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**The Skeptic Zone
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00:00:22,609 --> 00:00:09,090
welcome to the skeptic zone the podcast

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00:00:31,740 --> 00:00:25,290
yes it's the skeptics are an episode

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00:00:38,850 --> 00:00:31,750
number 141 for the first of July 2011

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00:00:41,250 --> 00:00:38,860
july july are tam month damn mother two

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00:00:45,840 --> 00:00:41,260
short weeks and i'll be on that plane

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00:00:48,829 --> 00:00:45,850
heading for Las Vegas I can't wait my

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00:00:53,849 --> 00:00:48,839
calendar is being ticked off as I speak

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00:00:56,340 --> 00:00:53,859
but today for the skeptic zone we have

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00:00:59,130 --> 00:00:56,350
an interview with John rail from Los

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00:01:02,669 --> 00:00:59,140
Angeles John is one of the people behind

11
00:01:05,850 --> 00:01:02,679
the new group for new ish skeptically

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00:01:08,460 --> 00:01:05,860
pwned you've probably heard the the ads

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00:01:11,310 --> 00:01:08,470

on the skeptic zone I met John I think

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00:01:14,580 --> 00:01:11,320

about a year ago in California and he

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00:01:16,020 --> 00:01:14,590

kicked me or I kicked him or I can't

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00:01:17,760 --> 00:01:16,030

remember but I'm sure we'll find out

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00:01:19,730 --> 00:01:17,770

soon when I interviewed John all about

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00:01:23,910 --> 00:01:19,740

his new project which is doing

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00:01:25,530 --> 00:01:23,920

skeptically pwned videos and more that

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00:01:28,470 --> 00:01:25,540

interview coming up at the top of the

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00:01:31,020 --> 00:01:28,480

show and that will be followed by a

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00:01:33,690 --> 00:01:31,030

think tank yes oh I love doing a think

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00:01:35,820 --> 00:01:33,700

tank dr. Reggie and Joe and Benham who

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00:01:37,890 --> 00:01:35,830

came along the other day the other night

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00:01:41,280 --> 00:01:37,900

for a nice Chinese dinner a couple of

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00:01:42,780 --> 00:01:41,290

drinks diet coke of course well we

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00:01:47,370 --> 00:01:42,790

should go back to champaign maybe I

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00:01:50,100 --> 00:01:47,380

don't know hmm anyway and we had a nice

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00:01:53,400 --> 00:01:50,110

long chat and this time we actually

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00:01:55,650 --> 00:01:53,410

cover quite a few our listener emails

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00:01:58,200 --> 00:01:55,660

you know people write in to us about

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00:01:59,910 --> 00:01:58,210

questions or points of view so we're

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00:02:01,860 --> 00:01:59,920

going to cover some of those today in

34

00:02:04,530 --> 00:02:01,870

the think tank and a big thank you to

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00:02:06,060 --> 00:02:04,540

some skeptics own friends and fans who

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00:02:08,759 --> 00:02:06,070

have been coming along to be part of the

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00:02:11,699 --> 00:02:08,769

studio audience for the filming of the

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00:02:14,369 --> 00:02:11,709

television series the one which I take

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00:02:15,900 --> 00:02:14,379

part in I'm not sure when that's going

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00:02:17,970 --> 00:02:15,910

to be broadcast but we're filming at the

41

00:02:22,160 --> 00:02:17,980

moment great fun to be there in the

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00:02:24,959 --> 00:02:22,170

studio and good to see some skeptics are

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00:02:26,680 --> 00:02:24,969

well holding the fort there in the

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00:02:28,330 --> 00:02:26,690

audience which is a

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00:02:30,340 --> 00:02:28,340

seems to me mostly believe is but there

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00:02:32,740 --> 00:02:30,350

you go and don't worry I'll be telling

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00:02:35,530 --> 00:02:32,750

everybody as soon as I know when that

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00:02:38,320 --> 00:02:35,540

shows likely to be broadcast so you can

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00:02:40,780 --> 00:02:38,330

tune in and have a laugh at me sitting

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00:02:42,760 --> 00:02:40,790

up there well today is a bit of a nippy

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00:02:44,770 --> 00:02:42,770
day here in Sydney a bit chilly so I

52
00:02:46,840 --> 00:02:44,780
think it's time to rush downstairs get

53
00:02:51,340 --> 00:02:46,850
some hot chocolate bung it in the

54
00:03:09,930 --> 00:02:51,350
microwave for about a minute enjoy that

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00:03:17,380 --> 00:03:12,729
now folks I wonder if you've ever been

56
00:03:19,960 --> 00:03:17,390
moon pound pound pound sent up caught

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00:03:22,390 --> 00:03:19,970
out made a fool out of words to that

58
00:03:24,460 --> 00:03:22,400
effect I've been skeptically pwned a few

59
00:03:26,380 --> 00:03:24,470
times and I'm glad to say that I've got

60
00:03:29,289 --> 00:03:26,390
one of the greatest skeptical ponies out

61
00:03:31,869 --> 00:03:29,299
there John rail from Los Angeles hi John

62
00:03:35,319 --> 00:03:31,879
Hay has it gone Richard I'm doing really

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00:03:36,910 --> 00:03:35,329

well now I met you I think it must have

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00:03:38,470 --> 00:03:36,920

been last year or early this year or

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00:03:41,170 --> 00:03:38,480

somewhere in the midst of time I can't

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00:03:44,199 --> 00:03:41,180

remember yeah what's around a year ago

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00:03:47,410 --> 00:03:44,209

that's right at a nice beach party that

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00:03:49,900 --> 00:03:47,420

the brian dunning orange county and if

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00:03:52,180 --> 00:03:49,910

anybody from la knows i drove all the

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00:03:53,470 --> 00:03:52,190

way to Orange County to see you just

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00:03:55,360 --> 00:03:53,480

because I think you're coming all the

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00:03:57,339 --> 00:03:55,370

way from Australia I can make that

73

00:04:00,039 --> 00:03:57,349

treacherous journey I remember that well

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00:04:03,400 --> 00:04:00,049

because dr. Reggie and I were fresh off

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00:04:06,610 --> 00:04:03,410

the plane that day from Australia and in

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00:04:09,580 --> 00:04:06,620

there we were next thing we know it's

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00:04:12,430 --> 00:04:09,590

some beach party in the Orange County

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00:04:14,500 --> 00:04:12,440

and having a great time and that yeah

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00:04:16,060 --> 00:04:14,510

that's where i met you of course and i

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00:04:19,210 --> 00:04:16,070

are with the dining in our pod with the

81

00:04:21,190 --> 00:04:19,220

darling and I'm so interested to find

82

00:04:23,830 --> 00:04:21,200

out more because I do play your ads on

83

00:04:26,620 --> 00:04:23,840

the skeptic zone this is where yeah we

84

00:04:29,560 --> 00:04:26,630

appreciate it skeptically boned where

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00:04:32,219 --> 00:04:29,570

was it where um you false claims get

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00:04:34,510 --> 00:04:32,229

katadyn else gets kicked in the nuts um

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00:04:36,370 --> 00:04:34,520

and I think it's a photograph of you

88

00:04:39,360 --> 00:04:36,380

kicking me or me kicking you I can't

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00:04:42,969 --> 00:04:39,370

remember you're kicking me actually yeah

90

00:04:44,680 --> 00:04:42,979

that's right now what what why don't you

91

00:04:46,719 --> 00:04:44,690

tell us a little bit about why you put

92

00:04:48,490 --> 00:04:46,729

this interesting group together and

93

00:04:50,770 --> 00:04:48,500

what's your take why have you gone down

94

00:04:53,379 --> 00:04:50,780

this angle well you know I mean we all

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00:04:55,839 --> 00:04:53,389

have something to contribute and frankly

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00:04:58,210 --> 00:04:55,849

I'm not a scientist and decided I never

97

00:05:00,159 --> 00:04:58,220

will be but I dig the scientific method

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00:05:01,839 --> 00:05:00,169

and I want to promote it in some way and

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00:05:06,430 --> 00:05:01,849

I've always been a comedian slash actor

100

00:05:09,610 --> 00:05:06,440

/ writer so I it was actually around the

101
00:05:12,700 --> 00:05:09,620
the election the the 2004 Obama election

102
00:05:14,530 --> 00:05:12,710
I made a mini documentary where I gave

103
00:05:16,480 --> 00:05:14,540
my vote away

104
00:05:19,150 --> 00:05:16,490
and because you can actually do that you

105
00:05:21,580 --> 00:05:19,160
can sign in a voter assistant and I did

106
00:05:23,830 --> 00:05:21,590
that and I gave my vote away and I made

107
00:05:25,990 --> 00:05:23,840
a little mini documentary about it and

108
00:05:28,180 --> 00:05:26,000
Penn Jillette saw it and Penn Jillette

109
00:05:31,470 --> 00:05:28,190
talked about it and I was like holy

110
00:05:35,080 --> 00:05:31,480
I got to do more of this and yeah then I

111
00:05:37,810 --> 00:05:35,090
just decided to make sketch comedy for

112
00:05:40,960 --> 00:05:37,820
the skeptics and that has led you now I

113
00:05:43,270 --> 00:05:40,970

mean apart from sounding making wacky

114

00:05:46,540 --> 00:05:43,280

ads for the skeptic zone you that led

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00:05:48,010 --> 00:05:46,550

you to get really into video production

116

00:05:49,750 --> 00:05:48,020

I've had a sneak peek of one of the

117

00:05:51,790 --> 00:05:49,760

videos you're putting together that

118

00:05:53,200 --> 00:05:51,800

looks really funny and I'm really

119

00:05:55,230 --> 00:05:53,210

jealous i want to fly straight over

120

00:05:58,390 --> 00:05:55,240

there now in appear in your next video

121

00:06:01,690 --> 00:05:58,400

dude did that would be amazing that

122

00:06:04,720 --> 00:06:01,700

would ya know we've we've kind of gotten

123

00:06:06,880 --> 00:06:04,730

good at making short movies as it work

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00:06:08,980 --> 00:06:06,890

is yes seriously at the beginning you

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00:06:11,170 --> 00:06:08,990

know we were just monkeys with a camera

126
00:06:13,810 --> 00:06:11,180
and we had some friends who had a little

127
00:06:16,000 --> 00:06:13,820
technical expertise and they helped us

128
00:06:18,610 --> 00:06:16,010
in post-production and we've just you

129
00:06:21,100 --> 00:06:18,620
know been increasing and adding to our

130
00:06:23,260 --> 00:06:21,110
Arsenal's of arsenal of skills ever

131
00:06:25,270 --> 00:06:23,270
since I think you'll notice in this

132
00:06:28,510 --> 00:06:25,280
recent one there's some cool animation

133
00:06:30,100 --> 00:06:28,520
and who's really the creative force

134
00:06:32,920 --> 00:06:30,110
behind that would you say yourself or

135
00:06:36,760 --> 00:06:32,930
you sort of bounce off other people uh

136
00:06:40,510 --> 00:06:36,770
yes I'm the main force behind it but I

137
00:06:44,260 --> 00:06:40,520
find other people to use for my purposes

138
00:06:46,500 --> 00:06:44,270

um so I I do most of the writing I do

139

00:06:49,990 --> 00:06:46,510

most of the directing most of the

140

00:06:53,410 --> 00:06:50,000

cinematography but then you know like my

141

00:06:57,340 --> 00:06:53,420

my animator / girlfriend will come in

142

00:06:59,680 --> 00:06:57,350

and make amazing art and animation for

143

00:07:02,830 --> 00:06:59,690

the videos and then I'll get you know

144

00:07:04,150 --> 00:07:02,840

some feedback from other editors and you

145

00:07:06,400 --> 00:07:04,160

know ask people what kind of software

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00:07:08,530 --> 00:07:06,410

can do this and because you know I

147

00:07:11,230 --> 00:07:08,540

didn't go to film school I'm not a you

148

00:07:13,120 --> 00:07:11,240

know I'm not a film student but i know

149

00:07:15,340 --> 00:07:13,130

enough film makers out there where I can

150

00:07:16,780 --> 00:07:15,350

you know ask them in layman's term well

151
00:07:18,270 --> 00:07:16,790
how do I do this and they're like oh go

152
00:07:22,330 --> 00:07:18,280
get this software and I'm like awesome

153
00:07:24,190 --> 00:07:22,340
so it's it's free for everybody now you

154
00:07:26,500 --> 00:07:24,200
know we can all living in Los Angeles

155
00:07:27,460 --> 00:07:26,510
you probably go to a few people there

156
00:07:32,890 --> 00:07:27,470
you can

157
00:07:34,390 --> 00:07:32,900
video production yes a ton so I I you

158
00:07:37,330 --> 00:07:34,400
know like most of the artistic

159
00:07:40,570 --> 00:07:37,340
inspiration is mine but it's through a

160
00:07:42,490 --> 00:07:40,580
lot of other people's help yes I've had

161
00:07:44,380 --> 00:07:42,500
a sneak peek of one of the videos and

162
00:07:47,380 --> 00:07:44,390
this one was dealing with martial arts

163
00:07:49,480 --> 00:07:47,390

and I understand that everybody can see

164

00:07:54,220 --> 00:07:49,490

that probably about the time the show

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00:07:56,110 --> 00:07:54,230

goes out right about now yes that was

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00:07:57,520 --> 00:07:56,120

that was enormous fun i was laughing so

167

00:07:59,020 --> 00:07:57,530

much when i was watching that what can

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00:08:00,850 --> 00:07:59,030

you tell me about the making of that and

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00:08:05,110 --> 00:08:00,860

why did you choose that topic and and

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00:08:07,500 --> 00:08:05,120

and who is the girl um v girl the the

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00:08:13,060 --> 00:08:07,510

kick-ass girl was actually my girlfriend

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00:08:17,020 --> 00:08:13,070

/ animator / kung fu fighter and the guy

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00:08:19,090 --> 00:08:17,030

who I found he was also incredible he he

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00:08:21,270 --> 00:08:19,100

i went to college with him and he was on

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00:08:25,180 --> 00:08:21,280

tour with walking with the dinosaurs

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00:08:28,650 --> 00:08:25,190

well which it was this huge live

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00:08:31,780 --> 00:08:28,660

production of that BBC documentary cgi

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00:08:34,990 --> 00:08:31,790

United work program that to Australia to

179

00:08:37,810 --> 00:08:35,000

oh nice well he was the guy inside the

180

00:08:41,469 --> 00:08:37,820

Raptor yeah you know really physically

181

00:08:43,060 --> 00:08:41,479

built as you can tell yeah and yeah so

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00:08:44,680 --> 00:08:43,070

that's who they were and they just you

183

00:08:47,170 --> 00:08:44,690

know he happened to be in town when I

184

00:08:50,020 --> 00:08:47,180

wanted to shoot it and so that's how we

185

00:08:53,710 --> 00:08:50,030

did it and I did I did all the

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00:08:56,740 --> 00:08:53,720

choreography but he was able to pull it

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00:08:57,940 --> 00:08:56,750

off yeah you know like I had ideas I

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00:09:00,250 --> 00:08:57,950

brought to the table I'm like are you

189

00:09:01,600 --> 00:09:00,260

able to do this can you do that he's

190

00:09:04,300 --> 00:09:01,610

like yeah and then i'll throw in a

191

00:09:06,880 --> 00:09:04,310

spinning kick how am i oh nice perfect

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00:09:10,270 --> 00:09:06,890

now i love it because it's concerning

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00:09:13,570 --> 00:09:10,280

the the the great wacky topic of Bushido

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00:09:18,220 --> 00:09:13,580

oh isn't it yes or as I like to

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00:09:20,560 --> 00:09:18,230

call it tae kwon don't know why did you

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00:09:22,750 --> 00:09:20,570

choose that topic exactly well that one

197

00:09:24,910 --> 00:09:22,760

uh just because well if if you're

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00:09:28,210 --> 00:09:24,920

familiar at all with kung fu cinema

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00:09:31,810 --> 00:09:28,220

there's just so much so much fertile

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00:09:33,670 --> 00:09:31,820

ground for comedy and so I figured hey

201
00:09:36,850 --> 00:09:33,680
you know that that's the one we got to

202
00:09:38,320 --> 00:09:36,860
go with well I think it worked very well

203
00:09:40,180 --> 00:09:38,330
because their sudden there's a great

204
00:09:40,660 --> 00:09:40,190
scope there for all sorts of things and

205
00:09:42,550 --> 00:09:40,670
they

206
00:09:44,410 --> 00:09:42,560
it's fantastic it's very exciting and

207
00:09:48,370 --> 00:09:44,420
it's very funny and of course there are

208
00:09:50,800 --> 00:09:48,380
so many misconceptions and myths and

209
00:09:53,410 --> 00:09:50,810
mysticism wrapped up in martial arts

210
00:09:56,640 --> 00:09:53,420
yeah and I think that's what inspired me

211
00:09:59,050 --> 00:09:56,650
most is I watched a few online videos

212
00:10:02,920 --> 00:09:59,060
actually I'll give credit where credit's

213
00:10:06,490 --> 00:10:02,930

due I listened to the sceptile hot cast

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00:10:08,170 --> 00:10:06,500

about Baljeet oh haha am and I literally

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00:10:09,820 --> 00:10:08,180

didn't believe what he was saying I

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00:10:11,980 --> 00:10:09,830

literally you know I'm a skeptic of

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00:10:14,020 --> 00:10:11,990

course I was like no way no way two

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00:10:16,840 --> 00:10:14,030

people believe this nowadays you know

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00:10:19,630 --> 00:10:16,850

2011 nobody believes that a force punch

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00:10:21,460 --> 00:10:19,640

is real and you hit the YouTube and

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00:10:25,270 --> 00:10:21,470

there are dozens of videos where people

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00:10:27,730 --> 00:10:25,280

are you know using force punches and

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00:10:31,630 --> 00:10:27,740

their opponents feel weekend and and

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00:10:34,030 --> 00:10:31,640

hurt and injured and what the most

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00:10:38,350 --> 00:10:34,040

inspiring video I saw for all this was

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00:10:41,350 --> 00:10:38,360

this this TV series called martial arts

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00:10:44,830 --> 00:10:41,360

miracles uh-huh and there's this clip

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00:10:46,690 --> 00:10:44,840

out of it where this guy he actually he

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00:10:48,640 --> 00:10:46,700

does this ritual performs this huge

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00:10:51,310 --> 00:10:48,650

involve like 20 minute ritual he's

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00:10:53,890 --> 00:10:51,320

spitting everywhere he's wrapping his

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00:10:57,160 --> 00:10:53,900

arm with psychic energy he pulls out a

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00:11:00,070 --> 00:10:57,170

huge blade and chops his chops his arm

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00:11:02,620 --> 00:11:00,080

that I've seen oh yes and I've seen it's

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00:11:05,620 --> 00:11:02,630

horrible yeah and just yeah blood-red

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00:11:06,790 --> 00:11:05,630

start rushing and the Hosen just looks

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00:11:10,290 --> 00:11:06,800

at the camera like I don't know what to

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00:11:13,870 --> 00:11:10,300

do but yeah call the paramedics yeah

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00:11:16,600 --> 00:11:13,880

absolutely staggering he was so so

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00:11:18,940 --> 00:11:16,610

convinced of his own special powers that

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00:11:22,060 --> 00:11:18,950

he was he went to that length yeah he

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00:11:25,600 --> 00:11:22,070

went for it and so it was just shocking

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00:11:29,830 --> 00:11:25,610

that somebody you know grown grown men

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00:11:32,350 --> 00:11:29,840

who yeah potentially have lethal

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00:11:34,780 --> 00:11:32,360

abilities yes believe in such craziness

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00:11:37,330 --> 00:11:34,790

at least you did about himself another

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00:11:39,730 --> 00:11:37,340

volunteer yeah you know I mean these

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00:11:41,320 --> 00:11:39,740

these aren't just these aren't just

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00:11:43,240 --> 00:11:41,330

regular believe is amol these are

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00:11:45,340 --> 00:11:43,250

dangerous believers in yeah

251
00:11:46,960 --> 00:11:45,350
absolutely it also reminds me of the

252
00:11:48,970 --> 00:11:46,970
video I saw of a group called yellow

253
00:11:52,060 --> 00:11:48,980
bamboo have you seen that one no I

254
00:11:53,240 --> 00:11:52,070
haven't oh absolutely worth checking out

255
00:11:55,520 --> 00:11:53,250
yellow bamboo where

256
00:11:58,460 --> 00:11:55,530
a martial arts group I think they were

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00:12:00,830 --> 00:11:58,470
based in Indonesia from memory and they

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00:12:04,100 --> 00:12:00,840
were challenged by other martial artists

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00:12:06,470 --> 00:12:04,110
who said look if their claim was that

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00:12:08,840 --> 00:12:06,480
they could if someone was attacking them

261
00:12:11,440 --> 00:12:08,850
they could just repel them with psychic

262
00:12:13,730 --> 00:12:11,450
force you know magic mystical mush lux

263
00:12:15,440 --> 00:12:13,740

chi or whatever it was but is this

264

00:12:19,880 --> 00:12:15,450

summary the old guy gets his ass handed

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00:12:21,770 --> 00:12:19,890

to him ah well that does happen yes it's

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00:12:23,810 --> 00:12:21,780

on a beach so they've come to some beach

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00:12:25,820 --> 00:12:23,820

and these other guys just charged at

268

00:12:27,470 --> 00:12:25,830

them and completely bowled them over at

269

00:12:30,830 --> 00:12:27,480

her as you would say they were

270

00:12:32,360 --> 00:12:30,840

absolutely pwned yellow bamboo worth

271

00:12:34,190 --> 00:12:32,370

checking out and listeners to if you

272

00:12:35,750 --> 00:12:34,200

just Google yellow bamboo and I think

273

00:12:37,520 --> 00:12:35,760

there's a link from the skeptics

274

00:12:38,990 --> 00:12:37,530

dictionary for that one but I certainly

275

00:12:40,910 --> 00:12:39,000

worth checking out because it's a

276

00:12:43,520 --> 00:12:40,920

real-life case of this sort of thing

277

00:12:45,050 --> 00:12:43,530

being put to the test no I actually saw

278

00:12:48,410 --> 00:12:45,060

the other one that Brian Dunning talked

279

00:12:49,940 --> 00:12:48,420

about the the old guy who had like I got

280

00:12:51,530 --> 00:12:49,950

three thousand dollar challenge that he

281

00:12:54,200 --> 00:12:51,540

could not be beat because of his psychic

282

00:12:57,800 --> 00:12:54,210

energy and some mixed martial artist

283

00:12:59,630 --> 00:12:57,810

just beat the poor man silly you know

284

00:13:01,520 --> 00:12:59,640

like I didn't know effort yeah I mean at

285

00:13:03,590 --> 00:13:01,530

first it's funny the first 30 seconds

286

00:13:05,990 --> 00:13:03,600

you know it is hilarious but two minutes

287

00:13:07,430 --> 00:13:06,000

in after this old guys getting the crap

288

00:13:12,230 --> 00:13:07,440

kicked out of him by this young guy it's

289

00:13:14,480 --> 00:13:12,240

very sad it is yeah it's funny I yeah I

290

00:13:17,240 --> 00:13:14,490

can see exactly coming from its that

291

00:13:19,100 --> 00:13:17,250

there's a point where it's like you do

292

00:13:21,620 --> 00:13:19,110

you have to feel some empathy because

293

00:13:25,970 --> 00:13:21,630

someone's basically having their their

294

00:13:27,170 --> 00:13:25,980

worldview torn apart but you can be torn

295

00:13:30,590 --> 00:13:27,180

watching that sort of thing but I think

296

00:13:33,410 --> 00:13:30,600

I wasn't torn watching the yellow bamboo

297

00:13:35,270 --> 00:13:33,420

that's quite funny if if you check that

298

00:13:37,310 --> 00:13:35,280

one out now tell me about some of the

299

00:13:40,220 --> 00:13:37,320

local groups in your area that you're

300

00:13:42,620 --> 00:13:40,230

involved with okay um well because of

301
00:13:45,710 --> 00:13:42,630
this whole skeptic thing it's kind of

302
00:13:47,240 --> 00:13:45,720
hard not to get involved and you know

303
00:13:51,020 --> 00:13:47,250
the first year I was doing my web series

304
00:13:53,240 --> 00:13:51,030
I was just purely online purely armchair

305
00:13:56,360 --> 00:13:53,250
skeptic not really getting in anywhere

306
00:13:58,760 --> 00:13:56,370
and then you know came the iig awards

307
00:14:00,320 --> 00:13:58,770
and drinking skeptically and all of a

308
00:14:04,310 --> 00:14:00,330
sudden I started meeting all these cool

309
00:14:07,070 --> 00:14:04,320
people who really you know not only were

310
00:14:10,220 --> 00:14:07,080
enthused but they were like they

311
00:14:11,870 --> 00:14:10,230
they wanted to utilize my skills and I'm

312
00:14:15,080 --> 00:14:11,880
like what skills and they're like no no

313
00:14:16,550 --> 00:14:15,090

we could use a guy like you and and so

314

00:14:19,190 --> 00:14:16,560

because of that i became involved with

315

00:14:22,550 --> 00:14:19,200

the iig the independent investigations

316

00:14:25,930 --> 00:14:22,560

group arm otherwise known as the ghost

317

00:14:28,640 --> 00:14:25,940

hunters who turn on the lights huh so

318

00:14:31,070 --> 00:14:28,650

like that yeah so I became involved with

319

00:14:34,340 --> 00:14:31,080

them because they were they had started

320

00:14:36,800 --> 00:14:34,350

a media group to category you know

321

00:14:39,440 --> 00:14:36,810

catalog all the cool experiments that

322

00:14:42,050 --> 00:14:39,450

they've been doing the last decade and I

323

00:14:45,440 --> 00:14:42,060

said you know what we really need is a

324

00:14:47,830 --> 00:14:45,450

promo something that'll show you know

325

00:14:50,660 --> 00:14:47,840

how cool we are and what we do is

326

00:14:52,670 --> 00:14:50,670

innovative and so much different than

327

00:14:57,530 --> 00:14:52,680

all the other ghost hunters that are out

328

00:15:00,470 --> 00:14:57,540

there yeah and it is too and of course

329

00:15:04,040 --> 00:15:00,480

the tag line in fact we come to think

330

00:15:10,430 --> 00:15:04,050

about it the the female voice we hear on

331

00:15:13,660 --> 00:15:10,440

your ad which is this one is that the

332

00:15:17,240 --> 00:15:13,670

same girl who's in the is in the video

333

00:15:19,160 --> 00:15:17,250

actually yes yes my girlfriend /

334

00:15:21,620 --> 00:15:19,170

animator Jenn brown by the way her name

335

00:15:24,620 --> 00:15:21,630

is Chen Brown she is the one who plays

336

00:15:27,440 --> 00:15:24,630

the ghost but the but the cute little

337

00:15:30,800 --> 00:15:27,450

voice at the end that is a friend of

338

00:15:33,320 --> 00:15:30,810

mine she's an actress Larissa McCoy and

339

00:15:35,900 --> 00:15:33,330

she perpetually sounds like she's 12

340

00:15:39,590 --> 00:15:35,910

years old so yeah I knew I had to use

341

00:15:42,290 --> 00:15:39,600

her for that voiceover you just

342

00:15:46,130 --> 00:15:42,300

surrounded by tellin ya it's insane and

343

00:15:48,230 --> 00:15:46,140

because of the iig this the promo I was

344

00:15:51,230 --> 00:15:48,240

doing was strictly at first just

345

00:15:53,450 --> 00:15:51,240

interviewing other iig members and you

346

00:15:55,160 --> 00:15:53,460

know cutting up a cool promo slick promo

347

00:15:57,260 --> 00:15:55,170

which by the way will also be released

348

00:15:59,720 --> 00:15:57,270

very soon though not when there's

349

00:16:03,020 --> 00:15:59,730

podcasts airs but before tam will have

350

00:16:04,910 --> 00:16:03,030

it out there and it just kind of it kind

351

00:16:06,800 --> 00:16:04,920

of grew and grew to the point where

352

00:16:08,000 --> 00:16:06,810

every member was coming up to me and

353

00:16:09,980 --> 00:16:08,010

saying you know who you should interview

354

00:16:11,360 --> 00:16:09,990

next you should get Paul Provenza you

355

00:16:14,540 --> 00:16:11,370

should get em remember you you should

356

00:16:16,160 --> 00:16:14,550

get Brian Dalton and uh huh so soon i

357

00:16:17,960 --> 00:16:16,170

just started interviewing all these

358

00:16:19,580 --> 00:16:17,970

people like not for the promo just you

359

00:16:20,690 --> 00:16:19,590

know get to know your local skeptic on

360

00:16:22,370 --> 00:16:20,700

high-def well I'm

361

00:16:25,850 --> 00:16:22,380

logo skeptic but I hope you get to know

362

00:16:28,670 --> 00:16:25,860

me I hope we can click a tan and you can

363

00:16:30,560 --> 00:16:28,680

find a 10-minute period of time we're

364

00:16:33,080 --> 00:16:30,570

not being rushed around or trying to

365

00:16:34,910 --> 00:16:33,090

sleep oath to recover from mine I will

366

00:16:38,240 --> 00:16:34,920

no sleep desperately try to hunt you

367

00:16:39,980 --> 00:16:38,250

down and it's going to be fun it's going

368

00:16:42,260 --> 00:16:39,990

to be fun in fact if anybody sees me at

369

00:16:44,180 --> 00:16:42,270

em please bring me a coffee in one hand

370

00:16:45,530 --> 00:16:44,190

extend your hand to greet me in the

371

00:16:47,360 --> 00:16:45,540

other hand have a coffee ready because

372

00:16:49,400 --> 00:16:47,370

i'm going to be whack out of my head but

373

00:16:51,320 --> 00:16:49,410

I will make time John we will get

374

00:16:53,330 --> 00:16:51,330

together I love what you're doing now

375

00:16:55,610 --> 00:16:53,340

where can people go to check out the

376

00:16:58,610 --> 00:16:55,620

video and more people can go well okay

377

00:17:00,650 --> 00:16:58,620

web two point oh um I wouldn't even say

378

00:17:04,250 --> 00:17:00,660

go to skeptically palm com I'd say go to

379

00:17:05,810 --> 00:17:04,260

youtube.com slash skeptically pwned but

380

00:17:07,370 --> 00:17:05,820

if you want if you want the cool flash

381

00:17:10,550 --> 00:17:07,380

the cool you know look that we're going

382

00:17:12,550 --> 00:17:10,560

for go to skeptically palm com which

383

00:17:16,490 --> 00:17:12,560

will inevitably take you to youtube.com

384

00:17:18,470 --> 00:17:16,500

slash skeptically pound you know it's a

385

00:17:21,170 --> 00:17:18,480

way or another that's such a strange

386

00:17:23,150 --> 00:17:21,180

beast these days like like our own

387

00:17:25,579 --> 00:17:23,160

individual websites have become so

388

00:17:28,340 --> 00:17:25,589

personal like I can't remember the last

389

00:17:29,930 --> 00:17:28,350

time I actually went to you know I'm

390

00:17:31,640 --> 00:17:29,940

trying to think of a website i went to

391

00:17:33,740 --> 00:17:31,650

like an individual website because i

392

00:17:36,590 --> 00:17:33,750

always go to you know the third party

393

00:17:38,030 --> 00:17:36,600

websites the youtubers book I don't know

394

00:17:39,710 --> 00:17:38,040

how you find the time and I've also

395

00:17:42,950 --> 00:17:39,720

learned that you've got some very

396

00:17:46,220 --> 00:17:42,960

exciting guests coming up I do i do some

397

00:17:50,090 --> 00:17:46,230

that were very very desperately fought

398

00:17:53,540 --> 00:17:50,100

for i have upcoming interviews with tim

399

00:17:56,300 --> 00:17:53,550

minchin active mention oh the australian

400

00:17:58,250 --> 00:17:56,310

entertainer skeptical singer polka who

401
00:17:59,900 --> 00:17:58,260
by the way you guys all know and he's

402
00:18:01,760 --> 00:17:59,910
this international star and i've seen

403
00:18:04,970 --> 00:18:01,770
all his work and I love him to death I

404
00:18:06,320 --> 00:18:04,980
try and brag to my friends at work or

405
00:18:08,050 --> 00:18:06,330
something on my dude I'm I'm

406
00:18:10,880 --> 00:18:08,060
interviewing Tim mentioned I like who

407
00:18:13,130 --> 00:18:10,890
I'm like yeah like the man's an

408
00:18:14,960 --> 00:18:13,140
international celebrity and I can't

409
00:18:18,740 --> 00:18:14,970
really you know bragged anybody except

410
00:18:20,810 --> 00:18:18,750
my fellow skeptics but that one yeah he

411
00:18:22,210 --> 00:18:20,820
was really nice about it I sent in I

412
00:18:25,280 --> 00:18:22,220
actually made him a full video

413
00:18:27,470 --> 00:18:25,290

requesting his interview and he emailed

414

00:18:28,820 --> 00:18:27,480

me back he's like love the video I'd you

415

00:18:31,190 --> 00:18:28,830

know be more than happy to give you some

416

00:18:33,710 --> 00:18:31,200

of my time while I'm in LA so so that

417

00:18:34,460 --> 00:18:33,720

was great and i also have bill nye

418

00:18:37,220 --> 00:18:34,470

coming up

419

00:18:39,080 --> 00:18:37,230

now bill now Bill Nye affiliate for our

420

00:18:41,270 --> 00:18:39,090

American business is very well known but

421

00:18:43,580 --> 00:18:41,280

for our international this is and the

422

00:18:47,090 --> 00:18:43,590

Australian listeners to who is Bill Nye

423

00:18:50,180 --> 00:18:47,100

exact Bill Nye is the science guy he

424

00:18:54,710 --> 00:18:50,190

yeah like way back in the day just like

425

00:18:57,260 --> 00:18:54,720

mr. wizard he Purdue oil him and Disney

426

00:18:59,560 --> 00:18:57,270

produced a hundred episodes on every

427

00:19:02,510 --> 00:18:59,570

scientific topic you can think of and

428

00:19:04,730 --> 00:19:02,520

just made this really cool show called

429

00:19:06,380 --> 00:19:04,740

bill nye the science guy just you know

430

00:19:09,230 --> 00:19:06,390

explaining every week a brand new

431

00:19:11,600 --> 00:19:09,240

scientific topic and you know if you're

432

00:19:13,190 --> 00:19:11,610

from America especially you know he

433

00:19:16,279 --> 00:19:13,200

lives in your psyche there is not a

434

00:19:18,440 --> 00:19:16,289

there's not a kid you know above the age

435

00:19:22,070 --> 00:19:18,450

of twenty that does not know who Bill

436

00:19:23,750 --> 00:19:22,080

nya's wow that's a big that's a big

437

00:19:26,990 --> 00:19:23,760

school that and you get a lot of people

438

00:19:28,700 --> 00:19:27,000

who have be very unhappy I guess for

439

00:19:30,740 --> 00:19:28,710

nostalgic reasons to that you have built

440

00:19:34,100 --> 00:19:30,750

yeah and also not to mention that he's

441

00:19:37,100 --> 00:19:34,110

going to be at am nine this year well

442

00:19:39,620 --> 00:19:37,110

there you go another tam time yeah so

443

00:19:41,930 --> 00:19:39,630

I'm very excited we're doing a lot of

444

00:19:44,510 --> 00:19:41,940

work and we got a few upcoming episodes

445

00:19:47,360 --> 00:19:44,520

of skeptically pone but always feel free

446

00:19:49,190 --> 00:19:47,370

to email me I'm readily available and

447

00:19:52,549 --> 00:19:49,200

give me any suggestions you guys might

448

00:19:54,560 --> 00:19:52,559

have check it out everybody have a look

449

00:19:57,230 --> 00:19:54,570

at the video it's fantastic the website

450

00:20:00,230 --> 00:19:57,240

skeptically pwned that newfangled

451
00:20:02,990 --> 00:20:00,240
internet word John rail pleasure to chat

452
00:20:05,390 --> 00:20:03,000
with you and I look forward to having a

453
00:20:07,070 --> 00:20:05,400
coffee with you in a few short weeks at

454
00:20:09,980 --> 00:20:07,080
ten thank you very much richer but I'm

455
00:20:21,210 --> 00:20:09,990
going to be drinking diet coke I don't

456
00:20:26,830 --> 00:20:24,159
hi this is brian dunning from skep tide

457
00:20:28,810 --> 00:20:26,840
calm the best way to share the benefits

458
00:20:30,490 --> 00:20:28,820
of critical thinking and science with

459
00:20:33,460 --> 00:20:30,500
someone who doesn't listen to podcasts

460
00:20:35,470 --> 00:20:33,470
is to give them a book I invite you to

461
00:20:37,810 --> 00:20:35,480
check out my newest book based on

462
00:20:41,200 --> 00:20:37,820
selected episodes of The sceptile cast

463
00:20:44,710 --> 00:20:41,210

skep tied three pirates pyramids and

464

00:20:47,019 --> 00:20:44,720

papyrus 50 chapters contain something

465

00:20:49,450 --> 00:20:47,029

for everyone questions you've always

466

00:20:52,600 --> 00:20:49,460

wondered about and subject to intrigue

467

00:20:55,299 --> 00:20:52,610

and challenge your friends pirates

468

00:20:57,610 --> 00:20:55,309

pyramids and papyrus by Brian Dunning

469

00:20:59,740 --> 00:20:57,620

with a foreword by Richard Saunders of

470

00:21:02,259 --> 00:20:59,750

the Australian skeptics it's available

471

00:21:05,769 --> 00:21:02,269

now from major online booksellers as a

472

00:21:08,850 --> 00:21:05,779

paperback and as an e-book or get a

473

00:21:15,460 --> 00:21:08,860

personalized copy from sceptile calm I'm

474

00:21:18,460 --> 00:21:15,470

Brian Dunning from skep tide calm join

475

00:21:26,310 --> 00:21:18,470

us now for drinking skeptically in the

476
00:21:37,630 --> 00:21:35,200
that is newcastle dr h e and Joe Benna

477
00:21:39,730 --> 00:21:37,640
mu are talking about drinks what's this

478
00:21:43,630 --> 00:21:39,740
lovely family pictures I know that's not

479
00:21:45,280 --> 00:21:43,640
what I was meant to be sure she still we

480
00:21:46,960 --> 00:21:45,290
seem to be starting every episode of the

481
00:21:48,670 --> 00:21:46,970
tank that I'm on these days by me

482
00:21:51,340 --> 00:21:48,680
embarrassing myself in one way or

483
00:21:53,620 --> 00:21:51,350
another Oh Joe we do understand but

484
00:21:58,320 --> 00:21:53,630
welcome dr. Aegean welcome Joe and Ben

485
00:22:02,680 --> 00:21:58,330
amoud to the think tank cheers Cheers

486
00:22:04,510 --> 00:22:02,690
back legs around it mm-hmm it is tonight

487
00:22:06,310 --> 00:22:04,520
it makes for clearer thinking then all

488
00:22:08,380 --> 00:22:06,320

that champagne we used to drink I think

489

00:22:09,790 --> 00:22:08,390

and it's great to be back in our

490

00:22:13,030 --> 00:22:09,800

favorite club down the end of the street

491

00:22:14,170 --> 00:22:13,040

which isn't too busy tonight it isn't

492

00:22:16,090 --> 00:22:14,180

too busy and we've all had a nice

493

00:22:19,110 --> 00:22:16,100

Chinese nom in fact you didn't even

494

00:22:22,090 --> 00:22:19,120

finish yours joke normal fail yeah

495

00:22:27,040 --> 00:22:22,100

nothing valdisa nomming fair it isn't on

496

00:22:29,380 --> 00:22:27,050

the ground very nice to see dr. AG back

497

00:22:31,180 --> 00:22:29,390

in town and you were just are visiting

498

00:22:33,790 --> 00:22:31,190

our friends in Melbourne dr. AG how did

499

00:22:35,980 --> 00:22:33,800

that go really really well I did a talk

500

00:22:38,470 --> 00:22:35,990

for Victorian skeptics and talk for

501
00:22:40,450 --> 00:22:38,480
Melbourne skeptics there's no 12 groups

502
00:22:43,960 --> 00:22:40,460
in Victoria skeptical groups in

503
00:22:47,740 --> 00:22:43,970
Victorian so um yeah there was no it was

504
00:22:49,480 --> 00:22:47,750
fantastic it was I had a great time game

505
00:22:52,120 --> 00:22:49,490
half the talks and met lots of people

506
00:22:55,510 --> 00:22:52,130
who I hadn't met before yeah what why

507
00:22:57,490 --> 00:22:55,520
what were your talks oh it was really

508
00:23:01,120 --> 00:22:57,500
just a summary of dr. retching reports

509
00:23:06,310 --> 00:23:01,130
with some a little bit of stuff about

510
00:23:08,650 --> 00:23:06,320
dr. google also hair analysis oh yeah

511
00:23:12,580 --> 00:23:08,660
how to spot a scam how sort of what red

512
00:23:14,230 --> 00:23:12,590
flags you should look for and yeah some

513
00:23:16,210 --> 00:23:14,240

of the sort of investigations I've done

514

00:23:18,610 --> 00:23:16,220

over the years all right so was good I

515

00:23:20,560 --> 00:23:18,620

noticed people with little live tweeting

516

00:23:22,660 --> 00:23:20,570

Europe talks Lucas Randall with life's

517

00:23:24,820 --> 00:23:22,670

waiting here a lot of Monday nights yeah

518

00:23:27,940 --> 00:23:24,830

yeah it was hashtag rachy branch

519

00:23:29,320 --> 00:23:27,950

actually it was and it's interesting you

520

00:23:31,150 --> 00:23:29,330

should say hair analysis because I

521

00:23:32,950 --> 00:23:31,160

noticed that choice magazine

522

00:23:36,450 --> 00:23:32,960

report if you've caught up with that

523

00:23:39,700 --> 00:23:36,460

it's on their website about doji

524

00:23:40,870 --> 00:23:39,710

diagnostic I think someone is also

525

00:23:42,160 --> 00:23:40,880

wanted poster that should I haven't had

526
00:23:44,500 --> 00:23:42,170
a chance to look at it though yeah well

527
00:23:46,810 --> 00:23:44,510
worth what looking at listeners if you

528
00:23:49,180 --> 00:23:46,820
go to the website of choice magazine

529
00:23:52,060 --> 00:23:49,190
which is I think it's choice Khamenei

530
00:23:53,470 --> 00:23:52,070
you a brilliant magazine consumer

531
00:23:56,700 --> 00:23:53,480
watchdog good friends of ours but

532
00:23:59,890 --> 00:23:56,710
they've got a story up there about dodgy

533
00:24:03,040 --> 00:23:59,900
diagnostics including iridology live

534
00:24:05,950 --> 00:24:03,050
blood analysis hair analysis so worth

535
00:24:08,140 --> 00:24:05,960
checking out indeed and reaching you're

536
00:24:10,450 --> 00:24:08,150
still getting great coverage from an

537
00:24:12,190 --> 00:24:10,460
article you wrote a little while ago for

538
00:24:14,170 --> 00:24:12,200

cosmos magazine talking about magazines

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00:24:16,000 --> 00:24:14,180

yeah cosmos sent out a press release

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00:24:18,490 --> 00:24:16,010

about my opinion piece which was

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00:24:21,430 --> 00:24:18,500

essentially about the NHMRC draft

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00:24:23,980 --> 00:24:21,440

statement about homeopathy where they

543

00:24:26,200 --> 00:24:23,990

say that they want to make an official

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00:24:30,250 --> 00:24:26,210

position which is that homeopathy is

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00:24:32,710 --> 00:24:30,260

unethical and not efficacious yep I've

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00:24:35,440 --> 00:24:32,720

done a three interviews now all with the

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00:24:37,120 --> 00:24:35,450

ABC I did one today which was a pre

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00:24:39,370 --> 00:24:37,130

record which is going to run tomorrow

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00:24:42,040 --> 00:24:39,380

which will be two days ago to listeners

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00:24:43,750 --> 00:24:42,050

anyway I'm going to try and grab a grab

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00:24:45,130 --> 00:24:43,760

that and so I can get it up because it

552

00:24:46,900 --> 00:24:45,140

was really good today yeah if we can

553

00:24:48,910 --> 00:24:46,910

grab that will certainly play it on on

554

00:24:51,280 --> 00:24:48,920

the zone in an upcoming episode Yale

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00:24:53,050 --> 00:24:51,290

yeah well actually somebody um I can't

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00:24:56,890 --> 00:24:53,060

really can't remember her name i think

557

00:24:58,840 --> 00:24:56,900

it's Lori she sent me an email saying

558

00:25:00,400 --> 00:24:58,850

that and this is something I've been

559

00:25:02,140 --> 00:25:00,410

thinking about to but I hadn't had time

560

00:25:04,270 --> 00:25:02,150

to chase it up if its draft statement

561

00:25:08,080 --> 00:25:04,280

and they're going to consult consumers

562

00:25:10,210 --> 00:25:08,090

as they say there was nothing really on

563

00:25:12,910 --> 00:25:10,220

there in contained in that statement

564

00:25:14,470 --> 00:25:12,920

about how to go about you know

565

00:25:18,430 --> 00:25:14,480

submitting a comment if you wanted to

566

00:25:19,960 --> 00:25:18,440

comment yeah I think Lori apologize if

567

00:25:21,790 --> 00:25:19,970

I've got your name wrong I don't have my

568

00:25:25,030 --> 00:25:21,800

emails in front of me she actually

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00:25:26,800 --> 00:25:25,040

called up the NHMRC and asked them how

570

00:25:29,230 --> 00:25:26,810

the public could go about submitting

571

00:25:31,720 --> 00:25:29,240

comment about this statement and

572

00:25:33,490 --> 00:25:31,730

apparently she was told that at the

573

00:25:35,350 --> 00:25:33,500

moment the NHMRC are taking submissions

574

00:25:37,630 --> 00:25:35,360

from the homeopath

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00:25:39,250 --> 00:25:37,640

and once the committee has assessed the

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00:25:41,070 --> 00:25:39,260

opinions of the homeopath they'll then

577

00:25:44,950 --> 00:25:41,080

ask other people further down the track

578

00:25:46,210 --> 00:25:44,960

to also submit comment it's just a

579

00:25:47,770 --> 00:25:46,220

little bit odd to me because i would

580

00:25:49,750 --> 00:25:47,780

have presumed if you're going to open up

581

00:25:51,640 --> 00:25:49,760

something for public comment you'd open

582

00:25:53,500 --> 00:25:51,650

it up for public comment not while I'm

583

00:25:55,450 --> 00:25:53,510

waiting for the homeopath solid it's a

584

00:25:56,980 --> 00:25:55,460

lot then to the public then to the

585

00:25:59,770 --> 00:25:56,990

doctors or whatever unless they're

586

00:26:01,270 --> 00:25:59,780

literally expecting everyone to submit

587

00:26:02,890 --> 00:26:01,280

me things are gonna get a flood of mail

588

00:26:06,100 --> 00:26:02,900

but they just won't know what to do with

589

00:26:07,750 --> 00:26:06,110

well I'm gonna be opposed to go you know

590

00:26:10,270 --> 00:26:07,760

I know they'll be going to be Gish

591

00:26:11,500 --> 00:26:10,280

gallop well I know that French effort I

592

00:26:13,500 --> 00:26:11,510

think said she was going to comment but

593

00:26:16,150 --> 00:26:13,510

I but you know there was no obvious

594

00:26:17,590 --> 00:26:16,160

anything obvious even to say here's how

595

00:26:19,270 --> 00:26:17,600

used to MIT and in fact the other thing

596

00:26:21,760 --> 00:26:19,280

was and this is why I've been talking

597

00:26:23,710 --> 00:26:21,770

about it all over the radio was because

598

00:26:26,740 --> 00:26:23,720

it you know the statement was actually

599

00:26:28,720 --> 00:26:26,750

sort of said don't distribute this yeah

600

00:26:31,630 --> 00:26:28,730

not for distribution it's like well how

601
00:26:34,360 --> 00:26:31,640
are you going to get comment on a draft

602
00:26:35,740 --> 00:26:34,370
statement from consumers and people if

603
00:26:37,600 --> 00:26:35,750
you're not even going to allow people to

604
00:26:39,039 --> 00:26:37,610
distribute it and that's why i blogged

605
00:26:40,600 --> 00:26:39,049
about it in the first place because paul

606
00:26:42,610 --> 00:26:40,610
smith from australian doctor he got a

607
00:26:45,370 --> 00:26:42,620
copy of it and he wrote about it but

608
00:26:47,140 --> 00:26:45,380
that's behind a login pay wall yeah so

609
00:26:49,390 --> 00:26:47,150
then I had to blogger for my I blocked

610
00:26:50,830 --> 00:26:49,400
it from my blog and then when when I got

611
00:26:52,690 --> 00:26:50,840
the opportunity to do the cosmos thing I

612
00:26:54,940 --> 00:26:52,700
was like yes definitely because you know

613
00:26:56,200 --> 00:26:54,950

that fears number one science mag in

614

00:26:58,270 --> 00:26:56,210

Australia and at least it's going to get

615

00:27:00,370 --> 00:26:58,280

out to a lot of people now of course a

616

00:27:02,140 --> 00:27:00,380

couple of episodes ago three or four you

617

00:27:04,090 --> 00:27:02,150

read out that that piece where listeners

618

00:27:06,400 --> 00:27:04,100

and it's so good that you're getting

619

00:27:08,620 --> 00:27:06,410

more press coverage for that and I

620

00:27:11,350 --> 00:27:08,630

expect to the homeopaths will be on the

621

00:27:14,409 --> 00:27:11,360

warpath against you well I hope they are

622

00:27:17,169 --> 00:27:14,419

and you know what I don't care bring it

623

00:27:18,730 --> 00:27:17,179

on the thing is like today as well I was

624

00:27:22,419 --> 00:27:18,740

given an opportunity to speak for

625

00:27:25,570 --> 00:27:22,429

probably about 10 minutes to a guy at

626
00:27:27,250 --> 00:27:25,580
the ABC and I really was emphasizing the

627
00:27:29,650 --> 00:27:27,260
point that it's a consumer protection

628
00:27:31,480 --> 00:27:29,660
issue you know it really is it and he

629
00:27:32,950 --> 00:27:31,490
said at one point in a long question to

630
00:27:35,680 --> 00:27:32,960
me he started off the question by saying

631
00:27:38,289 --> 00:27:35,690
homeopathic medicine and I had to go

632
00:27:40,870 --> 00:27:38,299
back and correct him and say no that's a

633
00:27:43,030 --> 00:27:40,880
misnomer it's an oxymoron it's not

634
00:27:45,030 --> 00:27:43,040
medicine it doesn't work there's nothing

635
00:27:47,070 --> 00:27:45,040
in it you know so

636
00:27:49,020 --> 00:27:47,080
my whole sort of pushed with today's

637
00:27:51,330 --> 00:27:49,030
interview was that it is a consumer

638
00:27:52,470 --> 00:27:51,340

health issue europe i think don't know

639

00:27:54,680 --> 00:27:52,480

it but i think that's one of the

640

00:27:59,400 --> 00:27:54,690

problems with this you know as I was in

641

00:28:01,470 --> 00:27:59,410

a pharmacy the other day which over the

642

00:28:04,650 --> 00:28:01,480

years I've watched become more and more

643

00:28:07,230 --> 00:28:04,660

Phil nonsense you know you look on the

644

00:28:11,070 --> 00:28:07,240

shelves and just everywhere you turn now

645

00:28:12,270 --> 00:28:11,080

you just you just can't build you can't

646

00:28:16,260 --> 00:28:12,280

turn a corner in the place without

647

00:28:18,090 --> 00:28:16,270

seeing absolute rubbish and and I think

648

00:28:20,400 --> 00:28:18,100

part of the problem is it is it's just

649

00:28:23,040 --> 00:28:20,410

becoming more in the part of the

650

00:28:26,370 --> 00:28:23,050

background and that makes it a lot

651
00:28:30,840 --> 00:28:26,380
harder to have a dialogue about it with

652
00:28:33,090 --> 00:28:30,850
with the public that has them seeing it

653
00:28:34,980 --> 00:28:33,100
as an issue that they should be taking

654
00:28:36,690 --> 00:28:34,990
notice of because they walk into their

655
00:28:39,330 --> 00:28:36,700
pharmacies and they see the stuff

656
00:28:42,180 --> 00:28:39,340
everywhere and your pharmacy somewhere

657
00:28:44,880 --> 00:28:42,190
where you go to get medicines you go to

658
00:28:49,440 --> 00:28:44,890
get things that I supposed to help you

659
00:28:52,230 --> 00:28:49,450
simplify osteria so if you go in there

660
00:28:55,220 --> 00:28:52,240
and that's what you see and everywhere

661
00:28:57,660 --> 00:28:55,230
you go every every magazine you pick up

662
00:28:59,940 --> 00:28:57,670
all sorts of natural things are being

663
00:29:01,980 --> 00:28:59,950

promoted and it's just become so much of

664

00:29:03,690 --> 00:29:01,990

the background noise now of what's just

665

00:29:06,270 --> 00:29:03,700

out of what's out there and it's just

666

00:29:09,090 --> 00:29:06,280

accepted and people just you know just

667

00:29:11,400 --> 00:29:09,100

take it as normal that all these all

668

00:29:13,740 --> 00:29:11,410

these natural therapies are are

669

00:29:15,780 --> 00:29:13,750

acceptable because they must play mostly

670

00:29:17,640 --> 00:29:15,790

work they must be and it gets back to

671

00:29:20,250 --> 00:29:17,650

the point how is the punter the average

672

00:29:22,680 --> 00:29:20,260

customer supposed to know but box ex

673

00:29:24,660 --> 00:29:22,690

works in box why doesn't if they're both

674

00:29:27,390 --> 00:29:24,670

in a pharmacy and which brings us to the

675

00:29:29,700 --> 00:29:27,400

topic and the little clip I played last

676
00:29:31,980 --> 00:29:29,710
week from today tonight dr. a team where

677
00:29:34,200 --> 00:29:31,990
you again getting around the media

678
00:29:36,780 --> 00:29:34,210
appeared on today tonight to talk about

679
00:29:38,610 --> 00:29:36,790
ear candles and that's gone down very

680
00:29:40,650 --> 00:29:38,620
well and you're just telling me you

681
00:29:43,380 --> 00:29:40,660
heard that was shown in Perth rigidly

682
00:29:46,200 --> 00:29:43,390
yeah somebody left a comment on my

683
00:29:47,540 --> 00:29:46,210
Facebook page saying that they've seen

684
00:29:50,280 --> 00:29:47,550
it

685
00:29:51,900 --> 00:29:50,290
she is from Perth when I asked her she'd

686
00:29:54,330 --> 00:29:51,910
seen it on youtube or in person she said

687
00:29:56,520 --> 00:29:54,340
it was on in Perth great yes I'm hoping

688
00:29:58,800 --> 00:29:56,530

that if it's aired in Perth and in

689

00:30:00,690 --> 00:29:58,810

Adelaide it might err in Sydney and

690

00:30:03,450 --> 00:30:00,700

Melbourne maybe as well I hope so i

691

00:30:05,520 --> 00:30:03,460

think it was a great story and it really

692

00:30:07,560 --> 00:30:05,530

made them look out to be completely and

693

00:30:10,650 --> 00:30:07,570

utterly stupid and outrageous and you

694

00:30:13,260 --> 00:30:10,660

came over absolutely credible and

695

00:30:14,960 --> 00:30:13,270

knowledgeable and very pretty there

696

00:30:17,700 --> 00:30:14,970

sitting in that today tonight student ah

697

00:30:20,220 --> 00:30:17,710

well I put my face on for that you see

698

00:30:21,720 --> 00:30:20,230

who did I did I put my face on yeah no I

699

00:30:24,240 --> 00:30:21,730

mean it was funny wasn't it because i

700

00:30:26,220 --> 00:30:24,250

think i did i mention on the show that

701
00:30:27,960 --> 00:30:26,230
we actually shot that about two weeks

702
00:30:32,670 --> 00:30:27,970
ago because you came into the studio

703
00:30:35,460 --> 00:30:32,680
with me to prompt me and then last

704
00:30:37,380 --> 00:30:35,470
friday i got a call from the producer on

705
00:30:40,200 --> 00:30:37,390
a friday evening as i was walking home

706
00:30:42,480 --> 00:30:40,210
to say that because the story was done

707
00:30:44,160 --> 00:30:42,490
in adelaide but they shot my footage in

708
00:30:45,810 --> 00:30:44,170
Sydney and then sit in Sydney sent the

709
00:30:49,320 --> 00:30:45,820
footage to Adelaide to then splice it

710
00:30:50,610 --> 00:30:49,330
into the story now somehow Sydney extent

711
00:30:52,710 --> 00:30:50,620
their footage off to Adelaide and then

712
00:30:54,780 --> 00:30:52,720
deleted it from them hard drives in

713
00:30:56,160 --> 00:30:54,790

Sydney and then somehow Adelaide deleted

714

00:30:59,130 --> 00:30:56,170

it from their hard drives and Adelaide

715

00:31:00,870 --> 00:30:59,140

and so they lost the footage yeah so we

716

00:31:03,990 --> 00:31:00,880

had to go back in and do it again yeah

717

00:31:06,240 --> 00:31:04,000

about 10 days later oh yeah so me what

718

00:31:07,680 --> 00:31:06,250

and I'm trance to rant about ear candles

719

00:31:09,930 --> 00:31:07,690

I'm sure that it was a really hard thing

720

00:31:12,060 --> 00:31:09,940

for you dude yeah it was awful what's

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00:31:14,820 --> 00:31:12,070

right yeah what you had to process Joe

722

00:31:16,140 --> 00:31:14,830

because what happens and we've done this

723

00:31:18,210 --> 00:31:16,150

in Reverse when I was talking about

724

00:31:20,670 --> 00:31:18,220

homeopathy we sit around the table there

725

00:31:22,890 --> 00:31:20,680

were they film it and Rachel's on the

726

00:31:25,620 --> 00:31:22,900

camera and the producer asked Rachel the

727

00:31:27,030 --> 00:31:25,630

question which then I repeat and give

728

00:31:28,890 --> 00:31:27,040

her the answer which then she repeats

729

00:31:30,360 --> 00:31:28,900

back to the producer you see it's a bit

730

00:31:33,630 --> 00:31:30,370

of a process but it worked up to Reggie

731

00:31:35,850 --> 00:31:33,640

yeah well it works well because I can't

732

00:31:37,290 --> 00:31:35,860

always remember exactly what yeah you

733

00:31:38,640 --> 00:31:37,300

know we write the answers because they

734

00:31:40,290 --> 00:31:38,650

will send you questions you write the

735

00:31:41,460 --> 00:31:40,300

answers but then you can't always

736

00:31:42,570 --> 00:31:41,470

remember what you've written so it's

737

00:31:45,690 --> 00:31:42,580

actually helpful to have someone there

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00:31:49,050 --> 00:31:45,700

prompting you nothing well that I have

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00:31:52,470 --> 00:31:49,060

to ask I'd ask did you have to but you

740

00:31:55,450 --> 00:31:52,480

have to turn to your computer monitor

741

00:31:58,930 --> 00:31:55,460

and randomly click away looking at some

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00:32:00,460 --> 00:31:58,940

Horton piece of research no Sheila I

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

love it when they do that she had to

744

00:32:03,880 --> 00:32:02,480

look at here candles I had two pegs me

745

00:32:06,549 --> 00:32:03,890

candles out of a box and look at them

746

00:32:08,500 --> 00:32:06,559

physically yeah would she did oh you

747

00:32:09,940 --> 00:32:08,510

know there's there is that chases get I

748

00:32:11,500 --> 00:32:09,950

don't know if listeners remember it

749

00:32:14,350 --> 00:32:11,510

where they said if anyone can be

750

00:32:16,720 --> 00:32:14,360

conceived returned into an expert if you

751

00:32:18,580 --> 00:32:16,730

if you're showing handing files over to

752

00:32:20,889 --> 00:32:18,590

a secretarial walking down the corridor

753

00:32:23,380 --> 00:32:20,899

holding on to some important papers or

754

00:32:28,750 --> 00:32:23,390

strolling through you know the academia

755

00:32:33,760 --> 00:32:31,540

well that is a I think very on her

756

00:32:35,170 --> 00:32:33,770

unhear ballbuster now yes it's getting a

757

00:32:36,910 --> 00:32:35,180

bit noisy in here more and more people

758

00:32:39,280 --> 00:32:36,920

coming and never mind folks there was a

759

00:32:42,750 --> 00:32:39,290

bus announcement I promise you now we've

760

00:32:45,040 --> 00:32:42,760

had some listeners riding into us a

761

00:32:47,020 --> 00:32:45,050

couple of people have commented that

762

00:32:49,690 --> 00:32:47,030

they thought it was an odd choice that

763

00:32:54,930 --> 00:32:49,700

may not interviewed adam curry from the

764

00:32:57,850 --> 00:32:54,940

no agenda podcast because in some of his

765

00:32:59,860 --> 00:32:57,860

thoughts he's really a bit out there and

766

00:33:04,960 --> 00:32:59,870

certainly stuff that the skeptic zone

767

00:33:07,990 --> 00:33:04,970

wouldn't endorse as such but maynard has

768

00:33:10,000 --> 00:33:08,000

a habit of interviewing very interesting

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00:33:11,530 --> 00:33:10,010

and sometimes wacky people so i was

770

00:33:15,580 --> 00:33:11,540

happy to let that one go but please

771

00:33:17,470 --> 00:33:15,590

don't think that we're endorsing the no

772

00:33:19,270 --> 00:33:17,480

agenda podcast if you want to listen to

773

00:33:21,640 --> 00:33:19,280

it go right ahead if it's not your cup

774

00:33:23,110 --> 00:33:21,650

of tea that's fine I understand but

775

00:33:25,090 --> 00:33:23,120

thank you for those the scissors have

776

00:33:27,610 --> 00:33:25,100

written in expressing their concern I

777

00:33:31,090 --> 00:33:27,620

absolutely take that on board another

778

00:33:33,070 --> 00:33:31,100

listener poor and call him Paul which is

779

00:33:35,530 --> 00:33:33,080

his name rights to us with a very

780

00:33:38,110 --> 00:33:35,540

interesting question which are

781

00:33:40,480 --> 00:33:38,120

summarized in that he's her had a family

782

00:33:44,410 --> 00:33:40,490

GP which he's known and trusted for many

783

00:33:47,380 --> 00:33:44,420

years and he asked how is it that

784

00:33:49,060 --> 00:33:47,390

somebody like this with a good

785

00:33:52,720 --> 00:33:49,070

background in medicine for many years

786

00:33:54,340 --> 00:33:52,730

can turn and turn to the dark side and

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00:33:56,860 --> 00:33:54,350

start advocating things like

788

00:33:59,500 --> 00:33:56,870

anti-vaccination or conspiracy theories

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00:34:03,310 --> 00:33:59,510

or maybe even homeopathy or whatever it

790

00:34:06,780 --> 00:34:03,320

is Joe you might be someone to ask about

791

00:34:10,330 --> 00:34:06,790

this being a registered nurse have you

792

00:34:14,050 --> 00:34:10,340

experienced this um I haven't worked

793

00:34:16,690 --> 00:34:14,060

with any doctors who I've known to

794

00:34:19,200 --> 00:34:16,700

endorse any of the things that we are

795

00:34:21,960 --> 00:34:19,210

concerned about like auntie backs

796

00:34:23,609 --> 00:34:21,970

or alternative treatments and so I

797

00:34:26,430 --> 00:34:23,619

certainly he'll know any of that but

798

00:34:31,200 --> 00:34:26,440

Chum and I and I think that it probably

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00:34:35,730 --> 00:34:31,210

is unusual for someone to have always

800

00:34:37,800 --> 00:34:35,740

been a I supposed conventional medical

801
00:34:40,740 --> 00:34:37,810
practitioner and then to suddenly turn

802
00:34:43,290 --> 00:34:40,750
yeah i think someone who is a strong

803
00:34:49,889 --> 00:34:43,300
believer in that kind of thing neither

804
00:34:51,300 --> 00:34:49,899
always was one or might i know look I

805
00:34:53,970 --> 00:34:51,310
think I think it's quite a complicated

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00:34:58,800 --> 00:34:53,980
question and I think we've seen examples

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00:35:00,210 --> 00:34:58,810
of it in fact one of the looking at it

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00:35:03,210 --> 00:35:00,220
more from the point of view of the the

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00:35:04,740 --> 00:35:03,220
doctor who may be always has doubled in

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00:35:11,359 --> 00:35:04,750
these things or might end up going this

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00:35:14,609 --> 00:35:11,369
way I think it was Stephen Barrett from

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00:35:15,750 --> 00:35:14,619
Black Watch who actually and I've

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00:35:18,839 --> 00:35:15,760

actually referenced this a couple of

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00:35:22,500 --> 00:35:18,849

times when I've talked about why some

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00:35:24,030 --> 00:35:22,510

nurses for example perhaps you know my

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00:35:31,130 --> 00:35:24,040

practice things like therapeutic touch

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00:35:35,660 --> 00:35:31,140

is that sometimes people who have not

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00:35:39,170 --> 00:35:35,670

done well professionally may turn to

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00:35:42,060 --> 00:35:39,180

other areas that they feel that they can

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00:35:44,180 --> 00:35:42,070

be successful in so maybe someone who

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00:35:47,820 --> 00:35:44,190

has not excelled in their profession

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00:35:49,800 --> 00:35:47,830

might go into an area where they can

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00:35:55,650 --> 00:35:49,810

make all sorts of wild claims and be

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00:35:58,620 --> 00:35:55,660

seen to be a maverick and so on met that

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00:36:01,589 --> 00:35:58,630

that's one idea about it or even finding

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00:36:03,960 --> 00:36:01,599

some sort of new credibility within a

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00:36:05,839 --> 00:36:03,970

certain exactly era another way of

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00:36:08,250 --> 00:36:05,849

looking at it also is you might get some

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00:36:10,410 --> 00:36:08,260

people who work in areas I mean the

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00:36:13,020 --> 00:36:10,420

thing about working in medicine or

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00:36:15,570 --> 00:36:13,030

nursing or any of that kind of work is

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00:36:16,890 --> 00:36:15,580

that you know if you you look at some of

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00:36:21,450 --> 00:36:16,900

the areas that people work in like

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00:36:23,910 --> 00:36:21,460

oncology or people who work in HIV you

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00:36:26,480 --> 00:36:23,920

know their areas of Medicine which can

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00:36:29,480 --> 00:36:26,490

be incredibly depressing and

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00:36:31,670 --> 00:36:29,490

and people can actually I think lose

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00:36:33,620 --> 00:36:31,680

hope and repeatedly not being able to

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00:36:35,750 --> 00:36:33,630

offer their patients much hope when when

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00:36:38,540 --> 00:36:35,760

you're dealing with evenings and I just

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00:36:42,800 --> 00:36:38,550

wonder whether at some level people who

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maybe aren't equipped to cope with some

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00:36:45,920 --> 00:36:44,010

of those things that they have to deal

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00:36:48,380 --> 00:36:45,930

with their patients with some of the

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00:36:51,470 --> 00:36:48,390

really awful things that we see every

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00:36:52,940 --> 00:36:51,480

day maybe people who don't cope very

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00:36:54,500 --> 00:36:52,950

well with seeing some of the horrible

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00:36:58,310 --> 00:36:54,510

things their patients have to go through

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may over a period of time become

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00:37:04,490 --> 00:37:01,020

disillusioned with conventional medicine

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00:37:07,790 --> 00:37:04,500
and started looking at alternatives and

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00:37:11,390 --> 00:37:07,800
have this perception that they are

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00:37:13,700 --> 00:37:11,400
better and gentler and less yes and

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00:37:15,620 --> 00:37:13,710
lateral and and I think what might

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00:37:18,260 --> 00:37:15,630
happen is what happens a lot of these

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00:37:20,660 --> 00:37:18,270
people be natural medicine alternative

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00:37:26,540 --> 00:37:20,670
medicine or psychics or whatever is they

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00:37:28,520 --> 00:37:26,550
begin to believe their own house is the

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00:37:30,140 --> 00:37:28,530
word I'm looking for their own successes

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00:37:32,180 --> 00:37:30,150
because they get the feedback loop from

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00:37:33,440 --> 00:37:32,190
their patients you know the psychic will

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00:37:35,599 --> 00:37:33,450
get the feedback loop saying you were

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00:37:37,790 --> 00:37:35,609

amazing you're amazing exactly and if

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00:37:40,580 --> 00:37:37,800

you're not if you're not um if you're

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00:37:42,320 --> 00:37:40,590

not applying critical thinking across

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00:37:45,560 --> 00:37:42,330

the board to what you're doing then you

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00:37:47,240 --> 00:37:45,570

are in danger of falling prey to a lot

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00:37:48,650 --> 00:37:47,250

of those biases and you're going to

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00:37:51,740 --> 00:37:48,660

you're going to have on publish it

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00:37:53,720 --> 00:37:51,750

exactly so I think it's a very very

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00:37:58,099 --> 00:37:53,730

complex issue i think we've you know

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00:38:00,650 --> 00:37:58,109

we've got prominent medical people here

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00:38:05,480 --> 00:38:00,660

who we've you know heaps a lot of

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00:38:07,550 --> 00:38:05,490

criticism on for for some of the the the

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00:38:11,320 --> 00:38:07,560

things that they're promoting and

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00:38:17,510 --> 00:38:11,330

purging and i think it's it's easy to

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00:38:21,660 --> 00:38:19,620

somehow you know just pushing their own

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00:38:24,150 --> 00:38:21,670

agenda but I think that it is it's

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00:38:26,100 --> 00:38:24,160

really quite complex in terms of you

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00:38:28,110 --> 00:38:26,110

know as we always say the human

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00:38:29,730 --> 00:38:28,120

psychology behind it is more than just

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00:38:32,180 --> 00:38:29,740

people being stupid or people being

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00:38:34,560 --> 00:38:32,190

silly and I think when it comes to

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00:38:37,590 --> 00:38:34,570

people who are also you know doctors

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00:38:39,780 --> 00:38:37,600

have a lot of power and and I think that

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there are issues there as well that that

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00:38:45,210 --> 00:38:42,460

could be looked at and I think or you

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00:38:47,640 --> 00:38:45,220

know also you could say that sometimes

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00:38:50,670 --> 00:38:47,650

someone could just be a not a very good

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00:38:52,860 --> 00:38:50,680

doctor so I'm a highly actually I'd

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00:38:55,800 --> 00:38:52,870

highly recommend listening to a recent

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episode of the podcast radio show this

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american life which was this particular

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00:39:04,080 --> 00:39:00,760

episode was called old boys network and

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00:39:05,400 --> 00:39:04,090

it was about a texan nurse they were

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00:39:06,720 --> 00:39:05,410

actually a couple of nurses enrolled but

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00:39:10,440 --> 00:39:06,730

the one in question was a nurse by the

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name of Anna Mitchell and and reported a

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doctor in their local hospital who they

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reported him for basically dangerous

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00:39:24,360 --> 00:39:21,190
practices and she was facing jail time

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00:39:26,310 --> 00:39:24,370
for utilizing whistleblowing laws it was

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00:39:27,930 --> 00:39:26,320
a very very complicated case but this

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00:39:30,420 --> 00:39:27,940
doctor was an example of someone who

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00:39:32,730 --> 00:39:30,430
systematically went from you know one

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00:39:35,460 --> 00:39:32,740
job to the next really practicing

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00:39:38,780 --> 00:39:35,470
medicine very poorly and endangering his

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00:39:40,890 --> 00:39:38,790
patients and he was also very much a

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00:39:42,810 --> 00:39:40,900
proponent of a lot of alternative

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00:39:45,300 --> 00:39:42,820
therapies and a lot of really quite

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00:39:48,060 --> 00:39:45,310
dangerous and non evidence-based

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00:39:51,570 --> 00:39:48,070
treatments and I think he was an example

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00:39:56,040 --> 00:39:51,580

of someone who I think it was just not a

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00:39:59,760 --> 00:39:56,050

good doctor it probably never was so

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yeah I think I think it's a very complex

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00:40:04,080 --> 00:40:01,330

issue and I think in someone like this

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00:40:07,290 --> 00:40:04,090

particular doctor that sorry I forgot

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00:40:12,090 --> 00:40:07,300

the name of that Paul was asking

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00:40:14,070 --> 00:40:12,100

about you know this person may have had

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00:40:15,340 --> 00:40:14,080

a life experience that may have changed

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00:40:18,940 --> 00:40:15,350

his views on things

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00:40:22,660 --> 00:40:18,950

or just become disillusioned with what

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00:40:25,690 --> 00:40:22,670

he was doing I think you're absolutely

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00:40:26,530 --> 00:40:25,700

right is a very complex issue and it

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00:40:29,140 --> 00:40:26,540

would be different in different

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00:40:31,600 --> 00:40:29,150
circumstances Paul I hope that helps you

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00:40:35,230 --> 00:40:31,610
a little bit another listener by the

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00:40:38,320 --> 00:40:35,240
name of ex yes ex for very good reasons

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00:40:43,890 --> 00:40:38,330
x asked us try saying that three times

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00:40:47,260 --> 00:40:43,900
quickly excellent x.x no x asks us oh no

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00:40:50,170 --> 00:40:47,270
excess us living with a partner for many

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00:40:53,980 --> 00:40:50,180
years and nice happy marriage children

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00:40:56,970 --> 00:40:53,990
involved but the partner has turned to

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00:41:00,010 --> 00:40:56,980
the dark side again to woo or two

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00:41:03,040 --> 00:41:00,020
strange religious cult or along these

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00:41:06,430 --> 00:41:03,050
lines and x is finding this situation

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00:41:08,680 --> 00:41:06,440
very difficult to deal with this is

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00:41:12,130 --> 00:41:08,690

another issue which is very complicated

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00:41:14,110 --> 00:41:12,140

I think Joe hmm absolutely what can you

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00:41:16,930 --> 00:41:14,120

say I mean is that it's really hard to

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00:41:20,320 --> 00:41:16,940

give advice in this situation well what

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00:41:23,020 --> 00:41:20,330

does X want us to do this fixes

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00:41:25,960 --> 00:41:23,030

relationship problem actually like us to

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00:41:28,270 --> 00:41:25,970

give it to the optic zone ask Abby is

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00:41:29,380 --> 00:41:28,280

asked the skeptic zone no it wouldn't be

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an interesting topic for conversation

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00:41:33,280 --> 00:41:31,040

because I think a lot of people out

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00:41:38,110 --> 00:41:33,290

there would find themselves in a similar

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00:41:41,500 --> 00:41:38,120

situation hmm look I mean I'm lucky I'm

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00:41:44,680 --> 00:41:41,510

lucky enough that that my my husband and

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00:41:47,890 --> 00:41:44,690
I both share very similar views about

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00:41:50,170 --> 00:41:47,900
all this but I think it really depends

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00:41:51,700 --> 00:41:50,180
on on what that person's doing I mean I

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00:41:53,980 --> 00:41:51,710
think that in any relationship people

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00:41:57,130 --> 00:41:53,990
have you know don't agree on everything

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00:41:58,930 --> 00:41:57,140
you know there are marriages where you

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00:42:00,580 --> 00:41:58,940
know one person has a completely

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00:42:02,950 --> 00:42:00,590
different political view to the other

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00:42:04,660 --> 00:42:02,960
and they somehow manage to build a

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00:42:06,580 --> 00:42:04,670
strong enough relationship that it can

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00:42:08,560 --> 00:42:06,590
overcome those barriers but when it

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00:42:11,350 --> 00:42:08,570
comes to something like alternative

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00:42:13,540 --> 00:42:11,360

medicine I guess the thing is it depends

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00:42:15,430 --> 00:42:13,550

on how to impact in their life if for

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00:42:18,860 --> 00:42:15,440

example if you had a situation where you

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00:42:22,070 --> 00:42:18,870

you've got a couple who have children

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00:42:24,050 --> 00:42:22,080

and 32 years yeah and and the person is

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00:42:26,720 --> 00:42:24,060

wanting to for example not vaccinate

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00:42:30,580 --> 00:42:26,730

their children because they've become a

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00:42:32,780 --> 00:42:30,590

you know they've found that there now

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opposing vaccination and the other

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partner feels the office then that is a

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very very difficult situation and one

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00:42:40,970 --> 00:42:39,450

which could really break down a marriage

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00:42:42,620 --> 00:42:40,980

but if it's just a matter of your

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partner going off and dabbling in a bit

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of you know a bit of homeopathy here or

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00:42:50,300 --> 00:42:47,870

there as distasteful as that might be um

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00:42:52,220 --> 00:42:50,310

you know I think it's something that if

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00:42:53,510 --> 00:42:52,230

if the relationship strong enough you

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00:42:55,580 --> 00:42:53,520

should be able to overcome it and

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certainly you're not going to like that

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anything that we deal with you're not

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00:42:59,930 --> 00:42:58,350

going to be able to get a person to stop

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00:43:02,240 --> 00:42:59,940

doing it by telling them how much you

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00:43:04,310 --> 00:43:02,250

disapprove of it no because it's just

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gonna it's going to make them you know I

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00:43:10,130 --> 00:43:05,820

feel that you think that they're stupid

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00:43:11,360 --> 00:43:10,140

and you know I think and think I think a

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lot of a lot of people have talked about

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00:43:15,710 --> 00:43:13,140

this brian dunning talk about it is

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00:43:17,720 --> 00:43:15,720

podcast and so on and I think that it's

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00:43:19,130 --> 00:43:17,730

about just a big title Brian Dunning

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00:43:21,500 --> 00:43:19,140

talks about it in the latest issue of

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00:43:24,680 --> 00:43:21,510

the magazine yeah the stabbings miss

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00:43:26,540 --> 00:43:24,690

Joan skipton are you only great I happen

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00:43:28,730 --> 00:43:26,550

to know someone who used to go out with

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00:43:30,380 --> 00:43:28,740

someone who really did all that stuff as

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00:43:32,180 --> 00:43:30,390

well and I mean their relationship

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00:43:35,600 --> 00:43:32,190

lasted from reasonably long time a

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00:43:37,010 --> 00:43:35,610

number of years but I think Joe makes

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00:43:41,810 --> 00:43:37,020

the point of you know it depends on how

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00:43:43,940 --> 00:43:41,820

serious the issue is and I'm like like

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00:43:48,080 --> 00:43:43,950

Joe my partner is also doesn't tolerate

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00:43:50,180 --> 00:43:48,090

any of these stuff so we could be wheel

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00:43:53,870 --> 00:43:50,190

all about it and had desk a lot and you

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00:43:57,200 --> 00:43:53,880

know herb door and stuff but um yeah I

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00:43:58,730 --> 00:43:57,210

suppose it is one of those really

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00:44:00,380 --> 00:43:58,740

naughty issues isn't it there's just no

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00:44:03,349 --> 00:44:00,390

clear answer here

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00:44:05,779 --> 00:44:03,359

and on on the individual circumstance

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00:44:07,490 --> 00:44:05,789

but then it also might be unless it is

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00:44:08,779 --> 00:44:07,500

becoming an issue where your children's

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00:44:10,670 --> 00:44:08,789

health is being affected as Joan

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00:44:12,109 --> 00:44:10,680

suggested it might just be better just

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00:44:13,789 --> 00:44:12,119

to not talk about it you know i mean

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00:44:16,400 --> 00:44:13,799

that's your thing and this is my thing

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00:44:18,620 --> 00:44:16,410

and yeah never that we shall meet i mean

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00:44:20,779 --> 00:44:18,630

if it's a point where you can't agree

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00:44:21,980 --> 00:44:20,789

then you just agree to disagree I mean

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00:44:23,660 --> 00:44:21,990

it make it to the point of having to

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00:44:25,130 --> 00:44:23,670

have separate cabinets in the bathroom

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00:44:28,190 --> 00:44:25,140

so that you don't have to open it and

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00:44:30,440 --> 00:44:28,200

look at what horrible weird products

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00:44:32,210 --> 00:44:30,450

they keeping you now yeah we're talking

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00:44:34,940 --> 00:44:32,220

about in relation to for example if

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00:44:36,440 --> 00:44:34,950

someone's going through a diagnosis of a

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00:44:38,329 --> 00:44:36,450

serious illness and got to make a

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00:44:40,069 --> 00:44:38,339

decision about the treatments and you

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00:44:41,630 --> 00:44:40,079

know what would you do if your partner

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00:44:44,599 --> 00:44:41,640

for example if you've been diagnosed

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00:44:48,259 --> 00:44:44,609

with if your partner had been diagnosed

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00:44:50,420 --> 00:44:48,269

with cancer and wanted to go off and try

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00:44:53,450 --> 00:44:50,430

all sorts of you know weird therapies

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00:44:56,630 --> 00:44:53,460

and you didn't endorse that I mean it's

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00:44:59,829 --> 00:44:56,640

it's a really hard situation and what I

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00:45:03,019 --> 00:44:59,839

was saying was that i think you know

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00:45:04,990 --> 00:45:03,029

what do you tell people about what to do

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when someone who's close to you is

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00:45:10,430 --> 00:45:08,009

choosing to do something or who is

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00:45:12,650 --> 00:45:10,440

asking questions about things that you

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00:45:16,370 --> 00:45:12,660

know won't work when they've been given

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a horrible diagnosis and i think i think

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00:45:21,529 --> 00:45:18,269

the you know one way to go about it

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which which i've suggested is you know

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00:45:29,079 --> 00:45:24,180

to just say to a person that you know

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00:45:31,640 --> 00:45:29,089

they are faced with terrible situation

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00:45:34,220 --> 00:45:31,650

and that that when people have a

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00:45:35,359 --> 00:45:34,230

diagnosis that is very scary they'll go

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looking on the internet for information

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00:45:39,230 --> 00:45:37,289
and what they're going to find out there

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00:45:44,269 --> 00:45:39,240
is going to be very confusing because

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00:45:47,240 --> 00:45:44,279
you go into dr. google and you see cures

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00:45:50,089 --> 00:45:47,250
and all sorts of offers of things that

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00:45:52,490 --> 00:45:50,099
seem very enticing when you potentially

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00:45:54,470 --> 00:45:52,500
got something if a doctor tells you that

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00:45:56,059 --> 00:45:54,480
you have been diagnosed with something

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00:45:59,210 --> 00:45:56,069
that's incurable and the first thing you

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00:46:02,210 --> 00:45:59,220
see is there's a cure well well what are

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00:46:03,950 --> 00:46:02,220
you going to do yeah and i think you

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00:46:05,390 --> 00:46:03,960
know you could

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00:46:07,130 --> 00:46:05,400
you know put someone who's close to you

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00:46:08,750 --> 00:46:07,140

the best way to do it without you know

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00:46:10,540 --> 00:46:08,760

making them feel that you're turning

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00:46:13,310 --> 00:46:10,550

them away from those options is to just

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00:46:14,570 --> 00:46:13,320

reassure them that doctors are offering

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00:46:16,940 --> 00:46:14,580

them the best treatments available

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because they have been shown to give

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them the best options you know doctors

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don't the doctors don't want to deny

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00:46:23,570 --> 00:46:21,839

them those things and the things that

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are out there unfortunately as enticing

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00:46:29,000 --> 00:46:27,420

as they may be just don't have anything

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00:46:31,760 --> 00:46:29,010

behind them to show them that they work

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00:46:34,280 --> 00:46:31,770

well your partner see you yeah yeah I

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00:46:38,030 --> 00:46:34,290

think the other thing that I've done in

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00:46:39,620 --> 00:46:38,040

the past too is just emphasized that if

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00:46:42,440 --> 00:46:39,630

you do want to go and try it it's tough

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00:46:44,930 --> 00:46:42,450

then go ahead but as long as you

1080

00:46:47,060 --> 00:46:44,940

maintain and you stick to your regime of

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00:46:49,220 --> 00:46:47,070

conventional science based trade you

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00:46:51,079 --> 00:46:49,230

tell your doctor yeah yeah you tell your

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00:46:52,099 --> 00:46:51,089

doctor if you take was a very important

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00:46:54,260 --> 00:46:52,109

point we were just having a quick

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00:46:55,790 --> 00:46:54,270

discussion before that we were recording

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00:46:57,470 --> 00:46:55,800

that a lot of people don't tell their

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00:46:58,579 --> 00:46:57,480

doctor then they're taking often yes

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00:47:00,410 --> 00:46:58,589

something like well for I've been

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00:47:04,670 --> 00:47:00,420

reading some papers recently on cam and

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00:47:05,810 --> 00:47:04,680

sort of HIV in particular and the stats

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00:47:07,640 --> 00:47:05,820

that they come up with something like

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00:47:09,260 --> 00:47:07,650

fifty percent of people don't tell their

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00:47:11,480 --> 00:47:09,270

doctor that they're taking cam and in

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00:47:14,420 --> 00:47:11,490

cases like for example with ginkgo

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00:47:15,980 --> 00:47:14,430

biloba and john's wort for example that

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00:47:17,780 --> 00:47:15,990

there is it has cut those things that

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00:47:20,060 --> 00:47:17,790

are contraindicated with them with

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00:47:23,690 --> 00:47:20,070

highly active antiretroviral therapy

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00:47:26,420 --> 00:47:23,700

with heart so it can actually modify the

1100

00:47:29,180 --> 00:47:26,430

way that your drugs work so it's really

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00:47:30,560 --> 00:47:29,190

important that if you and I can

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00:47:33,370 --> 00:47:30,570

completely understand that people would

1103

00:47:36,680 --> 00:47:33,380

want to you know drink seaweed juices or

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00:47:39,920 --> 00:47:36,690

you know get some kind of massage if

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00:47:41,420 --> 00:47:39,930

they're they've been given a you know

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00:47:43,670 --> 00:47:41,430

been told that they're going to die of

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00:47:46,280 --> 00:47:43,680

cancer at six months but just make sure

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00:47:47,630 --> 00:47:46,290

that you're telling your oncologist that

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00:47:49,010 --> 00:47:47,640

you're doing that and that you're

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00:47:50,839 --> 00:47:49,020

sticking with your evidence based

1111

00:47:52,420 --> 00:47:50,849

medicine as well and whatever else you

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00:47:56,060 --> 00:47:52,430

want to do to make yourself feel better

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00:47:57,620 --> 00:47:56,070

go for it yeah I would agree absolutely

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00:47:59,359 --> 00:47:57,630

i'd agree i think i'd be honing into the

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00:48:00,829 --> 00:47:59,369

peanut butter if i was doing that well

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00:48:02,210 --> 00:48:00,839

it's that make me feel good and I just

1117

00:48:03,950 --> 00:48:02,220

make a point there then because I made

1118

00:48:06,950 --> 00:48:03,960

this point I make this point in my talk

1119

00:48:08,150 --> 00:48:06,960

about hair analysis is that if peanut

1120

00:48:10,190 --> 00:48:08,160

butter is your favorite thing and you're

1121

00:48:12,079 --> 00:48:10,200

going to die in six months and somebody

1122

00:48:13,309 --> 00:48:12,089

does analysis of your heritage you're

1123

00:48:14,569 --> 00:48:13,319

allergic to

1124

00:48:17,299 --> 00:48:14,579

butter and it's causing your cancer

1125

00:48:20,630 --> 00:48:17,309

don't listen to them yes eat as much

1126
00:48:22,430 --> 00:48:20,640
peanut butter as you want because the

1127
00:48:24,229 --> 00:48:22,440
equivalent for me would be if some

1128
00:48:26,539 --> 00:48:24,239
numpty said to me or you're allergic to

1129
00:48:28,189 --> 00:48:26,549
white wine and champagne you're going to

1130
00:48:32,180 --> 00:48:28,199
die in six months so don't drink any of

1131
00:48:35,079 --> 00:48:32,190
that why do you the best thing I'm doing

1132
00:48:37,609 --> 00:48:35,089
is ordering in cartons and runs of booze

1133
00:48:40,189 --> 00:48:37,619
I'm going to die anyway and so coming

1134
00:48:43,489 --> 00:48:40,199
back to X it was all about what happens

1135
00:48:46,130 --> 00:48:43,499
if it's your spouse that's doing and I

1136
00:48:47,630 --> 00:48:46,140
think the main thing is that if you and

1137
00:48:51,349 --> 00:48:47,640
your spouse have a good relationship in

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00:48:53,049 --> 00:48:51,359

the first place the point then good

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00:48:56,209 --> 00:48:53,059

point but again it's one of those

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00:48:57,859 --> 00:48:56,219

incredibly complicated each user's the

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00:49:00,589 --> 00:48:57,869

defense depends how far down the rabbit

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00:49:05,120 --> 00:49:00,599

hole they've gone I suppose yeah now the

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00:49:07,569 --> 00:49:05,130

final topic will cover was another email

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00:49:12,170 --> 00:49:07,579

from a listener Rob Derby who lives in

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00:49:14,569 --> 00:49:12,180

Victoria is having issue with the

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00:49:18,140 --> 00:49:14,579

victorian state school system and their

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00:49:20,779 --> 00:49:18,150

religious education classes and he has

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00:49:23,359 --> 00:49:20,789

particular issue with a group called

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00:49:26,029 --> 00:49:23,369

access ministries who are coming into

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00:49:29,809 --> 00:49:26,039

the schools to give the kitties the true

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00:49:31,489 --> 00:49:29,819
Word of God and their stated slogan or

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00:49:34,339 --> 00:49:31,499
the claim on their website or their

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00:49:39,130 --> 00:49:34,349
mission to position missionary position

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00:49:44,689 --> 00:49:42,949
transforming this nation for God so

1155
00:49:46,789 --> 00:49:44,699
that's quite something now he has a

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00:49:48,019 --> 00:49:46,799
five-year-old son and so the sun's going

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00:49:50,959 --> 00:49:48,029
to be entering the school system pretty

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00:49:52,150 --> 00:49:50,969
soon he's been writing letters he's

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00:49:54,859 --> 00:49:52,160
written to the Minister for education

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00:49:57,680 --> 00:49:54,869
asking why special religious instruction

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00:49:59,660 --> 00:49:57,690
and asking for special religious

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00:50:02,420 --> 00:49:59,670
instruction to be removed from state

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00:50:04,999 --> 00:50:02,430

schools and he's had a long email

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00:50:07,099 --> 00:50:05,009

exchange of the local paper the ballarat

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00:50:08,449 --> 00:50:07,109

Korea where he'll write his point of

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00:50:11,089 --> 00:50:08,459

view and other people come back and

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00:50:13,900 --> 00:50:11,099

write their point of view and one of the

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00:50:17,749 --> 00:50:13,910

points of view to against him which

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00:50:20,239 --> 00:50:17,759

struck me was a woman wrote in saying

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00:50:22,339 --> 00:50:20,249

that in her day they had no choice and

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00:50:25,520 --> 00:50:22,349

they had to have religious instruction

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00:50:27,950 --> 00:50:25,530

therefore you know didn't

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00:50:29,360 --> 00:50:27,960

us any harm there for the children

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00:50:32,570 --> 00:50:29,370

should have no choice these days it just

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00:50:34,310 --> 00:50:32,580

strikes me as beyond bizarre when you

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00:50:36,440 --> 00:50:34,320

I'm sorry you didn't have a choice but

1177

00:50:39,230 --> 00:50:36,450

you know we live in a better society now

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00:50:40,760 --> 00:50:39,240

maybe if you want to find out more so

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00:50:43,040 --> 00:50:40,770

hang on a second so if that argument

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00:50:45,770 --> 00:50:43,050

stands then what in the 50s when we

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00:50:47,650 --> 00:50:45,780

didn't have radiotherapy but we do now

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00:50:51,050 --> 00:50:47,660

would she not choose that either

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00:50:53,540 --> 00:50:51,060

absolutely multi numpties but this is a

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00:50:55,220 --> 00:50:53,550

big big issue at the moment you know

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00:50:57,890 --> 00:50:55,230

religious annotation in state schools

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00:51:00,350 --> 00:50:57,900

because unlike the United States where

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00:51:01,760 --> 00:51:00,360

they've got the separation more

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00:51:04,490 --> 00:51:01,770

entrenched in their in their

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00:51:06,200 --> 00:51:04,500

constitution like this we do which it is

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00:51:08,450 --> 00:51:06,210

pretty entrenched in our Constitution

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00:51:10,100 --> 00:51:08,460

it's not enforced I mean every in all

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00:51:11,810 --> 00:51:10,110

the state schools my nephews and nieces

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00:51:14,270 --> 00:51:11,820

go to schools were every week there's

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00:51:15,770 --> 00:51:14,280

religious instruction you know I was

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00:51:17,090 --> 00:51:15,780

there one day when they were doing and

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00:51:18,560 --> 00:51:17,100

it was really funny the bell rang they

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00:51:21,170 --> 00:51:18,570

said right all the Muslims go to this

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00:51:22,520 --> 00:51:21,180

room the Christians yeah it's true you

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00:51:25,010 --> 00:51:22,530

know the Baptist here the run program

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00:51:27,590 --> 00:51:25,020

dramadam cuz modern how many gods are

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00:51:29,660 --> 00:51:27,600

there I mean rooms did I have their my

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00:51:31,400 --> 00:51:29,670

room forever got because modern school

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00:51:34,940 --> 00:51:31,410

in Sydney Australia there's children

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00:51:38,120 --> 00:51:34,950

there from lots of backgrounds you know

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00:51:42,610 --> 00:51:38,130

I'm saying but anyway robbers in there

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00:51:45,020 --> 00:51:42,620

fighting for his point of view and

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00:51:46,610 --> 00:51:45,030

needless to say that I think we broadly

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00:51:48,530 --> 00:51:46,620

agree with his point of view that it

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00:51:49,970 --> 00:51:48,540

shouldn't be in the state schools he

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00:51:51,590 --> 00:51:49,980

makes the point in these letters if they

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00:51:53,300 --> 00:51:51,600

want to do it outside school hours or

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00:51:54,950 --> 00:51:53,310

sunday school or whatever then that's

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00:51:57,170 --> 00:51:54,960

their right they're entitled to and that

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00:51:59,780 --> 00:51:57,180

should be defended even you know we all

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00:52:03,560 --> 00:51:59,790

agree on that but not in our school zone

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00:52:07,070 --> 00:52:03,570

what do you think i agree i think it's

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00:52:09,470 --> 00:52:07,080

it's a it's a very political it's a very

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00:52:10,730 --> 00:52:09,480

politicized issue probably well partly

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00:52:14,180 --> 00:52:10,740

because of the fact that the government

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00:52:16,070 --> 00:52:14,190

is actually funding you know you know

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00:52:17,760 --> 00:52:16,080

chaplains and chaplains in schools as

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00:52:20,610 --> 00:52:17,770

well

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00:52:23,760 --> 00:52:20,620

so it raises a lot of a lot of issues

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00:52:27,030 --> 00:52:23,770

which again people who people who don't

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00:52:28,410 --> 00:52:27,040

really care either way you know and like

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00:52:30,510 --> 00:52:28,420

this person who wrote in and said well

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00:52:31,590 --> 00:52:30,520

it didn't do us any harm so what does it

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00:52:33,840 --> 00:52:31,600

really matter and everyone should just

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00:52:34,920 --> 00:52:33,850

have to do it then you know people just

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00:52:37,860 --> 00:52:34,930

aren't going to care about it but I

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00:52:41,460 --> 00:52:37,870

think people who are secular who don't

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00:52:44,550 --> 00:52:41,470

want their children you know being put

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00:52:45,930 --> 00:52:44,560

in a position where they're having to or

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00:52:49,050 --> 00:52:45,940

being treated like second-class citizens

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00:52:51,720 --> 00:52:49,060

when the religious education is on let

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00:52:53,250 --> 00:52:51,730

me say well okay so you're not going

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00:52:54,840 --> 00:52:53,260

will you go and sit in the library or

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00:52:56,790 --> 00:52:54,850

you do this oh we should make that point

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00:52:59,310 --> 00:52:56,800

actually that if you don't you do have a

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00:53:01,830 --> 00:52:59,320

choice to not go but if you choose not

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00:53:03,780 --> 00:53:01,840

to go currently in most schools except

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00:53:05,490 --> 00:53:03,790

where the ethics trials are running mmm

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00:53:07,470 --> 00:53:05,500

you're not allowed to do anything else

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00:53:09,720 --> 00:53:07,480

and we had we had to talk about that a

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00:53:11,310 --> 00:53:09,730

couple of weeks ago yeah but I thought

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00:53:12,930 --> 00:53:11,320

that um the guy who was talking about

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00:53:16,200 --> 00:53:12,940

that who designed the ethics classes in

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00:53:18,180 --> 00:53:16,210

New South Wales I think I don't think

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00:53:20,490 --> 00:53:18,190

they have them in Victoria yet do they

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00:53:23,400 --> 00:53:20,500

or anywhere else in the country so I'm

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00:53:25,910 --> 00:53:23,410

not exactly sure and Rob is talking

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00:53:28,290 --> 00:53:25,920

about Ballarat which is in Victoria so

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00:53:29,610 --> 00:53:28,300

one of the points that the guy that

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00:53:30,720 --> 00:53:29,620

designed them in year South Wales

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00:53:33,780 --> 00:53:30,730

brought up which I thought was really

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00:53:35,220 --> 00:53:33,790

poignant actually it was that if there

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00:53:38,010 --> 00:53:35,230

are kids that choose not to go to that

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00:53:39,870 --> 00:53:38,020

class and then the kids that go to the

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00:53:41,610 --> 00:53:39,880

religious class they're taught that you

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00:53:43,620 --> 00:53:41,620

know if you're not a Christian you'll go

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00:53:45,300 --> 00:53:43,630

to hell and you'll burn in hell that's

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00:53:46,590 --> 00:53:45,310

right and so these kids are coming out

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00:53:48,870 --> 00:53:46,600

of these classes and saying to their

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00:53:51,870 --> 00:53:48,880

classmates you know that you're going to

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00:53:53,040 --> 00:53:51,880

burn in hell and then there they're put

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00:53:54,690 --> 00:53:53,050

in this position where they think they

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00:53:56,610 --> 00:53:54,700

can't be friends with their other kids

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00:53:59,610 --> 00:53:56,620

anymore because they don't believe in

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00:54:02,460 --> 00:53:59,620

God daily that sounds like religion but

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00:54:04,470 --> 00:54:02,470

it's pretty true but it's splitting his

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00:54:06,150 --> 00:54:04,480

point was it's actually very Jabbar it's

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00:54:07,800 --> 00:54:06,160

very divisive yeah and its fracturing

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00:54:09,300 --> 00:54:07,810

these kids and they're so young I may

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00:54:10,500 --> 00:54:09,310

not understand he was actually saying

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00:54:13,170 --> 00:54:10,510

that some of them will come out crying

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00:54:14,430 --> 00:54:13,180

because my mate Bobby who I hang out

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00:54:16,680 --> 00:54:14,440

with I can't hang out with him anymore

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00:54:18,270 --> 00:54:16,690

or you know he's going to burn in hell

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00:54:20,760 --> 00:54:18,280

because he didn't come to religion class

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00:54:24,540 --> 00:54:20,770

yeah cuz he doesn't believe in the deity

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00:54:25,800 --> 00:54:24,550

that yeah and so I mean it and so this

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00:54:27,840 --> 00:54:25,810

lady that says well it doesn't hurt

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00:54:29,460 --> 00:54:27,850

anyone well the jars in that sense and

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00:54:29,940 --> 00:54:29,470

you know these kids are being sent

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00:54:31,230 --> 00:54:29,950

because

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00:54:34,170 --> 00:54:31,240

their parents are telling them to go as

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00:54:36,359 --> 00:54:34,180

well same as the ones that are going so

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00:54:37,650 --> 00:54:36,369

it's not the kids decision to go to the

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00:54:38,849 --> 00:54:37,660

classes it's the parents and then it

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00:54:39,930 --> 00:54:38,859

puts the kids in a position where

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00:54:42,359 --> 00:54:39,940

they're thinking they're friends are

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00:54:44,940 --> 00:54:42,369

going to burn in hell it's really awful

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00:54:46,740 --> 00:54:44,950

so I definitely do it on sunday is away

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00:54:49,980 --> 00:54:46,750

from that environment you know because

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00:54:52,020 --> 00:54:49,990

it's a it's a horrible thing to put kids

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00:54:54,450 --> 00:54:52,030

at such a young age in that situation I

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00:54:55,890 --> 00:54:54,460

totally agree when I was a Catholic and

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00:54:59,940 --> 00:54:55,900

look what happened to me there you go

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00:55:01,530 --> 00:54:59,950

proof positive thanks it is perfect well

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00:55:03,780 --> 00:55:01,540

thanks Rob for riding in a very

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00:55:06,240 --> 00:55:03,790

interesting topic which certainly isn't

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00:55:08,760 --> 00:55:06,250

going away and well done for keeping up

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00:55:12,300 --> 00:55:08,770

your protests through the local paper

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00:55:13,710 --> 00:55:12,310

the Ballarat courier well that brings a

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00:55:16,380 --> 00:55:13,720

close and we've finished our drinks

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00:55:18,690 --> 00:55:16,390

action a little bit left that brings it

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00:55:21,240 --> 00:55:18,700

close to our think tank tonight thank

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00:55:24,000 --> 00:55:21,250

you Joe for making the long trek I think

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00:55:30,120 --> 00:55:24,010

you know can I just ask you how long is

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00:55:32,490 --> 00:55:30,130

it chill town Oh Green Week sure not

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00:55:35,130 --> 00:55:32,500

long suck little over two weeks and days

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00:55:39,000 --> 00:55:35,140

isn't going so I just have to say I am

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00:55:41,940 --> 00:55:39,010

devastated that I'm not know we had such

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00:55:43,740 --> 00:55:41,950

a great time last ideas we stayed up we

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00:55:45,270 --> 00:55:43,750

stayed up and kept drinking so we'd get

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00:55:47,670 --> 00:55:45,280

over jet lag and that's what we met

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00:55:50,160 --> 00:55:47,680

Lawrence lean we did and I thought he

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00:55:53,609 --> 00:55:50,170

was her age aside from a band was also

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00:55:56,040 --> 00:55:53,619

can I ask that at time yes yes if the

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00:56:01,079 --> 00:55:56,050

skeptics own table is within pelting

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00:56:03,960 --> 00:56:01,089

shot of the SGU table please please help

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00:56:05,670 --> 00:56:03,970

them for me with Minty's I'll pack some

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00:56:07,620 --> 00:56:05,680

Mindy's and we'll be doing that and

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00:56:12,599 --> 00:56:07,630

we'll have an extra portion of Krabby

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00:56:15,359 --> 00:56:12,609

legs for you oh we will okay that my

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00:56:18,300 --> 00:56:15,369

good I've got to eat something Chris

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00:56:20,069 --> 00:56:18,310

Higgins as well yes all right I have to

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00:56:22,020 --> 00:56:20,079

eat some on behalf of every skeptic zone

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00:56:23,819 --> 00:56:22,030

listener who won't be there you just

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00:56:26,460 --> 00:56:23,829

made that up I did yeah Chris and I I

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00:56:27,839 --> 00:56:26,470

think are going to be drowning our

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00:56:29,730 --> 00:56:27,849

sorrows the week that you are all at

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00:56:31,530 --> 00:56:29,740

town well Chris already gave me three

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00:56:33,190 --> 00:56:31,540

Packers of tim tams to take over there

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00:56:37,530 --> 00:56:33,200

the message is

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00:56:41,550 --> 00:56:37,540

who termed him yes Tamkin is on in fact

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00:56:45,490 --> 00:56:41,560

in fact there is a Facebook page for

1338

00:56:49,210 --> 00:56:45,500

Hampton really for he started by Chris

1339

00:56:52,090 --> 00:56:49,220

Higgins those of us who will be going to

1340

00:56:54,460 --> 00:56:52,100

dampen and I think Chris and I are the

1341

00:56:57,640 --> 00:56:54,470

only people on there oh really yes oh

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00:56:59,620 --> 00:56:57,650

well i'll join ya in a way I sort of

1343

00:57:01,480 --> 00:56:59,630

hope I'm not involved with a TV

1344

00:57:03,640 --> 00:57:01,490

production so I can actually go and

1345

00:57:05,710 --> 00:57:03,650

enjoy all of town Richard I don't think

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00:57:09,040 --> 00:57:05,720

that's going to stop you oh good I'll

1347

00:57:10,360 --> 00:57:09,050

still go anyway thank you very much Joe

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00:57:12,460 --> 00:57:10,370

for making a long ticket are saying

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00:57:13,900 --> 00:57:12,470

thank you very much dr. hu glad to see

1350

00:57:16,120 --> 00:57:13,910

you back from your wonderful time in

1351
00:57:18,190 --> 00:57:16,130
Melbourne thank you and thank you very

1352
00:57:21,040 --> 00:57:18,200
much Richard sort oh it's me for coming

1353
00:57:23,770 --> 00:57:21,050
along to it integ to the kids already

1354
00:57:26,260 --> 00:57:23,780
yeah Wiz this attending to a children's

1355
00:57:28,570 --> 00:57:26,270
playground here tonight and under the

1356
00:57:54,140 --> 00:57:28,580
next think tank which may well be after

1357
00:57:59,790 --> 00:57:56,670
thank you for listening to the skeptic

1358
00:58:03,660 --> 00:57:59,800
zone which brings us all one hour closer

1359
00:58:07,140 --> 00:58:03,670
to the amazing meeting all those Krabby

1360
00:58:08,640 --> 00:58:07,150
legs oh boy I just can't wait there'll

1361
00:58:12,360 --> 00:58:08,650
be a few people there from Australian

1362
00:58:15,120 --> 00:58:12,370
skeptics our secretary in fact in our

1363
00:58:16,740 --> 00:58:15,130

treasurer Jessica singer and Martin

1364

00:58:18,570 --> 00:58:16,750

Hadley they will be there dr. Rietz

1365

00:58:20,430 --> 00:58:18,580

you'll be there I'll be there and I'm

1366

00:58:24,380 --> 00:58:20,440

sure a smattering of other Australian

1367

00:58:27,750 --> 00:58:24,390

skeptics own fans will be there too

1368

00:58:30,210 --> 00:58:27,760

looking forward to it very much I'm

1369

00:58:32,250 --> 00:58:30,220

putting together at the moment er a show

1370

00:58:34,650 --> 00:58:32,260

to play while I'm on my way to town with

1371

00:58:36,840 --> 00:58:34,660

bits and pieces so you don't miss out on

1372

00:58:40,520 --> 00:58:36,850

a skeptic zone while I make the very

1373

00:58:44,850 --> 00:58:40,530

quick trip to Las Vegas and back again

1374

00:58:46,890 --> 00:58:44,860

so thanks again for listening and for

1375

00:58:49,560 --> 00:58:46,900

this week at least this is Richard

1376

00:58:55,770 --> 00:58:49,570

Saunders signing off from Sydney

1377

00:58:57,520 --> 00:58:55,780

Australia you've been listening to the

1378

00:59:02,320 --> 00:58:57,530

skeptic zone

1379

00:59:05,350 --> 00:59:02,330

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