,240

make it quite frankly you know there are

1723

01:02:17,190 --> 01:02:15,039

uh

1724

01:02:19,270 --> 01:02:17,200

there are very good reasons why you know

1725

01:02:22,789 --> 01:02:19,280

we have kind of generational knowledge

1726

01:02:23,589 --> 01:02:22,799

that uh you know for the most part has

1727

01:02:25,190 --> 01:02:23,599

has

1728

01:02:27,349 --> 01:02:25,200

kept us safe

1729

01:02:29,990 --> 01:02:27,359

uh you know through through many

1730

01:02:31,829 --> 01:02:30,000

different adversities and i would think

1731

01:02:34,470 --> 01:02:31,839

that uh i would i would you know be

1732

01:02:36,710 --> 01:02:34,480

grateful uh for those that you know kind

1733

01:02:38,390 --> 01:02:36,720

of have have gained that kind of place

1734

01:02:39,910 --> 01:02:38,400

of wisdom

1735

01:02:40,789 --> 01:02:39,920

and are comfortable

1736

01:02:43,270 --> 01:02:40,799

uh

1737

01:02:44,150 --> 01:02:43,280

you know defending it even in the face

1738

01:02:45,029 --> 01:02:44,160

of

1739

01:02:47,349 --> 01:02:45,039

uh

1740

01:02:48,390 --> 01:02:47,359

you know a challenge to that to that

1741

01:02:49,990 --> 01:02:48,400

perspective

1742

01:02:51,750 --> 01:02:50,000

so you know it's really kind of taking

1743

01:02:54,069 --> 01:02:51,760

all these things together

1744

01:02:55,750 --> 01:02:54,079

and being able to sort of

1745

01:02:57,670 --> 01:02:55,760

flip through them like a deck of cards

1746

01:02:58,710 --> 01:02:57,680

in a way or you know different lenses

1747

01:03:00,789 --> 01:02:58,720

that you wear

1748

01:03:02,630 --> 01:03:00,799

and say you know what what rings true

1749

01:03:03,829 --> 01:03:02,640

after after going through this and i

1750

01:03:04,950 --> 01:03:03,839

would think that you'll find and

1751
01:03:06,950 --> 01:03:04,960
actually i'd love to hear what you think

1752
01:03:08,390 --> 01:03:06,960
about it if after going through those

1753
01:03:10,789 --> 01:03:08,400
steps you'll find that there's something

1754
01:03:12,230 --> 01:03:10,799
true in each one of them

1755
01:03:14,710 --> 01:03:12,240
yeah i think that's true and i think i

1756
01:03:17,270 --> 01:03:14,720
would also say that when you brought up

1757
01:03:18,470 --> 01:03:17,280
the the category of believers and the

1758
01:03:20,950 --> 01:03:18,480
you know the

1759
01:03:22,069 --> 01:03:20,960
conception the notion of belief

1760
01:03:25,349 --> 01:03:22,079
i think it's definitely important that

1761
01:03:27,910 --> 01:03:25,359
we point out that those who come from a

1762
01:03:31,109 --> 01:03:27,920
uh a reductionistic materialistic point

1763
01:03:33,510 --> 01:03:31,119

of view that's as much a belief system

1764

01:03:36,150 --> 01:03:33,520

as is someone who believes that we're

1765

01:03:37,829 --> 01:03:36,160

being visited by non-human intelligence

1766

01:03:39,190 --> 01:03:37,839

of a sophisticated nature i think that's

1767

01:03:39,990 --> 01:03:39,200

the first thing we should clarify here

1768

01:03:42,630 --> 01:03:40,000

that

1769

01:03:44,390 --> 01:03:42,640

um sometimes those people coming with

1770

01:03:45,750 --> 01:03:44,400

that perspective though will either not

1771

01:03:47,430 --> 01:03:45,760

acknowledge that or they will not even

1772

01:03:49,910 --> 01:03:47,440

be self-aware of it because again that's

1773

01:03:52,230 --> 01:03:49,920

the power of the consensus view

1774

01:03:55,109 --> 01:03:52,240

is that you ha you're kind of blinded to

1775

01:03:56,069 --> 01:03:55,119

your own crap and and you

1776

01:03:57,990 --> 01:03:56,079

that's just

1777

01:04:00,069 --> 01:03:58,000

par for the course

1778

01:04:02,150 --> 01:04:00,079

i'll be honest and say that you know the

1779

01:04:04,230 --> 01:04:02,160

mick wests of the world kind of can

1780

01:04:08,390 --> 01:04:04,240

drive me a bit crazy

1781

01:04:15,829 --> 01:04:09,109

the

1782

01:04:17,109 --> 01:04:15,839

just assumes

1783

01:04:19,109 --> 01:04:17,119

that he's coming from the correct

1784

01:04:22,549 --> 01:04:19,119

perspective and

1785

01:04:26,870 --> 01:04:24,789

i think you know

1786

01:04:28,789 --> 01:04:26,880

will be so convinced that he's coming

1787

01:04:30,069 --> 01:04:28,799

from the correct perspective that he

1788

01:04:32,710 --> 01:04:30,079

will

1789

01:04:35,430 --> 01:04:32,720

put forward for instance his his uh

1790

01:04:36,710 --> 01:04:35,440

analysis of a certain event even over

1791

01:04:39,109 --> 01:04:36,720

experts

1792

01:04:41,670 --> 01:04:39,119

expert witnesses pilots and whatnot

1793

01:04:44,150 --> 01:04:41,680

who've spent their entire career

1794

01:04:45,990 --> 01:04:44,160

training to for instance recognize enemy

1795

01:04:48,309 --> 01:04:46,000

aircraft and whatnot they've done it for

1796

01:04:50,870 --> 01:04:48,319

decades they do it instinctually at this

1797

01:04:53,349 --> 01:04:50,880

point and yet he thinks by analyzing a

1798

01:04:54,789 --> 01:04:53,359

video you know he he a grainy video that

1799

01:04:55,589 --> 01:04:54,799

he acknowledges and kind of makes fun of

1800

01:04:58,710 --> 01:04:55,599

being

1801
01:05:00,710 --> 01:04:58,720
a granny that he can come to a a more

1802
01:05:03,430 --> 01:05:00,720
accurate conception than they can

1803
01:05:07,270 --> 01:05:03,440
because he has so much belief so much

1804
01:05:09,270 --> 01:05:07,280
dogmatic belief in his presuppositional

1805
01:05:11,029 --> 01:05:09,280
framework that's what i think is really

1806
01:05:13,430 --> 01:05:11,039
important to point out here it's not

1807
01:05:15,829 --> 01:05:13,440
that he's convinced that

1808
01:05:18,630 --> 01:05:15,839
there's a b or c options and i think all

1809
01:05:21,029 --> 01:05:18,640
the evidence is on a it's more that he

1810
01:05:23,510 --> 01:05:21,039
believes that we have an uh century's

1811
01:05:27,430 --> 01:05:23,520
worth of um

1812
01:05:29,670 --> 01:05:27,440
evaluation of data that already makes a

1813
01:05:31,829 --> 01:05:29,680

the 99 possibility and that's why you

1814

01:05:35,109 --> 01:05:31,839

pick up that almost mocking tone like

1815

01:05:38,150 --> 01:05:35,119

come on what's more likely you know uh

1816

01:05:39,190 --> 01:05:38,160

a pigeon or you know alien spacecraft

1817

01:05:42,230 --> 01:05:39,200

kind of thing

1818

01:05:44,390 --> 01:05:42,240

and he's convinced of it right so

1819

01:05:46,549 --> 01:05:44,400

but on the other hand i will admit this

1820

01:05:49,190 --> 01:05:46,559

i will say that if

1821

01:05:51,829 --> 01:05:49,200

as we know as i strongly believe there

1822

01:05:53,750 --> 01:05:51,839

is there is a here here right

1823

01:05:55,750 --> 01:05:53,760

there there's something going on

1824

01:05:56,950 --> 01:05:55,760

um then

1825

01:05:59,990 --> 01:05:56,960

eventually

1826
01:06:01,910 --> 01:06:00,000
those people who would want to deny

1827
01:06:03,829 --> 01:06:01,920
will play their role too because they're

1828
01:06:04,789 --> 01:06:03,839
the ones that will sometimes take the

1829
01:06:07,670 --> 01:06:04,799
time

1830
01:06:09,750 --> 01:06:07,680
to analyze to the nth degree to put

1831
01:06:11,589 --> 01:06:09,760
forward every other possibility until

1832
01:06:13,589 --> 01:06:11,599
like sherlock holmes says

1833
01:06:15,750 --> 01:06:13,599
if only one possibility remains no

1834
01:06:17,349 --> 01:06:15,760
matter how outlandish it is it must be

1835
01:06:18,390 --> 01:06:17,359
the true answer

1836
01:06:20,870 --> 01:06:18,400
so

1837
01:06:22,630 --> 01:06:20,880
they play a role in that sense

1838
01:06:25,190 --> 01:06:22,640

and i do think even the mick west of the

1839

01:06:26,950 --> 01:06:25,200

world can sometimes play a role in

1840

01:06:30,309 --> 01:06:26,960

helping us to

1841

01:06:32,390 --> 01:06:30,319

not fall into the the um erroneous

1842

01:06:34,549 --> 01:06:32,400

assumption that every believer story

1843

01:06:37,349 --> 01:06:34,559

that comes forward or every

1844

01:06:38,549 --> 01:06:37,359

strange anomaly seen in the sky is an

1845

01:06:40,789 --> 01:06:38,559

actual

1846

01:06:42,630 --> 01:06:40,799

spacecraft or some sort of anomalous

1847

01:06:44,630 --> 01:06:42,640

phenomenon sometimes it is

1848

01:06:46,470 --> 01:06:44,640

just atmospheric phenomena or an

1849

01:06:47,910 --> 01:06:46,480

aircraft or not in fact

1850

01:06:50,470 --> 01:06:47,920

i think those of us who've looked at

1851
01:06:53,029 --> 01:06:50,480
this data for a long time would say that

1852
01:06:54,470 --> 01:06:53,039
like 98 of the time that's going to be

1853
01:06:56,309 --> 01:06:54,480
one of the things and i think we have to

1854
01:06:58,230 --> 01:06:56,319
be careful not to

1855
01:07:00,069 --> 01:06:58,240
uh develop our own bias when we're

1856
01:07:01,829 --> 01:07:00,079
around a community that

1857
01:07:03,750 --> 01:07:01,839
knows so much of this is real to start

1858
01:07:04,870 --> 01:07:03,760
thinking it's like everywhere all the

1859
01:07:06,230 --> 01:07:04,880
time

1860
01:07:07,990 --> 01:07:06,240
that's not the case and part of the

1861
01:07:09,990 --> 01:07:08,000
reason why this is a hard sell is

1862
01:07:11,430 --> 01:07:10,000
because most of the time it is something

1863
01:07:13,510 --> 01:07:11,440

prosaic

1864

01:07:15,270 --> 01:07:13,520

but what we want to challenge the

1865

01:07:17,349 --> 01:07:15,280

audience to here

1866

01:07:20,150 --> 01:07:17,359

is is to be okay with both those

1867

01:07:22,549 --> 01:07:20,160

statements then something can be 98 of

1868

01:07:25,109 --> 01:07:22,559

the time prosaically explainable

1869

01:07:26,950 --> 01:07:25,119

but there is that two percent that truly

1870

01:07:29,510 --> 01:07:26,960

is an anonymous

1871

01:07:32,230 --> 01:07:29,520

and people like mick west can help us

1872

01:07:34,549 --> 01:07:32,240

identify the 98 percent and because of

1873

01:07:36,230 --> 01:07:34,559

the rigor you will in hopes

1874

01:07:37,910 --> 01:07:36,240

of their analysis

1875

01:07:39,750 --> 01:07:37,920

we're left with that two percent that

1876

01:07:41,829 --> 01:07:39,760

cannot be explained through prosaic

1877

01:07:43,270 --> 01:07:41,839

means and it's that two percent that's

1878

01:07:45,109 --> 01:07:43,280

going to eventually

1879

01:07:46,700 --> 01:07:45,119

begin to shift the uh the majority

1880

01:07:47,990 --> 01:07:46,710

perspective

1881

01:07:49,270 --> 01:07:48,000

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1882

01:07:54,069 --> 01:07:49,280

i think of this as almost like an

1883

01:07:57,829 --> 01:07:56,390

you know it's a trial uh that

1884

01:07:59,589 --> 01:07:57,839

refines

1885

01:08:00,950 --> 01:07:59,599

what is understood

1886

01:08:01,829 --> 01:08:00,960

uh and so

1887

01:08:06,230 --> 01:08:01,839

we

1888

01:08:08,069 --> 01:08:06,240

the sort of i'm gonna use some different

1889

01:08:11,190 --> 01:08:08,079

terms here but you know kind of the

1890

01:08:12,630 --> 01:08:11,200

dreamers and uh and we also require

1891

01:08:13,910 --> 01:08:12,640

those that are

1892

01:08:15,109 --> 01:08:13,920

uh

1893

01:08:16,709 --> 01:08:15,119

you know the

1894

01:08:18,229 --> 01:08:16,719

for lack of a better term here like the

1895

01:08:19,110 --> 01:08:18,239

conservatives the

1896

01:08:25,669 --> 01:08:19,120

the

1897

01:08:28,550 --> 01:08:25,679

already understood

1898

01:08:29,829 --> 01:08:28,560

you know these are

1899

01:08:33,829 --> 01:08:29,839

important

1900

01:08:36,149 --> 01:08:33,839

human psychological qualities that

1901

01:08:38,789 --> 01:08:36,159

that benefit our survival and advance

1902

01:08:41,110 --> 01:08:38,799

our knowledge advance our understanding

1903

01:08:43,669 --> 01:08:41,120

of what is real

1904

01:08:47,349 --> 01:08:43,679

and there are times in our history

1905

01:08:49,829 --> 01:08:47,359

when the dreamers have been right and

1906

01:08:51,990 --> 01:08:49,839

you know they made a gamble

1907

01:08:54,630 --> 01:08:52,000

on their dream and it ended up paying

1908

01:08:58,229 --> 01:08:54,640

off in a very significant and profound

1909

01:09:00,070 --> 01:08:58,239

uh civilization changing way

1910

01:09:02,390 --> 01:09:00,080

and then there have been times when they

1911

01:09:03,349 --> 01:09:02,400

have been absolutely wrong

1912

01:09:06,470 --> 01:09:03,359

and

1913

01:09:07,669 --> 01:09:06,480

uh their fantasies you know were were

1914

01:09:11,590 --> 01:09:07,679

harmful

1915

01:09:13,189 --> 01:09:11,600

uh and were rightly condemned uh you

1916

01:09:15,829 --> 01:09:13,199

know the the civilizations were

1917

01:09:18,630 --> 01:09:15,839

preserved because they rejected some

1918

01:09:21,030 --> 01:09:18,640

some of those fantastical notions so

1919

01:09:23,829 --> 01:09:21,040

you know i think about this uh very

1920

01:09:26,709 --> 01:09:23,839

often particularly in our highly kind of

1921

01:09:28,390 --> 01:09:26,719

uh polarized you know political climate

1922

01:09:31,349 --> 01:09:28,400

that they're

1923

01:09:33,590 --> 01:09:31,359

that the value of of both of these

1924

01:09:34,630 --> 01:09:33,600

positions of these sort of psychological

1925

01:09:37,669 --> 01:09:34,640

traits

1926

01:09:39,910 --> 01:09:37,679

is is inherently good

1927

01:09:42,630 --> 01:09:39,920

and you know when we

1928

01:09:45,349 --> 01:09:42,640

we are all going to find ourselves you

1929

01:09:47,030 --> 01:09:45,359

know generally in one of those camps

1930

01:09:49,430 --> 01:09:47,040

uh you know

1931

01:09:51,269 --> 01:09:49,440

you know for the most part um hopefully

1932

01:09:53,910 --> 01:09:51,279

we can kind of have the presence of mind

1933

01:09:56,390 --> 01:09:53,920

to be able to transition across them and

1934

01:09:58,070 --> 01:09:56,400

you know sort of value uh you know all

1935

01:09:59,510 --> 01:09:58,080

of them but you know we're generally

1936

01:10:01,270 --> 01:09:59,520

going to be kind of in one side or

1937

01:10:04,470 --> 01:10:01,280

another any given time

1938

01:10:06,070 --> 01:10:04,480

and i think if we understand that and we

1939

01:10:09,350 --> 01:10:06,080

are listening

1940

01:10:11,990 --> 01:10:09,360

uh to those that we disagree with

1941

01:10:15,030 --> 01:10:12,000

we can still value what they bring to

1942

01:10:19,270 --> 01:10:17,590

because of these qualities and so you

1943

01:10:21,830 --> 01:10:19,280

know i would just challenge that you

1944

01:10:24,149 --> 01:10:21,840

know for anyone that you know feels very

1945

01:10:26,149 --> 01:10:24,159

strongly about where they are

1946

01:10:29,990 --> 01:10:26,159

and they're entering into a dialogue

1947

01:10:32,430 --> 01:10:30,000

with someone on on this topic of ufos or

1948

01:10:34,630 --> 01:10:32,440

the phenomenon or high strangeness or

1949

01:10:36,229 --> 01:10:34,640

paranormality or whatever or any other

1950

01:10:38,070 --> 01:10:36,239

topic that

1951

01:10:41,350 --> 01:10:38,080

we kind of

1952

01:10:44,550 --> 01:10:41,360

lead with a charitable position and uh

1953

01:10:48,550 --> 01:10:46,950

still see the value in those with whom

1954

01:10:50,630 --> 01:10:48,560

we disagree

1955

01:10:52,149 --> 01:10:50,640

i think if we can do that we are going

1956

01:11:01,189 --> 01:10:52,159

to

1957

01:11:03,910 --> 01:11:01,199

and not just a series of uh of insult

1958

01:11:09,110 --> 01:11:07,430

yeah i i agree with that completely

1959

01:11:10,709 --> 01:11:09,120

i think it's um

1960

01:11:12,470 --> 01:11:10,719

we need to move forward with you know

1961

01:11:15,189 --> 01:11:12,480

holding a couple of different

1962

01:11:16,550 --> 01:11:15,199

um tools at our disposal

1963

01:11:18,870 --> 01:11:16,560

one is uh

1964

01:11:22,310 --> 01:11:18,880

a vessel of charity like you say

1965

01:11:23,910 --> 01:11:22,320

um i also think we need to have a uh a

1966

01:11:26,070 --> 01:11:23,920

tool of discernment too and what i mean

1967

01:11:26,870 --> 01:11:26,080

by that is

1968

01:11:35,030 --> 01:11:26,880

to

1969

01:11:36,550 --> 01:11:35,040

a conversation and they're using

1970

01:11:38,229 --> 01:11:36,560

language as if

1971

01:11:40,470 --> 01:11:38,239

they are but really it becomes clear

1972

01:11:42,550 --> 01:11:40,480

that they're not and they're trying to

1973

01:11:45,430 --> 01:11:42,560

defend a position and and coming at it

1974

01:11:47,189 --> 01:11:45,440

with an assumptive kind of perspective

1975

01:11:48,630 --> 01:11:47,199

that of course they have to be right and

1976

01:11:51,590 --> 01:11:48,640

we can't be right

1977

01:11:53,430 --> 01:11:51,600

um then i think you can in a

1978

01:11:55,110 --> 01:11:53,440

peaceful way without being mean-spirited

1979

01:11:56,390 --> 01:11:55,120

you can exit that conversation in other

1980

01:11:57,750 --> 01:11:56,400

words i think

1981

01:11:59,110 --> 01:11:57,760

we want to encourage people to be

1982

01:12:00,790 --> 01:11:59,120

charitable but the same time that

1983

01:12:01,990 --> 01:12:00,800

doesn't mean you have to spend three

1984

01:12:03,430 --> 01:12:02,000

hours

1985

01:12:05,590 --> 01:12:03,440

talking with someone who's just gonna

1986

01:12:07,430 --> 01:12:05,600

debunk till the cows come home no matter

1987

01:12:10,630 --> 01:12:07,440

what you show them and no matter what

1988

01:12:12,470 --> 01:12:10,640

evidence that exists some people are not

1989

01:12:15,110 --> 01:12:12,480

honest brokers

1990

01:12:16,149 --> 01:12:15,120

that that's the case too so again we can

1991

01:12:18,149 --> 01:12:16,159

we don't have to be mean spirited

1992

01:12:19,590 --> 01:12:18,159

towards those people but i think we want

1993

01:12:23,590 --> 01:12:19,600

to choose to have productive

1994

01:12:26,070 --> 01:12:23,600

conversations um i would also say that

1995

01:12:26,870 --> 01:12:26,080

evolution is always messy you know when

1996

01:12:27,750 --> 01:12:26,880

we

1997

01:12:29,510 --> 01:12:27,760

uh

1998

01:12:30,950 --> 01:12:29,520

not just with the phenomenon but any

1999

01:12:31,990 --> 01:12:30,960

kind of

2000

01:12:34,310 --> 01:12:32,000

um

2001

01:12:36,630 --> 01:12:34,320

period that a society goes through

2002

01:12:38,229 --> 01:12:36,640

you always have those that are trying to

2003

01:12:39,430 --> 01:12:38,239

push for change

2004

01:12:41,189 --> 01:12:39,440

those that are kind of in the middle

2005

01:12:43,510 --> 01:12:41,199

going we've got it mostly right and

2006

01:12:45,430 --> 01:12:43,520

those holding up the tails saying

2007

01:12:47,830 --> 01:12:45,440

we're veering way off course we got to

2008

01:12:49,669 --> 01:12:47,840

stick with what used to be true you know

2009

01:12:50,630 --> 01:12:49,679

and always should be true

2010

01:12:52,870 --> 01:12:50,640

and

2011

01:12:55,830 --> 01:12:52,880

yes like you said each of those plays a

2012

01:12:58,229 --> 01:12:55,840

role and each um creates a certain

2013

01:13:00,470 --> 01:12:58,239

uh pla almost like a safety valve in the

2014

01:13:02,070 --> 01:13:00,480

system you know to prevent

2015

01:13:03,350 --> 01:13:02,080

galloping into something that could be a

2016

01:13:04,630 --> 01:13:03,360

big mistake

2017

01:13:06,550 --> 01:13:04,640

you just like we have different

2018

01:13:08,870 --> 01:13:06,560

personalities that play different roles

2019

01:13:12,550 --> 01:13:08,880

and each is valuable in the same way

2020

01:13:16,229 --> 01:13:12,560

each of these positions plays a role

2021

01:13:18,149 --> 01:13:16,239

i think also if you run into someone who

2022

01:13:20,310 --> 01:13:18,159

starts getting almost aggressive in

2023

01:13:25,030 --> 01:13:20,320

their

2024

01:13:26,390 --> 01:13:25,040

kind of materialist point of view

2025

01:13:28,310 --> 01:13:26,400

rules the day and therefore there's no

2026

01:13:31,350 --> 01:13:28,320

way some of the stuff can be true

2027

01:13:35,350 --> 01:13:34,070

see if they're open to examining that

2028

01:13:37,510 --> 01:13:35,360

perspective

2029

01:13:39,590 --> 01:13:37,520

so um because again if someone's coming

2030

01:13:41,270 --> 01:13:39,600

from that perspective already then no

2031

01:13:43,590 --> 01:13:41,280

matter amount of data you can show them

2032

01:13:44,950 --> 01:13:43,600

is going to change their mind so you can

2033

01:13:47,430 --> 01:13:44,960

again see

2034

01:13:49,270 --> 01:13:47,440

uh you know pragmatically diplomatically

2035

01:13:51,350 --> 01:13:49,280

if you could shift the perspective make

2036

01:13:53,270 --> 01:13:51,360

shift the conversation into that

2037

01:13:55,590 --> 01:13:53,280

but if not then i would again i would

2038

01:13:57,669 --> 01:13:55,600

encourage people to gracefully exit the

2039

01:13:59,590 --> 01:13:57,679

conversation so

2040

01:14:01,270 --> 01:13:59,600

i think all of us have to in the midst

2041

01:14:03,430 --> 01:14:01,280

of this messiness that is the

2042

01:14:05,830 --> 01:14:03,440

evolutionary process

2043

01:14:06,950 --> 01:14:05,840

um we each have to think about how we

2044

01:14:09,830 --> 01:14:06,960

can

2045

01:14:11,669 --> 01:14:09,840

make our time most valuable and and uh

2046

01:14:12,830 --> 01:14:11,679

take care of ourselves as well you know

2047

01:14:16,229 --> 01:14:12,840

and

2048

01:14:18,550 --> 01:14:16,239

um i think

2049

01:14:20,229 --> 01:14:18,560

we also have to recognize that for those

2050

01:14:22,070 --> 01:14:20,239

of us who are kind of on the cutting

2051

01:14:24,550 --> 01:14:22,080

edge those of us who

2052

01:14:27,110 --> 01:14:24,560

have seen what's coming that the the

2053

01:14:28,790 --> 01:14:27,120

majority has not yet seen yet

2054

01:14:31,830 --> 01:14:28,800

it's going to be a bit of a lonely

2055

01:14:33,750 --> 01:14:31,840

feeling and you you have to just

2056

01:14:34,470 --> 01:14:33,760

become comfortable with some degree of

2057

01:14:36,470 --> 01:14:34,480

just

2058

01:14:39,030 --> 01:14:36,480

with some degree of discomfort you know

2059

01:14:40,870 --> 01:14:39,040

and that sounds almost uh you know

2060

01:14:43,350 --> 01:14:40,880

paradoxical but

2061

01:14:44,870 --> 01:14:43,360

i think what i'm saying is if like we've

2062

01:14:46,550 --> 01:14:44,880

talked about when you've been through

2063

01:14:47,990 --> 01:14:46,560

evolved through several different world

2064

01:14:50,550 --> 01:14:48,000

views where you really shifted your

2065

01:14:51,750 --> 01:14:50,560

perspective on what is real what that

2066

01:14:54,149 --> 01:14:51,760

entails

2067

01:14:55,830 --> 01:14:54,159

then hopefully you hold it more lightly

2068

01:14:57,830 --> 01:14:55,840

you also

2069

01:14:59,830 --> 01:14:57,840

don't judge too harshly those who are

2070

01:15:01,430 --> 01:14:59,840

not there yet because you know that you

2071

01:15:03,270 --> 01:15:01,440

once weren't there either that's what

2072

01:15:06,229 --> 01:15:03,280

we're partly trying to say here is that

2073

01:15:09,270 --> 01:15:06,239

even in our lives we've held different

2074

01:15:11,189 --> 01:15:09,280

positions that we wouldn't hold now

2075

01:15:12,870 --> 01:15:11,199

what good does it do to judge those who

2076

01:15:16,229 --> 01:15:12,880

are in that position when we ourselves

2077

01:15:18,870 --> 01:15:16,239

were there at one point and and you know

2078

01:15:20,149 --> 01:15:18,880

judgment and scorn wouldn't have changed

2079

01:15:21,510 --> 01:15:20,159

us

2080

01:15:23,590 --> 01:15:21,520

it's not going to change them either so

2081

01:15:24,870 --> 01:15:23,600

you always still have to approach these

2082

01:15:27,750 --> 01:15:24,880

people with

2083

01:15:30,790 --> 01:15:27,760

uh you know a gracious attitude

2084

01:15:33,270 --> 01:15:30,800

um but again i think it is important to

2085

01:15:35,669 --> 01:15:33,280

sort of wield the tool of uh of

2086

01:15:38,950 --> 01:15:35,679

discernment too and and try to see where

2087

01:15:41,030 --> 01:15:38,960

people really coming at this from

2088

01:15:46,709 --> 01:15:41,040

yeah well i want to tie this into

2089

01:15:49,910 --> 01:15:47,510

what

2090

01:15:51,270 --> 01:15:49,920

this experience

2091

01:15:53,270 --> 01:15:51,280

you know kind of these insights that

2092

01:15:55,510 --> 01:15:53,280

we've talked about

2093

01:15:58,870 --> 01:15:55,520

you know what of those

2094

01:16:00,470 --> 01:15:58,880

might we map on to the phenomenon itself

2095

01:16:03,270 --> 01:16:00,480

you know so what

2096

01:16:08,390 --> 01:16:05,350

i think of

2097

01:16:09,590 --> 01:16:08,400

the notion of looking back at my past

2098

01:16:11,590 --> 01:16:09,600

selves

2099

01:16:14,229 --> 01:16:11,600

you know sort of

2100

01:16:16,149 --> 01:16:14,239

decades ago or years ago

2101
01:16:17,830 --> 01:16:16,159
you know there's a different nathan kind

2102
01:16:19,270 --> 01:16:17,840
of at each slice of

2103
01:16:22,790 --> 01:16:19,280
of time

2104
01:16:25,910 --> 01:16:22,800
and and observing those different uh you

2105
01:16:28,550 --> 01:16:25,920
know sort of instantiations of myself

2106
01:16:30,229 --> 01:16:28,560
you know i can see represented there

2107
01:16:32,070 --> 01:16:30,239
these different you know kind of

2108
01:16:35,189 --> 01:16:32,080
viewpoints these different

2109
01:16:35,990 --> 01:16:35,199
uh camps more so than others

2110
01:16:37,990 --> 01:16:36,000
and

2111
01:16:39,510 --> 01:16:38,000
that awareness that

2112
01:16:41,669 --> 01:16:39,520
that

2113
01:16:43,910 --> 01:16:41,679

ability to

2114

01:16:46,709 --> 01:16:43,920

observe you know kind of the the

2115

01:16:48,950 --> 01:16:46,719

journeys that i myself have gone through

2116

01:16:52,310 --> 01:16:48,960

you know i wonder if the phenomenon

2117

01:16:54,709 --> 01:16:52,320

itself and by that i guess i want to say

2118

01:16:56,229 --> 01:16:54,719

you know any other intelligence that may

2119

01:16:58,709 --> 01:16:56,239

be out there

2120

01:17:00,950 --> 01:16:58,719

you know it too must also have gone

2121

01:17:02,390 --> 01:17:00,960

through these kinds of periods

2122

01:17:05,430 --> 01:17:02,400

that it too

2123

01:17:07,750 --> 01:17:05,440

you know may have some kind of awareness

2124

01:17:09,189 --> 01:17:07,760

of of these levels

2125

01:17:11,189 --> 01:17:09,199

of these ways

2126

01:17:14,149 --> 01:17:11,199

of relating to

2127

01:17:15,830 --> 01:17:14,159

reality and because of that

2128

01:17:18,229 --> 01:17:15,840

uh you know kind of what i would guess

2129

01:17:20,310 --> 01:17:18,239

call wisdom perhaps you know that that

2130

01:17:22,950 --> 01:17:20,320

that that is part of

2131

01:17:25,590 --> 01:17:22,960

uh is going to play a part in the way in

2132

01:17:28,550 --> 01:17:25,600

which it relates with us

2133

01:17:30,310 --> 01:17:28,560

uh just as we relate with it

2134

01:17:32,390 --> 01:17:30,320

and i wondered to what degree you've

2135

01:17:35,430 --> 01:17:32,400

considered you know kind of that you

2136

01:17:38,630 --> 01:17:35,440

know because we often kind of talk about

2137

01:17:39,750 --> 01:17:38,640

the phenomenon i think in a pretty flat

2138

01:17:41,990 --> 01:17:39,760

way

2139

01:17:43,830 --> 01:17:42,000

you know it's it's it's um

2140

01:17:45,430 --> 01:17:43,840

it seems like there you know when you

2141

01:17:48,070 --> 01:17:45,440

read about stories about alien

2142

01:17:49,910 --> 01:17:48,080

encounters or whatever they seem

2143

01:17:52,070 --> 01:17:49,920

in a pretty uh

2144

01:17:53,990 --> 01:17:52,080

monolithic or you know

2145

01:17:55,510 --> 01:17:54,000

you know kind of two-dimensional almost

2146

01:17:56,790 --> 01:17:55,520

in their quality

2147

01:17:58,790 --> 01:17:56,800

um

2148

01:18:00,630 --> 01:17:58,800

we we also sort of think that when they

2149

01:18:02,950 --> 01:18:00,640

show up it's like

2150

01:18:04,470 --> 01:18:02,960

here's information and we're done you

2151
01:18:05,510 --> 01:18:04,480
know like what we've got there where

2152
01:18:09,110 --> 01:18:05,520
it's over

2153
01:18:11,669 --> 01:18:09,120
um and so not recognizing the sort of

2154
01:18:14,229 --> 01:18:11,679
very real dynamic process that is at

2155
01:18:15,910 --> 01:18:14,239
play both now and

2156
01:18:19,750 --> 01:18:15,920
whenever that sort of

2157
01:18:22,070 --> 01:18:19,760
new sort of change moment occurs

2158
01:18:24,310 --> 01:18:22,080
yeah absolutely and i think that a lot

2159
01:18:26,550 --> 01:18:24,320
of people have a hard time

2160
01:18:27,910 --> 01:18:26,560
coming to grips with and acknowledging

2161
01:18:29,750 --> 01:18:27,920
the amount of

2162
01:18:32,630 --> 01:18:29,760
developmental differences and different

2163
01:18:35,430 --> 01:18:32,640

world views that coexist in our world in

2164

01:18:37,270 --> 01:18:35,440

our civilization at the same time

2165

01:18:39,990 --> 01:18:37,280

um and like you said we have this

2166

01:18:42,070 --> 01:18:40,000

tendency which i also

2167

01:18:45,910 --> 01:18:42,080

you know it puts up a red flag for me

2168

01:18:48,470 --> 01:18:45,920

when i see these monolithic um

2169

01:18:51,669 --> 01:18:48,480

representations of the phenomenon or

2170

01:18:52,870 --> 01:18:51,679

different groups within the phenomenon

2171

01:18:54,790 --> 01:18:52,880

in the same way that we're seeing right

2172

01:18:56,550 --> 01:18:54,800

now that

2173

01:18:58,229 --> 01:18:56,560

there's a certain center of gravity as a

2174

01:18:59,590 --> 01:18:58,239

is a as an expression that's used in

2175

01:19:01,510 --> 01:18:59,600

integral circles

2176

01:19:04,070 --> 01:19:01,520

that say you have for instance in

2177

01:19:05,910 --> 01:19:04,080

american culture you have three main

2178

01:19:08,229 --> 01:19:05,920

developmental levels coexisting right

2179

01:19:09,510 --> 01:19:08,239

now that see the world very differently

2180

01:19:10,950 --> 01:19:09,520

and that's partly what leads to the

2181

01:19:13,990 --> 01:19:10,960

culture wars we're going through right

2182

01:19:15,510 --> 01:19:14,000

now and the divide and the populace

2183

01:19:17,430 --> 01:19:15,520

but the center of gravity is kind of

2184

01:19:19,350 --> 01:19:17,440

like the average of all of those right

2185

01:19:21,270 --> 01:19:19,360

so you can find an average out of the

2186

01:19:23,030 --> 01:19:21,280

entire populace

2187

01:19:25,270 --> 01:19:23,040

but in the same way

2188

01:19:27,270 --> 01:19:25,280

while we may when we encounter these

2189

01:19:28,550 --> 01:19:27,280

others may find our center of gravity

2190

01:19:30,950 --> 01:19:28,560

they too

2191

01:19:33,830 --> 01:19:30,960

might very well likely have a range just

2192

01:19:35,510 --> 01:19:33,840

like we do and

2193

01:19:37,510 --> 01:19:35,520

one of the things that i've become

2194

01:19:40,149 --> 01:19:37,520

pretty convinced of is that this never

2195

01:19:42,310 --> 01:19:40,159

becomes you never arrive at a static

2196

01:19:44,390 --> 01:19:42,320

point right that

2197

01:19:45,910 --> 01:19:44,400

new perspectives new world views greater

2198

01:19:49,510 --> 01:19:45,920

conceptions of what's available in

2199

01:19:50,630 --> 01:19:49,520

reality that's an emergent process so

2200

01:19:52,630 --> 01:19:50,640

even though

2201
01:19:54,470 --> 01:19:52,640
so for instance say with spiral dynamics

2202
01:19:56,229 --> 01:19:54,480
and integral theory we can sort of

2203
01:19:57,669 --> 01:19:56,239
picture what's coming two three levels

2204
01:19:59,590 --> 01:19:57,679
ahead of us right

2205
01:20:01,030 --> 01:19:59,600
after that we can't see any further that

2206
01:20:03,350 --> 01:20:01,040
doesn't mean there isn't something that

2207
01:20:05,270 --> 01:20:03,360
will come there will be there always has

2208
01:20:07,110 --> 01:20:05,280
been it's just that we don't have the

2209
01:20:09,350 --> 01:20:07,120
capacity yet to see it

2210
01:20:11,030 --> 01:20:09,360
so the point there is that even these

2211
01:20:13,669 --> 01:20:11,040
even if some of these others are highly

2212
01:20:15,750 --> 01:20:13,679
advanced they too will still be moving

2213
01:20:17,510 --> 01:20:15,760

along a spectrum that never ends it's

2214

01:20:19,270 --> 01:20:17,520

part of the from my point of view it's

2215

01:20:21,430 --> 01:20:19,280

sort of like the uh

2216

01:20:24,870 --> 01:20:21,440

the teleological principle of

2217

01:20:27,350 --> 01:20:24,880

the cosmos that's moving it towards uh

2218

01:20:29,830 --> 01:20:27,360

some direction there's a trajectory

2219

01:20:33,510 --> 01:20:29,840

involved there and they are subject to

2220

01:20:37,270 --> 01:20:33,520

that just like we are so i like you um

2221

01:20:38,350 --> 01:20:37,280

i'm hesitant to accept those those views

2222

01:20:39,430 --> 01:20:38,360

and um

2223

01:20:41,030 --> 01:20:39,440

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2224

01:20:43,350 --> 01:20:41,040

i think that that's where you and i for

2225

01:20:45,189 --> 01:20:43,360

instance in that case are trying to

2226

01:20:47,510 --> 01:20:45,199

apply some healthy skepticism right

2227

01:20:49,110 --> 01:20:47,520

we're saying

2228

01:20:52,550 --> 01:20:49,120

we don't want to disbelieve you when you

2229

01:20:54,470 --> 01:20:52,560

say these certain others are

2230

01:20:56,709 --> 01:20:54,480

love and light and nothing but and these

2231

01:20:59,110 --> 01:20:56,719

ones over here are deceptive and dark

2232

01:21:00,470 --> 01:20:59,120

and and eat our negative energy for

2233

01:21:03,030 --> 01:21:00,480

lunch and

2234

01:21:04,709 --> 01:21:03,040

nothing makes them happier

2235

01:21:06,709 --> 01:21:04,719

the reason why we're skeptical about

2236

01:21:09,830 --> 01:21:06,719

that is based on life experience and

2237

01:21:12,229 --> 01:21:09,840

based on our own experience of sentient

2238

01:21:14,709 --> 01:21:12,239

beings that we've been around our entire

2239

01:21:15,590 --> 01:21:14,719

lives that if it's not the case there

2240

01:21:17,189 --> 01:21:15,600

then

2241

01:21:19,030 --> 01:21:17,199

why suddenly is it different with these

2242

01:21:22,149 --> 01:21:19,040

others and and to what degree are we

2243

01:21:24,950 --> 01:21:22,159

projecting our desire for something

2244

01:21:27,590 --> 01:21:24,960

static and something clean and clear

2245

01:21:29,990 --> 01:21:27,600

more so than it really being that way

2246

01:21:31,990 --> 01:21:30,000

i think it is that's a perfect example

2247

01:21:34,149 --> 01:21:32,000

where healthy skepticism is completely

2248

01:21:36,629 --> 01:21:34,159

uh valid

2249

01:21:39,110 --> 01:21:36,639

yeah and the phrase that comes to mind

2250

01:21:41,110 --> 01:21:39,120

is you know we've been asking

2251
01:21:42,870 --> 01:21:41,120
you know are

2252
01:21:44,470 --> 01:21:42,880
are we ready for them

2253
01:21:46,709 --> 01:21:44,480
you know are we ready

2254
01:21:48,470 --> 01:21:46,719
you know is is the earth ready for for

2255
01:21:49,750 --> 01:21:48,480
this knowledge you know it's very us

2256
01:21:51,910 --> 01:21:49,760
centered are we

2257
01:21:56,070 --> 01:21:51,920
gonna be okay with this and maybe the

2258
01:21:57,030 --> 01:21:56,080
other question is are they ready for us

2259
01:21:58,629 --> 01:21:57,040
you know

2260
01:21:59,430 --> 01:21:58,639
are they ready

2261
01:22:06,790 --> 01:21:59,440
for

2262
01:22:09,910 --> 01:22:06,800
part of their paradigm than we are now

2263
01:22:12,950 --> 01:22:09,920

uh you know our our greater awareness of

2264

01:22:15,910 --> 01:22:12,960

their existence will change that

2265

01:22:17,750 --> 01:22:15,920

dynamic it will change them as much as

2266

01:22:19,669 --> 01:22:17,760

it changes us

2267

01:22:23,030 --> 01:22:19,679

and so you know

2268

01:22:25,350 --> 01:22:23,040

in in time there is a perhaps a

2269

01:22:28,790 --> 01:22:25,360

a method to the madness there

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01:22:30,790 --> 01:22:28,800

uh that that it requires

2271

01:22:33,110 --> 01:22:30,800

uh you know some sort of um

2272

01:22:35,030 --> 01:22:33,120

appropriateness

2273

01:22:37,270 --> 01:22:35,040

you know that that

2274

01:22:39,350 --> 01:22:37,280

that we both need we are both we are

2275

01:22:40,390 --> 01:22:39,360

both being prepared if you think of it

2276

01:22:44,790 --> 01:22:40,400

that way

2277

01:22:45,590 --> 01:22:44,800

uh for this new way of of of relating

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01:22:48,470 --> 01:22:45,600

with

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01:22:52,950 --> 01:22:48,480

that's

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01:22:54,870 --> 01:22:52,960

great point and i think it's

2281

01:22:56,950 --> 01:22:54,880

not nearly considered enough you know

2282

01:22:59,030 --> 01:22:56,960

and when you look at the

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01:23:01,030 --> 01:22:59,040

the arguable uptick that we saw after

2284

01:23:02,149 --> 01:23:01,040

the detonation of the first atomic bombs

2285

01:23:04,390 --> 01:23:02,159

for instance

2286

01:23:06,310 --> 01:23:04,400

they may have reluctantly decided they

2287

01:23:08,070 --> 01:23:06,320

better engage with us because we have

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01:23:10,709 --> 01:23:08,080

now reached a certain

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01:23:12,709 --> 01:23:10,719

technological level uh which is kind of

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01:23:15,430 --> 01:23:12,719

not congruent with our consciousness

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01:23:18,070 --> 01:23:15,440

level where we suddenly become

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01:23:19,750 --> 01:23:18,080

rather than this tribal society you know

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01:23:22,310 --> 01:23:19,760

beating each other with clubs we now can

2294

01:23:24,470 --> 01:23:22,320

do real damage maybe not even to just to

2295

01:23:27,189 --> 01:23:24,480

the earth environment maybe into into

2296

01:23:30,149 --> 01:23:27,199

shadow biomes that may exist or even

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01:23:32,709 --> 01:23:30,159

alter alternate dimensions right and so

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01:23:35,430 --> 01:23:32,719

just like we think about like a

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01:23:37,669 --> 01:23:35,440

a nation like china going from

2300

01:23:39,669 --> 01:23:37,679

a pre-industrial very poor country to

2301

01:23:42,229 --> 01:23:39,679

suddenly in a few decades time

2302

01:23:44,790 --> 01:23:42,239

becoming a world superpower basically

2303

01:23:47,189 --> 01:23:44,800

we we have to engage with them right we

2304

01:23:49,270 --> 01:23:47,199

don't have any other choice so it is

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01:23:51,510 --> 01:23:49,280

very interesting as you sort of suggest

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01:23:53,830 --> 01:23:51,520

there to put yourself in their shoes

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01:23:55,830 --> 01:23:53,840

that we may be that to them that they've

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01:23:57,189 --> 01:23:55,840

already been in this cosmic neighborhood

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01:23:59,590 --> 01:23:57,199

and we've kind of been an afterthought

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01:24:01,350 --> 01:23:59,600

up until now but now because of our

2311

01:24:03,189 --> 01:24:01,360

progress and again i would suggest you

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01:24:05,189 --> 01:24:03,199

maybe can argue that this is the case

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01:24:07,910 --> 01:24:05,199

based on how there has been an uptick

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01:24:10,390 --> 01:24:07,920

since the dawn of the atomic age

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01:24:13,110 --> 01:24:10,400

that that they now have to wrestle with

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01:24:14,550 --> 01:24:13,120

okay they've reached this point

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01:24:16,950 --> 01:24:14,560

and maybe even they've seen other

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01:24:18,790 --> 01:24:16,960

civilizations like us in the past blow

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01:24:21,030 --> 01:24:18,800

themselves up not make it through

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01:24:23,030 --> 01:24:21,040

because of that incongruence between

2321

01:24:25,030 --> 01:24:23,040

level of consciousness and level of

2322

01:24:26,390 --> 01:24:25,040

technological capacity to destroy

2323

01:24:28,470 --> 01:24:26,400

yourselves

2324

01:24:30,390 --> 01:24:28,480

so that is an interesting

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01:24:31,669 --> 01:24:30,400

discussion and as we've talked about

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01:24:33,830 --> 01:24:31,679

before

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01:24:36,229 --> 01:24:33,840

we do need to remember that this is not

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01:24:37,110 --> 01:24:36,239

going to be one aha moment even if we do

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01:24:39,350 --> 01:24:37,120

get

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01:24:42,149 --> 01:24:39,360

public recognition that they're here

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01:24:44,470 --> 01:24:42,159

that's day one of an acknowledged

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01:24:46,950 --> 01:24:44,480

relationship right and so you think

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01:24:48,870 --> 01:24:46,960

about the complexity of international

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01:24:51,270 --> 01:24:48,880

dynamics right geopolitical dynamics

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01:24:52,070 --> 01:24:51,280

when nations have no choice but to begin

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01:24:54,149 --> 01:24:52,080

to

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01:24:55,510 --> 01:24:54,159

uh dialogue with each other even if they

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01:24:59,110 --> 01:24:55,520

have very different world views very

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01:25:01,110 --> 01:24:59,120

different cultural fabric now imagine

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01:25:03,270 --> 01:25:01,120

completely different species right maybe

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01:25:06,709 --> 01:25:03,280

even a different way of experiencing

2342

01:25:09,990 --> 01:25:06,719

reality the space-time fabric itself

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01:25:12,950 --> 01:25:10,000

that is day one at that point and that's

2344

01:25:15,510 --> 01:25:12,960

why i think we should not be looking to

2345

01:25:17,830 --> 01:25:15,520

one glorious day where suddenly all our

2346

01:25:19,590 --> 01:25:17,840

dreams are realized that no matter what

2347

01:25:22,470 --> 01:25:19,600

happens this is going to be an ongoing

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01:25:25,590 --> 01:25:22,480

process for the rest of our lives

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01:25:28,629 --> 01:25:25,600

definitely and and two maybe we need to

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01:25:33,030 --> 01:25:32,310

see that that intelligence as we have i

2351
01:25:34,229 --> 01:25:33,040
think

2352
01:25:36,229 --> 01:25:34,239
often

2353
01:25:39,189 --> 01:25:36,239
uh presumed

2354
01:25:41,350 --> 01:25:39,199
is not um

2355
01:25:43,590 --> 01:25:41,360
you know kind of like a like a grand

2356
01:25:45,189 --> 01:25:43,600
computer you know that that because they

2357
01:25:47,030 --> 01:25:45,199
are more intelligent they are they're

2358
01:25:49,669 --> 01:25:47,040
functioning as if they are

2359
01:25:51,669 --> 01:25:49,679
a computer that has perfect knowledge of

2360
01:25:54,310 --> 01:25:51,679
some kind you know that maybe the

2361
01:25:56,550 --> 01:25:54,320
hallmark of intelligence is these

2362
01:25:59,030 --> 01:25:56,560
different ways of

2363
01:26:00,629 --> 01:25:59,040

uh relating to

2364

01:26:03,110 --> 01:26:00,639

uh experience

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01:26:04,470 --> 01:26:03,120

and reality such that they themselves

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01:26:06,950 --> 01:26:04,480

will go through

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01:26:09,270 --> 01:26:06,960

and and very much have periods of belief

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01:26:10,229 --> 01:26:09,280

and skepticism and denial

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01:26:14,790 --> 01:26:10,239

about

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01:26:16,790 --> 01:26:14,800

us not be too quick

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01:26:18,070 --> 01:26:16,800

to uh ascribe

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01:26:20,709 --> 01:26:18,080

to to them

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01:26:22,390 --> 01:26:20,719

you know a a character trait or quality

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01:26:23,350 --> 01:26:22,400

that is uh

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01:26:26,229 --> 01:26:23,360

you know

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01:26:28,470 --> 01:26:26,239

so cold and calculating as a machine and

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01:26:30,790 --> 01:26:28,480

i feel like that we often do that

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01:26:31,990 --> 01:26:30,800

you know because of the correlates that

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01:26:34,390 --> 01:26:32,000

we have

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01:26:36,550 --> 01:26:34,400

for uh you know intelligence or

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01:26:39,189 --> 01:26:36,560

processing power and it's all through

2382

01:26:40,470 --> 01:26:39,199

computation and we really kind of take

2383

01:26:42,550 --> 01:26:40,480

that and we just

2384

01:26:45,750 --> 01:26:42,560

we we apply that pretty i think

2385

01:26:47,510 --> 01:26:45,760

flippantly uh to uh aspects of the

2386

01:26:50,229 --> 01:26:47,520

phenomenon as if they're going to be

2387

01:26:52,310 --> 01:26:50,239

these you know sophisticated

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01:26:55,669 --> 01:26:52,320

computers

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01:26:57,750 --> 01:26:55,679

they very much very well may have

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01:27:00,229 --> 01:26:57,760

many of the same qualities that we do

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01:27:02,629 --> 01:27:00,239

and and maybe that will be something

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01:27:04,790 --> 01:27:02,639

well worth celebrating

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01:27:06,629 --> 01:27:04,800

right and and we should also distinguish

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01:27:09,189 --> 01:27:06,639

between you know technological

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01:27:10,709 --> 01:27:09,199

sophistication and actual developmental

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01:27:12,390 --> 01:27:10,719

level right and

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01:27:14,470 --> 01:27:12,400

one does not necessarily imply the other

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01:27:15,270 --> 01:27:14,480

and i see people making that mistake too

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01:27:17,430 --> 01:27:15,280

of

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01:27:19,669 --> 01:27:17,440

assuming well since they can run circles

2401

01:27:20,950 --> 01:27:19,679

around us in terms of our craft versus

2402

01:27:23,430 --> 01:27:20,960

their craft

2403

01:27:25,270 --> 01:27:23,440

they must be our moral superiors to the

2404

01:27:26,390 --> 01:27:25,280

nth degree and so please come and save

2405

01:27:28,149 --> 01:27:26,400

us you know

2406

01:27:28,950 --> 01:27:28,159

we describe a sort of savior role to

2407

01:27:30,470 --> 01:27:28,960

them

2408

01:27:32,470 --> 01:27:30,480

which again based on what we've talked

2409

01:27:35,430 --> 01:27:32,480

about today

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01:27:37,590 --> 01:27:35,440

even at a relatively advanced place in a

2411

01:27:39,110 --> 01:27:37,600

societal's progress when you compare us

2412

01:27:40,550 --> 01:27:39,120

to say the middle ages or something or

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01:27:42,870 --> 01:27:40,560

primitive man

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01:27:44,070 --> 01:27:42,880

there still is a

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01:27:45,110 --> 01:27:44,080

sometimes

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01:27:47,510 --> 01:27:45,120

really

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01:27:51,270 --> 01:27:47,520

kind of nasty mix of different

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01:27:53,030 --> 01:27:51,280

developmental levels it's always messy

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01:27:55,830 --> 01:27:53,040

it does become more peaceful over time

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01:27:57,990 --> 01:27:55,840

in general but there's still that

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01:28:00,310 --> 01:27:58,000

combustible mix that's that's actually

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01:28:01,590 --> 01:28:00,320

part that's built into evolution that

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01:28:04,229 --> 01:28:01,600

that's actually what helps move it

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01:28:06,709 --> 01:28:04,239

forward so i agree that we we should

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01:28:08,790 --> 01:28:06,719

uh look to that for them

2426
01:28:10,470 --> 01:28:08,800
from them that they would also be going

2427
01:28:11,830 --> 01:28:10,480
through that and again

2428
01:28:13,189 --> 01:28:11,840
i think part of the challenge here is

2429
01:28:14,870 --> 01:28:13,199
because

2430
01:28:16,149 --> 01:28:14,880
the mainstream doesn't acknowledge this

2431
01:28:18,310 --> 01:28:16,159
phenomenon

2432
01:28:19,990 --> 01:28:18,320
and because the data is sometimes

2433
01:28:22,390 --> 01:28:20,000
ambiguous

2434
01:28:23,750 --> 01:28:22,400
i mean how many different narratives

2435
01:28:25,990 --> 01:28:23,760
have we heard around the graves i mean

2436
01:28:29,830 --> 01:28:26,000
there's so many from their

2437
01:28:32,870 --> 01:28:29,840
total evil to their you know angelic

2438
01:28:35,910 --> 01:28:32,880

to their something in between right

2439

01:28:38,470 --> 01:28:35,920

um that sometimes in that

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01:28:40,310 --> 01:28:38,480

void it's very easy for us to ascribe

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01:28:42,149 --> 01:28:40,320

whatever qualities we want because we

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01:28:43,510 --> 01:28:42,159

don't have to prove it because the

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01:28:46,149 --> 01:28:43,520

mainstream is not paying attention

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01:28:47,350 --> 01:28:46,159

anyway this is again where the the

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01:28:49,590 --> 01:28:47,360

skeptics

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01:28:51,669 --> 01:28:49,600

and whatnot can help us and how we can

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01:28:52,629 --> 01:28:51,679

adopt a skeptical attitude in terms of

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01:28:54,550 --> 01:28:52,639

saying

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01:28:56,629 --> 01:28:54,560

um you know let's not jump to

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01:28:58,950 --> 01:28:56,639

conclusions let's not make the mistake

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01:29:02,070 --> 01:28:58,960

stake of ascribing qualities to them

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01:29:03,830 --> 01:29:02,080

that is not evidenced in the data and

2453

01:29:06,550 --> 01:29:03,840

what i come away

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01:29:08,950 --> 01:29:06,560

with when i look at the um

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01:29:10,950 --> 01:29:08,960

the ambiguity around the ultimate nature

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01:29:12,390 --> 01:29:10,960

of these and and what their purpose is

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01:29:15,350 --> 01:29:12,400

their agenda

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01:29:17,510 --> 01:29:15,360

i i take a position like a conservative

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01:29:18,470 --> 01:29:17,520

reserve is kind of what i come away i

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01:29:21,910 --> 01:29:18,480

i'm not

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01:29:24,310 --> 01:29:21,920

ready to make a strong commitment

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01:29:25,830 --> 01:29:24,320

either way because i i first want to

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01:29:26,950 --> 01:29:25,840

reconcile why do we have so many

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01:29:28,950 --> 01:29:26,960

different narratives here there's

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01:29:31,990 --> 01:29:28,960

different ways that could be explained

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01:29:33,590 --> 01:29:32,000

but i'm okay not knowing exactly and

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01:29:35,990 --> 01:29:33,600

that that's that's something we want to

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01:29:38,310 --> 01:29:36,000

encourage people too is that

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01:29:40,790 --> 01:29:38,320

it's fine to have strong belief based on

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01:29:42,870 --> 01:29:40,800

evidence but it's also completely

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01:29:44,550 --> 01:29:42,880

legitimate and justifiable and even

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01:29:46,070 --> 01:29:44,560

appropriate to say

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01:29:47,590 --> 01:29:46,080

right now there's some ambiguity around

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01:29:49,350 --> 01:29:47,600

that data we know something's going on

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01:29:52,470 --> 01:29:49,360

but we can't maybe we don't have the

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01:29:55,270 --> 01:29:52,480

capacity or whatever but let's hold off

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01:29:57,990 --> 01:29:55,280

on trying to put a bow on that so to

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01:30:03,990 --> 01:30:02,149

absolutely we we hope that um

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01:30:05,669 --> 01:30:04,000

our listeners have you know kind of

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01:30:06,390 --> 01:30:05,679

gained something from this conversation

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01:30:11,189 --> 01:30:06,400

that

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01:30:13,669 --> 01:30:11,199

you know some of the ways in which you

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01:30:16,149 --> 01:30:13,679

approach this topic i know it it's

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01:30:18,550 --> 01:30:16,159

absolutely helped me uh to be able to

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01:30:21,350 --> 01:30:18,560

talk about these different ways of

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01:30:23,910 --> 01:30:21,360

approaching information and and uh

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01:30:25,110 --> 01:30:23,920

you know and the truth that i understand

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01:30:27,110 --> 01:30:25,120

um

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01:30:28,149 --> 01:30:27,120

you know and i think it again these are

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01:30:30,550 --> 01:30:28,159

tools

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01:30:32,310 --> 01:30:30,560

uh these are frameworks that we

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01:30:35,750 --> 01:30:32,320

are trying to

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01:30:39,030 --> 01:30:35,760

work through ourselves uh

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01:30:40,550 --> 01:30:39,040

for hopefully in the service of um

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01:30:43,110 --> 01:30:40,560

better preparing us

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01:30:45,350 --> 01:30:43,120

you know for whatever may come uh that

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01:30:48,950 --> 01:30:45,360

um we will be in a position

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01:30:51,350 --> 01:30:48,960

to uh you know deal with any kind of new

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01:30:52,470 --> 01:30:51,360

truth new revelation in a way that is

2500

01:30:55,189 --> 01:30:52,480

healthy

2501

01:30:57,430 --> 01:30:55,199

uh that is um

2502

01:30:59,990 --> 01:30:57,440

wise if you will

2503

01:31:01,669 --> 01:31:00,000

and uh and to that end i would say you

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01:31:03,830 --> 01:31:01,679

know this this happens through

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01:31:07,270 --> 01:31:03,840

conversation you know this this doesn't

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01:31:10,070 --> 01:31:07,280

happen uh in a vacuum you know that um

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01:31:13,189 --> 01:31:10,080

you know that that just as our dialogues

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01:31:15,110 --> 01:31:13,199

you know absolutely add value to uh my

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01:31:17,669 --> 01:31:15,120

way of understanding that this topic i'm

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01:31:19,910 --> 01:31:17,679

hoping that uh conversations with our

2511

01:31:22,470 --> 01:31:19,920

listeners uh will

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01:31:24,470 --> 01:31:22,480

do the same you know we we

2513

01:31:26,790 --> 01:31:24,480

very much look forward to reading uh the

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01:31:28,950 --> 01:31:26,800

feedback that we receive

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01:31:30,629 --> 01:31:28,960

we are planning uh to eventually

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01:31:33,430 --> 01:31:30,639

incorporate a whole

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01:31:36,149 --> 01:31:33,440

show uh sort of wrapped around specific

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01:31:37,510 --> 01:31:36,159

listener questions and topics um so if

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01:31:39,350 --> 01:31:37,520

you do have something that you would

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01:31:41,990 --> 01:31:39,360

really like us to tackle

2521

01:31:44,310 --> 01:31:42,000

uh in depth uh we welcome that

2522

01:31:46,470 --> 01:31:44,320

suggestion and you know you can do that

2523

01:31:49,189 --> 01:31:46,480

a number of ways

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01:31:50,390 --> 01:31:49,199

you can leave us a comment on

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01:31:52,310 --> 01:31:50,400

youtube

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01:31:53,830 --> 01:31:52,320

where you can find

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01:31:57,030 --> 01:31:53,840

these episodes

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01:31:59,510 --> 01:31:57,040

on the exo academia youtube channel

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you can send us messages on twitter uh

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i'm at a waif soul

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xo is it exo academian

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uh and then similarly you can interact

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and you should interact with exo's

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excellent podcast the point of

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convergence

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and then my show as well calling all

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beings so there's a lot of different

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ways you can find us

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uh out there in

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you know sort of virtual space and we

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welcome those interactions because they

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really do inform

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our own positions and help us

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when we kind of plan out where we want

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to go

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with this show

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and so with that i think we will close

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episode five thank you so much for

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joining us

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may the quality of our questions shaped

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01:32:50,390 --> 01:32:48,080

by a desire for understanding enhance

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01:32:52,629 --> 01:32:50,400

our journey of discovery

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01:32:55,270 --> 01:32:52,639

and may our travels broaden the sphere

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01:32:58,709 --> 01:32:55,280

of our consciousness reminding us that

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01:33:00,070 --> 01:32:58,719

new discoveries beget new horizons

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01:33:02,149 --> 01:33:00,080

as always

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01:33:03,669 --> 01:33:02,159

adventure awaits

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we'll see you next time