

CONSPIRACY DATING

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00:00:05,190 --> 00:00:03,189
welcome to tales from the rabbit hole

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00:00:06,789 --> 00:00:05,200
i'm your host mick west and my guest

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00:00:09,190 --> 00:00:06,799
today lives in spain

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00:00:10,150 --> 00:00:09,200
and uh she met somebody on the internet

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00:00:12,549 --> 00:00:10,160
a few months ago

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00:00:13,910 --> 00:00:12,559
and he turned out to be a conspiracy

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00:00:15,030 --> 00:00:13,920
theorist and we're going to talk about

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00:00:16,470 --> 00:00:15,040
that so

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00:00:18,150 --> 00:00:16,480
welcome and thank you thank you for

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00:00:19,910 --> 00:00:18,160
being here yeah

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00:00:21,269 --> 00:00:19,920
so i mean i've listened to some of your

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00:00:23,269 --> 00:00:21,279
episodes so i think the first thing i

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00:00:25,589 --> 00:00:23,279

want to say is the duration

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00:00:27,109 --> 00:00:25,599

of mine is you know it's very short it

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00:00:28,390 --> 00:00:27,119

doesn't hit the highs of some of the

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00:00:29,750 --> 00:00:28,400

stories i've heard

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00:00:31,669 --> 00:00:29,760

right but it's still it's very

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00:00:32,709 --> 00:00:31,679

interesting because i think uh yeah the

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00:00:34,150 --> 00:00:32,719

experience you had

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00:00:35,990 --> 00:00:34,160

is probably something that a lot of

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00:00:38,709 --> 00:00:36,000

people would have had

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00:00:41,190 --> 00:00:38,719

and it's a kind of a perplexing

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00:00:43,270 --> 00:00:41,200

experience i think like you met somebody

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00:00:45,750 --> 00:00:43,280

and initially what was your your

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00:00:49,670 --> 00:00:45,760

impression of this person

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00:00:52,709 --> 00:00:49,680
uh beautiful incredibly handsome um

27
00:00:55,750 --> 00:00:52,719
incredibly um straightforward and honest

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00:00:58,630 --> 00:00:55,760
had an interest in philosophy

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00:00:59,590 --> 00:00:58,640
just seemed to care about the world to

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00:01:01,750 --> 00:00:59,600
an extent

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00:01:03,270 --> 00:01:01,760
and have an idea for his future like he

32
00:01:05,590 --> 00:01:03,280
was getting everything together

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00:01:06,310 --> 00:01:05,600
really nice to be around yeah so i guess

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00:01:08,789 --> 00:01:06,320
you thought you'd

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00:01:09,750 --> 00:01:08,799
you know you found someone someone good

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00:01:13,030 --> 00:01:09,760
from that

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00:01:14,230 --> 00:01:13,040
yeah right you know you

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00:01:16,390 --> 00:01:14,240

i guess you went out with him a few

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00:01:17,910 --> 00:01:16,400
times and then what what what would be

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00:01:19,670 --> 00:01:17,920
like the kind of the first inkling you

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00:01:22,149 --> 00:01:19,680
had that something wasn't quite

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00:01:23,510 --> 00:01:22,159
right right first inkling i don't know

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00:01:25,109 --> 00:01:23,520
um

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00:01:26,630 --> 00:01:25,119
it was the corona he didn't take

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00:01:29,350 --> 00:01:26,640
coronavirus as seriously

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00:01:30,950 --> 00:01:29,360
as most people do i think most people

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00:01:33,910 --> 00:01:30,960
they don't necessarily believe it but

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00:01:37,670 --> 00:01:33,920
they pay lip service to what they need

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00:01:39,190 --> 00:01:37,680
to do and say um he wore the mask and he

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00:01:42,710 --> 00:01:39,200
did everything he should

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00:01:45,510 --> 00:01:42,720
but you know quietly complain so

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00:01:45,910 --> 00:01:45,520
would he would he say something about he

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00:01:48,550 --> 00:01:45,920
thought

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00:01:49,830 --> 00:01:48,560
that it was a hoax or something like

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00:01:53,030 --> 00:01:49,840
that he

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00:01:55,670 --> 00:01:53,040
didn't think it was dangerous he thought

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00:01:57,990 --> 00:01:55,680
it was blown out of the water but i so

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00:01:59,670 --> 00:01:58,000
i've just moved to spain so this is a

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00:02:01,910 --> 00:01:59,680
completely new experience for me

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00:02:03,270 --> 00:02:01,920
so you know i've been meeting new people

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00:02:05,670 --> 00:02:03,280
and i have

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00:02:07,590 --> 00:02:05,680
been encountering a lot of conspiracy

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00:02:11,029 --> 00:02:07,600

theories you know my old ones

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00:02:13,990 --> 00:02:11,039

corona virus related so stuff about

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00:02:14,710 --> 00:02:14,000

uh china invented it i think people

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00:02:17,030 --> 00:02:14,720

talking about

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00:02:18,229 --> 00:02:17,040

a nefarious government taking advantage

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00:02:21,430 --> 00:02:18,239

of coronavirus

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00:02:21,670 --> 00:02:21,440

so all this all these stories are kind

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00:02:24,070 --> 00:02:21,680

of

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00:02:24,790 --> 00:02:24,080

being proliferated everywhere by people

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00:02:26,630 --> 00:02:24,800

i know

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00:02:28,229 --> 00:02:26,640

and so when he started saying those

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00:02:31,190 --> 00:02:28,239

things i was like

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00:02:32,470 --> 00:02:31,200

okay okay there's a general distrust of

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00:02:35,750 --> 00:02:32,480

government here

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00:02:37,430 --> 00:02:35,760

but that is everywhere at the moment

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00:02:38,790 --> 00:02:37,440

right yeah it's interesting the the

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00:02:40,309 --> 00:02:38,800

differences in various countries with

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00:02:42,229 --> 00:02:40,319

conspiracy theories like i'm

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00:02:44,309 --> 00:02:42,239

you know obviously i'm based in in the

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00:02:46,070 --> 00:02:44,319

us and from the uk

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00:02:50,229 --> 00:02:46,080

but i've been in the u.s for a long time

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00:02:52,710 --> 00:02:50,239

so you get this this perspective of uh

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00:02:54,309 --> 00:02:52,720

you know what a conspiracy theory is and

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00:02:56,229 --> 00:02:54,319

for a lot of people it's very much

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00:02:57,509 --> 00:02:56,239

based around what the conspiracy theory

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00:02:58,949 --> 00:02:57,519

is in their country

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00:03:01,030 --> 00:02:58,959

so it's interesting to hear about other

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00:03:04,309 --> 00:03:01,040

countries but the stuff that you're

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00:03:07,750 --> 00:03:04,319

you you mentioned in

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00:03:09,509 --> 00:03:07,760

your email i think it very much reflects

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00:03:12,710 --> 00:03:09,519

a lot of the things

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00:03:14,550 --> 00:03:12,720

that we have in the us and the the big

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00:03:16,710 --> 00:03:14,560

difference i think between the us

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00:03:17,670 --> 00:03:16,720

and europe in terms of conspiracy

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00:03:19,750 --> 00:03:17,680

theories

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00:03:21,830 --> 00:03:19,760

is that the european conspiracy

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00:03:25,030 --> 00:03:21,840

theorists seem a lot more

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00:03:27,750 --> 00:03:25,040

um concerned with the idea of

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00:03:28,869 --> 00:03:27,760
uh this kind of great replacement type

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00:03:31,509 --> 00:03:28,879
thing

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00:03:32,229 --> 00:03:31,519
with people coming in and taking over

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00:03:38,070 --> 00:03:32,239
the

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00:03:39,270 --> 00:03:38,080
oh well yeah so this is this was

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00:03:41,030 --> 00:03:39,280
completely new to me

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00:03:42,390 --> 00:03:41,040
i mean so our honeymoon period was like

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00:03:44,390 --> 00:03:42,400
a really amazing month

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00:03:46,390 --> 00:03:44,400
of trying to spend as much time with

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00:03:47,350 --> 00:03:46,400
each other as possible on the phone all

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00:03:50,309 --> 00:03:47,360
the time

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00:03:51,190 --> 00:03:50,319
um you know just kind of falling madly

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00:03:53,910 --> 00:03:51,200

for each other

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00:03:54,789 --> 00:03:53,920

but slowly these kind of theories came

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00:03:56,710 --> 00:03:54,799

through and the

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00:03:58,869 --> 00:03:56,720

the really shocking one was this idea of

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00:04:01,589 --> 00:03:58,879

spain being taken over

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00:04:03,110 --> 00:04:01,599

it was a fear of the eu i felt it had

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00:04:05,270 --> 00:04:03,120

parallels with kind of the

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00:04:07,509 --> 00:04:05,280

us conspiracy theories as a real

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00:04:08,550 --> 00:04:07,519

preoccupation with kind of individual

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00:04:11,270 --> 00:04:08,560

rights

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00:04:11,670 --> 00:04:11,280

freedom the right to bear arms there we

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00:04:14,149 --> 00:04:11,680

go

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00:04:15,990 --> 00:04:14,159

there's the first one right to bear arms

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00:04:19,430 --> 00:04:16,000
on our first date

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00:04:21,830 --> 00:04:19,440
he said i believe

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00:04:22,469 --> 00:04:21,840
in gun ownership and as a british person

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00:04:27,749 --> 00:04:22,479
that's a

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00:04:28,790 --> 00:04:27,759
yeah so what are the the gun laws like

131
00:04:32,390 --> 00:04:28,800
in spain though

132
00:04:33,350 --> 00:04:32,400
he's told me uh spanish police officers

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00:04:36,230 --> 00:04:33,360
can

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00:04:36,710 --> 00:04:36,240
uh have a gun with them at all times but

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00:04:39,990 --> 00:04:36,720
it's

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00:04:40,550 --> 00:04:40,000
uh difficult to prove that you needed to

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00:04:42,550 --> 00:04:40,560
use it

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00:04:43,909 --> 00:04:42,560

so police officers have it as a

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00:04:46,550 --> 00:04:43,919

deterrent but

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00:04:48,150 --> 00:04:46,560

rarely use it do individual people have

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00:04:50,230 --> 00:04:48,160

guns in spain do they

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00:04:51,510 --> 00:04:50,240

i think it's only related to hunting

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00:04:54,790 --> 00:04:51,520

licenses okay

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00:04:57,990 --> 00:04:54,800

yeah um you can own a gun

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00:04:59,830 --> 00:04:58,000

but it's um there's a lot of

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00:05:01,990 --> 00:04:59,840

rules and regulations around it and it's

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00:05:04,469 --> 00:05:02,000

not common his idea of like you know

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00:05:05,990 --> 00:05:04,479

gun ownership being uh you know a

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00:05:07,350 --> 00:05:06,000

fundamental right or whatever

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00:05:10,710 --> 00:05:07,360

but he thinks that you should be able to

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00:05:13,430 --> 00:05:10,720
own guns do you think that comes from

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00:05:14,070 --> 00:05:13,440
some kind of spanish cultural thing or

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00:05:15,749 --> 00:05:14,080
is it

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00:05:17,430 --> 00:05:15,759
kind of coming from the american

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00:05:18,950 --> 00:05:17,440
conspiracy theory type thing because

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00:05:20,710 --> 00:05:18,960
obviously in america there's this whole

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00:05:23,510 --> 00:05:20,720
second amendment thing

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00:05:25,749 --> 00:05:23,520
where gun ownership is is so fundamental

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00:05:26,870 --> 00:05:25,759
to so many americans and the idea that

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00:05:29,830 --> 00:05:26,880
it's going to be taken away

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00:05:30,790 --> 00:05:29,840
is is underpins a lot of uh conspiracy

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00:05:33,749 --> 00:05:30,800
theories

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00:05:35,029 --> 00:05:33,759

so is it is it the american culture

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00:05:36,629 --> 00:05:35,039

infecting the

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00:05:39,189 --> 00:05:36,639

spanish conspiracy culture or is it

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00:05:41,430 --> 00:05:39,199

something more uniquely spanish

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00:05:43,749 --> 00:05:41,440

i don't think i know enough about it to

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00:05:46,310 --> 00:05:43,759

confidently say which one i think

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00:05:47,670 --> 00:05:46,320

but from what i know of european culture

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00:05:48,950 --> 00:05:47,680

technically being european

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00:05:51,590 --> 00:05:48,960

there's just no interest in gun

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00:05:53,510 --> 00:05:51,600

ownership yeah even when i've met

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00:05:54,790 --> 00:05:53,520

people who are considered right-wing

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00:05:55,749 --> 00:05:54,800

working in governments and i've been

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00:05:58,790 --> 00:05:55,759

their teacher

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00:06:03,029 --> 00:05:58,800

when it came to how to act socially

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00:06:05,909 --> 00:06:03,039

and um and you know lgbt rights

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00:06:07,909 --> 00:06:05,919

and all that very liberal i would say

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00:06:11,430 --> 00:06:07,919

more left-wing than the uk

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00:06:13,909 --> 00:06:11,440

right yeah yeah so it was a shock for me

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00:06:16,070 --> 00:06:13,919

i would never expect that

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00:06:18,309 --> 00:06:16,080

so he's talked to you about the

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00:06:21,430 --> 00:06:18,319

coronavirus and gun rights

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00:06:24,710 --> 00:06:21,440

uh when did the kind of

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00:06:26,629 --> 00:06:24,720

the racism creep in when we become aware

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00:06:30,710 --> 00:06:26,639

of that

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00:06:33,830 --> 00:06:30,720

as soon as i met him and i just

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00:06:36,950 --> 00:06:33,840

ignored it and i'm really shocked

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00:06:38,469 --> 00:06:36,960

with my behavior because as soon as i

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00:06:40,070 --> 00:06:38,479

i think it was like our second or third

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00:06:43,590 --> 00:06:40,080

date and he was just kind of

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00:06:46,870 --> 00:06:43,600

showing me around the town um and

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00:06:50,150 --> 00:06:46,880

he he actively went to the place

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00:06:53,350 --> 00:06:50,160

where the jews used to live in the

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00:06:55,189 --> 00:06:53,360

town and and

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00:06:58,070 --> 00:06:55,199

and said you know this is where we expel

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00:07:00,230 --> 00:06:58,080

the jews in like the 14th century

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00:07:01,589 --> 00:07:00,240

and you know for me for me i was like

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00:07:03,909 --> 00:07:01,599

well you know that's just a historical

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00:07:07,110 --> 00:07:05,029

historical fact that most people

201
00:07:08,629 --> 00:07:07,120
wouldn't be interested in but i would be

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00:07:10,469 --> 00:07:08,639
interested in and clearly he's

203
00:07:13,909 --> 00:07:10,479
interested in that

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00:07:16,629 --> 00:07:13,919
yeah and then he spoke a lot about how

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00:07:18,070 --> 00:07:16,639
uh there's a lot of romanian gypsies um

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00:07:21,350 --> 00:07:18,080
in lots of times in spain

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00:07:21,749 --> 00:07:21,360
and he spoke badly like pretty badly of

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00:07:25,990 --> 00:07:21,759
them

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00:07:28,390 --> 00:07:26,000
which was definitely a red flag

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00:07:30,390 --> 00:07:28,400
and uh i you know this is this obviously

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00:07:33,029 --> 00:07:30,400
vicky has this

212
00:07:34,790 --> 00:07:33,039
uh somewhat racist undercurrent but how

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00:07:37,029 --> 00:07:34,800

did that kind of like

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00:07:38,309 --> 00:07:37,039

manifest itself in terms of a conspiracy

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00:07:39,670 --> 00:07:38,319

theory type thing you know

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00:07:41,670 --> 00:07:39,680

it's one thing to say like it was a good

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00:07:43,430 --> 00:07:41,680

thing to get rid of the jews back in the

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00:07:45,510 --> 00:07:43,440

14th century

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00:07:47,110 --> 00:07:45,520

and that he doesn't like gypsies you

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00:07:48,390 --> 00:07:47,120

know then he's he's going to start at

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00:07:51,110 --> 00:07:48,400

some point telling you about

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00:07:51,749 --> 00:07:51,120

like some kind of plot that's going on

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00:07:54,390 --> 00:07:51,759

yeah

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00:07:55,830 --> 00:07:54,400

how did you discover that he had these

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00:07:58,150 --> 00:07:55,840

ideas

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00:08:00,070 --> 00:07:58,160

i don't know how he lets people know

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00:08:01,510 --> 00:08:00,080

about his belief system

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00:08:04,070 --> 00:08:01,520

early on i don't know how much he keeps

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00:08:05,189 --> 00:08:04,080

to himself he he really did want to

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00:08:07,749 --> 00:08:05,199

share

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00:08:08,469 --> 00:08:07,759

with me he didn't want to convince me of

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00:08:10,629 --> 00:08:08,479

anything

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00:08:12,230 --> 00:08:10,639

but he would say inflammatory statements

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00:08:14,309 --> 00:08:12,240

and at first

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00:08:15,909 --> 00:08:14,319

i would laugh thinking it was some kind

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00:08:18,950 --> 00:08:15,919

of shared joke

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00:08:22,390 --> 00:08:18,960

and but then the inflammatory statements

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00:08:22,710 --> 00:08:22,400

kind of continued and then just one day

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00:08:25,430 --> 00:08:22,720

he

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00:08:27,670 --> 00:08:25,440

just said i don't like jews and i

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00:08:31,909 --> 00:08:27,680

thought it was a joke and i was like

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00:08:39,589 --> 00:08:35,509

i haven't met any here

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00:08:42,790 --> 00:08:39,599

and he didn't go into the full reasons

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00:08:43,909 --> 00:08:42,800

and we were together and he made it into

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00:08:47,030 --> 00:08:43,919

an explanation

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00:08:50,470 --> 00:08:47,040

about kind of catholics historically

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00:08:53,910 --> 00:08:50,480

hating jews being brought up a catholic

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00:08:56,230 --> 00:08:53,920

um in a catholic society so i just

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00:08:59,829 --> 00:08:56,240

convinced myself i think

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00:09:01,990 --> 00:08:59,839

um i just convinced myself that

251
00:09:03,350 --> 00:09:02,000
it was something he hadn't thought about

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00:09:05,670 --> 00:09:03,360
much

253
00:09:07,190 --> 00:09:05,680
like a cultural thing cultural thing

254
00:09:10,389 --> 00:09:07,200
something that had been passed down

255
00:09:13,750 --> 00:09:10,399
on him i was aware from the beginning

256
00:09:15,269 --> 00:09:13,760
that he hadn't traveled much

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00:09:16,870 --> 00:09:15,279
um and he hadn't really been outside of

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00:09:18,230 --> 00:09:16,880
spain that

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00:09:19,430 --> 00:09:18,240
not that has too much of a bearing but

260
00:09:20,230 --> 00:09:19,440
you know if you stay in the same area

261
00:09:22,389 --> 00:09:20,240
with

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00:09:23,590 --> 00:09:22,399
yeah can have a bearing you know and i

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00:09:26,150 --> 00:09:23,600

was aware that he

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00:09:27,509 --> 00:09:26,160

had a difficult time in his childhood

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00:09:28,949 --> 00:09:27,519

that he spent a lot of time on the

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00:09:30,470 --> 00:09:28,959

internet from a young age

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00:09:32,389 --> 00:09:30,480

and he started smoking weed from a

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00:09:34,470 --> 00:09:32,399

really young age as well

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00:09:36,550 --> 00:09:34,480

that's interesting so what did he uh was

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00:09:39,350 --> 00:09:36,560

he using uh weed

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00:09:39,910 --> 00:09:39,360

when you were with him it's interesting

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00:09:42,949 --> 00:09:39,920

because i

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00:09:43,590 --> 00:09:42,959

i was just talking to a woman a few days

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00:09:45,750 --> 00:09:43,600

ago i just

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00:09:46,790 --> 00:09:45,760

published her podcast her name was sarah

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00:09:50,230 --> 00:09:46,800

and she mentioned

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00:09:53,509 --> 00:09:50,240

uh that her partner was

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00:09:55,990 --> 00:09:53,519

smoking a lot cannabis uh she felt like

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00:10:01,990 --> 00:09:56,000

that this actually had an effect

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00:10:03,910 --> 00:10:02,000

on his beliefs his conspiracy beliefs

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00:10:06,550 --> 00:10:03,920

did you ever suspect anything like that

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00:10:08,630 --> 00:10:06,560

that the drug use

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00:10:11,110 --> 00:10:08,640

contributed in some way to the the

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00:10:14,550 --> 00:10:11,120

beliefs or the growth of these beliefs

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00:10:15,910 --> 00:10:14,560

i mean absolutely i mean i i'm all for

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00:10:18,389 --> 00:10:15,920

the legalization

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00:10:19,350 --> 00:10:18,399

of these but it's still a drug and it

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00:10:21,030 --> 00:10:19,360

still affects

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00:10:22,470 --> 00:10:21,040

your brain and your ability to process

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00:10:26,069 --> 00:10:22,480

information

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00:10:28,230 --> 00:10:26,079

yeah and if you're smoking it every day

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00:10:29,350 --> 00:10:28,240

for many many years that is going to

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00:10:33,829 --> 00:10:29,360

have an effect

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00:10:36,870 --> 00:10:33,839

see yourself it's gonna

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00:10:38,550 --> 00:10:36,880

have an effect on your your motivation

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00:10:39,269 --> 00:10:38,560

to do different things to try different

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00:10:41,350 --> 00:10:39,279

things

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00:10:43,350 --> 00:10:41,360

because when you smoke you be when

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00:10:46,550 --> 00:10:43,360

people smoke they become passive

300

00:10:49,670 --> 00:10:46,560

um and you know just easily just

301
00:10:51,190 --> 00:10:49,680
take in lots of information watch tv for

302
00:10:54,470 --> 00:10:51,200
hours and hours and hours

303
00:10:55,670 --> 00:10:54,480
and i know youtube have changed i know

304
00:10:57,509 --> 00:10:55,680
they've changed their algorithm but for

305
00:10:58,870 --> 00:10:57,519
a good few years their algorithm was

306
00:11:00,630 --> 00:10:58,880
take you to the next video that's the

307
00:11:01,829 --> 00:11:00,640
most similar to this video so then

308
00:11:03,829 --> 00:11:01,839
people would get

309
00:11:05,430 --> 00:11:03,839
they would really get stuck in you know

310
00:11:06,389 --> 00:11:05,440
their own echo chamber and if you're

311
00:11:08,550 --> 00:11:06,399
watching

312
00:11:09,590 --> 00:11:08,560
content that's going to continue i also

313
00:11:12,470 --> 00:11:09,600

know that he was a

314

00:11:14,150 --> 00:11:12,480

an avid 4chan user for many years oh

315

00:11:15,590 --> 00:11:14,160

really

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00:11:17,430 --> 00:11:15,600

yeah now would that be an english

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00:11:19,990 --> 00:11:17,440

language 4chan

318

00:11:21,030 --> 00:11:20,000

yeah his uh speaking comprehension and

319

00:11:24,230 --> 00:11:21,040

listening skills

320

00:11:24,630 --> 00:11:24,240

in english are excellent all right yeah

321

00:11:26,389 --> 00:11:24,640

so

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00:11:27,990 --> 00:11:26,399

he probably got quite a lot of stuff

323

00:11:29,030 --> 00:11:28,000

from 4chan because that's obviously a

324

00:11:31,190 --> 00:11:29,040

big

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00:11:32,150 --> 00:11:31,200

melting pot of various conspiracy

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00:11:34,069 --> 00:11:32,160

theories and

327

00:11:35,509 --> 00:11:34,079

and racism and sexism and things like

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00:11:37,430 --> 00:11:35,519

that

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00:11:38,710 --> 00:11:37,440

um you mentioned like i was just looking

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00:11:39,750 --> 00:11:38,720

over your email you mentioned that you

331

00:11:43,509 --> 00:11:39,760

were interested in

332

00:11:45,269 --> 00:11:43,519

in cell culture ties in a little bit

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00:11:47,670 --> 00:11:45,279

with with 4chan to a degree

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00:11:49,590 --> 00:11:47,680

but uh how did you get interested in in

335

00:11:51,829 --> 00:11:49,600

in cell culture can you briefly describe

336

00:11:53,990 --> 00:11:51,839

what in cell culture actually is

337

00:11:55,990 --> 00:11:54,000

from my personal experience i lived in a

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00:11:58,470 --> 00:11:56,000

lovely little liberal bubble

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00:11:59,269 --> 00:11:58,480

a lovely little kind of art school

340

00:12:02,470 --> 00:11:59,279

london

341

00:12:03,670 --> 00:12:02,480

bubble people around my age with my very

342

00:12:07,910 --> 00:12:03,680

left wing beliefs

343

00:12:11,509 --> 00:12:07,920

progressive you know typical city

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00:12:14,629 --> 00:12:11,519

point of view and when i got to

345

00:12:15,350 --> 00:12:14,639

vietnam it there was there's a when

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00:12:18,550 --> 00:12:15,360

people

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00:12:18,949 --> 00:12:18,560

move really far away there's a lot of

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00:12:22,069 --> 00:12:18,959

lost

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00:12:27,030 --> 00:12:22,079

souls and there's a lot of bitterness

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00:12:29,269 --> 00:12:27,040

um and i just met a lot of

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00:12:31,110 --> 00:12:29,279

i just met a lot of men who really

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00:12:34,389 --> 00:12:31,120

didn't like women very much

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00:12:36,310 --> 00:12:34,399

you know spending years around you know

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00:12:38,230 --> 00:12:36,320

years kind of studying feminism

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00:12:40,230 --> 00:12:38,240

as an undergraduate talking about all

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00:12:42,310 --> 00:12:40,240

these theories and ideas it was

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00:12:43,829 --> 00:12:42,320

amazing for me you know being convinced

358

00:12:46,790 --> 00:12:43,839

that the whole world felt the same

359

00:12:48,389 --> 00:12:46,800

as me and then kind of turning up to a

360

00:12:51,430 --> 00:12:48,399

new place and being like wow no

361

00:12:55,750 --> 00:12:51,440

there's a lot of very upset

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00:12:58,870 --> 00:12:55,760

western men um coming to another country

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00:12:59,670 --> 00:12:58,880

to kind of live some kind of fantasy of

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00:13:03,190 --> 00:12:59,680

uh

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00:13:06,230 --> 00:13:03,200

of um the perfect household

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00:13:06,790 --> 00:13:06,240

you know uh the man of the house and

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00:13:09,430 --> 00:13:06,800

then

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00:13:11,269 --> 00:13:09,440

um a younger beautiful woman who listens

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00:13:14,069 --> 00:13:11,279

to you and cooks all your food

370

00:13:14,629 --> 00:13:14,079

and then you have children and there can

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00:13:17,590 --> 00:13:14,639

be

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00:13:19,269 --> 00:13:17,600

a lot of animosity towards western women

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00:13:22,230 --> 00:13:19,279

by western men

374

00:13:23,509 --> 00:13:22,240

in places like vietnam that's

375

00:13:23,990 --> 00:13:23,519

fascinating i've never really heard of

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00:13:26,550 --> 00:13:24,000

it

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00:13:27,829 --> 00:13:26,560

put like that before but yeah you can

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00:13:29,509 --> 00:13:27,839

you can kind of see that

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00:13:31,110 --> 00:13:29,519

uh because you do have a more

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00:13:32,870 --> 00:13:31,120

traditional family structure i guess in

381

00:13:36,069 --> 00:13:32,880

in vietnam with uh

382

00:13:37,990 --> 00:13:36,079

is it more of a paternal figure

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00:13:39,189 --> 00:13:38,000

rule in the household type thing in in

384

00:13:40,710 --> 00:13:39,199

vietnam or or

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00:13:42,230 --> 00:13:40,720

at least being the head of the household

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00:13:45,269 --> 00:13:42,240

the women there are strong

387

00:13:50,790 --> 00:13:45,279

um um

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00:13:56,470 --> 00:13:53,910

yeah absolutely yeah vietnamese uh

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00:13:57,110 --> 00:13:56,480

culture can be very masculine you know

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00:13:59,430 --> 00:13:57,120

we all

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00:14:01,030 --> 00:13:59,440

um there are jokes about western men

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00:14:03,189 --> 00:14:01,040

going over to asia

393

00:14:04,389 --> 00:14:03,199

to find a docile woman and it's funny

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00:14:07,110 --> 00:14:04,399

because they don't really find a docile

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00:14:11,590 --> 00:14:08,870

but they but you know but they do find a

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00:14:13,990 --> 00:14:11,600

woman who has been taught

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00:14:14,870 --> 00:14:14,000

what her role is in a romantic

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00:14:17,030 --> 00:14:14,880

relationship

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00:14:18,310 --> 00:14:17,040

and it's quite different what western

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00:14:21,670 --> 00:14:18,320

women expect

401
00:14:21,990 --> 00:14:21,680
yeah yeah so within cells it's this kind

402
00:14:25,430 --> 00:14:22,000
of

403
00:14:28,310 --> 00:14:25,440
um i guess a movement uh

404
00:14:29,269 --> 00:14:28,320
in in you know i've only already seen it

405
00:14:30,470 --> 00:14:29,279
in the states

406
00:14:31,750 --> 00:14:30,480
but i mean i guess it's going to be all

407
00:14:33,110 --> 00:14:31,760
around the world because it's this this

408
00:14:35,350 --> 00:14:33,120
kind of

409
00:14:36,629 --> 00:14:35,360
men being disaffected with their

410
00:14:38,710 --> 00:14:36,639
position because they feel like they're

411
00:14:41,990 --> 00:14:38,720
being rejected by women and they

412
00:14:44,069 --> 00:14:42,000
they kind of fall into this more uh

413
00:14:46,069 --> 00:14:44,079

this idea that western culture is being

414

00:14:47,590 --> 00:14:46,079

changed and traditional gender roles

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00:14:49,509 --> 00:14:47,600

are being changed and they don't like it

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00:14:51,829 --> 00:14:49,519

and they want to change it back

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00:14:53,829 --> 00:14:51,839

uh and i think you know that that is to

418

00:14:56,710 --> 00:14:53,839

a degree kind of

419

00:14:58,389 --> 00:14:56,720

underpinning a a variety of these these

420

00:14:58,790 --> 00:14:58,399

right-wing conspiracy theory is not like

421

00:15:02,310 --> 00:14:58,800

as a

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00:15:05,030 --> 00:15:02,320

everything's based on but it's like one

423

00:15:06,870 --> 00:15:05,040

one aspect of it they think that the the

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00:15:09,750 --> 00:15:06,880

culture is changing so

425

00:15:10,310 --> 00:15:09,760

they're fighting yeah absolutely there's

426

00:15:25,430 --> 00:15:10,320

a

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00:15:25,750 --> 00:15:25,440

subscribed to like not in cells so much

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00:15:29,749 --> 00:15:25,760

but

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00:15:32,949 --> 00:15:29,759

kind of men's rights or uh no

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00:15:36,069 --> 00:15:32,959

and that's something that i i

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00:15:37,590 --> 00:15:36,079

in vietnam learn to pick up on and also

432

00:15:39,430 --> 00:15:37,600

try and understand the shades of it

433

00:15:42,150 --> 00:15:39,440

because in my office

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00:15:43,590 --> 00:15:42,160

when you become long term in uh in a

435

00:15:46,310 --> 00:15:43,600

place like vietnam

436

00:15:48,389 --> 00:15:46,320

the women leave the western women leave

437

00:15:50,230 --> 00:15:48,399

so

438

00:15:51,910 --> 00:15:50,240

uh because there's not really there's

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00:15:53,749 --> 00:15:51,920

not many opportunities for them to

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00:15:56,470 --> 00:15:53,759

settle down to build a life there

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00:15:57,030 --> 00:15:56,480

one not all but a lot of western men

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00:15:59,350 --> 00:15:57,040

stay

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00:16:00,710 --> 00:15:59,360

and they build lives there but what

444

00:16:04,629 --> 00:16:00,720

comes with this

445

00:16:08,389 --> 00:16:04,639

is um uh an accepted atmosphere

446

00:16:11,430 --> 00:16:08,399

of the of these ideas

447

00:16:12,790 --> 00:16:11,440

and for me coming into offices and you

448

00:16:14,629 --> 00:16:12,800

know and building relationships with

449

00:16:17,430 --> 00:16:14,639

these kind of guys

450

00:16:18,069 --> 00:16:17,440

um who they were all on that on that

451

00:16:22,230 --> 00:16:18,079

level of

452

00:16:25,509 --> 00:16:22,240

joe rogan loving um uh

453

00:16:28,870 --> 00:16:25,519

jordan peterson reading you know

454

00:16:30,310 --> 00:16:28,880

white middle-aged men um you know and me

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00:16:33,110 --> 00:16:30,320

coming in

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00:16:33,670 --> 00:16:33,120

this like at the time like 29 year old

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00:16:37,189 --> 00:16:33,680

like

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00:16:38,790 --> 00:16:37,199

a feminist from london um

459

00:16:40,230 --> 00:16:38,800

yeah how did they react to you then i

460

00:16:41,350 --> 00:16:40,240

mean it was

461

00:16:44,069 --> 00:16:41,360

do you think it was a bit difficult for

462

00:16:44,470 --> 00:16:44,079

them yeah some of them absolutely hated

463

00:16:47,269 --> 00:16:44,480

me

464

00:16:47,910 --> 00:16:47,279

um but a lot of them didn't um and i had

465

00:16:55,189 --> 00:16:47,920

a

466

00:16:58,710 --> 00:16:55,199

been left behind

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00:17:03,030 --> 00:16:58,720

and he was fearful of the binary between

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00:17:09,990 --> 00:17:06,549

yeah absolutely um and he

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00:17:12,710 --> 00:17:10,000

he felt like he had been left behind and

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00:17:13,110 --> 00:17:12,720

um and jordan peterson really spoke to

471

00:17:16,150 --> 00:17:13,120

him

472

00:17:17,429 --> 00:17:16,160

personally yeah yeah jordan pearson's an

473

00:17:20,949 --> 00:17:17,439

interesting character

474

00:17:21,590 --> 00:17:20,959

uh yeah this i mean do you do you feel

475

00:17:25,029 --> 00:17:21,600

like

476
00:17:28,630 --> 00:17:25,039
you know you're a young liberal feminist

477
00:17:30,230 --> 00:17:28,640
and do you feel like there's a

478
00:17:32,390 --> 00:17:30,240
there is definitely a change in the

479
00:17:35,350 --> 00:17:32,400
culture that's been gone going on for

480
00:17:36,150 --> 00:17:35,360
decades basically and do you feel like

481
00:17:39,029 --> 00:17:36,160
it's kind of like

482
00:17:40,390 --> 00:17:39,039
forcing things out into the open that

483
00:17:43,590 --> 00:17:40,400
were always there or is it kind of

484
00:17:45,270 --> 00:17:43,600
creating something new

485
00:17:47,750 --> 00:17:45,280
in terms of these you know disaffected

486
00:17:51,430 --> 00:17:47,760
young men

487
00:17:55,029 --> 00:17:51,440
when you are the placeholder

488
00:17:57,830 --> 00:17:55,039

um of the just by your gender

489

00:17:59,430 --> 00:17:57,840

and the color of your skin of the the

490

00:17:59,990 --> 00:17:59,440

most amount of rights the most amount of

491

00:18:03,350 --> 00:18:00,000

respect

492

00:18:06,390 --> 00:18:03,360

the most ability and access to education

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00:18:09,110 --> 00:18:06,400

um social mobility and but

494

00:18:11,110 --> 00:18:09,120

nobody tells you that you are nobody has

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00:18:12,950 --> 00:18:11,120

ever told you that you're that

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00:18:14,789 --> 00:18:12,960

and then suddenly i mean not suddenly i

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00:18:15,669 --> 00:18:14,799

mean it's been it's been a really slow

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00:18:17,669 --> 00:18:15,679

process

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00:18:19,669 --> 00:18:17,679

but more and more people people are

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00:18:21,909 --> 00:18:19,679

saying hey look at that privilege

501
00:18:23,909 --> 00:18:21,919
why don't i have that first you had

502
00:18:26,470 --> 00:18:23,919
first you had white feminists

503
00:18:27,990 --> 00:18:26,480
then you get um and of course black

504
00:18:30,230 --> 00:18:28,000
rights movement and then this

505
00:18:31,110 --> 00:18:30,240
starts coming into how rather than it

506
00:18:34,070 --> 00:18:31,120
just being

507
00:18:34,870 --> 00:18:34,080
based on the culture of actual physical

508
00:18:36,789 --> 00:18:34,880
rights

509
00:18:38,150 --> 00:18:36,799
you start talking about what are the

510
00:18:40,549 --> 00:18:38,160
problems impeding

511
00:18:42,150 --> 00:18:40,559
my life and the and how i'm being

512
00:18:45,190 --> 00:18:42,160
treated day to day

513
00:18:48,470 --> 00:18:45,200

and i do think if you

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00:18:50,150 --> 00:18:48,480

go in and attack and say look at what

515

00:18:53,190 --> 00:18:50,160

you've got look at your privilege

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00:18:55,830 --> 00:18:53,200

the the first thing a lot of white men

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00:18:56,549 --> 00:18:55,840

who are struggling for many reasons are

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00:18:58,630 --> 00:18:56,559

going to do

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00:19:00,230 --> 00:18:58,640

is get aggressive and become like a

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00:19:03,510 --> 00:19:00,240

victim

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00:19:04,390 --> 00:19:03,520

i am making sense and yeah and this is

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00:19:06,950 --> 00:19:04,400

what i saw

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00:19:09,350 --> 00:19:06,960

and you can't negate people's own

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00:19:12,150 --> 00:19:09,360

personal experiences because even though

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00:19:13,510 --> 00:19:12,160

you as a white middle-class male have a

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00:19:14,950 --> 00:19:13,520

lot of opportunities

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00:19:17,750 --> 00:19:14,960

and a lot of respect in society other

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00:19:20,310 --> 00:19:17,760

people don't you still have your own

529

00:19:21,510 --> 00:19:20,320

problems and troubles and there's a

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00:19:24,070 --> 00:19:21,520

whole side of

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00:19:25,190 --> 00:19:24,080

there's like a whole masculinity studies

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00:19:27,510 --> 00:19:25,200

isn't there where they talk

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00:19:28,630 --> 00:19:27,520

where it where these issues are

534

00:19:32,549 --> 00:19:28,640

discussed

535

00:19:35,430 --> 00:19:32,559

um and um expectations

536

00:19:35,990 --> 00:19:35,440

of men in society and how they struggle

537

00:19:42,950 --> 00:19:36,000

yeah

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00:19:43,909 --> 00:19:42,960

middle-class white male and uh i don't

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00:19:46,230 --> 00:19:43,919

know if i

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00:19:47,909 --> 00:19:46,240

i really had this expectation when i was

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00:19:51,029 --> 00:19:47,919

growing up that i was going to be

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00:19:53,990 --> 00:19:51,039

uh privileged but i never really saw any

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00:19:55,430 --> 00:19:54,000

major obstacles in in in my future when

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00:19:56,950 --> 00:19:55,440

i was young it just seemed like oh i'm

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00:19:59,110 --> 00:19:56,960

going to go to university

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00:20:00,310 --> 00:19:59,120

i'm going to get a job i'm going to have

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00:20:01,830 --> 00:20:00,320

buy a house

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00:20:03,830 --> 00:20:01,840

probably get married i wasn't really

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00:20:05,350 --> 00:20:03,840

into getting married back then but

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00:20:07,350 --> 00:20:05,360

you know it just seemed like it was all

551
00:20:10,149 --> 00:20:07,360
going to going to happen

552
00:20:12,549 --> 00:20:10,159
and i think people don't realize they're

553
00:20:14,310 --> 00:20:12,559
privileged obviously and then when they

554
00:20:15,750 --> 00:20:14,320
they're told that they're privileged and

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00:20:16,789 --> 00:20:15,760
then they feel that their lives aren't

556
00:20:18,870 --> 00:20:16,799
going the way

557
00:20:20,950 --> 00:20:18,880
that they they would assume or they like

558
00:20:22,789 --> 00:20:20,960
then then they get angry about being

559
00:20:24,789 --> 00:20:22,799
labeled as being privileged

560
00:20:26,710 --> 00:20:24,799
and they see the issue as being

561
00:20:28,549 --> 00:20:26,720
elsewhere absolutely and i do think

562
00:20:31,190 --> 00:20:28,559
there's an element of scapegoating in

563
00:20:33,029 --> 00:20:31,200

uh scapegoating involved in this it's so

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00:20:35,110 --> 00:20:33,039

easy to get angry at a group

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00:20:36,789 --> 00:20:35,120

who's telling you you're wrong rather

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00:20:38,149 --> 00:20:36,799

than i mean i mean it's not like i'm

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00:20:39,669 --> 00:20:38,159

expecting people to do that but i do

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00:20:42,710 --> 00:20:39,679

think there are some systemic

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00:20:45,190 --> 00:20:42,720

economic uh problems

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00:20:46,549 --> 00:20:45,200

that have been happening for a long time

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00:20:49,909 --> 00:20:46,559

which means that

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00:20:52,230 --> 00:20:49,919

the expectation that i was given as a uh

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00:20:53,350 --> 00:20:52,240

as a working class you know relatively

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00:20:55,350 --> 00:20:53,360

poor working class

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00:20:56,470 --> 00:20:55,360

person was that i would go to university

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00:20:58,870 --> 00:20:56,480

it would be free

577

00:21:00,630 --> 00:20:58,880

i would go get mia and i would and i

578

00:21:02,070 --> 00:21:00,640

wouldn't be in that situation anymore

579

00:21:04,710 --> 00:21:02,080

because of education

580

00:21:05,590 --> 00:21:04,720

but i don't think that is realistic

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00:21:07,830 --> 00:21:05,600

anymore

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00:21:09,190 --> 00:21:07,840

and you know i expected to own a house i

583

00:21:12,230 --> 00:21:09,200

expected to have a car

584

00:21:13,190 --> 00:21:12,240

i expected you know children all these

585

00:21:15,270 --> 00:21:13,200

things and

586

00:21:16,630 --> 00:21:15,280

none of those things are available maybe

587

00:21:18,710 --> 00:21:16,640

one day i'll get a car but none of these

588

00:21:22,950 --> 00:21:18,720

things are available to me

589

00:21:24,549 --> 00:21:22,960

um and they're a struggle to get um

590

00:21:26,549 --> 00:21:24,559

yeah i'm kind of a generation ahead of

591

00:21:29,990 --> 00:21:26,559

you like i'm in my 50s now

592

00:21:32,549 --> 00:21:30,000

and when i grew up university

593

00:21:33,110 --> 00:21:32,559

was very much uh kind of expected and

594

00:21:34,710 --> 00:21:33,120

free

595

00:21:36,710 --> 00:21:34,720

for anybody who who went through the

596

00:21:38,630 --> 00:21:36,720

school system uh you just

597

00:21:39,830 --> 00:21:38,640

you went to university i got a grant to

598

00:21:43,270 --> 00:21:39,840

go to university it

599

00:21:45,590 --> 00:21:43,280

didn't cost me anything um and

600

00:21:47,190 --> 00:21:45,600

uh it it it was it's remarkable kind of

601
00:21:50,390 --> 00:21:47,200
looking back on it just how

602
00:21:52,070 --> 00:21:50,400
uh almost how easy life was back then

603
00:21:53,590 --> 00:21:52,080
that you would just go to university

604
00:21:56,070 --> 00:21:53,600
and uh get a job of course you had to be

605
00:22:00,789 --> 00:21:56,080
able to do the work at university but

606
00:22:03,270 --> 00:22:00,799
uh it's it it was almost like

607
00:22:04,789 --> 00:22:03,280
uh my hands were being held through this

608
00:22:06,950 --> 00:22:04,799
whole process

609
00:22:09,110 --> 00:22:06,960
and i think perhaps with things moving

610
00:22:10,789 --> 00:22:09,120
away from that model now over the last

611
00:22:11,990 --> 00:22:10,799
you know few decades

612
00:22:13,510 --> 00:22:12,000
and it's certainly really never been

613
00:22:15,350 --> 00:22:13,520

like that in the united states you don't

614

00:22:17,510 --> 00:22:15,360

really get this this this uh

615

00:22:19,029 --> 00:22:17,520

you know free free university everybody

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00:22:21,350 --> 00:22:19,039

ends up with with massive

617

00:22:22,710 --> 00:22:21,360

massive debts i don't know much about

618

00:22:24,149 --> 00:22:22,720

the united states but

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00:22:26,149 --> 00:22:24,159

i think there's something about the

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00:22:29,029 --> 00:22:26,159

united states i mean i've i've

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00:22:30,470 --> 00:22:29,039

read about and it's this kind of denial

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00:22:32,390 --> 00:22:30,480

of the class system

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00:22:33,750 --> 00:22:32,400

in the uk we're open about it people are

624

00:22:37,270 --> 00:22:33,760

like yo i'm working class

625

00:22:39,750 --> 00:22:37,280

yo i'm getting fat we're very we

626
00:22:41,029 --> 00:22:39,760
we we we talk about that openly it's on

627
00:22:44,390 --> 00:22:41,039
our tv screens

628
00:22:46,230 --> 00:22:44,400
we see we see how people live in

629
00:22:47,909 --> 00:22:46,240
in in different ways but in america

630
00:22:50,549 --> 00:22:47,919
there seems to be this

631
00:22:51,669 --> 00:22:50,559
just you just don't see poor people on

632
00:22:53,909 --> 00:22:51,679
tv

633
00:22:55,110 --> 00:22:53,919
yeah i mean there certainly are uh

634
00:22:56,950 --> 00:22:55,120
obviously there's poor people but

635
00:22:59,029 --> 00:22:56,960
there's kind of a there's there's some

636
00:23:00,470 --> 00:22:59,039
poor culture i guess you would put it

637
00:23:02,870 --> 00:23:00,480
with kind of like the

638
00:23:03,909 --> 00:23:02,880

the the redneck uh for want of a better

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00:23:06,149 --> 00:23:03,919

word uh

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00:23:08,789 --> 00:23:06,159

uh culture they will label themselves as

641

00:23:09,350 --> 00:23:08,799

being proud rednecks and people who who

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00:23:12,470 --> 00:23:09,360

live in

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00:23:14,070 --> 00:23:12,480

in poor generally white cultures uh in

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00:23:15,270 --> 00:23:14,080

the united states but uh

645

00:23:16,870 --> 00:23:15,280

yeah there's certainly a sense in the

646

00:23:17,750 --> 00:23:16,880

united states that i think someone said

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00:23:19,590 --> 00:23:17,760

that

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00:23:21,510 --> 00:23:19,600

everybody in the united states is a

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00:23:23,110 --> 00:23:21,520

millionaire who has been temporarily

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00:23:26,950 --> 00:23:23,120

inconvenienced

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00:23:28,549 --> 00:23:26,960

uh and that everybody feels

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00:23:31,590 --> 00:23:28,559

like you know we should shouldn't tax

653

00:23:33,110 --> 00:23:31,600

the rich because one day i might be rich

654

00:23:34,789 --> 00:23:33,120

and they think that you know this this

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00:23:38,230 --> 00:23:34,799

idea of money is is

656

00:23:40,310 --> 00:23:38,240

is very much open to everybody when it

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00:23:42,950 --> 00:23:40,320

obviously isn't there's a huge

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00:23:43,750 --> 00:23:42,960

huge proportion of the the people in

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00:23:45,750 --> 00:23:43,760

this country who are

660

00:23:47,269 --> 00:23:45,760

never going to get rich and it's

661

00:23:49,190 --> 00:23:47,279

impossible that everybody will be

662

00:23:50,789 --> 00:23:49,200

and it is kind of strange they talk a

663

00:23:52,549 --> 00:23:50,799

lot about the middle class

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00:23:54,230 --> 00:23:52,559

in the united states which always kind

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00:23:55,269 --> 00:23:54,240

of i always found very interesting

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00:23:57,110 --> 00:23:55,279

because they never talk about the

667

00:23:58,950 --> 00:23:57,120

working class

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00:24:00,310 --> 00:23:58,960

and they kind of fold them in together

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00:24:00,950 --> 00:24:00,320

but there is there is in the united

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00:24:03,110 --> 00:24:00,960

states

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00:24:04,070 --> 00:24:03,120

there's middle class people you know

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00:24:06,470 --> 00:24:04,080

people with with

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00:24:08,149 --> 00:24:06,480

jobs and houses and then there's this

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00:24:11,190 --> 00:24:08,159

this huge

675

00:24:12,630 --> 00:24:11,200

uh mass of people the working class and

676
00:24:14,630 --> 00:24:12,640
the unemployed

677
00:24:17,350 --> 00:24:14,640
who just don't even get a say really in

678
00:24:18,470 --> 00:24:17,360
uh in the culture i think

679
00:24:21,830 --> 00:24:18,480
and i think there may be something

680
00:24:23,909 --> 00:24:21,840
coming from from that if you can't

681
00:24:25,269 --> 00:24:23,919
if the middle class is being

682
00:24:27,590 --> 00:24:25,279
increasingly excluded

683
00:24:28,390 --> 00:24:27,600
to you then you're going to get this

684
00:24:31,830 --> 00:24:28,400
this type of

685
00:24:32,950 --> 00:24:31,840
resentment and you know perhaps you

686
00:24:35,110 --> 00:24:32,960
don't get it so much

687
00:24:36,710 --> 00:24:35,120
in the uk because people say oh i'm

688
00:24:38,789 --> 00:24:36,720

working class then you know it's okay

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00:24:40,630 --> 00:24:38,799

for me to live on a council estate and

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00:24:42,230 --> 00:24:40,640

draw the doll i'm not sure exactly what

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00:24:45,029 --> 00:24:42,240

they do nowadays that's what

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00:24:46,230 --> 00:24:45,039

i would describe it back in the 30 years

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00:24:49,830 --> 00:24:46,240

ago

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00:24:52,870 --> 00:24:49,840

yeah it's um so with your your friend

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00:24:54,390 --> 00:24:52,880

uh in spain he

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00:24:56,789 --> 00:24:54,400

you think you described him as being

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00:24:58,630 --> 00:24:56,799

middle class

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00:25:00,630 --> 00:24:58,640

from what i can tell his family always

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00:25:04,070 --> 00:25:00,640

worked he never talked about

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00:25:08,230 --> 00:25:04,080

being in poverty um i do think

701
00:25:09,990 --> 00:25:08,240
there was neglect from from parents

702
00:25:11,830 --> 00:25:10,000
maybe some form of abuse there's

703
00:25:13,190 --> 00:25:11,840
definitely neglect though

704
00:25:16,470 --> 00:25:13,200
there was definitely a lot of anger

705
00:25:18,549 --> 00:25:16,480
towards family members

706
00:25:19,990 --> 00:25:18,559
he said he didn't do so well in school

707
00:25:22,549 --> 00:25:20,000
there was problems with school

708
00:25:23,750 --> 00:25:22,559
yeah he uh told me that he believed

709
00:25:27,990 --> 00:25:23,760
himself to be autistic

710
00:25:29,750 --> 00:25:28,000
really early on yeah so i was like okay

711
00:25:31,350 --> 00:25:29,760
um i don't know what to do with this

712
00:25:33,430 --> 00:25:31,360
information to be honest um

713
00:25:34,630 --> 00:25:33,440

i've got a family member who's autistic

714

00:25:37,190 --> 00:25:34,640

but it made me

715

00:25:38,789 --> 00:25:37,200

because i really liked him uh and and

716

00:25:40,870 --> 00:25:38,799

you know it made me want to understand

717

00:25:42,310 --> 00:25:40,880

it more so i researched a lot what's

718

00:25:43,430 --> 00:25:42,320

said what's it like to be

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00:25:46,390 --> 00:25:43,440

ridiculous what's it like to be in a

720

00:25:48,870 --> 00:25:46,400

relationship with an autistic person and

721

00:25:50,390 --> 00:25:48,880

you know what what to expect and um

722

00:25:52,149 --> 00:25:50,400

what's difficult is and

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00:25:53,669 --> 00:25:52,159

and um all those all those things that

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00:25:55,269 --> 00:25:53,679

i've read maybe

725

00:25:56,950 --> 00:25:55,279

maybe i was trying to find it but all

726

00:25:58,149 --> 00:25:56,960

those things i was reading for a little

727

00:26:01,029 --> 00:25:58,159

bit of support and

728

00:26:03,190 --> 00:26:01,039

understanding were were quite easily

729

00:26:04,630 --> 00:26:03,200

identifiable in him so i was like oh

730

00:26:05,350 --> 00:26:04,640

yeah i think he's got it right i do

731

00:26:08,789 --> 00:26:05,360

think

732

00:26:12,070 --> 00:26:08,799

he isn't uh he is neurodiverse

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00:26:13,909 --> 00:26:12,080

um in some ways um and

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00:26:15,269 --> 00:26:13,919

i got the impression that he was really

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00:26:18,549 --> 00:26:15,279

ignored at school

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00:26:20,950 --> 00:26:18,559

and treated like a a a problem

737

00:26:22,549 --> 00:26:20,960

rather than trying to be understood and

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00:26:25,029 --> 00:26:22,559

his family never

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00:26:25,669 --> 00:26:25,039

accepted that he was in any way

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00:26:27,269 --> 00:26:25,679

different

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00:26:29,269 --> 00:26:27,279

um which probably would have caused a

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00:26:31,909 --> 00:26:29,279

lot of problems yeah yeah definitely

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00:26:32,630 --> 00:26:31,919

uh so when you say he was ignored at

744

00:26:34,390 --> 00:26:32,640

school

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00:26:36,310 --> 00:26:34,400

what does that mean ignored by his

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00:26:38,310 --> 00:26:36,320

classmates or ignored by the teachers

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00:26:40,070 --> 00:26:38,320

uh that he wasn't considered

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00:26:42,950 --> 00:26:40,080

academically bright

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00:26:45,029 --> 00:26:42,960

so he was just left to it i know that he

750

00:26:47,350 --> 00:26:45,039

just played a lot of video games spent a

751
00:26:48,950 --> 00:26:47,360
lot of time online from a young age

752
00:26:52,470 --> 00:26:48,960
kind of sounds like me is that we didn't

753
00:26:54,230 --> 00:26:52,480
have online when i was young i

754
00:26:55,990 --> 00:26:54,240
i was kind of left in my own devices as

755
00:26:58,149 --> 00:26:56,000
a child i ended up

756
00:26:59,669 --> 00:26:58,159
programming computer games rather than

757
00:27:01,590 --> 00:26:59,679
them playing them

758
00:27:03,110 --> 00:27:01,600
i mean you know my my brothers spent

759
00:27:05,110 --> 00:27:03,120
most of their childhood on

760
00:27:06,710 --> 00:27:05,120
on you know playing games and playing

761
00:27:10,230 --> 00:27:06,720
computer games with friends and

762
00:27:11,510 --> 00:27:10,240
just being part of that culture and part

763
00:27:14,950 --> 00:27:11,520

of that world

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00:27:15,269 --> 00:27:14,960

um with no problems yeah and i guess

765

00:27:18,549 --> 00:27:15,279

like

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00:27:19,350 --> 00:27:18,559

what are the factors in people's past

767

00:27:21,190 --> 00:27:19,360

that can kind of

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00:27:22,389 --> 00:27:21,200

lead them to to come to this place where

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00:27:24,710 --> 00:27:22,399

they start distrusting

770

00:27:26,230 --> 00:27:24,720

things and you know you you obviously if

771

00:27:27,430 --> 00:27:26,240

you looked into in-cell culture you

772

00:27:28,710 --> 00:27:27,440

might be familiar with things like

773

00:27:30,389 --> 00:27:28,720

gamergate

774

00:27:32,830 --> 00:27:30,399

uh which is a thing in the in the game

775

00:27:35,269 --> 00:27:32,840

culture where

776

00:27:37,590 --> 00:27:35,279

uh male young male

777

00:27:38,789 --> 00:27:37,600

gamers were essentially harassing this

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00:27:42,070 --> 00:27:38,799

this journalist

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00:27:43,990 --> 00:27:42,080

who who they thought had um

780

00:27:45,510 --> 00:27:44,000

done something wrong by giving a a

781

00:27:47,110 --> 00:27:45,520

positive review or something like that i

782

00:27:47,510 --> 00:27:47,120

can't remember the exact details like

783

00:27:52,310 --> 00:27:47,520

and

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00:27:54,310 --> 00:27:52,320

in game journalism but it really seemed

785

00:27:56,789 --> 00:27:54,320

like this this horrible misogynist

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00:27:58,070 --> 00:27:56,799

uh thing which is kind of ties in with

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00:28:01,510 --> 00:27:58,080

intel culture

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00:28:04,549 --> 00:28:01,520

and it kind of gave gamers in a way a

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00:28:05,750 --> 00:28:04,559

a bad name but not necessarily on

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00:28:07,590 --> 00:28:05,760

warrantedly because

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00:28:09,669 --> 00:28:07,600

you know if you've got a lot of young

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00:28:12,950 --> 00:28:09,679

males in a culture you're going to get

793

00:28:16,710 --> 00:28:12,960

something of a toxic mix in there from

794

00:28:17,990 --> 00:28:16,720

from some of them and that feels like it

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00:28:20,630 --> 00:28:18,000

relates to things like

796

00:28:22,149 --> 00:28:20,640

like 4chan and 8chan these these online

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00:28:23,990 --> 00:28:22,159

discussion boards

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00:28:26,070 --> 00:28:24,000

uh you get these young males together

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00:28:28,549 --> 00:28:26,080

and this young male culture

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00:28:31,110 --> 00:28:28,559

but you know how does that all come

801
00:28:32,950 --> 00:28:31,120
around to anti-semitism and

802
00:28:35,029 --> 00:28:32,960
belief in these conspiracy theories like

803
00:28:37,750 --> 00:28:35,039
there's this conspiracy theory

804
00:28:39,669 --> 00:28:37,760
so i think being around men he didn't

805
00:28:43,909 --> 00:28:39,679
necessarily like western women very much

806
00:28:46,230 --> 00:28:43,919
instead of being being aggressive or

807
00:28:47,190 --> 00:28:46,240
reactionary with them i learned to just

808
00:28:49,750 --> 00:28:47,200
kind of

809
00:28:51,190 --> 00:28:49,760
talk on their level but make it clear

810
00:28:51,909 --> 00:28:51,200
that i didn't necessarily agree with

811
00:28:53,350 --> 00:28:51,919
them

812
00:28:55,029 --> 00:28:53,360
that when they said something

813
00:28:57,029 --> 00:28:55,039

unacceptable it was unacceptable

814

00:28:58,630 --> 00:28:57,039

and obviously to have to get to a point

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00:29:00,549 --> 00:28:58,640

where i'd be like okay this

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00:29:02,710 --> 00:29:00,559

you know these people don't hold the

817

00:29:06,310 --> 00:29:02,720

same views as me but they're good people

818

00:29:07,750 --> 00:29:06,320

and they accept who i am and they accept

819

00:29:10,470 --> 00:29:07,760

our differences

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00:29:11,990 --> 00:29:10,480

but there are people who just don't and

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00:29:15,350 --> 00:29:12,000

they're just sexist or racist

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00:29:17,269 --> 00:29:15,360

or something so when i met him and he

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00:29:17,590 --> 00:29:17,279

was giving he was telling me these views

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00:29:27,909 --> 00:29:17,600

i

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00:29:30,389 --> 00:29:27,919

hate

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00:29:31,430 --> 00:29:30,399

but anyone so we must be able to get to

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00:29:35,029 --> 00:29:31,440

an understanding

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00:29:36,950 --> 00:29:35,039

here um rather than being reactionary i

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00:29:38,789 --> 00:29:36,960

was like just kind of digging

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00:29:40,549 --> 00:29:38,799

but then it got to a point where i got

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00:29:42,389 --> 00:29:40,559

really scared of digging

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00:29:43,590 --> 00:29:42,399

because i really didn't know i didn't

833

00:29:46,950 --> 00:29:43,600

want to hear what

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00:29:47,669 --> 00:29:46,960

i might say and i just stopped and that

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00:29:50,789 --> 00:29:47,679

i think

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00:29:53,029 --> 00:29:50,799

is i'm a little bit shocked

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00:29:54,070 --> 00:29:53,039

by that reaction because that's not how

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00:30:01,750 --> 00:29:54,080

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00:30:05,430 --> 00:30:01,760

degree and

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00:30:08,470 --> 00:30:05,440

were you starting to see things that

841

00:30:09,830 --> 00:30:08,480

you didn't want to learn more about so

842

00:30:11,590 --> 00:30:09,840

you felt like there was something there

843

00:30:13,190 --> 00:30:11,600

or was it a conscious decision

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00:30:15,430 --> 00:30:13,200

or do you think you just kind of shied

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00:30:17,590 --> 00:30:15,440

away from it interesting i think

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00:30:18,470 --> 00:30:17,600

you know i'd call friends or family or

847

00:30:19,269 --> 00:30:18,480

they'd call me and they'd be like oh

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00:30:20,950 --> 00:30:19,279

how's it going

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00:30:22,549 --> 00:30:20,960

with a guy you've been really excited

850

00:30:24,470 --> 00:30:22,559

about it and i'd be like

851

00:30:25,590 --> 00:30:24,480

oh great yeah we did this we had all

852

00:30:28,870 --> 00:30:25,600

this fun

853

00:30:31,590 --> 00:30:28,880

oh yeah but he hates jews

854

00:30:32,230 --> 00:30:31,600

and i just kind of know ha ha no that

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00:30:35,909 --> 00:30:32,240

can't be

856

00:30:40,149 --> 00:30:35,919

it's not real

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00:30:41,350 --> 00:30:40,159

who does that i i've met ray

858

00:30:42,710 --> 00:30:41,360

you know i've met people who hate black

859

00:30:44,310 --> 00:30:42,720

people i've met people who you know from

860

00:30:45,269 --> 00:30:44,320

the uk i've met lots of people who hate

861

00:30:47,669 --> 00:30:45,279

muslims

862

00:30:49,269 --> 00:30:47,679

you know i've i've been around racists

863

00:30:50,549 --> 00:30:49,279

and and you know i think

864

00:30:54,389 --> 00:30:50,559

largely think they're deplorable or

865

00:30:57,830 --> 00:30:54,399

clueless but i just it was it's so

866

00:30:59,269 --> 00:30:57,840

it for me anti-semitism is so out there

867

00:31:02,789 --> 00:30:59,279

that it just doesn't

868

00:31:05,909 --> 00:31:02,799

make any sense yeah it's

869

00:31:08,389 --> 00:31:05,919

no it does i mean it's like he's joking

870

00:31:10,950 --> 00:31:08,399

it's uh you know it's almost like you

871

00:31:13,029 --> 00:31:10,960

can't take it seriously because it's so

872

00:31:14,789 --> 00:31:13,039

so extreme and he seems like otherwise

873

00:31:17,430 --> 00:31:14,799

like such a nice guy

874

00:31:18,549 --> 00:31:17,440

i have some friends uh from britain who

875

00:31:21,029 --> 00:31:18,559

who would make

876

00:31:21,669 --> 00:31:21,039

uh jokes that are very kind of uh i

877

00:31:24,310 --> 00:31:21,679

don't know

878

00:31:26,630 --> 00:31:24,320

risky in in sense that they they flirt

879

00:31:28,710 --> 00:31:26,640

around the edges of racism

880

00:31:30,230 --> 00:31:28,720

uh and you know that it's just been

881

00:31:34,070 --> 00:31:30,240

making a very very bad taste

882

00:31:36,710 --> 00:31:34,080

joke and the the they're not racist

883

00:31:37,909 --> 00:31:36,720

but then what if they are you know it's

884

00:31:42,710 --> 00:31:37,919

it's

885

00:31:46,549 --> 00:31:42,720

way to feel other people out

886

00:31:48,310 --> 00:31:46,559

if you if you frame it as a joke and you

887

00:31:49,350 --> 00:31:48,320

say oh it's always all the jews who are

888

00:31:51,990 --> 00:31:49,360

behind us

889

00:31:52,710 --> 00:31:52,000

or whatever and you make a joke about it

890

00:31:55,990 --> 00:31:52,720

and then you can

891

00:31:58,549 --> 00:31:56,000

engage someone's reaction yeah and then

892

00:32:01,909 --> 00:31:58,559

you get plausible deniability

893

00:32:04,710 --> 00:32:01,919

um and he loved american culture

894

00:32:05,350 --> 00:32:04,720

and he in it you know when he was a

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00:32:07,430 --> 00:32:05,360

teenager

896

00:32:08,630 --> 00:32:07,440

like a lot of spanish youth uh was a

897

00:32:10,470 --> 00:32:08,640

communist

898

00:32:11,750 --> 00:32:10,480

so i i just presumed he had kind of

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00:32:16,789 --> 00:32:11,760

similar

900

00:32:20,070 --> 00:32:16,799

didn't necessarily want to express

901
00:32:23,110 --> 00:32:20,080
them um so much

902
00:32:23,750 --> 00:32:23,120
um and what i really liked about him was

903
00:32:25,750 --> 00:32:23,760
that he

904
00:32:28,070 --> 00:32:25,760
would come up with these like just

905
00:32:29,909 --> 00:32:28,080
ridiculous just ridiculous ideas

906
00:32:31,269 --> 00:32:29,919
um that he'd kind of just been thinking

907
00:32:32,950 --> 00:32:31,279
about for a while what i really liked

908
00:32:34,870 --> 00:32:32,960
about him

909
00:32:36,470 --> 00:32:34,880
and even at the end when he explained

910
00:32:38,389 --> 00:32:36,480
everything to me and it was shocking

911
00:32:41,190 --> 00:32:38,399
it was like he'd really gotten to the

912
00:32:43,110 --> 00:32:41,200
bottom of what conspiracy theories were

913
00:32:44,310 --> 00:32:43,120

he wasn't flirting with the edges he

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00:32:47,430 --> 00:32:44,320

wasn't like

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00:32:48,389 --> 00:32:47,440

you know some some biden pedophile over

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00:32:50,950 --> 00:32:48,399

here and

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00:32:51,750 --> 00:32:50,960

you know and uh you know i don't like

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00:32:54,389 --> 00:32:51,760

the state of israel

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00:32:56,310 --> 00:32:54,399

he you know or you know what was it

920

00:32:59,350 --> 00:32:56,320

something about returning to the gold

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00:33:02,470 --> 00:32:59,360

standard that one was strange but

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00:33:04,630 --> 00:33:02,480

when he really got down to it he knew it

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00:33:06,870 --> 00:33:04,640

was all about anti-semitism

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00:33:09,669 --> 00:33:06,880

and he was like and that and so he had

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00:33:11,029 --> 00:33:09,679

really analyzed conspiracy theories to

926
00:33:14,070 --> 00:33:11,039
their end point

927
00:33:14,870 --> 00:33:14,080
and he didn't need me to to try and dig

928
00:33:17,029 --> 00:33:14,880
for him

929
00:33:19,269 --> 00:33:17,039
he got it and he completely accepted

930
00:33:20,950 --> 00:33:19,279
this as his world view

931
00:33:22,310 --> 00:33:20,960
so when you talk about conspiracy

932
00:33:25,269 --> 00:33:22,320
theories a lot of people talk about

933
00:33:25,830 --> 00:33:25,279
you know somewhat extreme things like uh

934
00:33:28,230 --> 00:33:25,840
you know

935
00:33:28,870 --> 00:33:28,240
about chemtrails and things like that or

936
00:33:32,470 --> 00:33:28,880
uh

937
00:33:34,230 --> 00:33:32,480
the idea that 911 was an inside job or

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00:33:35,750 --> 00:33:34,240

or even things like people are being

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00:33:36,950 --> 00:33:35,760

secretly microchipped and things like

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00:33:39,430 --> 00:33:36,960

that extreme things

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00:33:40,710 --> 00:33:39,440

and what you're talking about here seems

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00:33:43,830 --> 00:33:40,720

to be more about the

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00:33:47,430 --> 00:33:43,840

idea that there's some vast plot to

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00:33:49,350 --> 00:33:47,440

change the world by changing culture

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00:33:51,110 --> 00:33:49,360

and did he talk about these these

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00:33:53,029 --> 00:33:51,120

more extreme conspiracy theories

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00:33:54,710 --> 00:33:53,039

as well like things like like i don't

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00:33:58,070 --> 00:33:54,720

know like 911 being a

949

00:33:59,350 --> 00:33:58,080

an inside job no so it started with

950

00:34:01,669 --> 00:33:59,360

coronavirus

951
00:34:02,710 --> 00:34:01,679
and then i was i've been reading a

952
00:34:04,389 --> 00:34:02,720
really nice

953
00:34:06,149 --> 00:34:04,399
easy philosophy book he was like oh

954
00:34:08,470 --> 00:34:06,159
we're talking about philosophy okay

955
00:34:10,149 --> 00:34:08,480
let's go in and it was just conspiracy

956
00:34:11,510 --> 00:34:10,159
theory after conspiracy theory after

957
00:34:13,909 --> 00:34:11,520
conspiracy theory

958
00:34:14,790 --> 00:34:13,919
but none of it was about was about kind

959
00:34:18,710 --> 00:34:14,800
of the usual

960
00:34:20,869 --> 00:34:18,720
911 moon landings fluoride in water

961
00:34:23,030 --> 00:34:20,879
any of the ones i was familiar with it

962
00:34:27,669 --> 00:34:23,040
was anti-eu

963
00:34:29,030 --> 00:34:27,679

it was fear fear of joe biden becoming

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00:34:32,149 --> 00:34:29,040

president

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00:34:35,589 --> 00:34:32,159

he cried when trump when trump

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00:34:38,550 --> 00:34:35,599

lost well yeah

967

00:34:39,430 --> 00:34:38,560

so is is the idea there that uh i think

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00:34:42,550 --> 00:34:39,440

i think you mentioned the

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00:34:45,190 --> 00:34:42,560

that he felt that there's a or you wrote

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00:34:46,629 --> 00:34:45,200

a a kind of mass cultural push by the us

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00:34:49,750 --> 00:34:46,639

to destroy the culture of

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00:34:52,389 --> 00:34:49,760

european states like why is the us

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00:34:52,869 --> 00:34:52,399

trying to destroy european states

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00:34:56,310 --> 00:34:52,879

because

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00:35:00,470 --> 00:34:56,320

he i don't know he i i don't

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00:35:03,349 --> 00:35:00,480

do something about a jewish cabal

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00:35:04,870 --> 00:35:03,359

something about it nothing made sense

978

00:35:06,550 --> 00:35:04,880

something about a jewish kebab

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00:35:10,230 --> 00:35:06,560

something about taking over spain

980

00:35:14,230 --> 00:35:11,750

i would have thought if anybody would be

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00:35:17,589 --> 00:35:14,240

uh breaking up the eu

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00:35:20,150 --> 00:35:17,599

it would be russia i mean

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00:35:21,750 --> 00:35:20,160

but i mean it depends you can think

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00:35:23,829 --> 00:35:21,760

about it i mean

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00:35:25,270 --> 00:35:23,839

you can think about it in a way that if

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00:35:27,510 --> 00:35:25,280

you don't want another if you don't want

987

00:35:29,750 --> 00:35:27,520

a liberalizing power block i mean the eu

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00:35:32,470 --> 00:35:29,760

is the only power block left

989

00:35:33,510 --> 00:35:32,480

where they are promoting human rights um

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00:35:37,349 --> 00:35:33,520

and they have some

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00:35:40,790 --> 00:35:37,359

they have some form of capitalism

992

00:35:42,310 --> 00:35:40,800

that tries to spread equality and

993

00:35:44,150 --> 00:35:42,320

maybe people some people in america want

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00:35:46,470 --> 00:35:44,160

to break that up because

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00:35:48,230 --> 00:35:46,480

i don't i don't know i mean but yeah

996

00:35:50,310 --> 00:35:48,240

absolutely if you're thinking about

997

00:35:52,710 --> 00:35:50,320

if anybody wants to break up the eu as a

998

00:35:54,870 --> 00:35:52,720

power block it would probably be russia

999

00:35:56,870 --> 00:35:54,880

uh russian government or even chinese

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00:36:00,030 --> 00:35:56,880

government so there's not a

1001
00:36:01,910 --> 00:36:00,040
yeah yeah definitely of how they govern

1002
00:36:04,390 --> 00:36:01,920
undemocratically

1003
00:36:05,910 --> 00:36:04,400
and why would why would biden be more of

1004
00:36:09,270 --> 00:36:05,920
a threat than trump

1005
00:36:09,990 --> 00:36:09,280
in that regard now this i never because

1006
00:36:12,870 --> 00:36:10,000
i was just

1007
00:36:15,030 --> 00:36:12,880
too frightened to get into it because it

1008
00:36:18,390 --> 00:36:15,040
didn't make any sense to me

1009
00:36:20,630 --> 00:36:18,400
it was really q inspired that

1010
00:36:22,470 --> 00:36:20,640
biden was a pedophile and biden was

1011
00:36:23,270 --> 00:36:22,480
working it was something about biden

1012
00:36:27,270 --> 00:36:23,280
working with

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00:36:29,910 --> 00:36:27,280

the pedophile rings of jewish people

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00:36:31,510 --> 00:36:29,920

okay everything for him came back to the

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00:36:34,630 --> 00:36:31,520

jews from what i can gather

1016

00:36:36,470 --> 00:36:34,640

yeah now the pedophile rings of jewish

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00:36:38,310 --> 00:36:36,480

jewish people was was this this

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00:36:40,390 --> 00:36:38,320

pedophile aspect something that he he

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00:36:42,630 --> 00:36:40,400

felt was permeating everything

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00:36:43,829 --> 00:36:42,640

or was it just like in america or

1021

00:36:45,589 --> 00:36:43,839

something like that

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00:36:47,109 --> 00:36:45,599

it seemed to be really american-centered

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00:36:48,550 --> 00:36:47,119

it didn't seem like it was affecting

1024

00:36:49,030 --> 00:36:48,560

spain the only way it was affecting

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00:36:53,190 --> 00:36:49,040

spain

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00:36:54,230 --> 00:36:53,200
actually all this information came out

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00:36:57,990 --> 00:36:54,240
and he was saying

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00:37:01,510 --> 00:36:58,000
some also joe biden joe biden

1029
00:37:02,390 --> 00:37:01,520
one wanted uh currency tied to the

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00:37:04,069 --> 00:37:02,400
dollar

1031
00:37:05,510 --> 00:37:04,079
he wanted to get rid of that and go back

1032
00:37:08,550 --> 00:37:05,520
to the gold standard

1033
00:37:11,349 --> 00:37:08,560
and i

1034
00:37:12,710 --> 00:37:11,359
it doesn't make any sense any sense so i

1035
00:37:14,710 --> 00:37:12,720
was like okay right i've got

1036
00:37:16,150 --> 00:37:14,720
some kind of very basic understanding of

1037
00:37:18,109 --> 00:37:16,160
the gold standard and that's what we had

1038
00:37:20,470 --> 00:37:18,119

in the

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00:37:23,990 --> 00:37:20,480

pre-1930s it was

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00:37:26,390 --> 00:37:24,000

the financial crisis was

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00:37:29,030 --> 00:37:26,400

the the gold standard was blamed for

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00:37:31,589 --> 00:37:29,040

that so then they changed

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00:37:32,710 --> 00:37:31,599

uh because it caused such big

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00:37:34,790 --> 00:37:32,720

fluctuations

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00:37:36,630 --> 00:37:34,800

that's what i was told that i was told

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00:37:37,589 --> 00:37:36,640

that's what i what i learned many years

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00:37:39,670 --> 00:37:37,599

ago

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00:37:40,950 --> 00:37:39,680

so i don't understand what his ideas

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00:37:41,589 --> 00:37:40,960

were and he was like you have to buy

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00:37:44,710 --> 00:37:41,599

gold

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00:37:46,470 --> 00:37:44,720

it's the most important thing

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00:37:48,550 --> 00:37:46,480

yeah and that's a common thing it's kind

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00:37:51,190 --> 00:37:48,560

of like a libertarian thing in the

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00:37:53,109 --> 00:37:51,200

states like uh financial independence

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00:37:55,510 --> 00:37:53,119

and people like the idea of gold

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00:37:56,230 --> 00:37:55,520

standard versus uh fiat money which is

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00:37:57,990 --> 00:37:56,240

uh

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00:37:59,589 --> 00:37:58,000

you know the the idea of money just

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00:38:01,510 --> 00:37:59,599

being created out of thin air which is

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00:38:02,550 --> 00:38:01,520

what essentially what we have now

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00:38:04,390 --> 00:38:02,560

i think the problem with the gold

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00:38:06,470 --> 00:38:04,400

standard was that there's only so much

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00:38:06,790 --> 00:38:06,480

gold and so there was there's issues

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00:38:12,630 --> 00:38:06,800

with

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00:38:14,550 --> 00:38:12,640

enough money for the economy to work

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00:38:16,069 --> 00:38:14,560

but of course everybody views coming off

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00:38:18,710 --> 00:38:16,079

the gold standard as being this

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00:38:19,910 --> 00:38:18,720

huge money-grabbing thing by i guess the

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00:38:22,069 --> 00:38:19,920

jews

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00:38:23,829 --> 00:38:22,079

uh because that that's what the whole

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00:38:25,589 --> 00:38:23,839

conspiracy theory is is that the the

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00:38:27,589 --> 00:38:25,599

jews run the banking system

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00:38:29,510 --> 00:38:27,599

and they took us off the gold standard

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00:38:31,750 --> 00:38:29,520

and there's this huge long-term

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00:38:34,710 --> 00:38:31,760

conspiracy that's been going on for

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00:38:35,430 --> 00:38:34,720
for decades but it's it's interesting

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00:38:39,430 --> 00:38:35,440
you know with your

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00:38:42,630 --> 00:38:39,440
your friends um ideas of

1079
00:38:44,829 --> 00:38:42,640
biden being more harmful and things like

1080
00:38:47,589 --> 00:38:44,839
that it seems very much like he's been

1081
00:38:50,790 --> 00:38:47,599
influenced uh very much by

1082
00:38:53,349 --> 00:38:50,800
by his readings on things like 8chan

1083
00:38:54,390 --> 00:38:53,359
rather than than i guess local

1084
00:38:56,550 --> 00:38:54,400
conspiracy theories

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00:38:58,230 --> 00:38:56,560
is there like a local conspiracy theory

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00:39:01,589 --> 00:38:58,240
culture is the other

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00:39:02,630 --> 00:39:01,599
other spanish language discussion boards

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00:39:04,470 --> 00:39:02,640

for that type of thing

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00:39:05,990 --> 00:39:04,480

well i don't know much about this but i

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00:39:09,109 --> 00:39:06,000

do know that

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00:39:09,510 --> 00:39:09,119

i i know i believe that a big part of

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00:39:12,150 --> 00:39:09,520

his

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00:39:14,230 --> 00:39:12,160

friendship group is based on the sharing

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00:39:17,670 --> 00:39:14,240

of these conspiracy theories

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00:39:19,670 --> 00:39:17,680

and he showed me uh a website in spanish

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00:39:21,750 --> 00:39:19,680

talking about this this stuff that his

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00:39:24,310 --> 00:39:21,760

friend had sent him

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00:39:25,910 --> 00:39:24,320

and um and i remember being like what

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00:39:27,670 --> 00:39:25,920

source is that and he was like just a

1100

00:39:30,069 --> 00:39:27,680

guy's blog in spanish and i went

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00:39:32,230 --> 00:39:30,079

well then how do you know it's true

1102

00:39:34,470 --> 00:39:32,240

because it's just a guy and he was like

1103

00:39:36,310 --> 00:39:34,480

well why you know and his argument was

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00:39:39,430 --> 00:39:36,320

why would it be less true

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00:39:43,190 --> 00:39:39,440

than than a

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00:39:45,990 --> 00:39:43,200

a peer reviewed journal or a newspaper

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00:39:46,470 --> 00:39:46,000

but again i let it go but so i do

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00:39:50,230 --> 00:39:46,480

believe

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00:39:53,430 --> 00:39:50,240

there are there are spanish spanish

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00:39:53,829 --> 00:39:53,440

language conspiracy theories um going

1111

00:39:57,270 --> 00:39:53,839

around

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00:40:00,550 --> 00:39:57,280

but he but his experience was

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00:40:02,069 --> 00:40:00,560

was largely in english

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00:40:04,150 --> 00:40:02,079

right but his one of his friends speak

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00:40:06,069 --> 00:40:04,160

spanish so i presume

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00:40:08,950 --> 00:40:06,079

i presume there must be some spanish

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00:40:10,309 --> 00:40:08,960

language stuff going around

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00:40:12,309 --> 00:40:10,319

so when you when you talk about his

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00:40:14,710 --> 00:40:12,319

group of friends he's like his

1120

00:40:16,230 --> 00:40:14,720

his old like school friends or people he

1121

00:40:17,430 --> 00:40:16,240

grew up with or there's like a new group

1122

00:40:20,710 --> 00:40:17,440

of people that he's

1123

00:40:22,150 --> 00:40:20,720

people he grew up with all played games

1124

00:40:23,829 --> 00:40:22,160

together from what i can tell

1125

00:40:25,510 --> 00:40:23,839

and played sports together and smoked

1126

00:40:27,990 --> 00:40:25,520

weed together

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00:40:29,349 --> 00:40:28,000

and they they're all similar in this

1128

00:40:32,550 --> 00:40:29,359

kind of belief of this

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00:40:34,870 --> 00:40:32,560

vast jewish conspiracy i believe so

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00:40:36,309 --> 00:40:34,880

fascinating i mean there's lots of

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00:40:39,589 --> 00:40:36,319

things i didn't ask about

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00:40:41,910 --> 00:40:39,599

um out of worry

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00:40:43,430 --> 00:40:41,920

that yeah what the answer would be so

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00:40:43,910 --> 00:40:43,440

how did how did things come to a head

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00:40:48,470 --> 00:40:43,920

for

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00:40:53,190 --> 00:40:48,480

broken it off now how did

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00:40:58,150 --> 00:40:53,200

how did that come about um

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00:41:00,790 --> 00:40:58,160

he he said something

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00:41:03,190 --> 00:41:00,800

i he after we had the conversation where

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00:41:06,710 --> 00:41:03,200

he told me about the gold standard

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00:41:07,670 --> 00:41:06,720

and he and he told me about taking over

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00:41:10,150 --> 00:41:07,680

spain and breaking

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00:41:11,430 --> 00:41:10,160

america breaking up the eu but again it

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00:41:14,470 --> 00:41:11,440

was never the jews

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00:41:14,790 --> 00:41:14,480

he never specifically said the jews and

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00:41:31,990 --> 00:41:14,800

i

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00:41:35,349 --> 00:41:32,000

okay

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00:41:38,309 --> 00:41:35,359

um so that shocked me

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00:41:39,589 --> 00:41:38,319

and i i pulled back and that's when i

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00:41:43,030 --> 00:41:39,599

became

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00:41:47,030 --> 00:41:43,040

relatively heavily invested in

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00:41:50,150 --> 00:41:47,040

how to talk to someone to try and

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00:41:51,910 --> 00:41:50,160

convince them otherwise and

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00:41:53,430 --> 00:41:51,920

how can i come from a place of

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00:41:55,190 --> 00:41:53,440

understanding

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00:41:57,349 --> 00:41:55,200

like i did in vietnam how can i come

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00:41:59,910 --> 00:41:57,359

from a place of understanding

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00:42:01,349 --> 00:41:59,920

where i can maybe shift their their

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00:42:02,950 --> 00:42:01,359

ideas a little bit and make them think

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00:42:05,030 --> 00:42:02,960

in a different way

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00:42:06,630 --> 00:42:05,040

not make them you know make them

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00:42:08,390 --> 00:42:06,640

question certain beliefs

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00:42:10,390 --> 00:42:08,400

when i was in vietnam i would just kind

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00:42:12,790 --> 00:42:10,400

of talk about things in

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00:42:14,150 --> 00:42:12,800

a calm logical way and give people facts

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00:42:16,309 --> 00:42:14,160

and ideas and

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00:42:18,309 --> 00:42:16,319

and philosophical ideas about you know

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00:42:18,550 --> 00:42:18,319

human rights and respecting each other

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00:42:21,349 --> 00:42:18,560

and

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00:42:22,150 --> 00:42:21,359

oh that's a really interesting point i

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00:42:25,589 --> 00:42:22,160

don't know

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00:42:29,750 --> 00:42:25,599

you know trying to find ways

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00:42:30,710 --> 00:42:29,760

to to change his mind in some way it

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00:42:34,870 --> 00:42:30,720

felt

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00:42:38,870 --> 00:42:34,880

fruitless because i couldn't come at him

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00:42:41,109 --> 00:42:38,880

with with facts

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00:42:42,710 --> 00:42:41,119

because he was resistance to them or

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00:42:48,069 --> 00:42:42,720

yeah

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00:42:49,030 --> 00:42:48,079

realized the seriousness of his ideas

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00:42:51,589 --> 00:42:49,040

even though he didn't

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00:42:52,470 --> 00:42:51,599

want to tell me outright or all these

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00:42:55,430 --> 00:42:52,480

theories

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00:42:55,990 --> 00:42:55,440

and and his belief system he didn't

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00:42:59,349 --> 00:42:56,000

think

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00:43:01,670 --> 00:42:59,359

were that serious

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00:43:02,550 --> 00:43:01,680

uh so it came to a head it actually came

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00:43:05,030 --> 00:43:02,560

to it came

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00:43:07,270 --> 00:43:05,040

that was a big reason so i really

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00:43:09,510 --> 00:43:07,280

stepped back and i was really

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00:43:10,550 --> 00:43:09,520

and i was making myself unhappy trying

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00:43:13,030 --> 00:43:10,560

to think of ways

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00:43:14,470 --> 00:43:13,040

i could navigate this situation but

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00:43:15,349 --> 00:43:14,480

still be around him because i really

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00:43:17,510 --> 00:43:15,359

liked him

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00:43:18,950 --> 00:43:17,520

because you know be clear like on a date

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00:43:22,069 --> 00:43:18,960

you know on a personal level

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00:43:25,430 --> 00:43:22,079

he was great but he

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00:43:25,990 --> 00:43:25,440

he um had a really stressful day and he

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00:43:28,150 --> 00:43:26,000

wasn't

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00:43:29,510 --> 00:43:28,160

i don't think he regulated emotions and

1201
00:43:30,630 --> 00:43:29,520
what really brought it to a head for me

1202
00:43:32,870 --> 00:43:30,640
was he said something

1203
00:43:34,870 --> 00:43:32,880
uh aggressive about one of his family

1204
00:43:37,750 --> 00:43:34,880
members and he was venting to me

1205
00:43:39,430 --> 00:43:37,760
but it was really frightening to hear so

1206
00:43:42,069 --> 00:43:39,440
that's when i was like

1207
00:43:43,109 --> 00:43:42,079
whoa okay i really really need to think

1208
00:43:45,990 --> 00:43:43,119
about what i'm doing

1209
00:43:47,270 --> 00:43:46,000
and that made me kind of go okay i've

1210
00:43:48,710 --> 00:43:47,280
been really stressed and i've been

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00:43:50,630 --> 00:43:48,720
stressing myself out

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00:43:52,069 --> 00:43:50,640
over some guy i haven't been dating for

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00:43:53,510 --> 00:43:52,079

very long and this shouldn't be

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00:43:54,710 --> 00:43:53,520
happening

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00:43:56,550 --> 00:43:54,720
so that's when i stepped back and i

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00:43:59,109 --> 00:43:56,560
really was like right i need to

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00:44:01,030 --> 00:43:59,119
address what all these things that are

1218

00:44:03,270 --> 00:44:01,040
really worrying me about him

1219

00:44:05,589 --> 00:44:03,280
um and that's when i took some time out

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00:44:07,510 --> 00:44:05,599
and then i had i addressed and i said

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00:44:09,109 --> 00:44:07,520
i actually just said to him what do you

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00:44:13,190 --> 00:44:09,119
think of jews

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00:44:15,910 --> 00:44:13,200
and that's when it just all came out wow

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00:44:17,670 --> 00:44:15,920
so did he he could have explained to you

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00:44:18,230 --> 00:44:17,680
the full conspiracy theory at that point

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00:44:21,270 --> 00:44:18,240

like

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00:44:21,990 --> 00:44:21,280

his full belief system he explained to

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00:44:26,630 --> 00:44:22,000

me

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00:44:30,710 --> 00:44:26,640

um the the basis of his conspiracy

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00:44:32,150 --> 00:44:30,720

it started from a hatred of israel

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00:44:34,150 --> 00:44:32,160

um so you know it started from a

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00:44:35,430 --> 00:44:34,160

contested territory and there are lots

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00:44:38,309 --> 00:44:35,440

of people

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00:44:39,750 --> 00:44:38,319

who disagree with the state of israel

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00:44:42,470 --> 00:44:39,760

and that's what i said i was like

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00:44:43,589 --> 00:44:42,480

yeah absolutely like a lot of people in

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00:44:46,630 --> 00:44:43,599

the uk are uk

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00:44:49,990 --> 00:44:46,640

particularly anti-israel but

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00:44:50,630 --> 00:44:50,000

um for him that that wasn't enough it

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00:44:57,670 --> 00:44:50,640

was a

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00:45:01,430 --> 00:44:57,680

zionists were evil um

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00:45:04,630 --> 00:45:01,440

and they had they had colluded

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00:45:07,900 --> 00:45:04,640

with national governments to

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00:45:09,109 --> 00:45:07,910

to fake the holocaust to

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00:45:12,710 --> 00:45:09,119

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00:45:16,309 --> 00:45:12,720

to um falsify sources

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00:45:20,069 --> 00:45:16,319

to work with universities

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00:45:23,670 --> 00:45:20,079

in america and pay universities to

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00:45:26,870 --> 00:45:23,680

create false primary sources

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00:45:29,990 --> 00:45:26,880

um florians were in on it um

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00:45:33,589 --> 00:45:30,000

everyone was in on it and

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00:45:35,109 --> 00:45:33,599

um i think i i mean

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00:45:37,190 --> 00:45:35,119

when it got to a point where he was

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00:45:39,109 --> 00:45:37,200

denying the holocaust

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00:45:40,950 --> 00:45:39,119

and denying the numbers the number of

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00:45:41,990 --> 00:45:40,960

jews being killed and denying the

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00:45:46,950 --> 00:45:42,000

existence of gas

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00:45:49,349 --> 00:45:46,960

chambers yeah i that is something

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00:45:51,510 --> 00:45:49,359

i've never had to encounter and hope i

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00:45:54,550 --> 00:45:51,520

never have to encounter again

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00:45:55,349 --> 00:45:54,560

uh it was really really shocking yeah it

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00:45:58,470 --> 00:45:55,359

must have been

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00:46:05,030 --> 00:45:58,480

uh very disappointing

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00:46:09,829 --> 00:46:08,230

yes that's an understatement there

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00:46:12,230 --> 00:46:09,839

it's just like oh wow what do i do with

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00:46:14,550 --> 00:46:12,240

this and i was so in shock i just

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00:46:18,630 --> 00:46:14,560

couldn't even say anything

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00:46:20,309 --> 00:46:18,640

um and i i just was like

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00:46:22,710 --> 00:46:20,319

i just remember him talking and talking

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00:46:25,670 --> 00:46:22,720

and talking and i just went that's a lot

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00:46:26,550 --> 00:46:25,680

for me to take in and i was like i just

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00:46:28,790 --> 00:46:26,560

want

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00:46:29,990 --> 00:46:28,800

you to know i think i just spent

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00:46:31,829 --> 00:46:30,000

something like i just want you to know

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00:46:33,829 --> 00:46:31,839

that i really believe in the historical

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00:46:36,950 --> 00:46:33,839

method

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00:46:41,270 --> 00:46:39,190

you know and i was just like yeah i mean

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00:46:44,150 --> 00:46:41,280

i was a history undergraduate

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00:46:46,150 --> 00:46:44,160

right yeah you know i'm not in any way

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00:46:48,550 --> 00:46:46,160

an expert but i do

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00:46:49,190 --> 00:46:48,560

historiography you know i do think it

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00:46:53,670 --> 00:46:49,200

has its

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00:46:56,950 --> 00:46:53,680

um plus points i do think that

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00:46:58,069 --> 00:46:56,960

don't do a good job what do you think he

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00:47:00,069 --> 00:46:58,079

thinks of you

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00:47:01,109 --> 00:47:00,079

uh like does he think that you are being

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00:47:03,270 --> 00:47:01,119

brainwashed

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00:47:04,390 --> 00:47:03,280

and does he try to help you see the

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00:47:07,990 --> 00:47:04,400

light

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00:47:09,109 --> 00:47:08,000

no no he always he from the moment he

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00:47:10,150 --> 00:47:09,119

met me he said he really liked me

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00:47:11,990 --> 00:47:10,160

because he thought i was intelligent

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00:47:15,109 --> 00:47:12,000

that's always a nice compliment

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00:47:18,230 --> 00:47:15,119

um and he always framed

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00:47:21,430 --> 00:47:18,240

he always framed conversations in a way

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00:47:23,349 --> 00:47:21,440

where it it was we are different but

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00:47:26,390 --> 00:47:23,359

we're learning from each other

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00:47:28,309 --> 00:47:26,400

um and he you know he knew that i was

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00:47:30,230 --> 00:47:28,319

really passionate about education about

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00:47:34,069 --> 00:47:30,240

further education

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00:47:35,589 --> 00:47:34,079

if i could i would do a phd you know

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00:47:37,109 --> 00:47:35,599

and so so he knew that about me from the

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00:47:40,630 --> 00:47:37,119

beginning so he already knew

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00:47:43,589 --> 00:47:40,640

that that i really believed in

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00:47:45,750 --> 00:47:43,599

learning i really believed in the

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00:47:49,430 --> 00:47:45,760

logical structures we used to make

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00:47:52,549 --> 00:47:49,440

arguments in education

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00:47:55,510 --> 00:47:52,559

and enlightenment thinking and the idea

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00:47:56,950 --> 00:47:55,520

you know and philosophical structuring

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00:47:58,390 --> 00:47:56,960

of ideas and

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00:48:00,069 --> 00:47:58,400

the importance of evidence in history

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00:48:02,950 --> 00:48:00,079

i'm not making much sense

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00:48:04,790 --> 00:48:02,960

he knew that this was this was important

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00:48:08,230 --> 00:48:04,800

to me

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00:48:11,030 --> 00:48:08,240

so yeah and what i found interesting was

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00:48:15,030 --> 00:48:11,040

that he described himself as a skeptic

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00:48:18,470 --> 00:48:15,040

yes yes yes like a holocaust skeptic

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00:48:21,750 --> 00:48:18,480

so this was new to me um and but he

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00:48:27,270 --> 00:48:21,760

but he but the skepticism was about

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00:48:30,710 --> 00:48:27,280

researching alone on specific websites

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00:48:31,349 --> 00:48:30,720

and reading other people who had spoken

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00:48:34,790 --> 00:48:31,359

about this

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00:48:36,309 --> 00:48:34,800

the questioning of the fit how many jews

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00:48:37,670 --> 00:48:36,319

were killed in the holocaust the

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00:48:40,390 --> 00:48:37,680

questioning of that figure

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00:48:42,230 --> 00:48:40,400

wasn't from analyzing i mean it wasn't

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00:48:43,750 --> 00:48:42,240

from analyzing any source materials it

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00:48:44,390 --> 00:48:43,760

was just somebody on the internet had

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00:48:49,109 --> 00:48:44,400

said that

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00:48:52,470 --> 00:48:49,119

whole do your own research

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00:48:53,910 --> 00:48:52,480

uh thing uh which people say

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00:48:55,270 --> 00:48:53,920

and it sounds good and if you could do

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00:48:55,589 --> 00:48:55,280

your own research that would be great

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00:48:56,870 --> 00:48:55,599

but

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00:48:59,349 --> 00:48:56,880

they're not doing their own research

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00:49:01,670 --> 00:48:59,359

they're reading somebody else's research

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00:49:03,349 --> 00:49:01,680

so i guess like that was the end of it

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00:49:03,910 --> 00:49:03,359

after that so did you did you talk to

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00:49:07,910 --> 00:49:03,920

him again

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00:49:10,710 --> 00:49:07,920

after that no the first thing i did

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00:49:11,190 --> 00:49:10,720

i was in shock the first thing i did

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00:49:13,750 --> 00:49:11,200

after

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00:49:15,589 --> 00:49:13,760

because we were on the phone um so the

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00:49:16,630 --> 00:49:15,599

first thing i did was put down the phone

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00:49:20,710 --> 00:49:16,640

and call my brother

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00:49:22,790 --> 00:49:20,720

and say brother hi um

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00:49:23,670 --> 00:49:22,800

because he he knew some of the issues

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00:49:25,109 --> 00:49:23,680

and you know i was worried about the

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00:49:28,549 --> 00:49:25,119

conspiracy theories

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00:49:29,910 --> 00:49:28,559

um um and i i didn't

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00:49:31,829 --> 00:49:29,920

know what to do with it and he was

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00:49:34,390 --> 00:49:31,839

always really supportive he was like

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00:49:36,069 --> 00:49:34,400

look he's got some crazy ideas and that

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00:49:39,109 --> 00:49:36,079

they're pretty negative but if

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00:49:42,150 --> 00:49:39,119

if if you're happy with him and and

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00:49:46,150 --> 00:49:42,160

he is kind to you and he is

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00:49:46,950 --> 00:49:46,160

as you know and he is um attentive and

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00:49:49,829 --> 00:49:46,960

sweet and

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00:49:52,150 --> 00:49:49,839

and fun to be around then i can't if

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00:49:54,950 --> 00:49:52,160

he's not harming anyone then i can't

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00:49:56,630 --> 00:49:54,960

say that you shouldn't see him um which

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00:49:58,150 --> 00:49:56,640

i thought was a nice refreshing take and

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00:50:01,109 --> 00:49:58,160

probably not something that i would

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00:50:02,309 --> 00:50:01,119

say to a loved one or friend um probably

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00:50:06,710 --> 00:50:02,319

more judgmental

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00:50:09,750 --> 00:50:06,720

but after after that i i because i still

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00:50:11,589 --> 00:50:09,760

even after that conversation after it

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00:50:14,069 --> 00:50:11,599

after he told me that i was like okay so

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00:50:17,270 --> 00:50:14,079

we're gonna see each other on sunday

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00:50:19,910 --> 00:50:17,280

i still wanted to spend time with him

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00:50:20,630 --> 00:50:19,920

and see him but i also knew that i

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00:50:22,390 --> 00:50:20,640

couldn't

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00:50:25,190 --> 00:50:22,400

so the first thing i did was call my

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00:50:28,630 --> 00:50:25,200

brother and say he's a holocaust denier

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00:50:31,910 --> 00:50:28,640

and um he just like erupted and was like

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00:50:35,910 --> 00:50:31,920

okay yeah yeah

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00:50:39,430 --> 00:50:35,920

that's it that's the line yeah yeah

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00:50:42,230 --> 00:50:39,440

there's and uh as soon as i

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00:50:42,870 --> 00:50:42,240

as soon as i told him i i can't see you

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00:50:45,670 --> 00:50:42,880

anymore

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00:50:47,670 --> 00:50:45,680

these are the reasons why and i framed

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00:50:51,270 --> 00:50:47,680

it around racism

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00:50:53,190 --> 00:50:51,280

and i framed it around it's really

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00:50:54,230 --> 00:50:53,200

stupid learning how to like read primary

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00:50:57,430 --> 00:50:54,240

sources

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00:51:00,309 --> 00:50:57,440

and look at the evidence yourself

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00:51:02,549 --> 00:51:00,319

and then form a conclusion and how

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00:51:04,470 --> 00:51:02,559

important that is and not to cherry

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00:51:06,150 --> 00:51:04,480

pick evidence that somebody else has

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00:51:09,670 --> 00:51:06,160

told you or

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00:51:11,349 --> 00:51:09,680

go on a belief system um

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00:51:13,750 --> 00:51:11,359

because you believe it to be right

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00:51:15,109 --> 00:51:13,760

that's not that's not how people do

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00:51:18,950 --> 00:51:15,119

history

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00:51:22,230 --> 00:51:18,960

you hope um yeah as soon as i messaged

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00:51:25,670 --> 00:51:22,240

him that i blocked him on everything

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00:51:29,670 --> 00:51:25,680

and uh felt considerably better

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00:51:31,910 --> 00:51:29,680

right yeah it's uh like this weight

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00:51:33,270 --> 00:51:31,920

yeah people people get that uh reaction

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00:51:36,309 --> 00:51:33,280

a lot i think like when

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00:51:38,630 --> 00:51:36,319

when they do finally you know

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00:51:40,309 --> 00:51:38,640

get rid of an issue like that that there

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00:51:44,470 --> 00:51:40,319

is a big weight

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00:51:45,510 --> 00:51:44,480

uh lifted off i think you know

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00:51:46,950 --> 00:51:45,520

it's very interesting for me this

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00:51:48,150 --> 00:51:46,960

discussion because i i often talk to

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00:51:48,950 --> 00:51:48,160

people who used to be conspiracy

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00:51:51,910 --> 00:51:48,960

theorists

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00:51:53,430 --> 00:51:51,920

and so i i come to it from perhaps an

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00:51:54,790 --> 00:51:53,440

optimistic perspective

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00:51:57,829 --> 00:51:54,800

in that these people got out of

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00:52:00,950 --> 00:51:57,839

conspiracism and i i wrote a book about

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00:52:03,270 --> 00:52:00,960

how to help people in that and some of

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00:52:05,030 --> 00:52:03,280

the advice i give

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00:52:06,950 --> 00:52:05,040

in helping people is kind of the things

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00:52:08,630 --> 00:52:06,960

that you were doing you were

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00:52:10,150 --> 00:52:08,640

you know talking to people intelligently

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00:52:11,829 --> 00:52:10,160

about things and encouraging them to

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00:52:14,309 --> 00:52:11,839

look at other sources and

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00:52:15,670 --> 00:52:14,319

uh you know the the the discussions you

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00:52:18,549 --> 00:52:15,680

had in vietnam sounded

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00:52:20,309 --> 00:52:18,559

like to some degree but productive that

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00:52:23,109 --> 00:52:20,319

people would actually uh

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00:52:23,910 --> 00:52:23,119

uh you know at least listen to you uh

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00:52:26,470 --> 00:52:23,920

but

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00:52:28,470 --> 00:52:26,480

i i think with with you and with with

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00:52:30,950 --> 00:52:28,480

sarah last week who i talked to

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00:52:33,829 --> 00:52:30,960

uh there are some people who are so deep

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00:52:35,990 --> 00:52:33,839

in that it's very very challenging i

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00:52:39,109 --> 00:52:36,000

think perhaps part of the challenge with

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00:52:41,270 --> 00:52:39,119

with with this guy uh was

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00:52:43,990 --> 00:52:41,280

was that he kind of had another support

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00:52:47,349 --> 00:52:44,000

structure with his friends

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00:52:49,670 --> 00:52:47,359

which made it very resilient made his

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00:52:51,349 --> 00:52:49,680

belief structure very resilient because

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00:52:53,109 --> 00:52:51,359

there's him and his friends who have

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00:52:55,430 --> 00:52:53,119

been together for

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00:52:56,630 --> 00:52:55,440

you know many many years and then

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00:52:59,670 --> 00:52:56,640

there's you

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00:53:02,549 --> 00:52:59,680

and i think it's very very difficult to

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00:53:04,150 --> 00:53:02,559

kind of go up against that and did you

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00:53:05,910 --> 00:53:04,160

feel like you made any progress at all

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00:53:09,750 --> 00:53:05,920

with him

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00:53:12,790 --> 00:53:09,760

no no no i hope

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00:53:14,549 --> 00:53:12,800

i hope i did in some way i i don't think

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00:53:15,589 --> 00:53:14,559

he's so deep that i think that's what

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00:53:17,750 --> 00:53:15,599

was shocking for me

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00:53:19,910 --> 00:53:17,760

i i don't think he was so deep that it

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00:53:22,549 --> 00:53:19,920

colored everything in his life

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00:53:24,630 --> 00:53:22,559

you know when i my presumption of

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00:53:26,549 --> 00:53:24,640
conspiracy theorists was that it takes

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00:53:28,390 --> 00:53:26,559
over your life and that's all you talk

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00:53:32,150 --> 00:53:28,400
about and think about you know it

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00:53:34,790 --> 00:53:32,160
it's the typical you sit on the computer

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00:53:36,069 --> 00:53:34,800
12 hours a day watching videos um you

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00:53:37,430 --> 00:53:36,079
know that these are the stories that

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00:53:39,910 --> 00:53:37,440
i've heard you know these

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00:53:41,190 --> 00:53:39,920
and so i mean that's why i was even

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00:53:42,230 --> 00:53:41,200
surprised that you'd want to talk to me

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00:53:45,430 --> 00:53:42,240
because i don't think

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00:53:48,230 --> 00:53:45,440
my situation is anywhere near

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00:53:49,030 --> 00:53:48,240
as as bad as a lot of other people who

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00:53:50,790 --> 00:53:49,040

have to live

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00:53:52,069 --> 00:53:50,800

with this with their family members or

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00:53:54,390 --> 00:53:52,079

people they love

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00:53:55,750 --> 00:53:54,400

um but he got on with his daily life he

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00:53:58,870 --> 00:53:55,760

was respect

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00:54:00,950 --> 00:53:58,880

you know he he worked he had friends he

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00:54:03,030 --> 00:54:00,960

was building a really nice life even

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00:54:03,829 --> 00:54:03,040

though he even though he cried when

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00:54:05,910 --> 00:54:03,839

biden came

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00:54:07,190 --> 00:54:05,920

in the next breath he was like yeah it

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00:54:08,150 --> 00:54:07,200

doesn't matter because i'm spamming you

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00:54:10,549 --> 00:54:08,160

know i'm spanish

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00:54:11,430 --> 00:54:10,559

i don't i don't live there like it's not

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00:54:12,630 --> 00:54:11,440

i was like it's not really going to

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00:54:13,990 --> 00:54:12,640

affect you though is it he was like yeah

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00:54:17,109 --> 00:54:14,000

not really it doesn't matter

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00:54:19,190 --> 00:54:17,119

so we had this healthy ability to put it

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00:54:22,069 --> 00:54:19,200

to one side

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00:54:23,030 --> 00:54:22,079

but it you know but it was the

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00:54:26,470 --> 00:54:23,040

fundamental

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00:54:29,510 --> 00:54:26,480

basics of of his reality

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00:54:30,549 --> 00:54:29,520

yeah yeah that could do anything maybe

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00:54:32,549 --> 00:54:30,559

if it was a new

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00:54:34,309 --> 00:54:32,559

a new obsession but it took over your

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00:54:37,349 --> 00:54:34,319

life you can undo it but

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00:54:40,710 --> 00:54:37,359

it felt like the very foundation of how

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00:54:43,829 --> 00:54:40,720

he understood the world around him

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00:54:45,750 --> 00:54:43,839

yeah really sad i would think you

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00:54:47,750 --> 00:54:45,760

probably did help to a degree because

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00:54:49,190 --> 00:54:47,760

you you just the encouragement that you

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00:54:51,270 --> 00:54:49,200

gave him for

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00:54:52,230 --> 00:54:51,280

um you know looking at primary sources

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00:54:55,589 --> 00:54:52,240

even though it kind of like

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00:54:58,150 --> 00:54:55,599

sounds a little bit uh a bit weak

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00:54:59,430 --> 00:54:58,160

uh it's it's actually you know it's very

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00:55:01,109 --> 00:54:59,440

very good advice

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00:55:02,630 --> 00:55:01,119

and because you have like a background

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00:55:05,750 --> 00:55:02,640

in history uh

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00:55:08,309 --> 00:55:05,760

i think he would people who are

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00:55:10,710 --> 00:55:08,319

conspiracy theorists reject things

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00:55:12,150 --> 00:55:10,720

immediately but they still hear what

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00:55:14,150 --> 00:55:12,160

you're saying

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00:55:15,349 --> 00:55:14,160

and over time it can actually have an

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00:55:18,150 --> 00:55:15,359

effect

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00:55:19,829 --> 00:55:18,160

uh but you know your relationship with

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00:55:21,109 --> 00:55:19,839

him was relatively short just a few

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00:55:23,430 --> 00:55:21,119

months

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00:55:24,950 --> 00:55:23,440

and and so you you probably were kind of

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00:55:26,710 --> 00:55:24,960

doomed from the start to be

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00:55:29,190 --> 00:55:26,720

to not be able to make a significant

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00:55:30,069 --> 00:55:29,200

dent in that i mean perhaps if you'd

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00:55:31,750 --> 00:55:30,079

gone on to

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00:55:33,190 --> 00:55:31,760

have a long-term relationship with him

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00:55:35,190 --> 00:55:33,200

then things might have been different

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00:55:36,230 --> 00:55:35,200

but obviously that wasn't wasn't going

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00:55:39,910 --> 00:55:36,240

to happen

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00:55:41,829 --> 00:55:39,920

but uh i i would you know think that you

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00:55:42,950 --> 00:55:41,839

probably did plant a few seeds in there

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00:55:45,190 --> 00:55:42,960

and

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00:55:47,030 --> 00:55:45,200

you probably will i don't know if you'll

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00:55:48,950 --> 00:55:47,040

ever follow up with him in

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00:55:50,950 --> 00:55:48,960

in in the years in the future but it

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00:55:53,990 --> 00:55:50,960

would be interesting to see

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00:55:55,510 --> 00:55:54,000

uh how he actually processes that

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00:55:58,630 --> 00:55:55,520

information

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00:56:01,270 --> 00:55:58,640

but we'll probably never know i

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00:56:03,270 --> 00:56:01,280

i mean i mean i mean this only happened

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00:56:07,190 --> 00:56:03,280

on sunday so this is all very fresh

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00:56:08,630 --> 00:56:07,200

so i can't i you know so at the moment

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00:56:10,710 --> 00:56:08,640

it's quite a big deal

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00:56:12,150 --> 00:56:10,720

and also um i think a bit of a

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00:56:15,109 --> 00:56:12,160

ridiculous experience

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00:56:16,150 --> 00:56:15,119

but i think that's why i wanted to talk

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00:56:19,990 --> 00:56:16,160

about it

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00:56:23,109 --> 00:56:20,000

because it it was draining

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00:56:25,910 --> 00:56:23,119

and um it was a bit scary

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00:56:28,390 --> 00:56:25,920

at times and it it also something you

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00:56:29,910 --> 00:56:28,400

never think will happen to you

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00:56:31,670 --> 00:56:29,920

and it's something on the fringes but

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00:56:33,109 --> 00:56:31,680

but i you know

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00:56:35,270 --> 00:56:33,119

i don't know if this is just fear

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00:56:36,870 --> 00:56:35,280

speaking but i do think it's becoming

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00:56:37,589 --> 00:56:36,880

more prevalent and like i said when i

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00:56:39,030 --> 00:56:37,599

started

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00:56:40,789 --> 00:56:39,040

i was talking about how coronavirus

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00:56:41,750 --> 00:56:40,799

theories conspiracy theories are

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00:56:46,069 --> 00:56:41,760

everywhere

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00:56:49,430 --> 00:56:46,079

everyone i i speak to here

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00:56:52,630 --> 00:56:49,440

has is a adherent to a con

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00:56:54,950 --> 00:56:52,640

coronavirus conspiracy theory

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00:56:55,829 --> 00:56:54,960

yeah well it's quite uh quite prevalent

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00:56:58,309 --> 00:56:55,839

here like

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00:56:59,030 --> 00:56:58,319

uh i think yeah significant numbers of

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00:57:00,390 --> 00:56:59,040

people in the

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00:57:02,390 --> 00:57:00,400

in the us say they won't take the

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00:57:05,589 --> 00:57:02,400

vaccine and

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00:57:07,990 --> 00:57:05,599

they live in a a reasonably uh uh

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00:57:09,670 --> 00:57:08,000

not not too conservative in a

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neighborhood but you still see people

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00:57:12,789 --> 00:57:10,160

outside

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00:57:13,589 --> 00:57:12,799

refusing to wear masks in inside stores

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00:57:16,150 --> 00:57:13,599

and things like that

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00:57:17,990 --> 00:57:16,160

and certainly up the hill further up the

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hill where it's a bit more rural

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uh there's a lot of that going on but uh

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it's interesting to hear that

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it's it's happening in uh in other

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00:57:27,750 --> 00:57:26,480

countries

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00:57:30,069 --> 00:57:27,760

well this has been a fascinating

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00:57:32,549 --> 00:57:30,079

conversation uh and i know you

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00:57:34,390 --> 00:57:32,559

you think it's it's it's it exists on

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00:57:36,710 --> 00:57:34,400

the spectrum of conspiracy theories

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00:57:38,069 --> 00:57:36,720

uh in in a way it's not it's not an

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00:57:40,309 --> 00:57:38,079

extreme conspiracy theory like

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00:57:43,109 --> 00:57:40,319

chemtrails or whatnot uh

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00:57:45,510 --> 00:57:43,119

or moonlighting hoaxes and things but

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00:57:48,630 --> 00:57:45,520

it's obviously something that

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00:57:51,030 --> 00:57:48,640

has a huge impact on his life and

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00:57:53,190 --> 00:57:51,040

has has a huge impact on the people

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00:57:54,950 --> 00:57:53,200

around him in terms of it being like

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00:57:56,549 --> 00:57:54,960

underpinning his beliefs about how the

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00:58:00,309 --> 00:57:56,559

world works

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00:58:02,470 --> 00:58:00,319

so yeah even though it's perhaps not as

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00:58:05,030 --> 00:58:02,480

uh extreme as some conspiracy theories

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00:58:07,510 --> 00:58:05,040

it's still very very significant

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00:58:09,109 --> 00:58:07,520

and yeah it's it's a problem that people

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00:58:10,309 --> 00:58:09,119

have to deal with like how do you talk

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00:58:13,349 --> 00:58:10,319

to people

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00:58:14,789 --> 00:58:13,359

like that and then i think you you did

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00:58:17,990 --> 00:58:14,799

essentially do the right thing

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00:58:18,630 --> 00:58:18,000

from from what i heard and it's just

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00:58:25,510 --> 00:58:18,640

that

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00:58:29,430 --> 00:58:27,589

you know also i think i had to remind

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00:58:32,069 --> 00:58:29,440

myself that i'm in a new place

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00:58:33,670 --> 00:58:32,079

so i'm also in a vulnerable position so

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00:58:39,109 --> 00:58:33,680

i

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00:58:40,710 --> 00:58:39,119

to them

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00:58:43,109 --> 00:58:40,720

so that's something i had to really keep

1601
00:58:45,030 --> 00:58:43,119
in mind would i be doing this

1602
00:58:48,789 --> 00:58:45,040
if i were somewhere else and i was more

1603
00:58:53,349 --> 00:58:51,190
but uh what was i but thank you for

1604
00:58:55,030 --> 00:58:53,359
validating me because there is a guilt

1605
00:58:56,450 --> 00:58:55,040
i you know i didn't want to stop seeing

1606
00:58:57,589 --> 00:58:56,460
him um

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00:59:00,069 --> 00:58:57,599
[Music]

1608
00:59:01,829 --> 00:59:00,079
yeah yeah you you it's not like you have

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00:59:04,870 --> 00:59:01,839
the responsibility to cure him

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00:59:08,150 --> 00:59:04,880
uh his uh guy and you know you

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00:59:09,270 --> 00:59:08,160
you are you and uh uh you you i

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00:59:11,910 --> 00:59:09,280
like i said i think you probably did

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00:59:12,870 --> 00:59:11,920

help uh to the degree you could in the

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00:59:15,030 --> 00:59:12,880

time available

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00:59:15,910 --> 00:59:15,040

and the fact that he he was so deep

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00:59:18,390 --> 00:59:15,920

seated in him

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00:59:19,670 --> 00:59:18,400

you were never going to just you know

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00:59:21,270 --> 00:59:19,680

simply explain things to

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00:59:22,950 --> 00:59:21,280

this was a kind of a misconception i had

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00:59:24,710 --> 00:59:22,960

when i started talking to people about

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00:59:26,230 --> 00:59:24,720

conspiracy theories

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00:59:28,150 --> 00:59:26,240

is that you know obviously these things

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00:59:30,069 --> 00:59:28,160

are wrong so all you have to do is

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00:59:32,549 --> 00:59:30,079

explain why they're wrong and then

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00:59:33,430 --> 00:59:32,559

they'll be like oh right and they'll

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00:59:34,870 --> 00:59:33,440

move on but

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00:59:37,430 --> 00:59:34,880

it doesn't doesn't work like that

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00:59:39,990 --> 00:59:37,440

obviously and i'm sure you've seen

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00:59:40,470 --> 00:59:40,000

your attempts kind of bouncing off him

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00:59:44,230 --> 00:59:40,480

and

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00:59:45,190 --> 00:59:44,240

uh it's it just they become immune to

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00:59:49,109 --> 00:59:45,200

reason

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00:59:49,430 --> 00:59:49,119

immune to facts uh on a short-term basis

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00:59:50,630 --> 00:59:49,440

but

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00:59:52,549 --> 00:59:50,640

it does actually help i think on the

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00:59:56,390 --> 00:59:52,559

long term

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01:00:00,069 --> 00:59:58,069

all right what was uh was there anything

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01:00:01,190 --> 01:00:00,079

else you wanted to uh to mention that we

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01:00:05,270 --> 01:00:01,200

didn't we didn't discuss

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01:00:07,910 --> 01:00:05,280

um i do i i did come here because of the

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01:00:09,349 --> 01:00:07,920

that you know of a general fear of how

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01:00:12,150 --> 01:00:09,359

how

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01:00:13,030 --> 01:00:12,160

populist way of thinking is so i think

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01:00:20,230 --> 01:00:13,040

my

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01:00:22,470 --> 01:00:20,240

to counteract this and i listened to the

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01:00:23,750 --> 01:00:22,480

video i think it was previous to this

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01:00:26,789 --> 01:00:23,760

and a woman

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01:00:29,829 --> 01:00:26,799

woman was talking about kind of taking

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01:00:33,109 --> 01:00:29,839

dangerous content offline and um

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01:00:35,349 --> 01:00:33,119

this solving the problem um

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01:00:36,230 --> 01:00:35,359

what do you think about that well i

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01:00:38,309 --> 01:00:36,240

think

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01:00:39,829 --> 01:00:38,319

that's this kind of a complicated

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01:00:42,150 --> 01:00:39,839

subject because there's pros and cons of

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01:00:44,950 --> 01:00:42,160

taking things off offline because

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01:00:46,789 --> 01:00:44,960

if you take it off youtube say then it

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01:00:48,710 --> 01:00:46,799

goes somewhere else

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01:00:50,230 --> 01:00:48,720

uh i i've actually had problems with

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01:00:52,630 --> 01:00:50,240

youtube like uh i

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01:00:53,910 --> 01:00:52,640

i had a podcast interview with a guy

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about q and on where

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01:00:58,470 --> 01:00:56,720

we were discussing queueing on and in a

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01:01:00,789 --> 01:00:58,480

critical way

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01:01:01,990 --> 01:01:00,799

and facebook deleted the video because

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01:01:05,109 --> 01:01:02,000

they they said it was

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01:01:06,950 --> 01:01:05,119

uh cyber stalking and harassment

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01:01:08,870 --> 01:01:06,960

which it obviously wasn't but they're

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01:01:12,549 --> 01:01:08,880

actually being quite heavy-handed now

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01:01:15,109 --> 01:01:12,559

and i think for a lot of people uh that

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01:01:16,630 --> 01:01:15,119

provides evidence that uh that there's

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01:01:18,950 --> 01:01:16,640

some kind of great conspiracy

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01:01:19,750 --> 01:01:18,960

trying to suppress their ideas but on

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01:01:21,510 --> 01:01:19,760

the other hand

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01:01:22,950 --> 01:01:21,520

it stops a lot of people being exposed

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01:01:25,990 --> 01:01:22,960

to those ideas so

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01:01:28,309 --> 01:01:26,000

it slows the spread so i'm

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01:01:30,069 --> 01:01:28,319

i'm not sure what the answer is there

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01:01:33,829 --> 01:01:30,079

and to what degree

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01:01:36,230 --> 01:01:33,839

um block simply blocking things

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01:01:37,589 --> 01:01:36,240

is the best approach i think you know we

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01:01:39,190 --> 01:01:37,599

have to supply

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01:01:42,230 --> 01:01:39,200

something else if we're going to remove

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01:01:44,630 --> 01:01:42,240

it we have to supply

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01:01:45,750 --> 01:01:44,640

information that's true if we're going

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01:01:46,309 --> 01:01:45,760

to be blocking all this other

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01:01:47,910 --> 01:01:46,319

information

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01:01:50,829 --> 01:01:47,920

otherwise people will still be attracted

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01:01:54,630 --> 01:01:50,839

to it even if it's over on some obscure

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01:01:59,589 --> 01:01:54,640

website but if there's such a mistrust

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01:02:00,230 --> 01:01:59,599

of people in institutions of any kind i

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01:02:04,630 --> 01:02:00,240

mean

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01:02:08,069 --> 01:02:04,640

government a distrust of corporations

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01:02:09,109 --> 01:02:08,079

a dis a dis a distrust of anything large

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01:02:12,549 --> 01:02:09,119

and powerful

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01:02:13,349 --> 01:02:12,559

then what can be said to counteract it

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01:02:17,430 --> 01:02:13,359

because

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01:02:19,430 --> 01:02:17,440

all evidence will be deemed falsifiable

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01:02:21,109 --> 01:02:19,440

something that might be helpful there is

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01:02:24,390 --> 01:02:21,119

teaching people about how

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01:02:25,430 --> 01:02:24,400

these institutions and uh governments

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01:02:27,430 --> 01:02:25,440

and things work

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01:02:29,990 --> 01:02:27,440

so a lot of people they view them

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01:02:31,750 --> 01:02:30,000

essentially as being these

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01:02:34,069 --> 01:02:31,760

black boxes where they have no idea what

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01:02:37,349 --> 01:02:34,079

goes on inside them and

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01:02:39,029 --> 01:02:37,359

educating people about how government

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01:02:40,789 --> 01:02:39,039

works and how the people work within

1708

01:02:41,990 --> 01:02:40,799

government and how the individuals do

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01:02:44,390 --> 01:02:42,000

their jobs

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01:02:45,990 --> 01:02:44,400

within government and within science uh

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01:02:46,549 --> 01:02:46,000

this is certainly something an approach

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01:02:49,750 --> 01:02:46,559

that

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01:02:52,150 --> 01:02:49,760

i encourage with with scientists uh

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01:02:53,029 --> 01:02:52,160

is that you know engaging more with

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01:02:56,069 --> 01:02:53,039

people

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01:02:59,190 --> 01:02:56,079

about their work um

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01:03:00,549 --> 01:02:59,200

yeah and i think it comes from education

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01:03:03,670 --> 01:03:00,559

at a young age

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01:03:05,029 --> 01:03:03,680

i'm i genuinely believe i mean something

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01:03:07,750 --> 01:03:05,039

we don't have in the uk

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01:03:10,230 --> 01:03:07,760

we don't have an we have an education

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01:03:13,190 --> 01:03:10,240

and scientific method from a young age

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01:03:14,630 --> 01:03:13,200

but we don't have any education in how

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01:03:19,910 --> 01:03:14,640

to

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01:03:22,470 --> 01:03:19,920

critically engage with philosophical

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01:03:26,549 --> 01:03:22,480

thought how to debate

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01:03:28,950 --> 01:03:26,559

different ideas and to bring evidence

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01:03:31,029 --> 01:03:28,960

about those different you know in into

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01:03:32,870 --> 01:03:31,039

your arguments the kind of structure of

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01:03:36,630 --> 01:03:32,880

logical arguments

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01:03:37,190 --> 01:03:36,640

and um i don't think we learn that and

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01:03:38,710 --> 01:03:37,200

especially

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01:03:40,309 --> 01:03:38,720

don't learn anything about the

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01:03:42,390 --> 01:03:40,319

philosophical method

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01:03:43,349 --> 01:03:42,400

um yeah i think you know things like

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01:03:45,589 --> 01:03:43,359

that do happen

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01:03:47,510 --> 01:03:45,599

uh but i think it's kind of um it varies

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01:03:50,710 --> 01:03:47,520

a lot by individual teachers

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01:03:54,150 --> 01:03:50,720

and what initiative they take uh i

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01:03:55,990 --> 01:03:54,160

i i'm friends with a few teachers uh

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01:03:58,309 --> 01:03:56,000

here in the united states we have

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01:04:01,910 --> 01:03:58,319

friends and relatives who are teachers

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01:04:03,589 --> 01:04:01,920

here and they i brought these issues up

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01:04:05,109 --> 01:04:03,599

with them like what more can we do like

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01:04:05,430 --> 01:04:05,119

teach critical thinking and things like

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01:04:09,670 --> 01:04:05,440

that

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01:04:10,950 --> 01:04:09,680

do teach critical thinking and they do

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01:04:14,630 --> 01:04:10,960

have classes

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01:04:16,549 --> 01:04:14,640

in subjects like this and things like uh

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01:04:18,230 --> 01:04:16,559

how to read a news story and how to

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01:04:21,510 --> 01:04:18,240

check the the sources

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01:04:22,950 --> 01:04:21,520

so it's certainly happening but i

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01:04:25,670 --> 01:04:22,960

i think it's perhaps something that we

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01:04:26,870 --> 01:04:25,680

need needs to be more addressed as a

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01:04:29,990 --> 01:04:26,880

fundamental

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01:04:32,390 --> 01:04:30,000

uh part of of learning in the same way

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01:04:34,549 --> 01:04:32,400

that we've treated uh science and

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01:04:37,190 --> 01:04:34,559

mathematics and basic english

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01:04:38,630 --> 01:04:37,200

as being fundamentals and it would be

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01:04:41,029 --> 01:04:38,640

great if we could move

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01:04:42,630 --> 01:04:41,039

move more towards that because it is

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01:04:43,750 --> 01:04:42,640

increasingly important

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01:04:45,670 --> 01:04:43,760

but i think that you're even going to

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01:04:48,150 --> 01:04:45,680

get some some pushback on that

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01:04:49,510 --> 01:04:48,160

there there was a famous thing that

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01:04:50,950 --> 01:04:49,520

happened in the united states or

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01:04:54,069 --> 01:04:50,960

slightly famous

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01:04:57,589 --> 01:04:54,079

where the republican party

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01:04:59,990 --> 01:04:57,599

they put out a what they call a plank

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01:05:00,950 --> 01:05:00,000

which is a list of all the the policies

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01:05:04,390 --> 01:05:00,960

that they're going to

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01:05:08,390 --> 01:05:04,400

promote if they get elected and uh

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01:05:09,589 --> 01:05:08,400

one of them was they will i think i

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01:05:12,390 --> 01:05:09,599

can't remember how they phrased it

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01:05:14,950 --> 01:05:12,400

exactly but it was basically they would

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01:05:16,789 --> 01:05:14,960

uh stop critical thinking being taught

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01:05:18,150 --> 01:05:16,799

in schools

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01:05:20,470 --> 01:05:18,160

and they actually used the phrase

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01:05:23,190 --> 01:05:20,480

critical thinking because

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01:05:24,230 --> 01:05:23,200

critical thinking kind of became for

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01:05:27,750 --> 01:05:24,240

them

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01:05:28,549 --> 01:05:27,760

the idea that left-wing people are going

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01:05:31,430 --> 01:05:28,559

to

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01:05:33,349 --> 01:05:31,440

teach them teach people about you know

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01:05:37,430 --> 01:05:33,359

whatever religion and morals and

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01:05:39,270 --> 01:05:37,440

gender diversity and uh

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01:05:40,549 --> 01:05:39,280

racism and historical privilege and

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01:05:43,670 --> 01:05:40,559

things like that

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01:05:45,910 --> 01:05:43,680

uh under the guise of critical thinking

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01:05:47,750 --> 01:05:45,920

so you we got this push back against

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01:05:49,029 --> 01:05:47,760

against the very very idea of critical

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01:05:50,630 --> 01:05:49,039

thinking itself because they didn't

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01:05:53,029 --> 01:05:50,640

realize that it actually meant something

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01:05:56,950 --> 01:05:53,039

more abstract than that

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01:06:00,069 --> 01:05:56,960

so it's it's i think any push

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01:06:00,710 --> 01:06:00,079

to encourage teaching things like this

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01:06:03,829 --> 01:06:00,720

this

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01:06:05,109 --> 01:06:03,839

comparative analysis or whatever uh of

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01:06:06,549 --> 01:06:05,119

sources

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01:06:08,549 --> 01:06:06,559

is gonna actually get some political

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01:06:11,589 --> 01:06:08,559
pushback because not everybody wants

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01:06:14,870 --> 01:06:11,599
there to be this uh free and open

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01:06:18,069 --> 01:06:16,789
but i do think it is definitely

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01:06:19,349 --> 01:06:18,079
something that we should push for even

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01:06:19,990 --> 01:06:19,359
though we are going to get some pushback

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01:06:23,109 --> 01:06:20,000
on it

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01:06:26,309 --> 01:06:23,119
yeah uh this is something um that

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01:06:27,750 --> 01:06:26,319
um the vietnamese government has noticed

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01:06:29,430 --> 01:06:27,760
their schooling system doesn't engage

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01:06:30,950 --> 01:06:29,440
with any uh doesn't

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01:06:32,789 --> 01:06:30,960
teach in any way any critical thinking

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01:06:35,990 --> 01:06:32,799
so they've started just kind of

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01:06:37,829 --> 01:06:36,000

they've started initiatives for critical

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01:06:39,829 --> 01:06:37,839

thinking classes

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01:06:41,349 --> 01:06:39,839

um in some schools which is uh

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01:06:43,029 --> 01:06:41,359

fascinating

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01:06:45,190 --> 01:06:43,039

yeah yeah it's definitely something

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01:06:48,150 --> 01:06:45,200

that's needed um

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01:06:49,190 --> 01:06:48,160

it's also something i i think is often

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01:06:51,270 --> 01:06:49,200

poorly defined

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01:06:53,990 --> 01:06:51,280

uh what critical thinking actually is

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01:06:55,190 --> 01:06:54,000

yeah uh so it's a bit difficult to argue

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01:06:57,029 --> 01:06:55,200

for i think we need a better

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01:06:58,549 --> 01:06:57,039

definition of exactly what we are trying

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01:07:00,630 --> 01:06:58,559

to promote

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01:07:01,670 --> 01:07:00,640

uh which because people think critical

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01:07:03,910 --> 01:07:01,680

thinking is just like

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01:07:05,670 --> 01:07:03,920

uh using your brain to think about

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01:07:07,349 --> 01:07:05,680

things really hard

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01:07:08,870 --> 01:07:07,359

and that's kind of what the definitions

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01:07:11,190 --> 01:07:08,880

boil down to when

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01:07:13,190 --> 01:07:11,200

there's probably better ways of putting

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01:07:14,549 --> 01:07:13,200

in it but anyway it's uh

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01:07:16,549 --> 01:07:14,559

it's definitely something i'm in favor

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01:07:19,270 --> 01:07:16,559

of and and i do think

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01:07:20,390 --> 01:07:19,280

it's i do think it's really important to

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01:07:24,390 --> 01:07:20,400

to

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01:07:27,910 --> 01:07:24,400

um accept people's fears um

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01:07:28,309 --> 01:07:27,920

legitimate fears about government uh you

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01:07:31,430 --> 01:07:28,319

know

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01:07:33,430 --> 01:07:31,440

and because people and uh groups of

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01:07:35,349 --> 01:07:33,440

people who hold positions of power

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01:07:36,549 --> 01:07:35,359

yeah um you know and there have been

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01:07:40,069 --> 01:07:36,559

huge conspiracies

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01:07:42,150 --> 01:07:40,079

unveiled over the past 50 years you see

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01:07:44,309 --> 01:07:42,160

you know even longer where it's like wow

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01:07:47,430 --> 01:07:44,319

i can't believe my government did that

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01:07:51,109 --> 01:07:47,440

absolutely um yeah about how

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01:07:51,910 --> 01:07:51,119

to place that in in a sphere where you

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01:07:54,230 --> 01:07:51,920

still

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01:07:56,390 --> 01:07:54,240

trust the you where you because you have

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01:07:59,589 --> 01:07:56,400

to put interest of

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01:08:01,829 --> 01:07:59,599

of the like machinery of government

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01:08:03,349 --> 01:08:01,839

and you you have to trust that process

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01:08:04,069 --> 01:08:03,359

otherwise what have what else have you

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01:08:06,390 --> 01:08:04,079

got

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01:08:07,589 --> 01:08:06,400

yeah but it's kind of a trust yet verify

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01:08:11,029 --> 01:08:07,599

i think

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01:08:12,390 --> 01:08:11,039

uh and or or if you want distrust yet

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01:08:14,069 --> 01:08:12,400

verify

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01:08:15,430 --> 01:08:14,079

you can you can still have a suspicion

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01:08:16,950 --> 01:08:15,440

of the government but you can still

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01:08:19,430 --> 01:08:16,960

check what they're doing

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01:08:20,229 --> 01:08:19,440

uh and obviously the government isn't

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01:08:22,470 --> 01:08:20,239

lying about

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01:08:24,390 --> 01:08:22,480

everything even if uh there are people

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01:08:28,229 --> 01:08:24,400

within the government who are

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01:08:30,550 --> 01:08:28,239

uh to some degree acting nefariously the

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01:08:31,590 --> 01:08:30,560

the the machine that we have here the

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01:08:35,349 --> 01:08:31,600

system

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01:08:36,829 --> 01:08:35,359

of uh of of of government and academia

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01:08:39,669 --> 01:08:36,839

and science

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01:08:40,950 --> 01:08:39,679

is generally an honest one because it's

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01:08:43,669 --> 01:08:40,960

comprised of people who

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01:08:44,309 --> 01:08:43,679

people are generally honest and i think

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01:08:47,669 --> 01:08:44,319

you know

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01:08:48,709 --> 01:08:47,679

if we can shine a light on that and get

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01:08:50,709 --> 01:08:48,719

people to

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01:08:51,990 --> 01:08:50,719

you know as you say you know trust it to

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01:08:57,910 --> 01:08:52,000

the extent that it's justified

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01:09:03,269 --> 01:09:01,510

all right well well thank you very much

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01:09:04,550 --> 01:09:03,279

uh this has been a great great