



HIDDEN TRUTH SHOW WITH JIM BRESLO
TRANSGENDER MOVEMENT

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00:00:02,210 --> 00:00:09,009

[Music]

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00:00:12,980 --> 00:00:11,150
awesome to be here thanks so much for

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00:00:16,490 --> 00:00:12,990
having us amazing place thank you so

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00:00:18,950 --> 00:00:16,500
much thanks for coming so I read in a

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00:00:21,769 --> 00:00:18,960
Pepperdine article about your transition

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00:00:24,830 --> 00:00:21,779
that you feel sometimes friends don't

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00:00:26,390 --> 00:00:24,840
ask you often enough how are you doing

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00:00:29,630 --> 00:00:26,400
so I want to start with that question

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00:00:30,820 --> 00:00:29,640
how am i doing I'm doing amazing you

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00:00:33,440 --> 00:00:30,830
know at the time that I did that

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00:00:35,870 --> 00:00:33,450
interview I was class president at

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00:00:39,200 --> 00:00:35,880
Pepperdine for three years at that point

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00:00:41,990 --> 00:00:39,210

and I felt I really owed my class and my

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00:00:44,690 --> 00:00:42,000

peers an explanation as to why I would

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00:00:46,760 --> 00:00:44,700

be taking a semester off and leaving my

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00:00:48,920 --> 00:00:46,770

post as president because I was you know

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00:00:50,510 --> 00:00:48,930

that was the best part of my college

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00:00:54,020 --> 00:00:50,520

experience was being in student

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00:00:56,029 --> 00:00:54,030

government and you know when I wrote

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00:00:58,310 --> 00:00:56,039

that article I kind of felt like

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00:01:00,080 --> 00:00:58,320

everyone was really wondering what's

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00:01:01,970 --> 00:01:00,090

going on in your life you know I noticed

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00:01:05,390 --> 00:01:01,980

these physical changes I noticed you've

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00:01:07,550 --> 00:01:05,400

kind of drawn back socially is a pre

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00:01:10,340 --> 00:01:07,560

transition right this is during my

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00:01:14,149 --> 00:01:10,350

transition but I was not full-time as

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00:01:15,890 --> 00:01:14,159

Sophia at that point so you know I was

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00:01:17,359 --> 00:01:15,900

going through this transition and people

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00:01:20,600 --> 00:01:17,369

would notice gradual changes from

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00:01:23,300 --> 00:01:20,610

hormones minor procedures hair removal

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00:01:25,280 --> 00:01:23,310

that kind of thing and you know people

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00:01:27,200 --> 00:01:25,290

would automatically have these questions

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00:01:29,569 --> 00:01:27,210

like what's going on you know your nose

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00:01:31,520 --> 00:01:29,579

looked a little different or you know

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00:01:34,429 --> 00:01:31,530

your hair's getting a little longer and

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00:01:36,560 --> 00:01:34,439

it wasn't really focused on how are you

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00:01:38,929 --> 00:01:36,570

doing so I thought that was kind of a

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00:01:40,760 --> 00:01:38,939

nice way to end that article don't focus

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00:01:43,580 --> 00:01:40,770

on the physical stuff the physical

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00:01:45,620 --> 00:01:43,590

changes are obvious worry about how the

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00:01:48,920 --> 00:01:45,630

person is doing in general when people

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00:01:50,899 --> 00:01:48,930

are going through changes in their lives

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00:01:54,950 --> 00:01:50,909

and that's kind of you know why I wanted

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00:01:57,230 --> 00:01:54,960

to end that article on that note so but

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00:01:59,120 --> 00:01:57,240

I really mean it how you know how are

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00:02:01,490 --> 00:01:59,130

you doing you know really genuinely

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00:02:02,300 --> 00:02:01,500

honestly how are you feeling now it's

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00:02:05,149 --> 00:02:02,310

been a whirlwind

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00:02:06,889 --> 00:02:05,159

yeah or two yeah well I started

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00:02:10,820 --> 00:02:06,899

transitioning when I was 18 years old

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00:02:12,350 --> 00:02:10,830
right when I got to college and I you

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00:02:14,270 --> 00:02:12,360
know I think the most Awkward

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00:02:16,670 --> 00:02:14,280
uncomfortable time for me was

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00:02:18,500 --> 00:02:16,680
in between time when I was transitioning

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00:02:21,770 --> 00:02:18,510
and not really telling everyone about it

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00:02:24,080 --> 00:02:21,780
telling anyone about it and once I

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00:02:28,190 --> 00:02:24,090
finally got through and you know became

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00:02:31,570 --> 00:02:28,200
Sofia to the world I've been so happy

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00:02:34,730 --> 00:02:31,580
since then I've graduated college I have

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00:02:37,070 --> 00:02:34,740
had amazing professional opportunities

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00:02:39,710 --> 00:02:37,080
being the executive director of the

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00:02:42,560 --> 00:02:39,720
Caitlyn Jenner foundation and being

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00:02:46,010 --> 00:02:42,570

Caitlyn's business manager and

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00:02:48,440 --> 00:02:46,020

personally you know I I'm just so much

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00:02:50,390 --> 00:02:48,450

more open with my family my friends I

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00:02:53,770 --> 00:02:50,400

feel I can have more genuine connections

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00:02:56,780 --> 00:02:53,780

and then physically after going through

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00:03:00,620 --> 00:02:56,790

the necessary medical treatment to deal

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00:03:03,680 --> 00:03:00,630

with dysphoria I feel liberated beyond

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00:03:08,000 --> 00:03:03,690

belief so for me I just feel like I'm

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00:03:11,870 --> 00:03:08,010

thriving so no regrets so far no regrets

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00:03:14,960 --> 00:03:11,880

whatsoever you know there are things

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00:03:16,490 --> 00:03:14,970

that I do look back on and think should

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00:03:20,180 --> 00:03:16,500

I done it should I have done this a

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00:03:22,340 --> 00:03:20,190

little bit differently probably but

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00:03:25,490 --> 00:03:22,350
those are so minor in the big scheme of

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00:03:27,949 --> 00:03:25,500
things in the big picture I'm so happy

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00:03:29,750 --> 00:03:27,959
with where I am and what the

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00:03:32,900 --> 00:03:29,760
opportunities that have been given to me

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00:03:35,330 --> 00:03:32,910
and that I've worked for and overall no

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00:03:37,130 --> 00:03:35,340
regrets so prior to this announcement

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00:03:39,860 --> 00:03:37,140
that you did at Pepperdine and I believe

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00:03:43,970 --> 00:03:39,870
it was November of 16 yes you were known

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00:03:47,120 --> 00:03:43,980
as a game man

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00:03:50,630 --> 00:03:47,130
I never identified myself publicly as

86
00:03:53,660 --> 00:03:50,640
gay not because I did not feel that I

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00:03:56,600 --> 00:03:53,670
was attracted to men but I didn't feel

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00:03:58,940 --> 00:03:56,610

that gay represented me I had so many

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00:04:00,800 --> 00:03:58,950

gay friends you know I lived in Beverly

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00:04:04,000 --> 00:04:00,810

Hills at the time I was around the West

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00:04:07,520 --> 00:04:04,010

Hollywood crowd and I just never felt

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00:04:09,830 --> 00:04:07,530

like I fit in with the gay world I felt

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00:04:13,310 --> 00:04:09,840

there's something further along here

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00:04:16,460 --> 00:04:13,320

than just being gay so for me it was

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00:04:19,819 --> 00:04:16,470

more about my identity as a female which

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00:04:22,730 --> 00:04:19,829

I was able to you know explore through a

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00:04:24,800 --> 00:04:22,740

lot of conversations with therapists and

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00:04:27,529 --> 00:04:24,810

undergoing the appropriate medical

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00:04:27,980 --> 00:04:27,539

treatment for myself so I wouldn't say I

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00:04:30,260 --> 00:04:27,990

ever

101
00:04:33,610 --> 00:04:30,270
identified as a gay male though I had

102
00:04:37,580 --> 00:04:33,620
always been with really strong men

103
00:04:40,040 --> 00:04:37,590
pepperdine is a Christian University so

104
00:04:43,339 --> 00:04:40,050
being gay or being trans at Pepperdine

105
00:04:46,370 --> 00:04:43,349
how was that received there well at

106
00:04:48,800 --> 00:04:46,380
first when I was there you know the

107
00:04:51,860 --> 00:04:48,810
world saw me or the school saw me as gay

108
00:04:53,300 --> 00:04:51,870
like I said I didn't see that inside but

109
00:04:56,779 --> 00:04:53,310
they saw me as gay because I would be

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00:05:00,439 --> 00:04:56,789
you know being I was dating a guy I had

111
00:05:03,260 --> 00:05:00,449
a long-term relationship and and that

112
00:05:06,790 --> 00:05:03,270
was received okay but then when I came

113
00:05:10,640 --> 00:05:06,800

out as trans so publicly at the school

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00:05:15,050 --> 00:05:10,650

it you know people were never mean to my

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00:05:17,540 --> 00:05:15,060

face never rude to me on a personal

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00:05:19,370 --> 00:05:17,550

level but behind the scenes I think it

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00:05:21,499 --> 00:05:19,380

was weird because I was the first

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00:05:23,240 --> 00:05:21,509

transgender person to ever graduate from

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00:05:25,159 --> 00:05:23,250

Pepperdine I was the first transgender

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00:05:28,939 --> 00:05:25,169

person to ever be in student government

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00:05:30,559 --> 00:05:28,949

as president at Pepperdine and I was

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00:05:33,110 --> 00:05:30,569

also in the economics and finance

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00:05:37,070 --> 00:05:33,120

program which was totally male-dominated

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00:05:39,560 --> 00:05:37,080

and for me that was actually really an

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00:05:42,290 --> 00:05:39,570

empowering moment to see you can go

126
00:05:45,320 --> 00:05:42,300
through this be a beautiful woman and

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00:05:47,870 --> 00:05:45,330
keep up with the boys and that was a

128
00:05:49,730 --> 00:05:47,880
huge learning experience for me and it

129
00:05:51,890 --> 00:05:49,740
made me feel really confident in my

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00:05:54,050 --> 00:05:51,900
womanhood so I really liked that a lot

131
00:05:56,450 --> 00:05:54,060
in fact when I went back to school after

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00:06:00,020 --> 00:05:56,460
I fully medically transitioned I took

133
00:06:02,689 --> 00:06:00,030
the semester off to do that my first day

134
00:06:04,580 --> 00:06:02,699
I remember a couple of guys in like the

135
00:06:07,010 --> 00:06:04,590
upper division econ classes that I had

136
00:06:09,379 --> 00:06:07,020
been in classes with for four years said

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00:06:13,969 --> 00:06:09,389
who are you I haven't seen you in the

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00:06:15,950 --> 00:06:13,979

encanta partment before nice and Sophia

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00:06:19,159 --> 00:06:15,960

Hutchins you know that's a good time at

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00:06:21,290 --> 00:06:19,169

anything to break out this picture which

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00:06:23,600 --> 00:06:21,300

is you know all of the but you know who

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00:06:25,879 --> 00:06:23,610

kicks that on camera but you could see

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00:06:29,950 --> 00:06:25,889

why maybe they didn't recognize you well

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00:06:32,450 --> 00:06:29,960

that picture the tabloids love

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00:06:34,550 --> 00:06:32,460

sensationalizing the before and after

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00:06:37,310 --> 00:06:34,560

first of all that picture was when I was

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00:06:41,089 --> 00:06:37,320

13 years old really that younger I was

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00:06:41,659 --> 00:06:41,099

13 years old and it was a debate team

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00:06:44,330 --> 00:06:41,669

photo

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00:06:46,719 --> 00:06:44,340

and they love sensationalizing this

151
00:06:48,409 --> 00:06:46,729
before your like this dorky looking

152
00:06:51,290 --> 00:06:48,419
thirteen-year-old boy

153
00:06:54,339 --> 00:06:51,300
and then after your this you know people

154
00:06:57,019 --> 00:06:54,349
call me a model this beautiful woman and

155
00:06:59,480 --> 00:06:57,029
you know for me that's a little

156
00:07:01,790 --> 00:06:59,490
sensationalized before and after but

157
00:07:04,159 --> 00:07:01,800
that's definitely not representative

158
00:07:05,239 --> 00:07:04,169
yeah I mean it really does and like you

159
00:07:06,800 --> 00:07:05,249
said they're probably sensational is

160
00:07:08,570 --> 00:07:06,810
because it really does look like you

161
00:07:10,459 --> 00:07:08,580
know two different people yeah I was

162
00:07:12,800 --> 00:07:10,469
going Richie Cunningham if you ever saw

163
00:07:15,589 --> 00:07:12,810

happy days here and then I'm going of

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00:07:18,290 --> 00:07:15,599

Anka Trump uh here thank you take is a

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00:07:20,450 --> 00:07:18,300

nice compliment I agree I could Ivanka a

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00:07:24,469 --> 00:07:20,460

lot yeah we do a lot of political work

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00:07:28,129 --> 00:07:24,479

political lobbying and I remember one

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00:07:30,469 --> 00:07:28,139

night I was seated with the secretary of

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00:07:32,510 --> 00:07:30,479

the Treasury Steven minuchin whose wife

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00:07:35,929 --> 00:07:32,520

also went to Pepperdine and looks a lot

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00:07:38,600 --> 00:07:35,939

like me and you know there's press all

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00:07:40,550 --> 00:07:38,610

over this event and one member of the

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00:07:42,589 --> 00:07:40,560

press asked oh my god are you would Vonk

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00:07:44,899 --> 00:07:42,599

a trump can I get a picture and I said

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00:07:46,040 --> 00:07:44,909

no I'm not I'm Sophie actions and then

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00:07:48,320 --> 00:07:46,050

because I'm sitting next to the

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00:07:50,600 --> 00:07:48,330

secretary of the Treasury mister

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00:07:52,999 --> 00:07:50,610

minuchin they say oh my god are you

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00:07:55,189 --> 00:07:53,009

Isabelle minuchin and I said no I'm

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00:07:57,740 --> 00:07:55,199

Sophia Hutchins so not all of us blonde

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00:07:59,809 --> 00:07:57,750

girls are the same but ya know I get

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00:08:00,589 --> 00:07:59,819

that a lot and I take it totally as a

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00:08:03,469 --> 00:08:00,599

compliment

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00:08:05,809 --> 00:08:03,479

yeah so I mean I could they could say

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00:08:07,100 --> 00:08:05,819

worse than exactly so stain on the on

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00:08:09,409 --> 00:08:07,110

the physical I imagine that you're

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00:08:11,570 --> 00:08:09,419

probably quite pleased with how the

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00:08:13,999 --> 00:08:11,580

physical has turned out being as

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00:08:16,730 --> 00:08:14,009

beautiful as you are thank you so much I

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00:08:20,139 --> 00:08:16,740

am very pleased but you know there is a

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00:08:23,269 --> 00:08:20,149

dark side to being a pretty woman and

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00:08:26,119 --> 00:08:23,279

you you know being on the other side

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00:08:28,790 --> 00:08:26,129

although I transitioned at a young age I

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00:08:31,040 --> 00:08:28,800

felt like my transition wasn't that big

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00:08:34,069 --> 00:08:31,050

of a change for me I always felt like I

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00:08:39,550 --> 00:08:34,079

was a more effeminate boy when I was a

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00:08:41,990 --> 00:08:39,560

boy and never like a macho masculine guy

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00:08:45,290 --> 00:08:42,000

but you know after I transitioned I

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00:08:48,590 --> 00:08:45,300

realized oh my goodness when you're a

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00:08:51,620 --> 00:08:48,600

beautiful woman in the position that I'm

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00:08:53,200 --> 00:08:51,630
in in business negotiating with usually

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00:08:57,010 --> 00:08:53,210
a lot of older white men

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00:09:00,700 --> 00:08:57,020
business deals or raising money you are

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00:09:04,030 --> 00:09:00,710
viewed very differently and you deal

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00:09:07,090 --> 00:09:04,040
with sexism in the workplace especially

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00:09:09,370 --> 00:09:07,100
in Hollywood because you're kind of just

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00:09:12,130 --> 00:09:09,380
seen as a pretty face and I've made it

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00:09:15,060 --> 00:09:12,140
my mission and my passion to fight for

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00:09:19,840 --> 00:09:15,070
women trans ANSYS that you can be

210
00:09:23,290 --> 00:09:19,850
beautiful as can be and you know a

211
00:09:25,660 --> 00:09:23,300
badass in the in a negotiating

212
00:09:28,210 --> 00:09:25,670
room and I love that and I think for me

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00:09:30,970 --> 00:09:28,220

to try to prove that regardless putting

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00:09:33,370 --> 00:09:30,980

the trans thing aside just women have so

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00:09:36,610 --> 00:09:33,380

much power and use that feminine power

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00:09:38,110 --> 00:09:36,620

that you have and that's that's what I

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00:09:39,760 --> 00:09:38,120

try to do with that beauty we've talked

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00:09:42,160 --> 00:09:39,770

about Sabrina Richmond my fraternity

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00:09:43,329 --> 00:09:42,170

brother my sister and and she was my

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00:09:45,460 --> 00:09:43,339

first interview for my transgender

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00:09:49,030 --> 00:09:45,470

movement and you'll you'll you may end

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00:09:50,380 --> 00:09:49,040

up being the bookend to that but one of

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00:09:51,430 --> 00:09:50,390

the things that I learned from her this

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00:09:54,220 --> 00:09:51,440

interesting that a lot of people don't

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00:09:56,949 --> 00:09:54,230

realize is that as a trans person you

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00:09:58,810 --> 00:09:56,959

truly know both sides of the equation

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00:10:01,030 --> 00:09:58,820

you've lived as a male and you can see

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00:10:02,920 --> 00:10:01,040

things from a male perspective and now

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00:10:04,449 --> 00:10:02,930

as a female you can see things from a

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00:10:06,940 --> 00:10:04,459

female perspective and she almost felt

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00:10:09,070 --> 00:10:06,950

like she's a super person to have this

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00:10:11,890 --> 00:10:09,080

this knowledge of both sides he gives

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00:10:14,340 --> 00:10:11,900

you an edge you know that is a really

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00:10:16,840 --> 00:10:14,350

interesting point and I hear that a lot

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00:10:19,000 --> 00:10:16,850

for me I transitioned at such a young

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00:10:22,180 --> 00:10:19,010

age I didn't really have that male

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00:10:23,560 --> 00:10:22,190

privilege a lot of people did a lot of

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00:10:26,050 --> 00:10:23,570

people did when they transitioned it a

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00:10:27,880 --> 00:10:26,060

much older age like someone like Sabrina

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00:10:29,199 --> 00:10:27,890

and not to discredit at all what

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00:10:33,010 --> 00:10:29,209

Sabrina's saying she's absolutely

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00:10:34,990 --> 00:10:33,020

correct she gets to see both sides and a

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00:10:38,890 --> 00:10:35,000

couple of months ago I was at Facebook

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00:10:40,810 --> 00:10:38,900

doing some work with iBook all of

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00:10:42,490 --> 00:10:40,820

Caitlyn's speeches and corporate

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00:10:44,680 --> 00:10:42,500

appearances and one of them was at

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00:10:47,620 --> 00:10:44,690

Facebook with all the LGBT employees and

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00:10:51,910 --> 00:10:47,630

we met with Sheryl Sandberg and she said

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00:10:54,880 --> 00:10:51,920

the best data on sexism comes from trans

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00:10:57,370 --> 00:10:54,890

women that transitioned later in life

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00:10:59,170 --> 00:10:57,380
and one of my good friends who's now on

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00:11:01,720 --> 00:10:59,180
the board of our foundation the caitlyn

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00:11:04,240 --> 00:11:01,730
jenner foundation is a woman named

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00:11:06,480 --> 00:11:04,250
Debbie Ferguson Debbie transitioned

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00:11:09,690 --> 00:11:06,490
about three years ago

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00:11:12,030 --> 00:11:09,700
had worked extremely successfully in

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00:11:13,620 --> 00:11:12,040
Silicon Valley she created software sold

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00:11:15,449 --> 00:11:13,630
it to Google and then worked at Facebook

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00:11:17,730 --> 00:11:15,459
for 15 years and now she's back at

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00:11:21,180 --> 00:11:17,740
Google and she's a trans woman and she

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00:11:23,100 --> 00:11:21,190
transitioned later in life and she's

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00:11:25,199 --> 00:11:23,110
case in point she said I'll be in board

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00:11:27,900 --> 00:11:25,209

meetings now beautiful woman

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00:11:30,500 --> 00:11:27,910
transitioned very well completely

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00:11:33,000 --> 00:11:30,510
physically changed her appearance and

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00:11:35,639 --> 00:11:33,010
she gets asked in meetings with

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00:11:37,560 --> 00:11:35,649
executives from other companies so whose

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00:11:39,990 --> 00:11:37,570
secretary are you or whose assistant are

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00:11:41,940 --> 00:11:40,000
you and she says well actually I'm a

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00:11:44,550 --> 00:11:41,950
managing director at Facebook I run our

271

00:11:45,150 --> 00:11:44,560
engineering program and I see that in my

272

00:11:46,590 --> 00:11:45,160
life

273

00:11:48,449 --> 00:11:46,600
all the time you know you can look at

274

00:11:51,210 --> 00:11:48,459
how the media depicts me they depict me

275

00:11:53,579 --> 00:11:51,220
as a 21 year old which I'm not even 21

276

00:11:56,970 --> 00:11:53,589

22 year old model

277

00:12:00,600 --> 00:11:56,980

I've never modeled a day in my life I'm

278

00:12:03,750 --> 00:12:00,610

you know thank you I'm pretty but so

279

00:12:06,420 --> 00:12:03,760

much more than just the looks and you

280

00:12:08,070 --> 00:12:06,430

really see that Sheryl Sandberg's point

281

00:12:10,260 --> 00:12:08,080

if that's the best data point for

282

00:12:12,120 --> 00:12:10,270

gathering sexism when people transition

283

00:12:14,970 --> 00:12:12,130

later in life and how they're treated

284

00:12:17,699 --> 00:12:14,980

after the transition versus before is so

285

00:12:20,370 --> 00:12:17,709

fascinating to me so we talked about the

286

00:12:21,389 --> 00:12:20,380

foundation and your role there let's

287

00:12:23,430 --> 00:12:21,399

talk about your relationship with

288

00:12:28,230 --> 00:12:23,440

Caitlyn how did you guys first meet

289

00:12:31,470 --> 00:12:28,240

Caitlyn and I met through we met about

290

00:12:34,199 --> 00:12:31,480

four years ago three years ago through

291

00:12:36,420 --> 00:12:34,209

our makeup artist in our hair stylist so

292

00:12:38,550 --> 00:12:36,430

this is pre announcement at Pepperdine

293

00:12:41,490 --> 00:12:38,560

this was pre announcement at Pepperdine

294

00:12:46,380 --> 00:12:41,500

yes but at that point I had told family

295

00:12:48,480 --> 00:12:46,390

close friends okay mmm and had been

296

00:12:49,800 --> 00:12:48,490

transitioning at that point for a few

297

00:12:53,760 --> 00:12:49,810

who incidentally you were sharing the

298

00:12:56,190 --> 00:12:53,770

same hairdresser yes okay and then the

299

00:12:57,990 --> 00:12:56,200

hairdresser introduced you yep and did

300

00:13:02,010 --> 00:12:58,000

you talk about transition at that time

301
00:13:03,720 --> 00:13:02,020
with Caitlyn the hairdresser I went to I

302
00:13:05,400 --> 00:13:03,730
told her what was going on I said you

303
00:13:06,360 --> 00:13:05,410
know I'm trying to grow my hair out and

304
00:13:07,680 --> 00:13:06,370
she's like why are you trying to grow

305
00:13:09,540 --> 00:13:07,690
your hair out and I explained to her you

306
00:13:11,910 --> 00:13:09,550
know I'm transitioning and would like to

307
00:13:15,510 --> 00:13:11,920
keep it going a little longer and she

308
00:13:18,390 --> 00:13:15,520
said oh my god you won't believe who is

309
00:13:19,650 --> 00:13:18,400
another client and I said who she's had

310
00:13:21,600 --> 00:13:19,660
Caitlyn Jenner

311
00:13:22,860 --> 00:13:21,610
and you know at the time I lived well I

312
00:13:26,069 --> 00:13:22,870
went to Pepperdine but I lived in

313
00:13:28,079 --> 00:13:26,079

Beverly Hills at that time and she

314

00:13:30,780 --> 00:13:28,089

introduced us and we kicked it off and

315

00:13:34,290 --> 00:13:30,790

developed a great relationship so was

316

00:13:37,110 --> 00:13:34,300

she really instrumental in assisting you

317

00:13:41,579 --> 00:13:37,120

through the process no you know I well

318

00:13:43,620 --> 00:13:41,589

in some ways you know I've read reports

319

00:13:45,840 --> 00:13:43,630

that Caitlin paid for my sexual

320

00:13:49,889 --> 00:13:45,850

reassignment surgery or paid for gender

321

00:13:52,490 --> 00:13:49,899

affirming surgeries not true at all us

322

00:13:55,559 --> 00:13:52,500

you know she was there for me

323

00:13:57,960 --> 00:13:55,569

emotionally for sure she would call and

324

00:14:04,920 --> 00:13:57,970

check up on me but we weren't you know

325

00:14:07,259 --> 00:14:04,930

in a relationship or really close as we

326

00:14:09,900 --> 00:14:07,269

were after I completed my transition

327

00:14:14,910 --> 00:14:09,910

mm-hmm so and when did it become a

328

00:14:16,439 --> 00:14:14,920

romantic relationship I you know I

329

00:14:17,220 --> 00:14:16,449

wouldn't describe it as a romantic

330

00:14:22,019 --> 00:14:17,230

relationship

331

00:14:23,790 --> 00:14:22,029

we're partners you know we're business

332

00:14:27,990 --> 00:14:23,800

partners I'm the executive director of

333

00:14:30,809 --> 00:14:28,000

her foundation you know we have so much

334

00:14:35,009 --> 00:14:30,819

in common we see the world so similarly

335

00:14:36,449 --> 00:14:35,019

and we both are such a good match for

336

00:14:39,350 --> 00:14:36,459

each other because we challenge each

337

00:14:42,540 --> 00:14:39,360

other she challenges me in so many ways

338

00:14:45,629 --> 00:14:42,550

has allowed me to grow in so many ways

339

00:14:48,480 --> 00:14:45,639

and I hope you know I challenge her to

340

00:14:51,660 --> 00:14:48,490

grow and I think because we share so

341

00:14:53,249 --> 00:14:51,670

many of the same passions and views you

342

00:14:56,129 --> 00:14:53,259

know it's just a great match a great

343

00:14:59,370 --> 00:14:56,139

partnership we are living together we do

344

00:15:01,290 --> 00:14:59,380

live together yes okay so you know I'd

345

00:15:02,249 --> 00:15:01,300

be you know just to kind of the elephant

346

00:15:03,870 --> 00:15:02,259

in the room a lot of people are

347

00:15:05,460 --> 00:15:03,880

wondering you know is this romantic or

348

00:15:07,019 --> 00:15:05,470

is it not I think it's kind of important

349

00:15:08,400 --> 00:15:07,029

just to kind of put that issue to bed

350

00:15:10,949 --> 00:15:08,410

rather think I don't think it's that

351
00:15:16,499 --> 00:15:10,959
important no no I think it's unfortunate

352
00:15:18,540 --> 00:15:16,509
that the media has fixated on - is it

353
00:15:20,340 --> 00:15:18,550
romantic or is it not you know I don't

354
00:15:22,290 --> 00:15:20,350
think we need to talk about is it

355
00:15:24,689 --> 00:15:22,300
romantic or not we're partners and

356
00:15:26,910 --> 00:15:24,699
everything we do we're inseparable we're

357
00:15:29,100 --> 00:15:26,920
business partners we live together we

358
00:15:32,850 --> 00:15:29,110
share a dog we share family we share a

359
00:15:33,510 --> 00:15:32,860
life together but as far as caving in to

360
00:15:36,060 --> 00:15:33,520
the media

361
00:15:37,579 --> 00:15:36,070
and having one of us label it as

362
00:15:40,320 --> 00:15:37,589
something we're not going to do that

363
00:15:42,750 --> 00:15:40,330

well one of the things that perhaps are

364

00:15:46,230 --> 00:15:42,760

just distracting from the trans issues

365

00:15:49,260 --> 00:15:46,240

that you guys want to advocate for is

366

00:15:50,070 --> 00:15:49,270

this what do they call it November - so

367

00:15:52,110 --> 00:15:50,080

what were they called when the

368

00:15:52,769 --> 00:15:52,120

relationship is anyway the age

369

00:15:56,699 --> 00:15:52,779

difference

370

00:15:59,250 --> 00:15:56,709

68 and 22 how do you feel about you know

371

00:16:02,040 --> 00:15:59,260

there's a lot of focus on that how do

372

00:16:03,329 --> 00:16:02,050

you explain how a 68 year old a 22 year

373

00:16:06,060 --> 00:16:03,339

old could have such an intimate

374

00:16:08,250 --> 00:16:06,070

relationship as you guys have well it's

375

00:16:11,510 --> 00:16:08,260

unfortunate again that the media is so

376

00:16:15,680 --> 00:16:11,520

fixated on these sensationalized stories

377

00:16:19,829 --> 00:16:15,690

everything has to be a big sensation and

378

00:16:24,079 --> 00:16:19,839

you know I don't see age as a factor in

379

00:16:28,050 --> 00:16:24,089

our relationship I see we are two souls

380

00:16:31,290 --> 00:16:28,060

that are a fantastic match for one

381

00:16:33,570 --> 00:16:31,300

another and I feel that we're so blessed

382

00:16:34,800 --> 00:16:33,580

to have found each other and to be so

383

00:16:37,079 --> 00:16:34,810

supportive of one another

384

00:16:40,890 --> 00:16:37,089

in everything that we do and you know I

385

00:16:43,440 --> 00:16:40,900

feel beyond blessed that you know we've

386

00:16:44,850 --> 00:16:43,450

been able to keep it going for the time

387

00:16:47,220 --> 00:16:44,860

we've been able to keep it going I don't

388

00:16:49,320 --> 00:16:47,230

think of the age differences anything

389

00:16:51,690 --> 00:16:49,330

Caitlyn has more energy than me most

390

00:16:53,490 --> 00:16:51,700

days Caitlyn's out playing 18 holes of

391

00:16:56,430 --> 00:16:53,500

golf and I'm like oh my god I'm

392

00:16:58,620 --> 00:16:56,440

exhausted I just want to go chill you

393

00:17:00,960 --> 00:16:58,630

know yeah well I'm 19 years older than

394

00:17:02,340 --> 00:17:00,970

my fiancee and I get the same thing I

395

00:17:04,290 --> 00:17:02,350

tend to have more energy than her but

396

00:17:06,120 --> 00:17:04,300

not quite the difference of you guys I

397

00:17:07,740 --> 00:17:06,130

did try to do some research and I found

398

00:17:10,740 --> 00:17:07,750

Hugh Hefner was the only one I could

399

00:17:14,819 --> 00:17:10,750

identify with a bigger age cap than you

400

00:17:17,250 --> 00:17:14,829

two so pH gap is there but we don't feel

401
00:17:18,329 --> 00:17:17,260
that it's there I think the media feels

402
00:17:21,090 --> 00:17:18,339
that it's there because it is

403
00:17:23,960 --> 00:17:21,100
sensationalized it's it's it sells

404
00:17:27,689 --> 00:17:23,970
papers it sells articles it sells clicks

405
00:17:29,760 --> 00:17:27,699
but for us it's not even a factor and

406
00:17:32,940 --> 00:17:29,770
what you know we talk about sexual

407
00:17:35,310 --> 00:17:32,950
orientation so if you're a trans woman

408
00:17:37,470 --> 00:17:35,320
with a trans woman does that mean trans

409
00:17:39,870 --> 00:17:37,480
lesbian is that the right terminology

410
00:17:43,100 --> 00:17:39,880
Porter you know I wouldn't even go down

411
00:17:45,140 --> 00:17:43,110
that road I think that my sexual

412
00:17:47,980 --> 00:17:45,150
orientation is

413
00:17:52,760 --> 00:17:47,990

something that I need to discuss I think

414

00:17:56,180 --> 00:17:52,770

you know I am I choose to be with

415

00:17:59,780 --> 00:17:56,190

someone based on the person and the

416

00:18:00,560 --> 00:17:59,790

person happens to be a trans woman and I

417

00:18:02,360 --> 00:18:00,570

think that's great

418

00:18:04,760 --> 00:18:02,370

had you ever dated a transgendered

419

00:18:06,620 --> 00:18:04,770

person before I would not say we're

420

00:18:10,130 --> 00:18:06,630

dating first of all I would back up I

421

00:18:11,660 --> 00:18:10,140

would say we are partners I would not

422

00:18:16,280 --> 00:18:11,670

use the word girlfriend I would not use

423

00:18:18,530 --> 00:18:16,290

the word dating we're partners and no I

424

00:18:23,180 --> 00:18:18,540

had never been with anyone that was not

425

00:18:23,810 --> 00:18:23,190

a male so there's haters out there on

426

00:18:26,210 --> 00:18:23,820

the Internet

427

00:18:27,590 --> 00:18:26,220

yes let's go through just a couple of

428

00:18:29,360 --> 00:18:27,600

them I just help you set the record

429

00:18:30,500 --> 00:18:29,370

straight I mean the obvious one is this

430

00:18:33,370 --> 00:18:30,510

is all for publicity

431

00:18:37,820 --> 00:18:33,380

this isn't this relationship isn't real

432

00:18:39,770 --> 00:18:37,830

not gonna respond this was one that I

433

00:18:41,900 --> 00:18:39,780

find hopefully you'll get a chuckle out

434

00:18:44,030 --> 00:18:41,910

of this one but they say that yes Sophia

435

00:18:49,220 --> 00:18:44,040

transition she transitioned to being our

436

00:18:50,660 --> 00:18:49,230

Kardashian my goodness well I think they

437

00:18:52,760 --> 00:18:50,670

mean that in the sense that you know now

438

00:18:55,250 --> 00:18:52,770

you are an Instagram and you are

439

00:18:56,930 --> 00:18:55,260

beautiful and and out there and I know

440

00:18:57,980 --> 00:18:56,940

they're saying your model perhaps you're

441

00:19:00,080 --> 00:18:57,990

not modeling but there appear to be

442

00:19:03,620 --> 00:19:00,090

modeling pictures and so on and suddenly

443

00:19:05,240 --> 00:19:03,630

you're in this that type of world do you

444

00:19:08,870 --> 00:19:05,250

feel like you're in that type of world

445

00:19:10,880 --> 00:19:08,880

now no I'm a businesswoman because I am

446

00:19:13,580 --> 00:19:10,890

pretty and I post a pretty picture on

447

00:19:15,890 --> 00:19:13,590

Instagram suddenly I'm a model and you

448

00:19:19,010 --> 00:19:15,900

know hats off to the Kardashians and

449

00:19:23,060 --> 00:19:19,020

Jenner's they have channeled the

450

00:19:25,790 --> 00:19:23,070

ultimate power a woman could channel you

451
00:19:30,260 --> 00:19:25,800
know they are all smart business women

452
00:19:33,169 --> 00:19:30,270
they are all extremely hard workers and

453
00:19:35,210 --> 00:19:33,179
I look up to all of them and I think you

454
00:19:37,910 --> 00:19:35,220
know being raised by Bruce and being

455
00:19:39,560 --> 00:19:37,920
raised by Kris really influenced them

456
00:19:41,720 --> 00:19:39,570
and I couldn't be prouder of all of them

457
00:19:42,860 --> 00:19:41,730
more proud of all of them and do you

458
00:19:47,600 --> 00:19:42,870
have a relationship with his children

459
00:19:50,230 --> 00:19:47,610
and grandchildren sorry yes you know the

460
00:19:53,510 --> 00:19:50,240
family is all extremely nice to me

461
00:19:56,110 --> 00:19:53,520
extremely welcoming we just had lunch

462
00:20:00,080 --> 00:19:56,120
with Kylie and little stormy yesterday

463
00:20:04,520 --> 00:20:00,090

and you know I couldn't I feel very

464

00:20:07,730 --> 00:20:04,530

welcomed that you connected with Caitlyn

465

00:20:11,480 --> 00:20:07,740

because you couldn't find a job couldn't

466

00:20:14,150 --> 00:20:11,490

find a job okay well I was the president

467

00:20:16,430 --> 00:20:14,160

of my class for three years I

468

00:20:20,660 --> 00:20:16,440

interviewed at every bank on Wall Street

469

00:20:23,840 --> 00:20:20,670

Goldman Sachs Merrill Lynch Credit

470

00:20:26,510 --> 00:20:23,850

Suisse lists JPMorgan Chase the list

471

00:20:31,760 --> 00:20:26,520

goes on I could have found a job my job

472

00:20:33,830 --> 00:20:31,770

now is so much more fun and I love that

473

00:20:37,400 --> 00:20:33,840

I'm at the intersection of entertainment

474

00:20:39,050 --> 00:20:37,410

business and philanthropy yeah let's

475

00:20:40,040 --> 00:20:39,060

talk about what you're doing as her

476
00:20:42,169 --> 00:20:40,050
manager

477
00:20:44,890 --> 00:20:42,179
yeah what what are you hoping to achieve

478
00:20:48,980 --> 00:20:44,900
by being her manager I've achieved a lot

479
00:20:50,570 --> 00:20:48,990
for her basically our business is broken

480
00:20:54,200 --> 00:20:50,580
down in a few different segments we have

481
00:20:56,330 --> 00:20:54,210
public speaking we have media

482
00:20:59,419 --> 00:20:56,340
appearances and then we have endorsement

483
00:21:02,419 --> 00:20:59,429
deals and between me

484
00:21:04,820 --> 00:21:02,429
our legal team and our public relations

485
00:21:08,180 --> 00:21:04,830
team we're able to get deals done really

486
00:21:11,390 --> 00:21:08,190
nicely between that team and myself

487
00:21:14,210 --> 00:21:11,400
managing our team and you know I think

488
00:21:16,460 --> 00:21:14,220

it's been fabulous so there's the

489

00:21:19,310 --> 00:21:16,470

business side of managing her and then

490

00:21:21,200 --> 00:21:19,320

there's the advocacy side major right so

491

00:21:24,290 --> 00:21:21,210

on the advocacy side to dress that as

492

00:21:26,750 --> 00:21:24,300

her manager I like to merge the two I

493

00:21:29,180 --> 00:21:26,760

think everything Caitlyn does has to

494

00:21:32,960 --> 00:21:29,190

have a philanthropic twist that

495

00:21:34,930 --> 00:21:32,970

philanthropic deal that she did with mac

496

00:21:38,060 --> 00:21:34,940

cosmetics Estee Lauder

497

00:21:40,390 --> 00:21:38,070

you know there was the business side in

498

00:21:42,950 --> 00:21:40,400

your getting paid to license your name

499

00:21:45,980 --> 00:21:42,960

but there is the philanthropic side

500

00:21:49,750 --> 00:21:45,990

where a percentage of all sales goes to

501
00:21:52,250 --> 00:21:49,760
the transgender max transgender

502
00:21:53,600 --> 00:21:52,260
initiative in the AIDS Fund so things

503
00:21:55,490 --> 00:21:53,610
like that when you get an endorsement

504
00:21:57,500 --> 00:21:55,500
deal a percentage of proceeds or a

505
00:22:00,620 --> 00:21:57,510
percentage of profits or an annual

506
00:22:02,840 --> 00:22:00,630
guarantee of some kind goes to charity

507
00:22:04,940 --> 00:22:02,850
I love blending those two things

508
00:22:07,370 --> 00:22:04,950
together and I think because we are in

509
00:22:09,800 --> 00:22:07,380
the privileged position of the trans

510
00:22:11,360 --> 00:22:09,810
community that's our obligation that's

511
00:22:14,990 --> 00:22:11,370
my obligation as her business

512
00:22:18,260 --> 00:22:15,000
manager that's her obligation erect not

513
00:22:20,060 --> 00:22:18,270

her obligation to do any philanthropy

514

00:22:23,000 --> 00:22:20,070

but we're blessed to be in positions

515

00:22:24,650 --> 00:22:23,010

that we're in where we can do that yeah

516

00:22:26,960 --> 00:22:24,660

I mean she is arguably the most famous

517

00:22:28,840 --> 00:22:26,970

transgendered person yeah in the world

518

00:22:29,990 --> 00:22:28,850

definitely and with that comes

519

00:22:32,210 --> 00:22:30,000

obligations

520

00:22:35,780 --> 00:22:32,220

I would imagine she feels and you feel

521

00:22:37,549 --> 00:22:35,790

she definitely feels a tremendous sense

522

00:22:40,730 --> 00:22:37,559

of obligation to helping the trans

523

00:22:44,870 --> 00:22:40,740

community because as you know the

524

00:22:48,220 --> 00:22:44,880

community is so marginalized you know as

525

00:22:50,720 --> 00:22:48,230

the executive director of the foundation

526

00:22:53,450 --> 00:22:50,730

where I spend most of my time is raising

527

00:22:55,730 --> 00:22:53,460

money but on the flip side of that what

528

00:22:57,740 --> 00:22:55,740

do we do when we have you know a ton of

529

00:23:00,470 --> 00:22:57,750

money raised we have to give it away

530

00:23:02,360 --> 00:23:00,480

and I get to vet organizations to give

531

00:23:04,250 --> 00:23:02,370

it away to and in the process of vetting

532

00:23:05,930 --> 00:23:04,260

those organizations you know I'm looking

533

00:23:08,960 --> 00:23:05,940

over financial statements I'm looking

534

00:23:11,080 --> 00:23:08,970

over 990s you know you look over all

535

00:23:13,010 --> 00:23:11,090

these forms and balance sheets and

536

00:23:15,620 --> 00:23:13,020

income statements and when you're

537

00:23:17,720 --> 00:23:15,630

looking through what these extremely

538

00:23:19,850 --> 00:23:17,730

marginalised organizations are running

539

00:23:23,540 --> 00:23:19,860

their operations on and they're making

540

00:23:27,110 --> 00:23:23,550

such a difference in doing so you really

541

00:23:29,750 --> 00:23:27,120

realize wow we have a tremendous

542

00:23:33,049 --> 00:23:29,760

responsibility to not only identify

543

00:23:34,910 --> 00:23:33,059

these organizations but help them most

544

00:23:37,340 --> 00:23:34,920

trans organizations that we end up

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00:23:41,540 --> 00:23:37,350

supporting have operating budgets under

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00:23:43,490 --> 00:23:41,550

\$10,000 a year so you know our donations

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00:23:45,919 --> 00:23:43,500

are often the largest donations that

548

00:23:48,890 --> 00:23:45,929

they've ever received because they are

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00:23:50,780 --> 00:23:48,900

the Forgotten of the LGB MT so it must

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00:23:53,900 --> 00:23:50,790

be frustrating for you though to have

551
00:23:56,870 --> 00:23:53,910
the media so focused on the nature of

552
00:23:58,370 --> 00:23:56,880
the relationship between you two - and

553
00:24:01,549 --> 00:23:58,380
it's pushing aside the other things you

554
00:24:05,750 --> 00:24:01,559
guys wanna it is that is a frustration

555
00:24:07,970 --> 00:24:05,760
to me but I do realize like we said

556
00:24:10,460 --> 00:24:07,980
earlier the media loves a

557
00:24:12,710 --> 00:24:10,470
sensationalized story they love oh the

558
00:24:16,040 --> 00:24:12,720
new car - the new Kardashian wannabe

559
00:24:17,570 --> 00:24:16,050
you know I mean come on no way what

560
00:24:20,540 --> 00:24:17,580
about engage they say engagements no

561
00:24:22,460 --> 00:24:20,550
engagement if I was engaged I would

562
00:24:24,830 --> 00:24:22,470
announce that I was engaged

563
00:24:26,330 --> 00:24:24,840

katelyn you know and I were to be

564

00:24:29,060 --> 00:24:26,340

engaged we would announce that we're not

565

00:24:31,240 --> 00:24:29,070

ashamed of our relationship at all but

566

00:24:34,100 --> 00:24:31,250

would you like to have some privacy and

567

00:24:37,310 --> 00:24:34,110

that's something you know that we would

568

00:24:39,470 --> 00:24:37,320

decide when the time was right to

569

00:24:40,970 --> 00:24:39,480

announce so we've talked about what

570

00:24:43,430 --> 00:24:40,980

you're trying to achieve for for Caitlyn

571

00:24:46,519 --> 00:24:43,440

what about for yourself you you're now

572

00:24:48,049 --> 00:24:46,529

in this position of notoriety and being

573

00:24:48,919 --> 00:24:48,059

able to assist Caitlyn what she's doing

574

00:24:52,399 --> 00:24:48,929

what do you hope to achieve for yourself

575

00:24:54,830 --> 00:24:52,409

ultimately well I think and what we are

576

00:24:56,240 --> 00:24:54,840

doing I'm achieving a lot for myself I

577

00:24:58,159 --> 00:24:56,250

don't know a lot of 22 year olds that

578

00:25:00,110 --> 00:24:58,169

have done you know million-dollar

579

00:25:02,180 --> 00:25:00,120

endorsement seals to you I don't know a

580

00:25:04,279 --> 00:25:02,190

lot of 22 year olds that have found

581

00:25:06,619 --> 00:25:04,289

investors for companies and that have

582

00:25:09,249 --> 00:25:06,629

ultimately started companies so I feel

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00:25:12,139 --> 00:25:09,259

you know I'm just adding a lot of

584

00:25:14,360 --> 00:25:12,149

experiences that are invaluable but with

585

00:25:17,330 --> 00:25:14,370

those experiences also being in the

586

00:25:20,360 --> 00:25:17,340

public eye kind of takes a toll on you

587

00:25:23,659 --> 00:25:20,370

if you let it and I've learned you know

588

00:25:27,590 --> 00:25:23,669

as I as we've been together how to

589

00:25:29,210 --> 00:25:27,600

handle that in healthier ways and you

590

00:25:31,039 --> 00:25:29,220

know let haters hate you're not going to

591

00:25:32,720 --> 00:25:31,049

change the haters minds and you just

592

00:25:34,730 --> 00:25:32,730

keep doing what you know is right in the

593

00:25:36,529 --> 00:25:34,740

in the end you'll prevail so do you have

594

00:25:37,940 --> 00:25:36,539

a vision for yourself career-wise down

595

00:25:39,110 --> 00:25:37,950

the road for instance I've read you know

596

00:25:40,369 --> 00:25:39,120

at one point you wanted to be a

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00:25:42,619 --> 00:25:40,379

corporate finance lawyer

598

00:25:44,149 --> 00:25:42,629

another thing indicated them you might

599

00:25:45,259 --> 00:25:44,159

be in some politics down the road what

600

00:25:47,899 --> 00:25:45,269

do you envision for yourself down the

601
00:25:50,539 --> 00:25:47,909
road politics no when I was younger I

602
00:25:52,610 --> 00:25:50,549
did think a lot about politics

603
00:25:56,360 --> 00:25:52,620
and when I say younger I mean high

604
00:25:58,639 --> 00:25:56,370
school days I in high school I was the

605
00:26:00,350 --> 00:25:58,649
state debate champion for two years in a

606
00:26:03,499 --> 00:26:00,360
row I was nationally ranked for three

607
00:26:05,600 --> 00:26:03,509
years in a row my high school experience

608
00:26:07,580 --> 00:26:05,610
was very different than most people's

609
00:26:10,490 --> 00:26:07,590
high school experience I was on the road

610
00:26:12,080 --> 00:26:10,500
every weekend literally every weekend to

611
00:26:13,759 --> 00:26:12,090
the East Coast at a debate tournament

612
00:26:15,379 --> 00:26:13,769
and did extraordinarily well in debate

613
00:26:17,090 --> 00:26:15,389

so I kind of thought maybe I want to go

614

00:26:18,649 --> 00:26:17,100

down the law school political road and

615

00:26:20,210 --> 00:26:18,659

then I got to college and I said wait I

616

00:26:22,460 --> 00:26:20,220

love business I want to go on Wall

617

00:26:23,749 --> 00:26:22,470

Street and then I met Caitlyn and I

618

00:26:27,200 --> 00:26:23,759

realized I can do business

619

00:26:29,389 --> 00:26:27,210

two big deals be part be a part of big

620

00:26:32,269 --> 00:26:29,399

projects and then also in the

621

00:26:35,260 --> 00:26:32,279

entertainment world I love it you know I

622

00:26:39,370 --> 00:26:35,270

see my future as

623

00:26:44,740 --> 00:26:39,380

a businesswoman as a philanthropist as

624

00:26:46,630 --> 00:26:44,750

someone that gets done so let's

625

00:26:47,980 --> 00:26:46,640

talk about your transition it seems as

626

00:26:50,470 --> 00:26:47,990

you said you were an overachiever

627

00:26:52,690 --> 00:26:50,480

in high school well thank you things

628

00:26:55,120 --> 00:26:52,700

seem to be going extremely well for you

629

00:26:55,810 --> 00:26:55,130

and you're going to Pepperdine in Malibu

630

00:26:57,790 --> 00:26:55,820

Thanks

631

00:26:59,230 --> 00:26:57,800

it seems to be somewhat in congruence

632

00:27:02,440 --> 00:26:59,240

with other trans stories where they're

633

00:27:03,370 --> 00:27:02,450

really struggling so yeah why didn't

634

00:27:05,920 --> 00:27:03,380

seem like you were struggling were you

635

00:27:08,470 --> 00:27:05,930

struggling you know I had I think the

636

00:27:11,800 --> 00:27:08,480

easiest transition anyone could possibly

637

00:27:14,950 --> 00:27:11,810

have I grew up with my grandparents and

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00:27:18,580 --> 00:27:14,960

my grandparents were entirely supportive

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00:27:21,580 --> 00:27:18,590

of my transition I was in a really good

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00:27:23,710 --> 00:27:21,590

high school a really elite college prep

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00:27:27,520 --> 00:27:23,720

school in Seattle Catholic school

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00:27:29,020 --> 00:27:27,530

Catholic school which was a phenomenal

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00:27:32,080 --> 00:27:29,030

experience because of debate and then I

644

00:27:33,820 --> 00:27:32,090

got into a pretty decent college I got

645

00:27:37,120 --> 00:27:33,830

into Emory University University of

646

00:27:38,470 --> 00:27:37,130

Virginia and Pepperdine and I ultimately

647

00:27:40,510 --> 00:27:38,480

went with Pepperdine because they gave

648

00:27:42,130 --> 00:27:40,520

me the best deal I'm a businesswoman

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00:27:45,370 --> 00:27:42,140

have to remember so they gave me the

650

00:27:47,260 --> 00:27:45,380

biggest scholarship that was great based

651
00:27:50,290 --> 00:27:47,270
merit-based service were you into

652
00:27:52,930 --> 00:27:50,300
athletics at all in never no actually

653
00:27:55,150 --> 00:27:52,940
living with in living with the greatest

654
00:27:57,220 --> 00:27:55,160
athlete in the world has turned me more

655
00:28:00,820 --> 00:27:57,230
into an athlete and now I'm like a golf

656
00:28:04,540 --> 00:28:00,830
fanatic but that's beside the point you

657
00:28:09,310 --> 00:28:04,550
know I would say that I always wanted a

658
00:28:12,460 --> 00:28:09,320
lot my grandparents raised me to chase

659
00:28:14,290 --> 00:28:12,470
my dreams my grandparents chased their

660
00:28:17,200 --> 00:28:14,300
dreams my grandfather grew up in a town

661
00:28:19,570 --> 00:28:17,210
of 30 people in rural Vermont and no one

662
00:28:21,490 --> 00:28:19,580
ever left that town you either went into

663
00:28:23,590 --> 00:28:21,500

the military or you went to work at a

664

00:28:27,160 --> 00:28:23,600

granite quarry my grandfather went to

665

00:28:29,410 --> 00:28:27,170

college and I and Iowa and married my

666

00:28:31,710 --> 00:28:29,420

grandmother they lived two doors down

667

00:28:35,110 --> 00:28:31,720

from each other in this small town and

668

00:28:37,840 --> 00:28:35,120

moved to New York and then eventually

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00:28:39,430 --> 00:28:37,850

moved to Seattle worked at Boeing for 25

670

00:28:41,050 --> 00:28:39,440

years then became an independent

671

00:28:44,110 --> 00:28:41,060

contractor for the govt designing

672

00:28:47,020 --> 00:28:44,120

rockets he was a rocket scientist and he

673

00:28:48,910 --> 00:28:47,030

was my number one inspiration and

674

00:28:51,820 --> 00:28:48,920

someone that I still look up to

675

00:28:55,600 --> 00:28:51,830

to this day of how I want to live my

676

00:28:58,360 --> 00:28:55,610

life and model my life after so for me

677

00:29:01,600 --> 00:28:58,370

being raised by such a supportive family

678

00:29:03,190 --> 00:29:01,610

being in a college where I know you know

679

00:29:07,600 --> 00:29:03,200

if I worked my butt off I could get a

680

00:29:10,000 --> 00:29:07,610

job afterwards and then you know going

681

00:29:12,340 --> 00:29:10,010

through a transition where I was able to

682

00:29:13,780 --> 00:29:12,350

get the medically necessary treatment

683

00:29:16,780 --> 00:29:13,790

for me

684

00:29:18,700 --> 00:29:16,790

I'm just so privileged and so blessed to

685

00:29:20,320 --> 00:29:18,710

be in that position so why is it that

686

00:29:23,350 --> 00:29:20,330

you were raised by your grandparents I

687

00:29:26,050 --> 00:29:23,360

grew up with my grandparents primarily

688

00:29:29,890 --> 00:29:26,060

because my parents had divorced at a

689

00:29:32,140 --> 00:29:29,900

really young age and I was in a school

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00:29:34,090 --> 00:29:32,150

district I wasn't so they didn't have a

691

00:29:37,960 --> 00:29:34,100

lot of money when they divorced my mom I

692

00:29:39,490 --> 00:29:37,970

lived with a single mom and they didn't

693

00:29:41,800 --> 00:29:39,500

have a lot of money at the time so they

694

00:29:43,240 --> 00:29:41,810

couldn't send me to to a good school and

695

00:29:47,320 --> 00:29:43,250

I needed to be in a good school because

696

00:29:48,100 --> 00:29:47,330

I was just you know not being challenged

697

00:29:50,290 --> 00:29:48,110

at all

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00:29:52,660 --> 00:29:50,300

so I moved in with my grandparents

699

00:29:56,050 --> 00:29:52,670

because they could they had the means to

700

00:29:57,220 --> 00:29:56,060

send me to a really good school and how

701
00:29:58,570 --> 00:29:57,230
was your relationship now with your

702
00:30:00,490 --> 00:29:58,580
parents you still maintained a

703
00:30:03,160 --> 00:30:00,500
relationship with him I'm not super

704
00:30:06,370 --> 00:30:03,170
close with my parents I never really

705
00:30:08,980 --> 00:30:06,380
have been I'm closer with my mom than I

706
00:30:12,280 --> 00:30:08,990
am with my dad and we have a great

707
00:30:14,200 --> 00:30:12,290
relationship we talk every day

708
00:30:15,910 --> 00:30:14,210
Caitlin calls her mom in the morning I

709
00:30:17,500 --> 00:30:15,920
called my mom in the morning and then I

710
00:30:23,050 --> 00:30:17,510
called my grandmother right after that

711
00:30:24,910 --> 00:30:23,060
and it's really nice and but essentially

712
00:30:25,960 --> 00:30:24,920
when you were a child it was you were

713
00:30:28,810 --> 00:30:25,970

living with your grandparents and that's

714

00:30:31,420 --> 00:30:28,820

in in Washington yes in Seattle mm-hmm

715

00:30:33,100 --> 00:30:31,430

and where was mom and dad were they at

716

00:30:36,220 --> 00:30:33,110

least in the same yeah they were in the

717

00:30:38,170 --> 00:30:36,230

same area just about 45 minutes out of

718

00:30:39,490 --> 00:30:38,180

Seattle so we talked about you have an

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00:30:42,610 --> 00:30:39,500

easy transition

720

00:30:44,860 --> 00:30:42,620

we know that suicide suicidal thoughts

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

common in the trans community yeah is

722

00:30:52,120 --> 00:30:46,880

that something that was ever part of

723

00:30:54,850 --> 00:30:52,130

your experience I never had the

724

00:30:57,670 --> 00:30:54,860

inclination I never had the thought I

725

00:30:59,890 --> 00:30:57,680

could see why people would you know

726

00:31:01,360 --> 00:30:59,900

because I am very familiar with the

727

00:31:02,470 --> 00:31:01,370

struggles of the community through my

728

00:31:07,290 --> 00:31:02,480

work at the foundation

729

00:31:09,970 --> 00:31:07,300

in vetting out various organizations and

730

00:31:11,590 --> 00:31:09,980

you know the suicide rate is 10 times

731

00:31:14,680 --> 00:31:11,600

higher than the general public the

732

00:31:17,110 --> 00:31:14,690

general public has a 4.7 time or 4.7%

733

00:31:22,750 --> 00:31:17,120

suicide rate the trans community has a

734

00:31:25,810 --> 00:31:22,760

40% suicide rate and you know I was just

735

00:31:29,620 --> 00:31:25,820

so lucky that I was in a supportive

736

00:31:31,210 --> 00:31:29,630

family and I felt that when I got

737

00:31:33,360 --> 00:31:31,220

through this transition I was gonna make

738

00:31:37,090 --> 00:31:33,370

it on to the other side and be just fine

739

00:31:40,510 --> 00:31:37,100

so when did you start first feeling like

740

00:31:42,700 --> 00:31:40,520

perhaps him in the wrong body oh four or

741

00:31:45,610 --> 00:31:42,710

five years old I remember telling my

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00:31:47,830 --> 00:31:45,620

parents I remember telling my parents

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00:31:49,960 --> 00:31:47,840

grandparents our parents sorry parents

744

00:31:51,520 --> 00:31:49,970

because my parents divorced at five when

745

00:31:53,080 --> 00:31:51,530

I was five years old so it was while

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00:31:56,740 --> 00:31:53,090

they were still raising me when I was

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00:31:59,830 --> 00:31:56,750

really young I remember telling them I

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00:32:04,740 --> 00:31:59,840

said you know something about I don't

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00:32:08,140 --> 00:32:04,750

know why I have a penis and they said oh

750

00:32:10,030 --> 00:32:08,150

okay well that's interesting and kind of

751
00:32:11,890 --> 00:32:10,040
swept it under the rug that was my first

752
00:32:14,710 --> 00:32:11,900
memory of ever bringing up gender

753
00:32:18,490 --> 00:32:14,720
dysphoria to them and for me that was

754
00:32:21,670 --> 00:32:18,500
the kind of the first time I ever

755
00:32:23,470 --> 00:32:21,680
publicly expressed that and then in high

756
00:32:27,250 --> 00:32:23,480
school I was in a long-term relationship

757
00:32:30,640 --> 00:32:27,260
with the guy who was a few years older

758
00:32:33,280 --> 00:32:30,650
than me not is not 45 years older than

759
00:32:34,690 --> 00:32:33,290
me like Caitlyn but a few years older

760
00:32:38,170 --> 00:32:34,700
than me and I remember telling him I

761
00:32:40,600 --> 00:32:38,180
said you know I need to do something

762
00:32:43,710 --> 00:32:40,610
because this isn't right you know I just

763
00:32:47,290 --> 00:32:43,720

feel really just for akin this body and

764

00:32:51,040 --> 00:32:47,300

I felt like my soul my personality is

765

00:32:53,320 --> 00:32:51,050

exactly the same as it was then but my

766

00:32:57,610 --> 00:32:53,330

body just reflects how I feel on the

767

00:32:59,770 --> 00:32:57,620

inside so Sabrina to refer to her again

768

00:33:02,560 --> 00:32:59,780

refer to it as having a female spirits

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00:33:04,420 --> 00:33:02,570

how would you describe what gender

770

00:33:07,030 --> 00:33:04,430

dysphoria and ultimately transgenderism

771

00:33:09,670 --> 00:33:07,040

was to you yeah I think it's so

772

00:33:16,120 --> 00:33:09,680

different for everyone

773

00:33:19,630 --> 00:33:16,130

for me I truly feel my spirit my soul my

774

00:33:22,630 --> 00:33:19,640

is exactly the same I am just so much

775

00:33:26,080 --> 00:33:22,640

more comfortable physically you know

776

00:33:28,779 --> 00:33:26,090

before I transitioned I felt like yeah

777

00:33:31,360 --> 00:33:28,789

I'm definitely just a girl but I'm in

778

00:33:34,090 --> 00:33:31,370

the wrong body and I felt trapped in

779

00:33:36,940 --> 00:33:34,100

that body and I needed to have the

780

00:33:38,919 --> 00:33:36,950

hormones to change the body for me the

781

00:33:41,140 --> 00:33:38,929

surgeries to change the body and I

782

00:33:43,330 --> 00:33:41,150

emphasize for me because I realized not

783

00:33:45,730 --> 00:33:43,340

everyone needs that to feel like a woman

784

00:33:48,370 --> 00:33:45,740

but for me that's what I wanted to do

785

00:33:49,779 --> 00:33:48,380

and that's what made me ultimately so at

786

00:33:54,279 --> 00:33:49,789

peace

787

00:33:56,500 --> 00:33:54,289

so yeah does that answer your question

788

00:33:57,940 --> 00:33:56,510

well a bit I mean it Braves it the

789

00:34:01,740 --> 00:33:57,950

ultimate question you know what is this

790

00:34:06,070 --> 00:34:01,750

you know what is transgendered yeah uh

791

00:34:10,899 --> 00:34:06,080

transgender to me is you know someone

792

00:34:15,070 --> 00:34:10,909

that was born either male or female sex

793

00:34:18,369 --> 00:34:15,080

and wants to change their the way the

794

00:34:23,080 --> 00:34:18,379

world perceives their sex and do you

795

00:34:26,349 --> 00:34:23,090

ponder what the causes of it is no I

796

00:34:27,700 --> 00:34:26,359

think I truly was made this way so yeah

797

00:34:29,680 --> 00:34:27,710

that and that's what I meant by spirit

798

00:34:32,109 --> 00:34:29,690

that Sabrina basically feels like she

799

00:34:34,869 --> 00:34:32,119

was born with a female spirit that's how

800

00:34:36,280 --> 00:34:34,879

she defines it yeah how it would you

801
00:34:41,580 --> 00:34:36,290
define it I think that's a great

802
00:34:45,190 --> 00:34:41,590
definition born with female spirit born

803
00:34:47,290 --> 00:34:45,200
you know society really defines male and

804
00:34:50,919 --> 00:34:47,300
female Society defines masculine and

805
00:34:53,260 --> 00:34:50,929
feminine and by society's definition

806
00:34:57,040 --> 00:34:53,270
I always felt feminine I always felt

807
00:34:59,230 --> 00:34:57,050
female physically I was not female at

808
00:35:02,320 --> 00:34:59,240
birth because the doctor said oh it's a

809
00:35:05,170 --> 00:35:02,330
boy he's got a penis and that's kind of

810
00:35:08,530 --> 00:35:05,180
an unfortunate way to define sex or

811
00:35:10,120 --> 00:35:08,540
gender I think it's so much more complex

812
00:35:12,220 --> 00:35:10,130
than that because of the influence

813
00:35:15,760 --> 00:35:12,230

society has on defining masculine and

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00:35:17,260 --> 00:35:15,770

feminine male female sex and gender so

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00:35:20,020 --> 00:35:17,270

spirit that's a bit of a metaphysical

816

00:35:23,590 --> 00:35:20,030

explanation for us what about more of a

817

00:35:25,329 --> 00:35:23,600

scientific explanation yeah do you have

818

00:35:27,760 --> 00:35:25,339

a scientific explanation for it or do

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00:35:29,150 --> 00:35:27,770

you look for that I'm not qualified to

820

00:35:31,700 --> 00:35:29,160

answer that I am

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00:35:34,640 --> 00:35:31,710

well-versed in research on if they're

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00:35:36,710 --> 00:35:34,650

you know on what you know if there is a

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00:35:38,750 --> 00:35:36,720

common theme of chemical reactions in

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00:35:40,640 --> 00:35:38,760

the brain that transgender people

825

00:35:43,340 --> 00:35:40,650

experience or transsexual people

826
00:35:45,110 --> 00:35:43,350
experience more than cisgender people

827
00:35:47,300 --> 00:35:45,120
I'm not I don't know

828
00:35:49,520 --> 00:35:47,310
so something we've been covering a lot

829
00:35:52,340 --> 00:35:49,530
in the show is children with gender

830
00:35:53,720 --> 00:35:52,350
dysphoria and what should parents do a

831
00:35:56,210 --> 00:35:53,730
lot of parents out there are faced with

832
00:35:58,760 --> 00:35:56,220
the four or five year old that says why

833
00:36:01,430 --> 00:35:58,770
do I have a penis yes so having been

834
00:36:03,710 --> 00:36:01,440
that four or five year old how do you

835
00:36:05,030 --> 00:36:03,720
feel your parents handled it and what

836
00:36:07,010 --> 00:36:05,040
did your advice to parents when the

837
00:36:09,680 --> 00:36:07,020
child comes to you with that my parents

838
00:36:10,250 --> 00:36:09,690

did not handle it well but I don't blame

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00:36:14,060 --> 00:36:10,260

them

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00:36:17,060 --> 00:36:14,070

I think if you know your little boy in

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00:36:20,150 --> 00:36:17,070

your head said that he didn't feel like

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00:36:22,040 --> 00:36:20,160

a boy it would be a little

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00:36:24,380 --> 00:36:22,050

nerve-wracking for a parent to hear that

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00:36:27,470 --> 00:36:24,390

you know they see you as their son their

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00:36:31,670 --> 00:36:27,480

baby boy and so I don't blame my parents

846

00:36:33,800 --> 00:36:31,680

at all however I think we're in a

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00:36:39,080 --> 00:36:33,810

country in a society in the United

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00:36:41,690 --> 00:36:39,090

States that is very judeo-christian and

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00:36:44,930 --> 00:36:41,700

as a result of being that

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00:36:46,820 --> 00:36:44,940

judeo-christian country I don't think

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00:36:49,130 --> 00:36:46,830

there is a lot of openness and

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00:36:52,730 --> 00:36:49,140

discussion in discussions on sexuality

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00:36:55,610 --> 00:36:52,740

or gender you know we do a lot of work

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00:36:58,210 --> 00:36:55,620

internationally and most recently I was

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00:37:01,760 --> 00:36:58,220

in the Netherlands in Amsterdam and

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00:37:05,630 --> 00:37:01,770

Amsterdam is a very open much more

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00:37:08,090 --> 00:37:05,640

secular society than we are and as a

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00:37:10,940 --> 00:37:08,100

result of that those conversations are

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00:37:14,870 --> 00:37:10,950

much more open much more well received

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00:37:17,000 --> 00:37:14,880

by parents and more expected than they

861

00:37:19,550 --> 00:37:17,010

are here in the United States and if a

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00:37:22,280 --> 00:37:19,560

child you know were to present that idea

863

00:37:25,280 --> 00:37:22,290

to a parent in Amsterdam or in the

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00:37:26,510 --> 00:37:25,290

Netherlands for instance the parents are

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00:37:28,370 --> 00:37:26,520

going to seek treatment because it's

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00:37:30,980 --> 00:37:28,380

more open it's out in the open the

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00:37:33,310 --> 00:37:30,990

dialog is there it's okay

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00:37:36,230 --> 00:37:33,320

I think Arce's that our society is

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00:37:37,910 --> 00:37:36,240

behind that curve and it's unfortunate

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00:37:39,530 --> 00:37:37,920

but I think we'll get there yeah well

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00:37:42,080 --> 00:37:39,540

that's what I'm hoping to do is open up

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00:37:42,860 --> 00:37:42,090

that dialog because you know there's

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00:37:45,080 --> 00:37:42,870

extremists on

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00:37:45,950 --> 00:37:45,090

both sides yes and you've got the

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00:37:47,600 --> 00:37:45,960

extremists

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00:37:49,430 --> 00:37:47,610

maybe it's the religious right what have

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00:37:52,070 --> 00:37:49,440

you that wants to keep it down and in

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00:37:53,750 --> 00:37:52,080

the closet my concern though also is

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00:37:56,450 --> 00:37:53,760

extremists on the other side that

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00:37:58,460 --> 00:37:56,460

basically they they it seems to me they

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00:38:01,130 --> 00:37:58,470

want to remove all stigma associated

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00:38:04,370 --> 00:38:01,140

with transgenderism is 100 percent

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00:38:05,570 --> 00:38:04,380

support that but in order to remove it

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00:38:06,980 --> 00:38:05,580

they they want to say that well if the

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00:38:09,560 --> 00:38:06,990

five-year-old comes to you and says that

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00:38:12,380 --> 00:38:09,570

I feel like a girl what you need to do

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00:38:13,850 --> 00:38:12,390

is immediately embrace that let him wear

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00:38:15,230 --> 00:38:13,860

a dress let him change his name that's

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00:38:18,170 --> 00:38:15,240

the that's the best thing to and that's

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00:38:20,660 --> 00:38:18,180

what I would say extremists on the LGBTQ

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00:38:22,400 --> 00:38:20,670

side is seem to be telling parents to do

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00:38:23,960 --> 00:38:22,410

do you think that that's the right

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00:38:27,110 --> 00:38:23,970

approach for parents is to immediately

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00:38:29,240 --> 00:38:27,120

but help this five-year-old who says I

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00:38:31,820 --> 00:38:29,250

don't know why I have a penis to start

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00:38:33,170 --> 00:38:31,830

transitioning essentially you know I

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00:38:35,990 --> 00:38:33,180

think that's a point where you start

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00:38:40,040 --> 00:38:36,000

exploring how serious this sensation is

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00:38:43,550 --> 00:38:40,050

in their head as a parent you know if I

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00:38:45,440 --> 00:38:43,560

were the parent and my daughter said you

901
00:38:47,470 --> 00:38:45,450
know why do I have a vagina I think I

902
00:38:50,660 --> 00:38:47,480
should have a penis at a young age I

903
00:38:53,180 --> 00:38:50,670
would probably seek out medical

904
00:38:56,000 --> 00:38:53,190
attention to try to diagnose that

905
00:38:59,510 --> 00:38:56,010
mentally and I think letting your child

906
00:39:03,080 --> 00:38:59,520
explore you know dress up or explore

907
00:39:05,780 --> 00:39:03,090
makeup or explore how they see

908
00:39:08,050 --> 00:39:05,790
themselves it's really important I think

909
00:39:10,340 --> 00:39:08,060
self-expression needs to have an

910
00:39:13,580 --> 00:39:10,350
extremely high value placed on it by

911
00:39:16,550 --> 00:39:13,590
parents but don't take it too far just

912
00:39:19,520 --> 00:39:16,560
because your son is playing with Barbies

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00:39:22,490 --> 00:39:19,530

or your son is interested in wearing

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00:39:25,010 --> 00:39:22,500

your eyeshadow or your or your daughter

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00:39:27,830 --> 00:39:25,020

is interested in playing on the football

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00:39:30,290 --> 00:39:27,840

team does not mean that they are gender

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00:39:31,820 --> 00:39:30,300

dysphoria I think a lot of diagnosis

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00:39:34,070 --> 00:39:31,830

needs to go into that and a lot of time

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00:39:36,350 --> 00:39:34,080

needs to be spent by parents and

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00:39:39,620 --> 00:39:36,360

physicians and those well-versed in the

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00:39:41,270 --> 00:39:39,630

community a lot of time needs to be

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00:39:43,340 --> 00:39:41,280

spent making sure that's the right

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00:39:45,860 --> 00:39:43,350

decision for them never jump to any

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00:39:49,370 --> 00:39:45,870

conclusions because let me tell you I

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00:39:51,260 --> 00:39:49,380

have straight guy friends that played

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00:39:54,440 --> 00:39:51,270
with Barbies as kids or played dress-up

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00:39:56,080 --> 00:39:54,450
as kids and you know it's not that

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00:39:58,360 --> 00:39:56,090
simple and

929
00:39:59,800 --> 00:39:58,370
I think the extremists to that end that

930
00:40:01,660 --> 00:39:59,810
say oh my god my son's playing with

931
00:40:03,520 --> 00:40:01,670
Barbies wearing makeup wants to wear a

932
00:40:05,950 --> 00:40:03,530
dress and needs to start transitioning

933
00:40:08,880 --> 00:40:05,960
could be detrimental to his mental

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00:40:11,080 --> 00:40:08,890
health and physical health and you know

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00:40:12,490 --> 00:40:11,090
people with gender dysphoria we have

936
00:40:15,160 --> 00:40:12,500
interviewed a number of them for this

937
00:40:17,290 --> 00:40:15,170
show I mean this is not a fun thing to

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00:40:18,820 --> 00:40:17,300

deal with right you you had a relatively

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00:40:22,090 --> 00:40:18,830

smooth transition you said but but still

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00:40:25,180 --> 00:40:22,100

that this is this is a challenge for

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00:40:27,670 --> 00:40:25,190

people to deal with it is a big

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00:40:30,160 --> 00:40:27,680

challenge not only do you have financial

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00:40:31,690 --> 00:40:30,170

barriers you have to go through a lot of

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00:40:35,050 --> 00:40:31,700

people choose to go through extensive

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00:40:36,850 --> 00:40:35,060

medical procedures that are not easy to

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00:40:39,430 --> 00:40:36,860

go through

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00:40:41,590 --> 00:40:39,440

you have the societal rejection of trans

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00:40:43,270 --> 00:40:41,600

people you know a trans woman of color

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00:40:46,090 --> 00:40:43,280

is murdered every two weeks in the

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00:40:49,120 --> 00:40:46,100

United States of America in the UK

951
00:40:51,370 --> 00:40:49,130
there's a 50% attempted suicide rate of

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00:40:54,790 --> 00:40:51,380
trans youth between the ages of 15 and

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00:40:56,980 --> 00:40:54,800
25 these are serious decisions that

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00:41:00,220 --> 00:40:56,990
people have to make that have serious

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00:41:01,720 --> 00:41:00,230
consequences often unfortunately death

956
00:41:05,230 --> 00:41:01,730
whether it be through murder or suicide

957
00:41:07,990 --> 00:41:05,240
and it's not easy to go through these

958
00:41:12,040 --> 00:41:08,000
things and you know like I said I was I

959
00:41:14,530 --> 00:41:12,050
am NOT the rule by any stretch I am by

960
00:41:17,650 --> 00:41:14,540
far the exception thank God I'm the

961
00:41:20,560 --> 00:41:17,660
exception because I can use my privilege

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00:41:24,280 --> 00:41:20,570
and Caitlyn feels exactly the same way

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00:41:26,320 --> 00:41:24,290

use our privilege to help people that

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00:41:29,410 --> 00:41:26,330

are representative of representative of

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00:41:31,150 --> 00:41:29,420

the community so I think this is a good

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00:41:31,930 --> 00:41:31,160

time to get in religion in politics they

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00:41:33,760 --> 00:41:31,940

say you're not supposed to discuss

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00:41:36,040 --> 00:41:33,770

religion politics but we know each other

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00:41:39,790 --> 00:41:36,050

well enough now let's get into some

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00:41:41,380 --> 00:41:39,800

religion in politics you were in a

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00:41:44,740 --> 00:41:41,390

Catholic High School you go to a

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00:41:46,360 --> 00:41:44,750

Christian University mm-hmm so tell me

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00:41:49,780 --> 00:41:46,370

about your personal religious views do

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00:41:50,650 --> 00:41:49,790

you believe in God I think I'm still

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00:41:54,460 --> 00:41:50,660

figuring that out

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00:41:57,520 --> 00:41:54,470
I grew up Catholic I have tremendous

977
00:42:00,040 --> 00:41:57,530
respect for people's religious beliefs

978
00:42:03,310 --> 00:42:00,050
no matter what they are at the end of

979
00:42:06,580 --> 00:42:03,320
the day I think there is one higher

980
00:42:09,160 --> 00:42:06,590
power whatever it is and all of these

981
00:42:11,740 --> 00:42:09,170
man-made religions

982
00:42:14,170 --> 00:42:11,750
you know have caused a lot of turmoil

983
00:42:18,040 --> 00:42:14,180
not just in my community but across

984
00:42:21,400 --> 00:42:18,050
history obviously so I don't subscribe

985
00:42:25,210 --> 00:42:21,410
to one religion or one faith but what I

986
00:42:27,940 --> 00:42:25,220
do see is my Christian brothers and

987
00:42:30,880 --> 00:42:27,950
sisters my Muslim brother and sisters my

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00:42:33,820 --> 00:42:30,890

Jewish brothers and sisters all at the

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00:42:36,550 --> 00:42:33,830

end of the day are praying to the same

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00:42:39,970 --> 00:42:36,560

higher power there's one power that

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00:42:42,280 --> 00:42:39,980

created you me you whether you're

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00:42:45,430 --> 00:42:42,290

Christian Hindu Muslim Buddhist Jewish

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00:42:47,590 --> 00:42:45,440

etc so that's where I'm at I don't

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00:42:50,310 --> 00:42:47,600

believe any faith has all of the answers

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00:42:53,740 --> 00:42:50,320

I don't subscribe to any faith

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00:42:56,770 --> 00:42:53,750

specifically and I take a very agnostic

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00:43:00,630 --> 00:42:56,780

approach so most of these face yes

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00:43:05,500 --> 00:43:00,640

basically God created you he has a man

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00:43:08,470 --> 00:43:05,510

that you're destroying or changing God's

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00:43:13,290 --> 00:43:08,480

creation what's your response to that my

1001
00:43:17,170 --> 00:43:13,300
response to that is God created me okay

1002
00:43:20,580 --> 00:43:17,180
at the time of my birth I had a penis

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00:43:23,920 --> 00:43:20,590
and as a result of having a penis this

1004
00:43:25,840 --> 00:43:23,930
society and medicine has defined that if

1005
00:43:28,060 --> 00:43:25,850
you have a penis you're a boy you're a

1006
00:43:30,130 --> 00:43:28,070
male I don't subscribe to that belief I

1007
00:43:35,710 --> 00:43:30,140
believe you can be born with a penis and

1008
00:43:36,760 --> 00:43:35,720
be a woman a girl a female and what

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00:43:39,070 --> 00:43:36,770
about your University

1010
00:43:41,880 --> 00:43:39,080
this is Pepperdine University take a

1011
00:43:44,050 --> 00:43:41,890
position on that oh boy do they

1012
00:43:47,830 --> 00:43:44,060
Pepperdine University is Church of

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00:43:52,300 --> 00:43:47,840

Christ school and while I was president

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00:43:55,050 --> 00:43:52,310

my junior year I believe we created our

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00:44:00,300 --> 00:43:55,060

first which I was instrumental in doing

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00:44:03,670 --> 00:44:00,310

we created our first ever LGBTQ Club on

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00:44:07,540 --> 00:44:03,680

campus it was permitted its permitted we

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00:44:09,010 --> 00:44:07,550

fought like hell to get it permitted you

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00:44:16,859 --> 00:44:09,020

know Pepperdine University has been

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00:44:18,269 --> 00:44:16,869

around for 65 70 years and for the past

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00:44:20,809 --> 00:44:18,279

five six seven years there have been

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00:44:24,299 --> 00:44:20,819

proposals a proposal after proposal of

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00:44:27,299 --> 00:44:24,309

getting an LGBT club approved by

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00:44:29,880 --> 00:44:27,309

ultimately the Board of Regents which

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00:44:32,039 --> 00:44:29,890

the Board of Regents is the board of

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00:44:34,799 --> 00:44:32,049

directors for Seaver College and they

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00:44:39,839 --> 00:44:34,809

have to approve of controversial clubs

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00:44:44,849 --> 00:44:39,849

and LGBT was a controversial Club so you

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00:44:46,940 --> 00:44:44,859

know that was a big fight and a big

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00:44:51,120 --> 00:44:46,950

challenge but ultimately we prevailed

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00:44:55,019 --> 00:44:51,130

the school said that we could not

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00:44:59,339 --> 00:44:55,029

promote gay marriage but we could

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00:45:01,200 --> 00:44:59,349

promote living as a LGBT person and we

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00:45:03,150 --> 00:45:01,210

could not have vocator gay marriage

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00:45:05,279 --> 00:45:03,160

because the Church of Christ doesn't

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00:45:07,410 --> 00:45:05,289

subscribe to gay marriage I don't know

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00:45:12,529 --> 00:45:07,420

what the Church of Christ position is on

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00:45:15,749 --> 00:45:12,539

a transgender person but you know I

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00:45:16,710 --> 00:45:15,759

didn't really care so let's keep taking

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00:45:19,079 --> 00:45:16,720

through some of these hot button

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00:45:22,109 --> 00:45:19,089

absolutely issues are you a woman or are

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00:45:24,859 --> 00:45:22,119

you a trans woman I'm a woman yeah I

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00:45:26,940 --> 00:45:24,869

just might explain that I have a vagina

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00:45:33,710 --> 00:45:26,950

I've gone through sexual reassignment

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00:45:36,329 --> 00:45:33,720

surgery all of my documents say female I

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00:45:40,279 --> 00:45:36,339

for all intents and purposes will be

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00:45:43,680 --> 00:45:40,289

socialized entirely externally as female

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00:45:48,450 --> 00:45:43,690

- my first 18 years prior to

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00:45:51,180 --> 00:45:48,460

transitioning so in my head I am a woman

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00:45:52,650 --> 00:45:51,190

now you said that you have a vagina as a

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00:45:54,450 --> 00:45:52,660
result of reassignment sexual

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00:45:55,470 --> 00:45:54,460
reassignment that was the more crude way

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00:45:59,249 --> 00:45:55,480
of saying I went through sexual

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00:46:00,930 --> 00:45:59,259
reassignment surgery so what about

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00:46:03,569 --> 00:46:00,940
someone who hasn't been through the full

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00:46:05,489 --> 00:46:03,579
surgery could that person be also a

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00:46:08,759 --> 00:46:05,499
woman and as opposed to a trans woman

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00:46:10,950 --> 00:46:08,769
absolutely so how would you define at

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00:46:13,710 --> 00:46:10,960
what point do you stop becoming male and

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00:46:15,839 --> 00:46:13,720
become I I think you get to define who

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00:46:18,269 --> 00:46:15,849
you are and I wouldn't jump to say that

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00:46:20,640 --> 00:46:18,279
I wouldn't jump to define anyone's

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00:46:24,089 --> 00:46:20,650

identity for them I would say I am a

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00:46:27,900 --> 00:46:24,099

woman I identify as a woman my

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00:46:30,210 --> 00:46:27,910

experience certainly the society

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00:46:30,550 --> 00:46:30,220

perceives me as a trans woman and that

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00:46:32,890 --> 00:46:30,560

doesn't

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00:46:35,470 --> 00:46:32,900

offend me but I perceived myself as a

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00:46:38,260 --> 00:46:35,480

woman yeah that was something that

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00:46:40,660 --> 00:46:38,270

Sabrina touched on in her view she will

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00:46:42,700 --> 00:46:40,670

always be a trans woman but that that's

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00:46:45,880 --> 00:46:42,710

yeah that that's just a different way of

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00:46:47,680 --> 00:46:45,890

looking at it yeah definitely yeah and

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00:46:49,990 --> 00:46:47,690

you know but it does ultimately touch on

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00:46:51,670 --> 00:46:50,000

politics and policies and so on so for

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00:46:53,740 --> 00:46:51,680
instance like trans athletes that's a

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00:46:56,530 --> 00:46:53,750
big yes controversial thing right now in

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00:47:00,100 --> 00:46:56,540
high school so if a boy transitions to a

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00:47:02,650 --> 00:47:00,110
girl or more yeah boy transitions to a

1080
00:47:04,990 --> 00:47:02,660
girl can you participate in sports

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00:47:08,440 --> 00:47:05,000
what's your you know I think the Olympic

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00:47:10,660 --> 00:47:08,450
Committee has done an extraordinary an

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00:47:12,970 --> 00:47:10,670
extraordinarily good job on defining

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00:47:15,010 --> 00:47:12,980
male and female and they've done this

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00:47:19,030 --> 00:47:15,020
since the dawn of time ever since the

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00:47:20,770 --> 00:47:19,040
early 70s and when Bruce was competing

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00:47:22,750 --> 00:47:20,780
in the Olympics I've heard stories of he

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00:47:25,600 --> 00:47:22,760

would be in the weight room actually my

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00:47:29,410 --> 00:47:25,610

favorite story of him competing was the

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00:47:31,660 --> 00:47:29,420

day before the decathlon in Montreal he

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00:47:33,820 --> 00:47:31,670

was in the weight room and he's bench

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00:47:39,280 --> 00:47:33,830

pressing the hell out of whatever huge

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00:47:43,030 --> 00:47:39,290

heavy weight it was and this lady comes

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00:47:44,890 --> 00:47:43,040

in and she's from the Soviet Union and

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00:47:47,470 --> 00:47:44,900

she's ripped

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00:47:50,170 --> 00:47:47,480

she's muscular she's got pimples on her

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00:47:52,270 --> 00:47:50,180

back she's got back hair she's looks

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00:47:55,540 --> 00:47:52,280

like got a little facial hair but

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00:47:58,660 --> 00:47:55,550

technically society would you find her

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00:48:01,240 --> 00:47:58,670

as a cyst women just because she was

1101
00:48:07,270 --> 00:48:01,250
born with a vagina this woman who may be

1102
00:48:09,940 --> 00:48:07,280
doping but you know to answer your

1103
00:48:11,830 --> 00:48:09,950
question I think the Olympic Committee

1104
00:48:15,100 --> 00:48:11,840
has done an extraordinarily good job on

1105
00:48:17,560 --> 00:48:15,110
defining gender which is sorry it's

1106
00:48:19,750 --> 00:48:17,570
based on hormone levels you've been

1107
00:48:21,430 --> 00:48:19,760
taking the the hormones but this is

1108
00:48:25,720 --> 00:48:21,440
where I go we talked a little bit before

1109
00:48:27,460 --> 00:48:25,730
we started about is the movement go too

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00:48:29,400 --> 00:48:27,470
far is there a risk that the movement

1111
00:48:32,520 --> 00:48:29,410
goes too far and there's a backlash

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00:48:35,380 --> 00:48:32,530
acceptance love non-discrimination

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00:48:37,240 --> 00:48:35,390

important goals for the community but

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00:48:39,070 --> 00:48:37,250

when it starts crossing over and

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00:48:40,240 --> 00:48:39,080

suddenly people are feeling like you

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00:48:41,140 --> 00:48:40,250

know you've got boys who became girls

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00:48:42,920 --> 00:48:41,150

and now they're winning the state

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00:48:44,870 --> 00:48:42,930

championship in track

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00:48:46,400 --> 00:48:44,880

that therein lies this potential

1120

00:48:48,740 --> 00:48:46,410

backlash where people say whoa whoa whoa

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00:48:50,990 --> 00:48:48,750

what is this put the brakes on this and

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00:48:54,040 --> 00:48:51,000

you know are we moving beyond simple

1123

00:48:57,950 --> 00:48:54,050

acceptance to basically promoting this

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00:48:59,569 --> 00:48:57,960

well we're not promote first of all as

1125

00:49:01,430 --> 00:48:59,579

someone that is on the forefront of

1126
00:49:02,930 --> 00:49:01,440
fighting for the transgender movement

1127
00:49:05,120 --> 00:49:02,940
and transgender rights for all

1128
00:49:07,579 --> 00:49:05,130
transgender people we are not promoting

1129
00:49:09,920 --> 00:49:07,589
people to transition if they are not

1130
00:49:12,650 --> 00:49:09,930
meant to transition nobody would go

1131
00:49:14,510 --> 00:49:12,660
through a transition unless they really

1132
00:49:16,549 --> 00:49:14,520
felt like it was the right thing to do

1133
00:49:18,440 --> 00:49:16,559
with very few notable what yeah okay

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00:49:20,359 --> 00:49:18,450
although I would say when going back to

1135
00:49:22,250 --> 00:49:20,369
the five year old I do have this concern

1136
00:49:26,359 --> 00:49:22,260
that it is being promoted that the five

1137
00:49:27,980 --> 00:49:26,369
year old should start this transition so

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00:49:29,299 --> 00:49:27,990

there is some push out there may not be

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00:49:31,910 --> 00:49:29,309

coming from view but I think there are

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00:49:35,359 --> 00:49:31,920

extremists that there are extremists

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00:49:36,740 --> 00:49:35,369

certainly there are extremists that do

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00:49:38,450 --> 00:49:36,750

this under the guise of political

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00:49:41,569 --> 00:49:38,460

correctness certainly and it may not be

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00:49:44,030 --> 00:49:41,579

the right choice for their child but to

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00:49:46,760 --> 00:49:44,040

go through a medical transition to be

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00:49:49,780 --> 00:49:46,770

committed to taking these hormones that

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00:49:52,130 --> 00:49:49,790

alters your physicality tremendously and

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00:49:53,839 --> 00:49:52,140

you know I think the Olympic I would

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00:49:55,730 --> 00:49:53,849

again refer back to the Olympic

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00:49:57,920 --> 00:49:55,740

Committee setting the standards based on

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00:50:00,530 --> 00:49:57,930
hormones what about how what about

1152
00:50:02,450 --> 00:50:00,540
having sports for transgendered people

1153
00:50:06,289 --> 00:50:02,460
why is it so important that the trans

1154
00:50:11,329 --> 00:50:06,299
woman compete against other biological

1155
00:50:13,760 --> 00:50:11,339
women and beat them in high school well

1156
00:50:16,400 --> 00:50:13,770
Jim I can tell you something I cannot

1157
00:50:20,030 --> 00:50:16,410
benchpress worth a damn because I've

1158
00:50:24,020 --> 00:50:20,040
been on hormones for six five six years

1159
00:50:26,480 --> 00:50:24,030
and from my own personal experience you

1160
00:50:28,280 --> 00:50:26,490
know I think that the Olympic again

1161
00:50:32,210 --> 00:50:28,290
defer back to the Olympic Committee in

1162
00:50:34,339 --> 00:50:32,220
having hormone levels to find what your

1163
00:50:36,710 --> 00:50:34,349

gender is I think that is an extremely

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00:50:38,390 --> 00:50:36,720

acceptable solution yeah yeah it's

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00:50:40,579 --> 00:50:38,400

definitely a solution it's being adopted

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00:50:43,700 --> 00:50:40,589

I think tennis has adopted it I think

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00:50:45,289 --> 00:50:43,710

NCAA has adopted it but you could also

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00:50:48,200 --> 00:50:45,299

understand how the average first single

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00:50:50,720 --> 00:50:48,210

well how did we get from biological sex

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00:50:53,630 --> 00:50:50,730

being with defined what sport you played

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00:50:55,010 --> 00:50:53,640

in to checking hormone levels I mean we

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00:50:55,820 --> 00:50:55,020

used to check hormone levels just to

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00:50:56,720 --> 00:50:55,830

make it used to be

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00:50:59,150 --> 00:50:56,730

make sure that the person is not

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00:51:00,530 --> 00:50:59,160

cheating now that's a fundamental hood

1176
00:51:02,210 --> 00:51:00,540
determination as to which side you're

1177
00:51:05,330 --> 00:51:02,220
going to play on well we can look at

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00:51:08,060 --> 00:51:05,340
Olympians that don't like men sis men

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00:51:10,970 --> 00:51:08,070
that have lost testicles and they have

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00:51:13,880 --> 00:51:10,980
to take testosterone injections in order

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00:51:16,390 --> 00:51:13,890
to meet the guidelines of competing as a

1182
00:51:18,140 --> 00:51:16,400
male and they don't have to write

1183
00:51:20,570 --> 00:51:18,150
biological parts but they are

1184
00:51:22,130 --> 00:51:20,580
biologically male but they don't have

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00:51:23,540 --> 00:51:22,140
the correct testosterone level so what

1186
00:51:24,970 --> 00:51:23,550
do we do we put them into the female

1187
00:51:28,130 --> 00:51:24,980
category then oh they take the

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00:51:29,600 --> 00:51:28,140

testosterone medication injections to

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00:51:31,460 --> 00:51:29,610

allow them to compete what about this

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00:51:33,680 --> 00:51:31,470

thing that you know look the world is

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00:51:36,650 --> 00:51:33,690

not fair not everything is equal we

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00:51:38,240 --> 00:51:36,660

can't make everything be totally equal

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00:51:39,560 --> 00:51:38,250

there's some things that some people are

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00:51:41,720 --> 00:51:39,570

fortunate at and some people are

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00:51:43,940 --> 00:51:41,730

unfortunate at I wasn't born with enough

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00:51:45,710 --> 00:51:43,950

height to play in the NBA so you know

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00:51:47,300 --> 00:51:45,720

they're not gonna just the NBA for me so

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00:51:50,240 --> 00:51:47,310

what about that suggestion that you know

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00:51:52,670 --> 00:51:50,250

we we can't constantly be tinkering

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00:51:55,250 --> 00:51:52,680

everything to have ultimate equality and

1201
00:51:55,700 --> 00:51:55,260
fairness that's you know a very good

1202
00:52:02,180 --> 00:51:55,710
point

1203
00:52:03,980 --> 00:52:02,190
NBC show and you know I subscribe to

1204
00:52:05,930 --> 00:52:03,990
that also like we're never going to make

1205
00:52:07,900 --> 00:52:05,940
everything equal but I think when it

1206
00:52:10,580 --> 00:52:07,910
does come to breaking down sports

1207
00:52:12,770 --> 00:52:10,590
hormones is the number one way to do it

1208
00:52:15,470 --> 00:52:12,780
let me tell you there are super tall

1209
00:52:17,930 --> 00:52:15,480
girls there are super short men you know

1210
00:52:21,950 --> 00:52:17,940
there are super fast girls there are

1211
00:52:25,610 --> 00:52:21,960
super fast men and I think when we can

1212
00:52:27,590 --> 00:52:25,620
if we have to look to something to deal

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00:52:29,960 --> 00:52:27,600

with transgender athletes I think

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00:52:31,760 --> 00:52:29,970

hormones is by far the best answer

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00:52:33,950 --> 00:52:31,770

having been on hormones for the

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00:52:36,080 --> 00:52:33,960

appropriate amount of time which I'm not

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00:52:38,990 --> 00:52:36,090

I don't know that number off the top of

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00:52:40,130 --> 00:52:39,000

my head but I believe it's 18 months you

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00:52:42,740 --> 00:52:40,140

know being on hormones for the

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00:52:45,080 --> 00:52:42,750

appropriate amount of time is sufficient

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00:52:47,420 --> 00:52:45,090

if you have to break it down that way

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00:52:50,000 --> 00:52:47,430

okay back to politics are you a

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00:52:52,820 --> 00:52:50,010

Republican uh you know it's been widely

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00:52:55,490 --> 00:52:52,830

reported that I'm a Republican I don't

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00:52:57,320 --> 00:52:55,500

know really where that came from well

1226
00:52:59,270 --> 00:52:57,330
hold on a second I've got a quote that I

1227
00:53:02,330 --> 00:52:59,280
dug up now okay they've only been 15

1228
00:53:04,010 --> 00:53:02,340
years old no perfect Obama intentionally

1229
00:53:06,980 --> 00:53:04,020
is taking down the country brick by

1230
00:53:10,120 --> 00:53:06,990
brick interesting I would be where did

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00:53:12,260 --> 00:53:10,130
you get that quite a blog talk radio

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00:53:14,180 --> 00:53:12,270
you recall there being an article about

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00:53:17,450 --> 00:53:14,190
you when you were 15 and in debate and

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00:53:20,300 --> 00:53:17,460
so on I I don't know in debate we would

1235
00:53:21,980 --> 00:53:20,310
debate international policy issues is

1236
00:53:23,300 --> 00:53:21,990
that is that not sound like something

1237
00:53:26,000 --> 00:53:23,310
you would have said when you were 15

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00:53:28,910 --> 00:53:26,010

Obama is tearing the country down brick

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00:53:31,730 --> 00:53:28,920

by brick you know I could have said that

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00:53:36,170 --> 00:53:31,740

when I was 15 I'm sure we all say really

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00:53:38,570 --> 00:53:36,180

crazy things when were 15 but I you know

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00:53:41,330 --> 00:53:38,580

was kind of on a public platform when I

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00:53:43,220 --> 00:53:41,340

was 15 and you know these debates were

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00:53:44,420 --> 00:53:43,230

nationally televised I don't think I

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00:53:46,210 --> 00:53:44,430

would have said that in a debate it

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00:53:50,990 --> 00:53:46,220

sounds like I said it in some interview

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00:53:53,720 --> 00:53:51,000

I would say I'm not 15 anymore

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00:53:55,550 --> 00:53:53,730

I see the world very differently a lot

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00:53:57,680 --> 00:53:55,560

less black and white than I did when I

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00:53:59,900 --> 00:53:57,690

was 15 I would say as someone that

1251
00:54:03,140 --> 00:53:59,910
studied economics and understands the

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00:54:05,660 --> 00:54:03,150
benefit of free markets I am much more

1253
00:54:09,140 --> 00:54:05,670
of a libertarian I would not say I'm a

1254
00:54:10,910 --> 00:54:09,150
Republican and if I had to say you know

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00:54:12,590 --> 00:54:10,920
if I was a Republican or a Democrat I

1256
00:54:14,840 --> 00:54:12,600
would say I'm a California Republican

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00:54:18,070 --> 00:54:14,850
California Republicans are socially

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00:54:20,630 --> 00:54:18,080
liberal we want equality for all we want

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00:54:23,000 --> 00:54:20,640
welfare programs that are we want

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00:54:26,270 --> 00:54:23,010
responsible welfare programs we want

1261
00:54:28,850 --> 00:54:26,280
compassionate immigration you know we're

1262
00:54:31,610 --> 00:54:28,860
not the Republicans of Texas we're not

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00:54:34,060 --> 00:54:31,620

the Republicans of the Midwest so

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00:54:36,530 --> 00:54:34,070

overall I would say I'm a libertarian

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00:54:37,550 --> 00:54:36,540

the Republican Party does not represent

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00:54:40,550 --> 00:54:37,560

me at all

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00:54:41,840 --> 00:54:40,560

so well if you're a libertarian the

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00:54:44,300 --> 00:54:41,850

Democrat Party doesn't represent you

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00:54:45,980 --> 00:54:44,310

either no right I mean I'm by the way

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00:54:47,480 --> 00:54:45,990

I'm with you I'm libertarian you know

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00:54:48,620 --> 00:54:47,490

liberal socially and conservative

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00:54:50,750 --> 00:54:48,630

fiscally I think we've proven that

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00:54:52,970 --> 00:54:50,760

capitalism does wonders in the world as

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00:54:55,280 --> 00:54:52,980

a businessperson you kind of have to it

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00:54:57,770 --> 00:54:55,290

make sense to be that way right we want

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00:54:59,990 --> 00:54:57,780

social responsibility so so then is it

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00:55:03,080 --> 00:55:00,000

okay for a trans person to vote

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00:55:05,960 --> 00:55:03,090

Republican absolutely absolutely

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00:55:08,240 --> 00:55:05,970

and you know it's okay for a black

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00:55:10,730 --> 00:55:08,250

person to vote Republican it's okay for

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00:55:12,050 --> 00:55:10,740

a Hispanic person to vote Republican

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00:55:15,170 --> 00:55:12,060

you're not out you're not a one-issue

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00:55:17,150 --> 00:55:15,180

voter in other words no right no not

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00:55:19,370 --> 00:55:17,160

because you know Republicans you

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00:55:20,840 --> 00:55:19,380

identify with in x y&z ways and probably

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00:55:22,970 --> 00:55:20,850

Democrats in other ways and you have to

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00:55:25,700 --> 00:55:22,980

make a balance but when it comes to

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00:55:27,710 --> 00:55:25,710

Manzi issues yeah certainly most would

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00:55:29,690 --> 00:55:27,720

say Republicans are not where they are

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00:55:33,130 --> 00:55:29,700

not where they should be on trans issues

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00:55:36,740 --> 00:55:33,140

well I would say a lot of Republicans

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00:55:41,240 --> 00:55:36,750

are not where they should be on trans or

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00:55:43,099 --> 00:55:41,250

LGBT issues you know Donald Trump is a

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00:55:46,640 --> 00:55:43,109

big disappointment when it comes to

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00:55:50,630 --> 00:55:46,650

trans and LGBT issues I had a lot of

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00:55:54,530 --> 00:55:50,640

hope that Trump would be different Trump

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00:55:55,880 --> 00:55:54,540

got so much Democratic support during

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00:55:56,510 --> 00:55:55,890

the general election against Hillary

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00:55:58,550 --> 00:55:56,520

Clinton

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00:55:59,740 --> 00:55:58,560

you heard Democrats saying this is the

1301
00:56:02,930 --> 00:55:59,750
first time I'm voting for a Republican

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00:56:04,520 --> 00:56:02,940
because he campaigned on being socially

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00:56:07,430 --> 00:56:04,530
liberal he campaigned on being

1304
00:56:10,430 --> 00:56:07,440
pro-choice he campaigned on being the

1305
00:56:12,260 --> 00:56:10,440
most LGBT friendly guy that Republicans

1306
00:56:14,870 --> 00:56:12,270
would elect he was the first Republican

1307
00:56:17,510 --> 00:56:14,880
to ever support the LGBT community and

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00:56:21,440 --> 00:56:17,520
his convention speech but they were all

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00:56:23,150 --> 00:56:21,450
lies and Trump's a liar and Trump will

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00:56:26,480 --> 00:56:23,160
do what he needs to do to be reelected

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00:56:29,000 --> 00:56:26,490
and I do not support Donald Trump by any

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00:56:30,800 --> 00:56:29,010
stretch of the imagination okay so it's

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00:56:33,080 --> 00:56:30,810

two years from now and let's say the

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00:56:35,090 --> 00:56:33,090

economy is continuing to hum along yeah

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00:56:38,810 --> 00:56:35,100

let's say international relations are

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00:56:40,700 --> 00:56:38,820

are going well Iran is uh you know not

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00:56:42,770 --> 00:56:40,710

building nukes North Korea deal is in

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00:56:45,290 --> 00:56:42,780

place you know new trade deals and so on

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00:56:49,130 --> 00:56:45,300

everything is smooth sailing do you vote

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00:56:51,230 --> 00:56:49,140

for Trump he'll no because of

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00:56:53,359 --> 00:56:51,240

what he did on LGBT to you yeah so in

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00:56:56,570 --> 00:56:53,369

that sense you can be a one-issue voter

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00:56:59,060 --> 00:56:56,580

when it comes to this not just one issue

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00:57:00,560 --> 00:56:59,070

voter I think I mean this is not a

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00:57:03,380 --> 00:57:00,570

political interview so I don't want to

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00:57:08,030 --> 00:57:03,390
get too deep into Trump's policies but I

1327
00:57:10,700 --> 00:57:08,040
am NOT a one-issue voter that is one

1328
00:57:12,980 --> 00:57:10,710
issue that I do not support him on but

1329
00:57:15,950 --> 00:57:12,990
there are a laundry list of other issues

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00:57:17,750 --> 00:57:15,960
I don't support come on so yeah a couple

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00:57:20,200 --> 00:57:17,760
some of the big issues in the Republican

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00:57:23,720 --> 00:57:20,210
platform is marriage equality yep

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00:57:25,300 --> 00:57:23,730
they're still on the platform as opposed

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00:57:27,770 --> 00:57:25,310
to to gay marriage

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00:57:29,270 --> 00:57:27,780
what is speaking of marriage what is

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00:57:31,250 --> 00:57:29,280
your feeling though about the best

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00:57:33,380 --> 00:57:31,260
environment to raise a child it really

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00:57:35,220 --> 00:57:33,390

leads in to transgender parenting and so

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00:57:39,810 --> 00:57:35,230

on and

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00:57:41,430 --> 00:57:39,820

that the best environment for a child to

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00:57:42,900 --> 00:57:41,440

be raised in as a loving father and a

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00:57:44,790 --> 00:57:42,910

loving mother or you think it could be

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00:57:49,380 --> 00:57:44,800

just as good with two mothers two

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00:57:52,580 --> 00:57:49,390

fathers trans father etc I think there

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00:57:57,030 --> 00:57:52,590

are so many children in this world that

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00:58:01,050 --> 00:57:57,040

need care need love need support I think

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00:58:03,690 --> 00:58:01,060

a gay couple lesbian couple sis couple a

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00:58:06,540 --> 00:58:03,700

trans couple assists and trans couple as

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00:58:08,580 --> 00:58:06,550

long as they are you know able to love

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00:58:11,070 --> 00:58:08,590

that child and give that child what they

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00:58:13,380 --> 00:58:11,080

need to prosper could actually be a

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00:58:15,510 --> 00:58:13,390

really mind opening experience for the

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00:58:17,940 --> 00:58:15,520

child in you know in 30 years from now I

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00:58:21,270 --> 00:58:17,950

hope you know that becomes more and more

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00:58:23,490 --> 00:58:21,280

of the norm so throughout this children

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00:58:26,340 --> 00:58:23,500

has really been my focus you know

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00:58:27,420 --> 00:58:26,350

because they're innocent and we need to

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00:58:29,040 --> 00:58:27,430

raise our children progress very

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00:58:31,050 --> 00:58:29,050

impression they're our future and very

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00:58:33,930 --> 00:58:31,060

impressionable so it leaves my question

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00:58:37,500 --> 00:58:33,940

which is when is the right time to

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00:58:43,710 --> 00:58:37,510

discuss transgender with a child Caitlyn

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00:58:45,200 --> 00:58:43,720

has grandchildren you know I think the

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00:58:52,230 --> 00:58:45,210

right time varies on a case-by-case

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00:58:53,420 --> 00:58:52,240

basis I think that every family deals

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00:58:58,230 --> 00:58:53,430

with it differently

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00:59:00,720 --> 00:58:58,240

Caitlyn lived 65 years as Bruce you know

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00:59:03,120 --> 00:59:00,730

so that's totally different than if I

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00:59:06,960 --> 00:59:03,130

have a child or I can't have a child but

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00:59:08,760 --> 00:59:06,970

if I adopt a child then how I would want

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00:59:12,750 --> 00:59:08,770

them to address me I'd want them to call

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00:59:15,570 --> 00:59:12,760

me Mom you know but Caitlyn is fine with

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00:59:17,790 --> 00:59:15,580

being called different things based on

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00:59:19,650 --> 00:59:17,800

whatever the child and the grandchild

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00:59:22,770 --> 00:59:19,660

was comfortable with and I think

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00:59:25,620 --> 00:59:22,780

whatever works for you and your family

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00:59:28,890 --> 00:59:25,630

on a case-by-case basis there's no

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00:59:32,820 --> 00:59:28,900

rulebook there's no guidelines I think

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00:59:35,340 --> 00:59:32,830

we do what makes the trans person

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00:59:38,760 --> 00:59:35,350

comfortable comfortable but in turn

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00:59:41,400 --> 00:59:38,770

that's often what makes his children and

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00:59:43,530 --> 00:59:41,410

grandchildren comfortable as well but

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00:59:45,960 --> 00:59:43,540

you know as a result of trans becoming

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00:59:48,570 --> 00:59:45,970

more out of the closet and so forth yeah

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00:59:49,140 --> 00:59:48,580

it the issues coming up younger in

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00:59:53,520 --> 00:59:49,150

younger

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00:59:57,050 --> 00:59:53,530

yeah for children so how do you talk

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00:59:59,820 --> 00:59:57,060

about it with a six-year-old if the six

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01:00:02,130 --> 00:59:59,830

if it's presented you know whether it be

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01:00:03,600 --> 01:00:02,140

because Caitlyn's grandchildren or the

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01:00:04,920 --> 01:00:03,610

point the thing I point out in the show

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01:00:07,290 --> 01:00:04,930

is that you know we now have the the

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01:00:08,640 --> 01:00:07,300

gender-neutral bathroom signs and

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01:00:10,050 --> 01:00:08,650

there's the picture of a man and there's

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01:00:11,880 --> 01:00:10,060

a picture of a woman and there's what's

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01:00:13,050 --> 01:00:11,890

supposed to depict a transgendered

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01:00:14,910 --> 01:00:13,060

person because it's wearing half of a

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01:00:16,590 --> 01:00:14,920

skirt yeah I don't you've seen your

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01:00:18,630 --> 01:00:16,600

signs they have seen those in Europe

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01:00:20,220 --> 01:00:18,640

they're very common in San Francisco

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01:00:23,340 --> 01:00:20,230

they banned them because they think it's

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01:00:24,660 --> 01:00:23,350

insensitive to trans people well yeah I

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01:00:25,830 --> 01:00:24,670

mean it's a little strange I'm the

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01:00:28,080 --> 01:00:25,840

person with half a skirt I mean what

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01:00:30,120 --> 01:00:28,090

does that mean I don't know I don't know

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01:00:32,580 --> 01:00:30,130

if that's necessary I think unisex

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01:00:37,230 --> 01:00:32,590

restrooms are totally fine single stalls

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01:00:40,980 --> 01:00:37,240

are totally fine I was just in London

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01:00:43,980 --> 01:00:40,990

last week and you know it was one

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01:00:45,990 --> 01:00:43,990

bathroom for everyone just single stalls

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01:00:49,020 --> 01:00:46,000

and there's you know sinks in the middle

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01:00:51,450 --> 01:00:49,030

totally fine if someone wants to commit

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01:00:53,310 --> 01:00:51,460

a crime in a bathroom they're gonna

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01:00:54,510 --> 01:00:53,320

commit the crime chances are it's

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01:00:55,680 --> 01:00:54,520

probably not going to be a transgender

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01:00:57,390 --> 01:00:55,690

person to begin with

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01:00:59,190 --> 01:00:57,400

yeah well it's another example of how

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01:01:00,840 --> 01:00:59,200

transgender goes from point zero zero

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01:01:02,040 --> 01:01:00,850

whatever percent of the population

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01:01:03,360 --> 01:01:02,050

suddenly mainstream and everybody's

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01:01:04,830 --> 01:01:03,370

dealing with yeah now you got bathrooms

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01:01:06,360 --> 01:01:04,840

with these signs

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01:01:08,880 --> 01:01:06,370

yeah that have this person on it that

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01:01:10,590 --> 01:01:08,890

now suddenly bombs with five or six

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01:01:12,390 --> 01:01:10,600

years old and says mommy what does that

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01:01:16,640 --> 01:01:12,400
mean and now the parent has to explain

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01:01:19,830 --> 01:01:16,650
it yeah I think you know I hope that

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01:01:22,290 --> 01:01:19,840
trans people that have a platform like

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01:01:24,930 --> 01:01:22,300
myself like Caitlyn like Gigi like

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01:01:27,780 --> 01:01:24,940
Laverne like Janet mock you know all the

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01:01:30,960 --> 01:01:27,790
high-profile trans people that children

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01:01:33,660 --> 01:01:30,970
are being presented to at a young age or

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01:01:36,720 --> 01:01:33,670
are being seen in pop culture at a young

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01:01:39,360 --> 01:01:36,730
age I hope they are just able to accept

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01:01:42,090 --> 01:01:39,370
them as people and you know the parent

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01:01:45,600 --> 01:01:42,100
explains it in the way they best feel to

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01:01:48,750 --> 01:01:45,610
explain to a child if I can tell you a

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01:01:51,630 --> 01:01:48,760

short little anecdote on that Caitlyn

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01:01:54,900 --> 01:01:51,640

was doing an interview about six months

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01:01:57,150 --> 01:01:54,910

ago and I was in the green room going

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01:02:02,820 --> 01:01:57,160

through Twitter looking at the response

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01:02:06,120 --> 01:02:02,830

from the interview and a mother row

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01:02:09,090 --> 01:02:06,130

a tweet at Caitlin and the tweet said

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01:02:11,850 --> 01:02:09,100

something like my five-year-old son just

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01:02:14,520 --> 01:02:11,860

asked me why that lady on television has

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01:02:17,070 --> 01:02:14,530

a daddy voice because Caitlin you know

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01:02:18,270 --> 01:02:17,080

has a more masculine and I've heard

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01:02:20,790 --> 01:02:18,280

people say before that for some reason

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01:02:23,640 --> 01:02:20,800

children are better at that or it's

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01:02:26,970 --> 01:02:23,650

noticing it than adults I think so yeah

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01:02:31,620 --> 01:02:26,980

children are very perceptive but you

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01:02:32,730 --> 01:02:31,630

know she said her response was oh

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01:02:35,820 --> 01:02:32,740

what do I say

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01:02:38,640 --> 01:02:35,830

but her response was so good and I'll

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01:02:42,450 --> 01:02:38,650

never forget this her response was well

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01:02:45,150 --> 01:02:42,460

some ladies have daddy voices and I

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01:02:49,170 --> 01:02:45,160

think that's case in point of every

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01:02:50,910 --> 01:02:49,180

parent has to describe it the way

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01:02:53,580 --> 01:02:50,920

they're comfortable describing it to

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01:02:56,310 --> 01:02:53,590

their child and of course as a trans

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01:02:58,320 --> 01:02:56,320

person that's visible and out there I

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01:03:00,810 --> 01:02:58,330

would hope they do it in a way that's

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01:03:03,570 --> 01:03:00,820

you know supportive and accepting of the

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01:03:04,710 --> 01:03:03,580

trans experience makes sense last

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01:03:07,710 --> 01:03:04,720

question that we were talking about the

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01:03:10,710 --> 01:03:07,720

transgender community and it seemed like

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01:03:11,880 --> 01:03:10,720

there were some ostracism of Caitlyn for

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01:03:13,560 --> 01:03:11,890

some beer time could you just describe

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01:03:15,390 --> 01:03:13,570

how do you describe the current

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01:03:16,710 --> 01:03:15,400

relationship between you and Caitlyn and

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01:03:19,050 --> 01:03:16,720

what you consider the transgender

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01:03:22,170 --> 01:03:19,060

community the relationship with the

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01:03:26,850 --> 01:03:22,180

trans community and Caitlyn has been

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01:03:29,160 --> 01:03:26,860

rocky but I don't think that

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01:03:32,400 --> 01:03:29,170

relationship is representative of the

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01:03:36,480 --> 01:03:32,410

entire trans community I think a few

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01:03:39,860 --> 01:03:36,490

voices of haters and naysayers and

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01:03:43,860 --> 01:03:39,870

critics of Caitlyn have been elevated

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01:03:47,490 --> 01:03:43,870

through social media I don't think that

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01:03:50,460 --> 01:03:47,500

is the common perception of Caitlyn but

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01:03:54,030 --> 01:03:50,470

the trans community has been Caitlyn's

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01:03:56,700 --> 01:03:54,040

number one critic the general public is

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01:03:58,980 --> 01:03:56,710

much more accepting of Caitlyn than the

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01:04:02,640 --> 01:03:58,990

trans community and that's because she

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01:04:05,100 --> 01:04:02,650

comes from a place of privilege she's

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01:04:07,620 --> 01:04:05,110

been so mistress misrepresented by the

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01:04:09,870 --> 01:04:07,630

media the media is horrible at

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01:04:11,700 --> 01:04:09,880

misrepresenting people you know they've

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01:04:13,650 --> 01:04:11,710

been calling me a model for two years

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01:04:15,840 --> 01:04:13,660

because I'm pretty

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01:04:20,190 --> 01:04:15,850

they said Caitlyn voted for Trump

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01:04:23,670 --> 01:04:20,200

Caitlyn never even voted for Trump you

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01:04:26,100 --> 01:04:23,680

know the media is brutal and like we

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01:04:27,720 --> 01:04:26,110

said again they love to sensationalize

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01:04:31,880 --> 01:04:27,730

everything like those before and after

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01:04:34,790 --> 01:04:31,890

pictures so you know they lift up a

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01:04:36,900 --> 01:04:34,800

really critical really negative voice

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01:04:40,320 --> 01:04:36,910

against Caitlyn in the trans community

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01:04:42,720 --> 01:04:40,330

and that's the narrative suddenly the

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01:04:43,680 --> 01:04:42,730

trans community all hates Caitlyn which

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01:04:45,720 --> 01:04:43,690

couldn't be further from the truth

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01:04:47,700 --> 01:04:45,730

though well the point of the movement it

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01:04:50,100 --> 01:04:47,710

seems to me is allowing individual to be

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01:04:52,080 --> 01:04:50,110

themselves yes right and this idea that

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01:04:54,900 --> 01:04:52,090

everybody should be thinking the same

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01:04:56,520 --> 01:04:54,910

way yes totally counter to what this

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01:04:58,350 --> 01:04:56,530

movement should be all about absolutely

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01:05:01,530 --> 01:04:58,360

and that's why when you said does a

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01:05:03,830 --> 01:05:01,540

trans person have to vote Democrat or

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01:05:06,600 --> 01:05:03,840

can a trans person never vote Republican

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01:05:08,760 --> 01:05:06,610

that's why I said absolutely not a trans

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01:05:12,060 --> 01:05:08,770

person can vote however they want to

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01:05:14,460 --> 01:05:12,070

vote you know this is not a monolithic

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01:05:16,110 --> 01:05:14,470

group of people this is not a group of

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01:05:18,180 --> 01:05:16,120

people that has all had these same

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01:05:21,420 --> 01:05:18,190

experience this is not a group of people

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01:05:23,970 --> 01:05:21,430

like any demographic that has the same

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01:05:25,650 --> 01:05:23,980

view on everything or the that's had an

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01:05:28,200 --> 01:05:25,660

experience that's informed their view to

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01:05:30,360 --> 01:05:28,210

be the same trans people are very

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01:05:33,690 --> 01:05:30,370

diverse in their experience beliefs and

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01:05:37,200 --> 01:05:33,700

opinions and we should all be allowed to

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01:05:38,970 --> 01:05:37,210

express those well said Sophia thank you

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01:05:40,340 --> 01:05:38,980

so much thank you so much so nice to