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so do you in the course of your

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instruction to your students do you

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teach them how to write stuff about the

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paranormal at all actually I don't

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really bring it up unless they do and

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they do bring it up quite a bit but

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every once in a while I will offer a

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class that I call paranormal journalism

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00:00:36,860 --> 00:00:33,780

and that class is designed well because

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I hate what the media does if there's a

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story on Bigfoot they always quote Harry

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and the Hendersons if there's a story

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about a ghost sighting they always quote

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Ghostbusters and if it's a TV news story

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on a UFO sighting they play the x-files

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theme which completely discredit

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everything that any witness has to say

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so I teach the students about you know

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different different aspects of the

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paranormal and how to report on it with

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a straight face and the kids really take

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to it so it's low-hanging fruit they're

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00:01:17,179 --> 00:01:13,530

reaching for there but we know what they

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00:01:19,429 --> 00:01:17,189

do how do you think the media should

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00:01:21,080 --> 00:01:19,439
approach the power in Rome well it looks

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00:01:22,730 --> 00:01:21,090
like the New York Times is doing it

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00:01:25,460 --> 00:01:22,740
because we have this article from Leslie

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00:01:27,710 --> 00:01:25,470
Kane that are sensibly treated and

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00:01:29,510 --> 00:01:27,720
believe it or not that it doesn't matter

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00:01:32,840 --> 00:01:29,520
what your political viewpoints are

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00:01:36,020 --> 00:01:32,850
Tucker Carlson from Fox News is very

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00:01:37,910 --> 00:01:36,030
very seriously interested he's had Nick

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00:01:40,850 --> 00:01:37,920
Pope on there more than once

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00:01:46,310 --> 00:01:40,860
Leslie Kane and he doesn't get into

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00:01:49,969 --> 00:01:46,320
these rather acid comments he's straight

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00:01:51,469 --> 00:01:49,979
and serious and you don't do that if

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00:01:53,389 --> 00:01:51,479

you're not seriously interested in the

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00:01:57,109 --> 00:01:53,399

subject I think if you took him

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00:01:59,660 --> 00:01:57,119

privately he'd say yeah despite all the

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00:02:02,300 --> 00:01:59,670

political implications of the things he

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00:02:05,179 --> 00:02:02,310

does he's seriously interested so there

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00:02:07,700 --> 00:02:05,189

are exceptions in the media now but what

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00:02:10,249 --> 00:02:07,710

should the media in general be doing to

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00:02:12,160 --> 00:02:10,259

cover this stuff more accurately well

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00:02:14,430 --> 00:02:12,170

and

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00:02:17,650 --> 00:02:14,440

I agree with I mean journalists who are

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truly interested will cover it straight

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00:02:26,350 --> 00:02:23,390

as they should but what what journalists

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should do is treat all of this seriously

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00:02:31,449 --> 00:02:29,150
because there are there's a good section

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00:02:33,460 --> 00:02:31,459
of their audience I mean there are polls

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00:02:35,440 --> 00:02:33,470
that come out all the time that show you

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00:02:37,720 --> 00:02:35,450
know seventy five percent of Americans

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00:02:39,880 --> 00:02:37,730
believe that you know there is there is

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00:02:41,740 --> 00:02:39,890
intelligent extraterrestrial life out

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00:02:43,150 --> 00:02:41,750
there somewhere and there's like a good

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00:02:45,610 --> 00:02:43,160
thirty eight percent that believe in

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00:02:48,570 --> 00:02:45,620
Bigfoot and you know a bigger percentage

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00:02:50,949 --> 00:02:48,580
than that that believe ghosts exist and

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00:02:52,809 --> 00:02:50,959
you know a fairly decent percentage you

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00:02:56,050 --> 00:02:52,819
said that they've experienced something

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00:02:57,460 --> 00:02:56,060

like that so there is an interest and

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not just an interest in the in the

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public there's a need for serious

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journalism on on these topics I'm not

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necessarily wanting to know what's going

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00:03:10,590 --> 00:03:08,390

you know going on at at area 51 buttered

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00:03:12,280 --> 00:03:10,600

and and and s4 but you know what it'd be

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because I don't think we're ever gonna

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find out but you know what about

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00:03:22,840 --> 00:03:20,120

research into into Bigfoot why not take

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people like dr. Jeff Meldrum seriously

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when he's looking into Bigfoot this guy

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is a serious academic and they they

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ignored it because they're afraid of

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ridicule ridicule and you know they

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00:03:37,509 --> 00:03:35,480

should be braver than that and yes the

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New York Times has been been handling

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things I was rather shocked a year ago

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last December December 2017 when they

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00:03:50,650 --> 00:03:46,790

when they came out with with their UFO

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stories I was I was pretty proud of them