



SYNCHRONICITY SCIENCE SHEDS LIGHT

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00:00:16,010 --> 00:00:12,480
on this episode of skeptic Oh Alex talks

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00:00:19,560 --> 00:00:16,020
with Robert Perry about his book signs a

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00:00:22,290 --> 00:00:19,570
CMT II which stands for a conjunction of

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00:00:24,150 --> 00:00:22,300
meaningfully parallel events it's

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00:00:26,370 --> 00:00:24,160
basically an extreme form of

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00:00:29,460 --> 00:00:26,380
synchronicity most of our paranormal

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00:00:31,319 --> 00:00:29,470
events that we're studying now their

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00:00:34,050 --> 00:00:31,329
inner experiences with hopefully a

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00:00:35,760 --> 00:00:34,060
political component but in the end they

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00:00:39,510 --> 00:00:35,770
say they seem stiffening about our

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00:00:41,880 --> 00:00:39,520
abilities or our ultimate nature being

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00:00:42,870 --> 00:00:41,890
perhaps immaterial but with science or

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00:00:45,210 --> 00:00:42,880

CMPs

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they their statements seem to be more

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about something other than us that seems

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to be you know giving us messages I'm

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just not quite sure that we can make

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00:00:56,760 --> 00:00:54,880

that last leap because there's this

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whole idea one of time that we talked

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00:01:03,060 --> 00:00:59,350

about and precognition but also just in

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terms of being you and I and whoever

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being co-creators of our reality so we

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get back to this idea of what's reality

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00:01:13,260 --> 00:01:11,259

and how is reality being created and

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experienced and again what's our

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relationship to time are we in the

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future creating our reality of the past

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I mean you know we shouldn't act like

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00:01:24,989 --> 00:01:22,929

anything's percentages yet however I

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think that there is a contemporary bias

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even among those of us who are into the

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paranormal a bias against sort of agents

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that are beyond the human you know maybe

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if we take NDE seriously for instance it

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looks like that experience involves a

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00:01:46,319 --> 00:01:43,389

certain amount of initiatives from the

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00:01:48,569 --> 00:01:46,329

other side maybe something coming to the

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00:01:51,569 --> 00:01:48,579

human level from the other side is part

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00:02:02,430 --> 00:01:51,579

of how life works stay with us first

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00:02:06,160 --> 00:02:04,570

welcome to skeptical where we explore

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00:02:08,380 --> 00:02:06,170

controversial science with leading

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00:02:10,300 --> 00:02:08,390

researchers thinkers and their critics

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00:02:11,830 --> 00:02:10,310

I'm your host Aleksic Harrison on this

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00:02:15,250 --> 00:02:11,840

episode of skeptic oh we're going to

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00:02:18,940 --> 00:02:15,260

look at synchronicity in a new way in a

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00:02:20,410 --> 00:02:18,950

scientific way our guest is Robert Perry

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I think the interviews pretty

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00:02:27,660 --> 00:02:25,050

self-explanatory let's get right to it

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00:02:30,270 --> 00:02:27,670

today we welcome back to skeptic Oh

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Robert Perry Roberts here to talk about

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00:02:34,170 --> 00:02:32,890
his book signs a new approach to

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coincidence

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00:02:40,380 --> 00:02:36,970
synchronicity guidance life purpose and

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00:02:43,110 --> 00:02:40,390
God's plan and he's also here to tell us

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00:02:45,750 --> 00:02:43,120
about a pilot study he's done about this

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00:02:49,110 --> 00:02:45,760
work along with dr. Bruce Grayson

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00:02:52,560 --> 00:02:49,120
that is suggestive that he really is on

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00:02:55,230 --> 00:02:52,570
to something here so Robert thank you

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00:02:56,610 --> 00:02:55,240
for joining me welcome back oh it's a

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00:02:58,920 --> 00:02:56,620
great pleasure I'm very honored to be

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00:03:01,590 --> 00:02:58,930
here I love the show and listen every

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00:03:03,780 --> 00:03:01,600
week super in I I really appreciate

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00:03:06,870 --> 00:03:03,790

you've made some great contributions on

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00:03:08,010 --> 00:03:06,880
inform and on the Ansem on the comments

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00:03:09,210 --> 00:03:08,020
section of the website I always look

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00:03:12,330 --> 00:03:09,220
forward to reading your posts so it's

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00:03:14,250 --> 00:03:12,340
great to have you back on so I have to

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00:03:16,170 --> 00:03:14,260
say this book you've written it's

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00:03:18,930 --> 00:03:16,180
amazing it's kind of startling when you

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00:03:21,750 --> 00:03:18,940
get into it because you claim you've

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00:03:25,610 --> 00:03:21,760
uncovered a rather remarkable new

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00:03:29,039 --> 00:03:25,620
paranormal phenomena that you've coined

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00:03:31,890 --> 00:03:29,049
CMP II so there's a lot here to kind of

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00:03:34,229 --> 00:03:31,900
wrap our arms around why don't you start

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00:03:41,310 --> 00:03:34,239
by telling us what you think you've

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uncovered here okay basically a CMT II

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which stands for a conjunction of

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meaningfully parallel events I call it a

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sign for short but because I used that

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word in a very non-standard way how many

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buddy else calls of those CMP II seems

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to be the the handle of choice

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it's basically an extreme form of

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synchronicity now synchronicity tends to

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be extremely subjective thing there's

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almost no rule for what constitutes a

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synchronicity but the pattern that we

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typically associate with synchronicity

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is two events coming together and

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sharing some striking similarity the the

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classic case is Carl Jung's scarab story

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where a patient is telling him about

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dream in which she's given a gold scared

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and as she does a gold scarab beetle is

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tapping at the

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window of Jung's office so there you

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00:04:44,590 --> 00:04:41,870

have two events foretelling the dream

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the appearance of the Scarab and they

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both share one striking parallel which

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is a golden scarab right in and on the

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more just kind of day-to-day

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00:04:55,659 --> 00:04:53,870

synchronicities that we're all familiar

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00:04:59,950 --> 00:04:55,669

with so but you're going to take this

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00:05:02,320 --> 00:04:59,960

way beyond that right it's a much more

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extreme version of that basic pattern

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00:05:07,689 --> 00:05:05,389

you still have two events that just

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00:05:09,370 --> 00:05:07,699

happen to come together in time they

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00:05:11,770 --> 00:05:09,380

aren't brought together intentionally

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because of their similarity and with

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00:05:15,279 --> 00:05:13,370

this phenomenon there are rules about

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00:05:18,310 --> 00:05:15,289

how close together in time they need to

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00:05:21,430 --> 00:05:18,320

be these two events are still strikingly

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00:05:24,070 --> 00:05:21,440

similar but rather than one parallel

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00:05:26,469 --> 00:05:24,080

between them like the golden scarab they

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00:05:28,899 --> 00:05:26,479

actually share a long list of parallels

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00:05:32,379 --> 00:05:28,909

that are objective that any observer can

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00:05:34,990 --> 00:05:32,389

see and on average I find they share

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00:05:39,279 --> 00:05:35,000

about eight or nine parallels examples

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go ahead give us a couple they're kind

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of long in the telling because of all

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the similarities between the events but

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one example is last August I was

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finishing the draft of the paper our

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00:05:58,450 --> 00:05:54,949

pilot study that you mentioned on CMPs

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00:06:00,370 --> 00:05:58,460

and the paper reports on us taking a

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00:06:02,560 --> 00:06:00,380
paranormal experience synchronicity

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00:06:04,959 --> 00:06:02,570
that's extremely difficult to study

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00:06:07,570 --> 00:06:04,969
because of how subjects subjective it is

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00:06:10,360 --> 00:06:07,580
and finding a way to objectively measure

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00:06:12,909 --> 00:06:10,370
it so that we can then do an initial

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00:06:14,649 --> 00:06:12,919
scientific study on it our study

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00:06:16,870 --> 00:06:14,659
happened to work better than we expected

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00:06:18,640 --> 00:06:16,880
and we were in fact able to show that

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00:06:21,459 --> 00:06:18,650
something measurable is going on

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00:06:26,080 --> 00:06:21,469
so within seconds of writing the last

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00:06:27,939 --> 00:06:26,090
line of that draft I pick up Steve Volks

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00:06:30,459 --> 00:06:27,949
book for an geology which I thought was

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00:06:32,589 --> 00:06:30,469

a great book and I began a new chapter

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that I hadn't looked ahead to and this

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00:06:37,420 --> 00:06:34,610

chapter was on the work of dr. Andrew

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Newberg who was famous for his research

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00:06:41,439 --> 00:06:39,469

into the brain states associated with

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00:06:44,589 --> 00:06:41,449

spiritual experiences like meditation

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00:06:45,700 --> 00:06:44,599

and in that chapter Volk tells the story

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00:06:46,879 --> 00:06:45,710

of Newberg's

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00:06:49,610 --> 00:06:46,889

first experiment

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00:06:51,529 --> 00:06:49,620

and Volk says the activity of meditation

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00:06:53,929 --> 00:06:51,539

have always been supremely difficult to

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00:06:56,240 --> 00:06:53,939

study the experience of meditation is

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00:06:59,119 --> 00:06:56,250

purely subjective happening only the

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00:07:01,040 --> 00:06:59,129
practitioners mind but Newberg thought

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00:07:03,950 --> 00:07:01,050
he may have figured out a way to study

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00:07:06,320 --> 00:07:03,960
it scientifically with no faith based

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00:07:07,850 --> 00:07:06,330
assumptions and he did it by measuring

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00:07:10,730 --> 00:07:07,860
what's going on in the brain of someone

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00:07:13,279 --> 00:07:10,740
who's in a meditative state and the

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00:07:14,990 --> 00:07:13,289
results were everything he wanted they

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00:07:17,600 --> 00:07:15,000
showed a measurable and logical

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00:07:19,279 --> 00:07:17,610
correlation between the experience of

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00:07:22,820 --> 00:07:19,289
the meditator and what was going on in

161
00:07:25,459 --> 00:07:22,830
his brain and so I I just felt that that

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00:07:28,399 --> 00:07:25,469
was extremely similar to I just written

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00:07:30,679 --> 00:07:28,409

and so I wrote a list of parallels and I

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00:07:30,860 --> 00:07:30,689

can read them too if you like sure go

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00:07:35,839 --> 00:07:30,870

ahead

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00:07:38,659 --> 00:07:35,849

okay so in both events my paper and the

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00:07:40,760 --> 00:07:38,669

chapter in when geology there is some

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00:07:42,950 --> 00:07:40,770

paranormal or spiritual experience in

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00:07:45,619 --> 00:07:42,960

one case synchronicity in the other

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00:07:49,790 --> 00:07:45,629

meditative experience that's been around

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00:07:51,529 --> 00:07:49,800

for ages it's extremely it's thought to

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00:07:53,689 --> 00:07:51,539

be extremely or supremely quote

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00:07:56,510 --> 00:07:53,699

difficult to study in that phrases in

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00:08:00,409 --> 00:07:56,520

both things because of how subjective it

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00:08:01,490 --> 00:08:00,419

is when the throughly a researcher comes

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00:08:03,079 --> 00:08:01,500

up with the latest Cuddy is

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scientifically without faith-based

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assumptions then before he conducts the

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first tests that were done

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00:08:12,980 --> 00:08:09,719

number five prominent in in this test if

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someone named Robert in Newberg's test

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it was the subject that was named Robert

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00:08:19,999 --> 00:08:17,819

number six being the first test the

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researcher is not sure it will work but

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00:08:23,990 --> 00:08:21,389

the results are either better than

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00:08:25,670 --> 00:08:24,000

expected in our case or quote all he

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00:08:29,029 --> 00:08:25,680

could all he could reasonably have

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wanted in the other case number seven

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these results in some sense validate the

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00:08:35,360 --> 00:08:33,029

experience at least showing that

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00:08:36,230 --> 00:08:35,370

something physical and measurable is

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00:08:38,930 --> 00:08:36,240

going on

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and number a in both cases this is said

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to ultimately have bearing on the

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question of God's existence wait because

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I don't want to get too nitpicky on

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00:08:49,579 --> 00:08:47,970

those but I think I or a number of

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people could look at it and say

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well a couple of those are there's some

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more ordinary prosaic kind of

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00:09:00,710 --> 00:08:57,870
explanations for why those things might

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00:09:02,900 --> 00:09:00,720
be coincidental right that that that's

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00:09:04,730 --> 00:09:02,910
necessarily a bad example but we could

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00:09:07,999 --> 00:09:04,740
get into the fact that the fields are

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00:09:09,379 --> 00:09:08,009
kind of related the book was there you

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00:09:10,759 --> 00:09:09,389
know there's all these things so is

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00:09:13,550 --> 00:09:10,769
there another example you could maybe

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00:09:16,850 --> 00:09:13,560
give us well one example is the one I

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00:09:20,329 --> 00:09:16,860
begin the book with which is CMP that I

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00:09:22,369 --> 00:09:20,339
call the bucket brigade and what's

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00:09:24,309 --> 00:09:22,379
happening there is of course the miracle

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00:09:28,660 --> 00:09:24,319
organization that I that I work for

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00:09:30,949 --> 00:09:28,670

we're processing the issue of whether to

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00:09:34,249 --> 00:09:30,959

basically take a departure in a new

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00:09:36,710 --> 00:09:34,259

direction and somebody comes up with

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00:09:39,470 --> 00:09:36,720

this image of everybody in the

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00:09:41,269 --> 00:09:39,480

organization forming a bucket brigade

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00:09:43,819 --> 00:09:41,279

you know where everyone's working

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00:09:47,869 --> 00:09:43,829

together you're passing buckets of water

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00:09:49,610 --> 00:09:47,879

along to put a fire out and rather than

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00:09:51,650 --> 00:09:49,620

each of us doing sort of our separate

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00:09:53,689 --> 00:09:51,660

thing in our separate space we're all

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00:09:55,819 --> 00:09:53,699

joined together in this really intense

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kind of common endeavor and this

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suggestion is meant to be relevant to

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figuring out the organizational

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direction that you should go right

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00:10:07,999 --> 00:10:06,420

that's exactly right yeah and if we were

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00:10:12,889 --> 00:10:08,009

considering a departure in this

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00:10:17,929 --> 00:10:12,899

direction so what happened was at that

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00:10:20,059 --> 00:10:17,939

moment we hear the sound of water and we

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00:10:21,829 --> 00:10:20,069

we were in a downstairs area and the

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00:10:24,170 --> 00:10:21,839

house he rushed into the other room and

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00:10:27,499 --> 00:10:24,180

there's literally water pouring through

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00:10:30,429 --> 00:10:27,509

the ceiling in a straight line

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00:10:32,540 --> 00:10:30,439

it turns out later we found that a

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00:10:34,850 --> 00:10:32,550

washing machine repairman had been

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00:10:36,559 --> 00:10:34,860

upstairs and he'd turned the wrong knob

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00:10:40,129 --> 00:10:36,569

and there was water that that came

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00:10:42,530 --> 00:10:40,139

through an unfinished ceiling and so

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00:10:44,240 --> 00:10:42,540

everybody explaining to action people in

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the meeting you're having people who

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00:10:48,079 --> 00:10:45,990

were working in the office upstairs and

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00:10:50,389 --> 00:10:48,089

the other thing to do it was those

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00:10:53,990 --> 00:10:50,399

actually right next to where the water

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00:10:57,379 --> 00:10:54,000

was following a stack of plastic buckets

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00:11:00,470 --> 00:10:57,389

and so we had to essentially arrange

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00:11:02,869 --> 00:11:00,480

these buckets in a straight line to

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00:11:04,730 --> 00:11:02,879

catch the water until it could be turned

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off and you know and everybody's joined

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00:11:09,309 --> 00:11:06,600
together in this and we're mopping it up

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00:11:11,299 --> 00:11:09,319
and getting towels and everything and

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00:11:14,300 --> 00:11:11,309
and of course it was an intense

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00:11:16,670 --> 00:11:14,310
experience and it wasn't until we we all

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00:11:19,430 --> 00:11:16,680
we're done with it got back in annex

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00:11:22,310 --> 00:11:19,440
room took a breath and we thought he

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00:11:26,360 --> 00:11:22,320
that was kind of weird we just formed a

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00:11:28,910 --> 00:11:26,370
line of water filled buckets in response

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00:11:30,980 --> 00:11:28,920
to an emergency in which everyone's

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00:11:33,680 --> 00:11:30,990
pulling together in the organization not

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00:11:35,270 --> 00:11:33,690
in their separate spaces it was exactly

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00:11:38,330 --> 00:11:35,280
what we just been talking about in the

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00:11:40,400 --> 00:11:38,340

meeting but we in this case we'd had to

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00:11:43,130 --> 00:11:40,410

actually carry out the exact thing we've

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00:11:45,710 --> 00:11:43,140

been talking about possibly doing great

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00:11:48,140 --> 00:11:45,720

so that's a very concrete example they

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00:11:50,690 --> 00:11:48,150

both are concrete examples that will

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00:11:51,890 --> 00:11:50,700

give people an idea I think of what

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00:11:54,830 --> 00:11:51,900

you're talking about

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00:11:58,370 --> 00:11:54,840

so maybe take just a minute and tell us

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00:12:00,530 --> 00:11:58,380

about the the methodology that you use

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00:12:02,510 --> 00:12:00,540

for trying to understand this because

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that's what you break down in the book

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and in your paper you know that's what

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00:12:08,570 --> 00:12:06,450

makes this a little bit different as you

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00:12:11,650 --> 00:12:08,580

alluded to in your first example you're

277

00:12:13,910 --> 00:12:11,660

really trying to nail this down

278

00:12:16,790 --> 00:12:13,920

scientifically in a way that we can

279

00:12:19,070 --> 00:12:16,800

study it and try and understand it right

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00:12:23,180 --> 00:12:19,080

so tell us a little bit about your

281

00:12:25,400 --> 00:12:23,190

methodology for understanding it as

282

00:12:29,600 --> 00:12:25,410

you're alluding it's very rural based

283

00:12:31,850 --> 00:12:29,610

phenomenon and I worked out the rules

284

00:12:34,270 --> 00:12:31,860

I'm still looking at the rules but to

285

00:12:38,030 --> 00:12:34,280

the extent that I have I've done it over

286

00:12:42,020 --> 00:12:38,040

35 years and recording hundreds I think

287

00:12:44,180 --> 00:12:42,030

going on a thousand examples of it the

288

00:12:45,980 --> 00:12:44,190

rules as I understand them are that you

289

00:12:49,430 --> 00:12:45,990

need those two events you need to list

290

00:12:52,130 --> 00:12:49,440

the parallels the parallels then will

291

00:12:55,190 --> 00:12:52,140

come together to tell a coherent story

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00:12:58,550 --> 00:12:55,200

there won't be a scattered list and that

293

00:13:01,280 --> 00:12:58,560

coherent story will always be aimed at a

294

00:13:03,410 --> 00:13:01,290

relevant situation in your life that

295

00:13:06,110 --> 00:13:03,420

situation will almost always be

296

00:13:08,900 --> 00:13:06,120

contained in one or both of the two

297

00:13:11,000 --> 00:13:08,910

events so one of the events might be

298

00:13:12,950 --> 00:13:11,010

fictional it might be like you mentioned

299

00:13:15,110 --> 00:13:12,960

a movie that you watched but the other

300

00:13:16,670 --> 00:13:15,120

event will usually involve a situation

301
00:13:19,010 --> 00:13:16,680
that you're wrestling with there may be

302
00:13:20,870 --> 00:13:19,020
some question involved you may have made

303
00:13:23,870 --> 00:13:20,880
a decision about date that you're still

304
00:13:26,900 --> 00:13:23,880
uncertain about it will be current and

305
00:13:27,950 --> 00:13:26,910
so what happens is the parallels come

306
00:13:31,580 --> 00:13:27,960
together to tell

307
00:13:34,580 --> 00:13:31,590
a coherent story and that story tends to

308
00:13:37,310 --> 00:13:34,590
frame that situation in a certain way

309
00:13:39,940 --> 00:13:37,320
and communicate a certain perspective on

310
00:13:44,000 --> 00:13:39,950
it so that's one source of the meaning

311
00:13:47,030 --> 00:13:44,010
behind this enpe the other source is a

312
00:13:49,940 --> 00:13:47,040
little bit different and it's not always

313
00:13:52,670 --> 00:13:49,950

operative but in Macy M Pease one of the

314

00:13:54,770 --> 00:13:52,680

events literally involves that situation

315

00:13:59,000 --> 00:13:54,780

of relevance in your life the other

316

00:14:01,130 --> 00:13:59,010

event eerily mirror is it but involves a

317

00:14:02,930 --> 00:14:01,140

whole other situation does not relevant

318

00:14:06,560 --> 00:14:02,940

for you like I said it may be a

319

00:14:10,040 --> 00:14:06,570

fictional situation now interestingly

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00:14:12,980 --> 00:14:10,050

enough the be fictional or the non

321

00:14:17,660 --> 00:14:12,990

relevant situation will usually tend to

322

00:14:20,480 --> 00:14:17,670

contain the answers to the questions in

323

00:14:23,030 --> 00:14:20,490

the real life situation that concerns

324

00:14:25,850 --> 00:14:23,040

you so you may be wondering what to do

325

00:14:28,190 --> 00:14:25,860

in your situation in that other

326

00:14:32,240 --> 00:14:28,200

situation what to do has already been

327

00:14:34,130 --> 00:14:32,250

done and it's all resolved so so I call

328

00:14:36,800 --> 00:14:34,140

that the symbolic situation and the

329

00:14:39,890 --> 00:14:36,810

symbolic situation then offers

330

00:14:42,920 --> 00:14:39,900

commentary on the uncertainties and the

331

00:14:45,170 --> 00:14:42,930

unresolved aspects of the literal

332

00:14:47,000 --> 00:14:45,180

situation so what you do is you put

333

00:14:51,380 --> 00:14:47,010

together those two sources of meaning

334

00:14:53,150 --> 00:14:51,390

the delay the parallel frame the the

335

00:14:55,820 --> 00:14:53,160

situation looks you call the subject

336

00:14:59,060 --> 00:14:55,830

situation and then the way the symbolic

337

00:15:01,580 --> 00:14:59,070

situation frames that same situation and

338

00:15:03,710 --> 00:15:01,590

when you put those together you get a

339

00:15:05,900 --> 00:15:03,720

pretty clear message about your

340

00:15:07,580 --> 00:15:05,910

situation and it's a message that

341

00:15:10,190 --> 00:15:07,590

different interpreters who know the

342

00:15:11,570 --> 00:15:10,200

rules will read in the same way and

343

00:15:14,150 --> 00:15:11,580

that's something I've tested and

344

00:15:16,850 --> 00:15:14,160

experienced over and over can get two

345

00:15:19,100 --> 00:15:16,860

independent interpreters coming up with

346

00:15:21,320 --> 00:15:19,110

basically the same message and that's

347

00:15:23,600 --> 00:15:21,330

what makes you feel that there's some

348

00:15:26,930 --> 00:15:23,610

realness to it so you're you're coming

349

00:15:29,420 --> 00:15:26,940

along here saying okay if you take if

350

00:15:32,630 --> 00:15:29,430

you pay attention you'll notice that

351

00:15:34,550 --> 00:15:32,640

these things happen in our lives and

352

00:15:36,260 --> 00:15:34,560

then you throw this out there and people

353

00:15:38,360 --> 00:15:36,270

read it and hear about and go wow you

354

00:15:41,030 --> 00:15:38,370

know I never really quite noticed it but

355

00:15:41,980 --> 00:15:41,040

yeah there are these parallel events

356

00:15:44,470 --> 00:15:41,990

that have

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00:15:47,530 --> 00:15:44,480

a lot of coincidences that seemed to be

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00:15:49,780 --> 00:15:47,540

the madacorp driven towards a problem

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00:15:51,850 --> 00:15:49,790

and there's some realness to it okay so

360

00:15:54,369 --> 00:15:51,860

that's really cool I think that you've

361

00:15:57,160 --> 00:15:54,379

identified this phenomenon and you

362

00:15:59,290 --> 00:15:57,170

developed a methodology for trying to

363

00:16:01,300 --> 00:15:59,300

study it and I guess that would get to

364

00:16:04,540 --> 00:16:01,310

this study that you've done this pilot

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00:16:06,759 --> 00:16:04,550

study how will you find kind of close

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00:16:10,059 --> 00:16:06,769

the loop and really nail down that this

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00:16:13,240 --> 00:16:10,069

is really happening yes good question

368

00:16:16,150 --> 00:16:13,250

well for me you know I've seen this

369

00:16:19,360 --> 00:16:16,160

happen on more or less a weekly basis

370

00:16:22,150 --> 00:16:19,370

for 30 years now so I don't have my own

371

00:16:24,249 --> 00:16:22,160

doubts about it I've also worked with

372

00:16:27,009 --> 00:16:24,259

these events in the lives of quite a few

373

00:16:31,210 --> 00:16:27,019

other people that I know for a long time

374

00:16:33,610 --> 00:16:31,220

as well so from personal experience I

375

00:16:36,040 --> 00:16:33,620

know it happens and it's not just people

376

00:16:37,629 --> 00:16:36,050

you know very close to me it's I've read

377

00:16:40,360 --> 00:16:37,639

about these things and lives of

378

00:16:43,090 --> 00:16:40,370

strangers I had an instance a couple

379

00:16:44,170 --> 00:16:43,100

months ago where an MBE researcher who's

380

00:16:47,170 --> 00:16:44,180

actually been on your show

381

00:16:49,329 --> 00:16:47,180

she had one we correspond about it she

382

00:16:51,429 --> 00:16:49,339

found the meaning surprising but really

383

00:16:53,799 --> 00:16:51,439

appropriate so I've seen it happen so

384

00:16:56,350 --> 00:16:53,809

many times in so many lives I don't have

385

00:16:58,689 --> 00:16:56,360

doubts about it but obviously is not

386

00:17:01,179 --> 00:16:58,699

good enough for somebody who's not me so

387

00:17:04,270 --> 00:17:01,189

we did this pilot study as you mentioned

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00:17:07,179 --> 00:17:04,280

in which we got 17 participants and the

389

00:17:09,539 --> 00:17:07,189

whole point was to see is this happening

390

00:17:13,569 --> 00:17:09,549

in the lives of people out there and

391

00:17:15,970 --> 00:17:13,579

that was the entire goal of the study so

392

00:17:19,029 --> 00:17:15,980

we taught them how to notice these

393

00:17:21,309 --> 00:17:19,039

events and they recorded anything that

394

00:17:23,620 --> 00:17:21,319

seemed like it might be for a period of

395

00:17:26,039 --> 00:17:23,630

four months sent them in to me and then

396

00:17:29,289 --> 00:17:26,049

we ran them through a ten-point scale

397

00:17:31,980 --> 00:17:29,299

that basically scores them to see if

398

00:17:36,310 --> 00:17:31,990

they if they qualify and we did find

399

00:17:39,340 --> 00:17:36,320

actually 16 genuine cmp es through the

400

00:17:41,590 --> 00:17:39,350

study which for me goes along well it's

401

00:17:43,600 --> 00:17:41,600

an initial study you know it's a pilot

402

00:17:46,360 --> 00:17:43,610

study it's not going to I think

403

00:17:49,960 --> 00:17:46,370

established a phenomenon for anybody who

404

00:17:52,620 --> 00:17:49,970

has any kind of skepticism but at least

405

00:17:55,630 --> 00:17:52,630

it's a promising initial study

406

00:17:58,630 --> 00:17:55,640

suggestive of this being a general event

407

00:18:02,590 --> 00:17:58,640

happens all over and how would you

408

00:18:05,800 --> 00:18:02,600

measure statistically the odds against

409

00:18:09,130 --> 00:18:05,810

chance of these events occurring how do

410

00:18:12,070 --> 00:18:09,140

you nail that part down you know I wish

411

00:18:14,170 --> 00:18:12,080

there was a way to do that I don't

412

00:18:16,060 --> 00:18:14,180

personally believe there is a way to

413

00:18:18,610 --> 00:18:16,070

really measure the probabilities

414

00:18:21,810 --> 00:18:18,620

involved I think it's too complicated I

415

00:18:25,480 --> 00:18:21,820

think the strength of it comes in in

416

00:18:28,060 --> 00:18:25,490

reading the lists of parallels and and

417

00:18:31,390 --> 00:18:28,070

taken as a whole thinking is it

418

00:18:34,000 --> 00:18:31,400

reasonable to suspect that that two

419

00:18:36,310 --> 00:18:34,010

events that would this parallel could

420

00:18:40,780 --> 00:18:36,320

come together purely by chance the other

421

00:18:42,880 --> 00:18:40,790

thing which to me really helps you know

422

00:18:45,850 --> 00:18:42,890

put out of consideration the skeptical

423

00:18:48,600 --> 00:18:45,860

alternative here is that these things in

424

00:18:53,050 --> 00:18:48,610

my experience are never one offs a

425

00:18:56,380 --> 00:18:53,060

particular CME will always be part of a

426

00:18:59,200 --> 00:18:56,390

series other CNTs will speak to the same

427

00:19:02,920 --> 00:18:59,210

situation and will say consistent things

428

00:19:04,930 --> 00:19:02,930

in fact similar CMT's will often occur

429

00:19:06,610 --> 00:19:04,940

on the exact same date in different

430

00:19:08,770 --> 00:19:06,620

years which is something I discovered

431

00:19:11,530 --> 00:19:08,780

and continues to kind of blow me away

432

00:19:14,560 --> 00:19:11,540

when it happens so that so different

433

00:19:16,600 --> 00:19:14,570

ones are intimately interrelated and

434

00:19:19,330 --> 00:19:16,610

therefore you don't have to you have to

435

00:19:22,270 --> 00:19:19,340

explain away not just one to explain

436

00:19:24,430 --> 00:19:22,280

away the whole series and at some point

437

00:19:27,280 --> 00:19:24,440

I think a reasonable a reasonable person

438

00:19:30,280 --> 00:19:27,290

stands there and says this just can't be

439

00:19:32,980 --> 00:19:30,290

chance right and we should add because I

440

00:19:34,960 --> 00:19:32,990

can maybe glossed over that but the the

441

00:19:38,290 --> 00:19:34,970

methodology that you have or that you

442

00:19:40,060 --> 00:19:38,300

applied in this study for example is

443

00:19:42,040 --> 00:19:40,070

pretty rigorous I mean there's some

444

00:19:43,720 --> 00:19:42,050

definite rules that you mentioned that

445

00:19:46,270 --> 00:19:43,730

they have to follow and they have to be

446

00:19:48,580 --> 00:19:46,280

inside of a certain time frame and they

447

00:19:50,860 --> 00:19:48,590

have to follow other characteristics and

448

00:19:54,220 --> 00:19:50,870

it's pretty I think you said that you

449

00:19:55,690 --> 00:19:54,230

have an independent judge or evaluator

450

00:19:58,690 --> 00:19:55,700

who can kind of say whether they meet

451
00:20:01,930 --> 00:19:58,700
that criteria and anyone who reads the

452
00:20:04,330 --> 00:20:01,940
book signs or reads this study will see

453
00:20:08,880 --> 00:20:04,340
that it is quite objective in terms of

454
00:20:13,680 --> 00:20:10,950
the key things about the phenomenon I

455
00:20:15,390 --> 00:20:13,690
used to see patterns and all kinds of

456
00:20:18,300 --> 00:20:15,400
events and think they were coincidences

457
00:20:19,110 --> 00:20:18,310
around every corner and and as I went

458
00:20:21,120 --> 00:20:19,120
forward

459
00:20:23,060 --> 00:20:21,130
I became personally quite skeptical

460
00:20:25,440 --> 00:20:23,070
about most synchronicities I think

461
00:20:27,060 --> 00:20:25,450
personally that most of them are us

462
00:20:29,460 --> 00:20:27,070
connecting dots that aren't connected

463
00:20:33,180 --> 00:20:29,470

that's just my personal opinion what I

464

00:20:35,700 --> 00:20:33,190

found was this phenomenon proved itself

465

00:20:37,500 --> 00:20:35,710

to me as real all the time and showed

466

00:20:39,750 --> 00:20:37,510

that it had quite specific

467

00:20:42,300 --> 00:20:39,760

characteristics and so that's how I

468

00:20:45,030 --> 00:20:42,310

built the model and built the ten-point

469

00:20:47,640 --> 00:20:45,040

scale for for measuring them trying to

470

00:20:50,490 --> 00:20:47,650

capture those specific characteristics

471

00:20:53,940 --> 00:20:50,500

without them if they aren't there you

472

00:20:56,430 --> 00:20:53,950

can tell this is not a real cm te so

473

00:20:58,440 --> 00:20:56,440

yeah it's very rigorous which is quite

474

00:21:00,240 --> 00:20:58,450

different than the mindset we normally

475

00:21:02,040 --> 00:21:00,250

have lot of synchronicity but the

476
00:21:03,690 --> 00:21:02,050
advantage of course is you could have

477
00:21:05,310 --> 00:21:03,700
some confidence of something real is

478
00:21:08,490 --> 00:21:05,320
going on here and we aren't just

479
00:21:11,610 --> 00:21:08,500
connecting dots in a fanciful way okay

480
00:21:13,970 --> 00:21:11,620
but you just hit on maybe the key phrase

481
00:21:16,680 --> 00:21:13,980
that I wanted to launch into is that

482
00:21:19,920 --> 00:21:16,690
something real is going on here of

483
00:21:23,370 --> 00:21:19,930
course real is a very is the ultimate

484
00:21:26,430 --> 00:21:23,380
subjective term in terms of reality and

485
00:21:30,270 --> 00:21:26,440
I guess that gets us into how should we

486
00:21:32,670 --> 00:21:30,280
understand this phenomena you and I in

487
00:21:35,130 --> 00:21:32,680
the email exchange before this were both

488
00:21:38,670 --> 00:21:35,140

referencing you know Daryl BEM work of

489

00:21:41,130 --> 00:21:38,680

course because it gets at this issue of

490

00:21:43,230 --> 00:21:41,140

time and what is really our relationship

491

00:21:45,770 --> 00:21:43,240

with time as I was reading through the

492

00:21:49,320 --> 00:21:45,780

science thing I kept thinking this is

493

00:21:52,170 --> 00:21:49,330

precognition in some way so again it

494

00:21:55,950 --> 00:21:52,180

gets to this time thing and we might be

495

00:21:59,670 --> 00:21:55,960

experiencing time linearly but the

496

00:22:01,980 --> 00:21:59,680

reality of time may it may not be as

497

00:22:05,760 --> 00:22:01,990

linear as we think so what are your

498

00:22:08,280 --> 00:22:05,770

thoughts on that I well actually I had a

499

00:22:10,260 --> 00:22:08,290

pair of psychologists suggest something

500

00:22:14,310 --> 00:22:10,270

similar to me that this was precognition

501
00:22:15,870 --> 00:22:14,320
and I think that can work for some of

502
00:22:21,440 --> 00:22:15,880
the examples I think it gets very

503
00:22:25,890 --> 00:22:21,450
strange for some of them as well because

504
00:22:27,690 --> 00:22:25,900
in why are the examples you have you

505
00:22:29,310 --> 00:22:27,700
have different people doing things at a

506
00:22:32,970 --> 00:22:29,320
distance you know somebody might send me

507
00:22:34,380 --> 00:22:32,980
an email in this case you know who's

508
00:22:36,630 --> 00:22:34,390
having the precognition

509
00:22:38,760 --> 00:22:36,640
they're just there's a lot of examples

510
00:22:41,370 --> 00:22:38,770
where I think that doesn't work that

511
00:22:44,370 --> 00:22:41,380
well and what I want to say about trying

512
00:22:46,560 --> 00:22:44,380
to explain this and obviously cried out

513
00:22:48,090 --> 00:22:46,570

for an explanation is that in our

514

00:22:49,980 --> 00:22:48,100

attempt to explain it I think there's

515

00:22:52,800 --> 00:22:49,990

two things that we should keep in mind

516

00:22:55,410 --> 00:22:52,810

one is that we shouldn't just

517

00:22:57,390 --> 00:22:55,420

cherry-pick certain elements of it and

518

00:23:00,960 --> 00:22:57,400

try to explain those and ignore the rest

519

00:23:04,170 --> 00:23:00,970

and then the other is that we shouldn't

520

00:23:06,420 --> 00:23:04,180

come to it I think with the constraints

521

00:23:08,460 --> 00:23:06,430

of our particular worldview and say well

522

00:23:11,100 --> 00:23:08,470

only explanations within that worldview

523

00:23:14,280 --> 00:23:11,110

are ok here I think we should look at

524

00:23:16,350 --> 00:23:14,290

the phenomenon as a whole and see what

525

00:23:20,220 --> 00:23:16,360

the phenomena itself suggests in terms

526

00:23:24,450 --> 00:23:20,230

of you know best explanations and when I

527

00:23:27,570 --> 00:23:24,460

look at it as a whole what I see is it

528

00:23:31,410 --> 00:23:27,580

looks like events are being somehow

529

00:23:34,670 --> 00:23:31,420

pulled together in in highly

530

00:23:37,070 --> 00:23:34,680

orchestrated ways and in ways that

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00:23:39,690 --> 00:23:37,080

appear to be structured as

532

00:23:43,020 --> 00:23:39,700

communications these things always

533

00:23:45,210 --> 00:23:43,030

highlight some situation in your life

534

00:23:46,830 --> 00:23:45,220

that you're dealing with and then they

535

00:23:49,380 --> 00:23:46,840

provide a perspective on it a

536

00:23:51,870 --> 00:23:49,390

perspective that very often is targeted

537

00:23:54,570 --> 00:23:51,880

or seems to be targeted at the very

538

00:23:57,080 --> 00:23:54,580

things that you're wrestling with so

539

00:24:01,440 --> 00:23:57,090

these things look like they are

540

00:24:04,260 --> 00:24:01,450

communications or structured as that so

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00:24:08,730 --> 00:24:04,270

in my mind an explanation would have to

542

00:24:11,400 --> 00:24:08,740

ideally honor that basic design of the

543

00:24:13,500 --> 00:24:11,410

phenomenon itself so even now Robert

544

00:24:16,140 --> 00:24:13,510

you're creeping into this more

545

00:24:17,910 --> 00:24:16,150

controversial aspect of this and it's in

546

00:24:19,890 --> 00:24:17,920

the title of the book and it's also in

547

00:24:23,670 --> 00:24:19,900

the chapter in the book and that's this

548

00:24:26,670 --> 00:24:23,680

idea of life's purpose and gods the G

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00:24:29,520 --> 00:24:26,680

words plan you know the last time

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00:24:31,110 --> 00:24:29,530

whenever I bring up the issue of God and

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00:24:35,110 --> 00:24:31,120

I usually talk about God as a

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00:24:37,340 --> 00:24:35,120

placeholder for this idea of some organ

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00:24:40,340 --> 00:24:37,350

consciousness some higher-level

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00:24:42,380 --> 00:24:40,350

organized consciousness I get a lot of

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00:24:45,020 --> 00:24:42,390

pushback a lot of people are resistant

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00:24:48,200 --> 00:24:45,030

to that a lot of people feel very burned

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00:24:50,890 --> 00:24:48,210

by Christianity it's really what it

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00:24:54,289 --> 00:24:50,900

usually comes down to or some other

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00:24:56,600 --> 00:24:54,299

religion but it's usually this idea that

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00:24:59,600 --> 00:24:56,610

hey I was slammed with this Christian

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00:25:01,640 --> 00:24:59,610

crap when I was a kid and it took me 20

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00:25:04,310 --> 00:25:01,650

years of therapy to overcome it please

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00:25:04,909 --> 00:25:04,320

don't try and shove God back down my

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00:25:08,390 --> 00:25:04,919

throat

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00:25:10,610 --> 00:25:08,400

that's the pushback I get and I have to

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00:25:12,860 --> 00:25:10,620

say there's a little bit of that that I

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00:25:15,200 --> 00:25:12,870

felt here I felt a need to push back a

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00:25:17,690 --> 00:25:15,210

little bit - I mean can we really make

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00:25:20,510 --> 00:25:17,700

that leap that you're making and saying

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00:25:22,789 --> 00:25:20,520

that because you see some kind of a

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00:25:25,669 --> 00:25:22,799

relationship between the person that's

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00:25:27,950 --> 00:25:25,679

experiencing the coincidence and some

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00:25:30,110 --> 00:25:27,960

kind of structure information message in

574

00:25:32,539 --> 00:25:30,120

what they're experiencing it can we

575

00:25:36,620 --> 00:25:32,549

really put God right in the middle of

576

00:25:39,950 --> 00:25:36,630

that well I think I think we don't have

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00:25:43,250 --> 00:25:39,960

to you know for me there's a phenomenon

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00:25:45,590 --> 00:25:43,260

here that needs to be explained and for

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00:25:48,500 --> 00:25:45,600

most of my time with it I didn't see

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00:25:50,960 --> 00:25:48,510

this coming from God my interest was

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00:25:52,970 --> 00:25:50,970

really more practical I was just wanting

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00:25:54,890 --> 00:25:52,980

to work with it get the benefits of it

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00:25:57,620 --> 00:25:54,900

and I kind of assumed it was coming from

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00:26:00,860 --> 00:25:57,630

some wise place in my unconscious that

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00:26:03,049 --> 00:26:00,870

could somehow maybe you know draw vents

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00:26:04,940 --> 00:26:03,059

together to get a message across to me

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00:26:08,360 --> 00:26:04,950

and I still think that's a reasonable

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00:26:10,580 --> 00:26:08,370

explanation there's a couple of reasons

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00:26:15,320 --> 00:26:10,590

why I've gone in the god direction

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00:26:18,919 --> 00:26:15,330

personally one is that I started to

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00:26:21,020 --> 00:26:18,929

notice that if different people had CMT

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00:26:23,180 --> 00:26:21,030

ease about the same situation even

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00:26:26,360 --> 00:26:23,190

people who were living you know hundreds

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00:26:28,279 --> 00:26:26,370

of thousands of miles apart their CMP

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00:26:31,039 --> 00:26:28,289

ease would be consistent with each other

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00:26:33,890 --> 00:26:31,049

and sometimes quite minutely related as

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00:26:36,380 --> 00:26:33,900

if they were coming from the same source

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00:26:39,470 --> 00:26:36,390

so I started to think well whatever the

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00:26:42,080 --> 00:26:39,480

source is it clearly transcends the

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00:26:44,659 --> 00:26:42,090

individual mind in which case maybe we

601
00:26:47,149 --> 00:26:44,669
can posit you know a collective

602
00:26:47,740 --> 00:26:47,159
unconscious or something that is the

603
00:26:49,419 --> 00:26:47,750
source of

604
00:26:51,850 --> 00:26:49,429
and I think that would be consistent

605
00:26:54,330 --> 00:26:51,860
with the data as well let me nail that

606
00:26:58,110 --> 00:26:54,340
down a minute so a collective

607
00:27:01,330 --> 00:26:58,120
unconscious a collective consciousness

608
00:27:03,940 --> 00:27:01,340
would fit here you and and then I guess

609
00:27:07,750 --> 00:27:03,950
the question related to that is what is

610
00:27:10,690 --> 00:27:07,760
God for you in that continuum if you

611
00:27:14,020 --> 00:27:10,700
will uh if you're falling back to the

612
00:27:16,630 --> 00:27:14,030
collective consciousness then what is

613
00:27:18,490 --> 00:27:16,640

the relationship between your

614

00:27:20,020 --> 00:27:18,500

understanding of God and your

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00:27:24,220 --> 00:27:20,030

understanding of this collective

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00:27:26,850 --> 00:27:24,230

consciousness well I don't I don't

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00:27:30,340 --> 00:27:26,860

really personally think that that

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00:27:32,649 --> 00:27:30,350

collective unconscious explanations the

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00:27:35,770 --> 00:27:32,659

thing behind this I'm saying I think

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00:27:39,220 --> 00:27:35,780

it's a racer interpretation that I think

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00:27:42,580 --> 00:27:39,230

is reasonable I I personally see it as

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00:27:45,130 --> 00:27:42,590

coming from God my idea of God is very

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00:27:49,600 --> 00:27:45,140

much what people experience for instance

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00:27:52,840 --> 00:27:49,610

in near-death experiences so I you know

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00:27:56,320 --> 00:27:52,850

I see something I see God is very much

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00:27:58,840 --> 00:27:56,330

you know some kind of a being who's

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00:28:01,330 --> 00:27:58,850

maybe boundless and formless but still

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00:28:03,640 --> 00:28:01,340

you know alive and in some sense

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00:28:06,789 --> 00:28:03,650

personal I don't think that's required

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00:28:09,130 --> 00:28:06,799

at all to work with this phenomenon to

631

00:28:11,680 --> 00:28:09,140

explore it I think that there's all

632

00:28:13,299 --> 00:28:11,690

kinds of possible explanations but

633

00:28:16,360 --> 00:28:13,309

there's two things like you come back to

634

00:28:18,750 --> 00:28:16,370

one is the phenomenon itself pushes me

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00:28:21,490 --> 00:28:18,760

in the direction of something godlike

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

maybe it's something that falls short of

637

00:28:26,289 --> 00:28:23,510

being what we would call God but the

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00:28:29,919 --> 00:28:26,299

phenomena itself I think suggests

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00:28:31,690 --> 00:28:29,929

something godlike number two a lot of

640

00:28:33,640 --> 00:28:31,700

what's pushed me in the extreme

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00:28:37,600 --> 00:28:33,650

direction I've gone in is the CMT's

642

00:28:40,539 --> 00:28:37,610

themselves I started to get them about

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00:28:43,360 --> 00:28:40,549

about thirteen years ago I started to

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00:28:45,220 --> 00:28:43,370

get one that clearly we're saying they

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00:28:48,520 --> 00:28:45,230

came from God that the phenomena itself

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00:28:51,010 --> 00:28:48,530

comes from God and because I built up a

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00:28:54,250 --> 00:28:51,020

trust with with these instances over

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00:28:56,260 --> 00:28:54,260

many years I I kind of went with it hey

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00:28:57,789 --> 00:28:56,270

Robert give me an example there nailed

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00:29:00,970 --> 00:28:57,799

that down for me what do you mean you

651
00:29:01,480 --> 00:29:00,980
had a direct experience or message that

652
00:29:04,360 --> 00:29:01,490
this was

653
00:29:05,860 --> 00:29:04,370
from God you know as I said that the CMP

654
00:29:07,840 --> 00:29:05,870
ease when you read them according to the

655
00:29:10,510 --> 00:29:07,850
rules they end up communicating certain

656
00:29:15,220 --> 00:29:10,520
messages I started to get the occasional

657
00:29:17,140 --> 00:29:15,230
CMP II whose message was actually they

658
00:29:18,760 --> 00:29:17,150
were talking about me writing the book

659
00:29:21,340 --> 00:29:18,770
that I eventually wrote many years later

660
00:29:24,460 --> 00:29:21,350
and they kept saying essentially

661
00:29:26,860 --> 00:29:24,470
emphasize in the book that this comes

662
00:29:29,370 --> 00:29:26,870
from God and Ethan wanted me to end the

663
00:29:31,270 --> 00:29:29,380

book on that no I know it sounds like an

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00:29:32,680 --> 00:29:31,280

anthropomorphizing them but that's just

665

00:29:36,130 --> 00:29:32,690

how I experienced them they're they're

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00:29:39,010 --> 00:29:36,140

giving me messages so I I do relate

667

00:29:41,680 --> 00:29:39,020

those in the book one of them was where

668

00:29:43,980 --> 00:29:41,690

I was writing to somebody a long account

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00:29:46,000 --> 00:29:43,990

of my understanding of the phenomenon

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00:29:50,320 --> 00:29:46,010

you know there was their first encounter

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00:29:52,090 --> 00:29:50,330

with it and I was talking about how you

672

00:29:54,940 --> 00:29:52,100

know it's a strange thing because it

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00:29:56,650 --> 00:29:54,950

looks like you know in a skeptical age

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00:29:59,710 --> 00:29:56,660

it looks like here is something that

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00:30:01,090 --> 00:29:59,720

that seems to come from from God or

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00:30:05,169 --> 00:30:01,100

God's plan or something in that

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00:30:06,970 --> 00:30:05,179

direction and you know it seems like

678

00:30:09,760 --> 00:30:06,980

it's God speaking to us even though we

679

00:30:12,790 --> 00:30:09,770

aren't listening and right after that I

680

00:30:15,070 --> 00:30:12,800

ended up watching a TV program I used to

681

00:30:19,660 --> 00:30:15,080

be into the x-files and so as an episode

682

00:30:21,640 --> 00:30:19,670

of the x-files in which the show which I

683

00:30:25,480 --> 00:30:21,650

caught the very tail end up concludes on

684

00:30:27,120 --> 00:30:25,490

an uncannily similar note the one of the

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00:30:29,260 --> 00:30:27,130

main characters is and experiencing

686

00:30:32,830 --> 00:30:29,270

amazing a dense over the course of the

687

00:30:34,480 --> 00:30:32,840

show and she ends up feeling like you

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00:30:38,080 --> 00:30:34,490

know God is speaking and no one's

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00:30:39,669 --> 00:30:38,090

listening so it was things like that the

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00:30:42,700 --> 00:30:39,679

started to push me in a direction that I

691

00:30:45,400 --> 00:30:42,710

actually hadn't gone in quite yet and

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00:30:47,919 --> 00:30:45,410

when I did do what they said and make

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00:30:49,660 --> 00:30:47,929

that the ending of a book I had as a

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00:30:52,000 --> 00:30:49,670

confirmation of that one of the most

695

00:30:54,430 --> 00:30:52,010

spectacular CMPs I've ever had they're

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00:30:58,510 --> 00:30:54,440

about thirty parallels which I made the

697

00:31:01,060 --> 00:30:58,520

epilogue of the book eventually and so

698

00:31:04,030 --> 00:31:01,070

those both actually help take me there

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00:31:07,360 --> 00:31:04,040

even though I'm adamant that you don't

700

00:31:08,680 --> 00:31:07,370

need to start there or even end there to

701
00:31:09,700 --> 00:31:08,690
look with the phenomena and think

702
00:31:12,000 --> 00:31:09,710
something's happening

703
00:31:15,550 --> 00:31:12,010
tell us how that's informed your

704
00:31:18,640 --> 00:31:15,560
understanding of God on a personal base

705
00:31:22,510 --> 00:31:18,650
what will you take away big picture wise

706
00:31:25,510 --> 00:31:22,520
in terms of what this means about God

707
00:31:27,520 --> 00:31:25,520
and how God is involved in your life

708
00:31:31,420 --> 00:31:27,530
that's an interesting question not sure

709
00:31:35,410 --> 00:31:31,430
that asks that before the background is

710
00:31:39,160 --> 00:31:35,420
I I do I I do really take these

711
00:31:41,050 --> 00:31:39,170
seriously as the most important the most

712
00:31:42,970 --> 00:31:41,060
authoritative influence in my own

713
00:31:44,590 --> 00:31:42,980

personal decision-making they don't

714

00:31:46,870 --> 00:31:44,600

happen on command they don't happen

715

00:31:49,660 --> 00:31:46,880

everyday but when they do happen I take

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00:31:52,090 --> 00:31:49,670

them very seriously and to a large

717

00:31:53,860 --> 00:31:52,100

degree I live my life by them they have

718

00:31:55,900 --> 00:31:53,870

proven themselves very trustworthy

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00:31:58,750 --> 00:31:55,910

that's why actually I'm living in

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00:32:03,130 --> 00:31:58,760

England now as I had the MDEs till I

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00:32:06,880 --> 00:32:03,140

moved here with my with my family so as

722

00:32:09,160 --> 00:32:06,890

a result of their influence I basically

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00:32:11,680 --> 00:32:09,170

feel like there is something which is

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00:32:15,070 --> 00:32:11,690

usually quite anonymous that there's

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00:32:18,040 --> 00:32:15,080

something that is advising me that wants

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00:32:21,220 --> 00:32:18,050

me to move in in positive directions

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00:32:24,190 --> 00:32:21,230

that end up being healthy and good for

728

00:32:27,910 --> 00:32:24,200

me and for those around me whatever this

729

00:32:30,220 --> 00:32:27,920

is is concerned about small situations

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00:32:33,490 --> 00:32:30,230

in my life I was told after 25 years ago

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00:32:37,420 --> 00:32:33,500

back and see the dentist and large ones

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00:32:40,120 --> 00:32:37,430

my spiritual development my work my my

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00:32:42,730 --> 00:32:40,130

close relationships whatever this is

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00:32:45,250 --> 00:32:42,740

seems really concerned about every

735

00:32:48,460 --> 00:32:45,260

aspect of my life and really intent on

736

00:32:51,490 --> 00:32:48,470

giving me clarity and an vision for

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00:32:55,750 --> 00:32:51,500

those different areas in my life and so

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00:32:58,660 --> 00:32:55,760

a lot of my own tangible sense of God

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00:33:01,300 --> 00:32:58,670

comes from the feeling that there's just

740

00:33:04,300 --> 00:33:01,310

something looking out for me and wanting

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00:33:07,180 --> 00:33:04,310

to impart to me the clarity and the

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00:33:10,270 --> 00:33:07,190

wisdom and sometimes even the foresight

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00:33:12,700 --> 00:33:10,280

that can help me along my way so I end

744

00:33:14,860 --> 00:33:12,710

up actually feeling very cared for so

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00:33:17,890 --> 00:33:14,870

where do you go from here Robert where

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00:33:19,870 --> 00:33:17,900

do you go with the research with the

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00:33:22,570 --> 00:33:19,880

results of the pilot study and where

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00:33:26,800 --> 00:33:22,580

would you like to see the the research

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00:33:29,110 --> 00:33:26,810

into the phenomena go yeah I I really

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00:33:32,920 --> 00:33:29,120

want to see this go somewhere

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00:33:34,810 --> 00:33:32,930

the CMT's themselves daily think this

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00:33:37,660 --> 00:33:34,820

was going to be some kind of field of

753

00:33:39,940 --> 00:33:37,670

inquiry one day along the lines of

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00:33:41,890 --> 00:33:39,950

near-death studies I think we're quite a

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00:33:43,720 --> 00:33:41,900

long ways off from that to be honest but

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00:33:45,880 --> 00:33:43,730

they have very long range point of view

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00:33:49,660 --> 00:33:45,890

so I'm not going to be surprised if that

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00:33:52,450 --> 00:33:49,670

happens I think that the next step is is

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00:33:56,080 --> 00:33:52,460

just to keep studying it we've got a l

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00:33:58,870 --> 00:33:56,090

think this time get a funded study week

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00:34:01,270 --> 00:33:58,880

that we can construct very carefully

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00:34:04,600 --> 00:34:01,280

using we learn from the first study has

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00:34:06,430 --> 00:34:04,610

very tight controls deal with questions

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00:34:08,500 --> 00:34:06,440

like independence which is one of the

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00:34:14,350 --> 00:34:08,510

big Bugaboo here were the events really

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00:34:17,190 --> 00:34:14,360

independent and just do it more

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00:34:21,970 --> 00:34:17,200

carefully you know more independent

768

00:34:24,129 --> 00:34:21,980

scores and observers and just slowly I

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00:34:26,169 --> 00:34:24,139

think try to push it out there my

770

00:34:28,389 --> 00:34:26,179

experience is that this is such a

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00:34:31,119 --> 00:34:28,399

different sort of phenomenon than we're

772

00:34:32,619 --> 00:34:31,129

currently studying and different than

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00:34:34,270 --> 00:34:32,629

how we think of synchronicity that I

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00:34:36,010 --> 00:34:34,280

think people have a hard time just

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00:34:39,970 --> 00:34:36,020

getting it to kind of click into place

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00:34:42,250 --> 00:34:39,980

in their brains and along those lines do

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00:34:45,070 --> 00:34:42,260

you have any thoughts on why certain

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00:34:46,960 --> 00:34:45,080

people are experiencing CMP ease and

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00:34:49,360 --> 00:34:46,970

others are not or anything like that

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00:34:52,119 --> 00:34:49,370

that's obviously a really important

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00:34:55,649 --> 00:34:52,129

question and it is clear to me that

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00:34:58,240 --> 00:34:55,659

different people my wife and I call them

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00:35:01,300 --> 00:34:58,250

sign magnets different people are real

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00:35:04,840 --> 00:35:01,310

sign magnets for some reason I don't

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00:35:06,970 --> 00:35:04,850

know why I get a great deal of them more

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00:35:09,460 --> 00:35:06,980

than other people I know I don't know

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00:35:11,680 --> 00:35:09,470

why it is I'm not a psychic person I'm

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00:35:13,660 --> 00:35:11,690

not a person given to spiritual

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00:35:17,680 --> 00:35:13,670

experiences I mean I'm a really classic

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00:35:20,830 --> 00:35:17,690

left brain guy but some get more and

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00:35:23,860 --> 00:35:20,840

some seem to never get them the woman in

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00:35:26,200 --> 00:35:23,870

our study the one woman I was 17 people

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00:35:28,720 --> 00:35:26,210

who got virtually a third of all the

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00:35:32,170 --> 00:35:28,730

recorded examples that we had and she is

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00:35:34,330 --> 00:35:32,180

an end a year and I somehow connected

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00:35:35,920 --> 00:35:34,340

with that but she and I have very

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00:35:38,470 --> 00:35:35,930

different kinds of people she's totally

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00:35:41,200 --> 00:35:38,480

right man I'm totally left brain so I'm

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00:35:42,070 --> 00:35:41,210

not really sure what attracts them to

800

00:35:44,700 --> 00:35:42,080

some

801
00:35:49,030 --> 00:35:44,710
not other it it's interesting just to

802
00:35:50,560 --> 00:35:49,040
kind of speculate the the NDE that you

803
00:35:53,650 --> 00:35:50,570
mentioned you know opening people up

804
00:35:56,620 --> 00:35:53,660
psychically I'd be interested in people

805
00:36:00,340 --> 00:35:56,630
who experience precognitive dreams or

806
00:36:02,890 --> 00:36:00,350
other kind of paranormal experiences

807
00:36:05,260 --> 00:36:02,900
what their relationship is or frequency

808
00:36:07,210 --> 00:36:05,270
of having these sign experiences there's

809
00:36:08,590 --> 00:36:07,220
all sorts of interesting questions it

810
00:36:10,450 --> 00:36:08,600
certainly is

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00:36:14,380 --> 00:36:10,460
refreshing that you're approaching this

812
00:36:16,480 --> 00:36:14,390
from both a personal spiritual aspect

813
00:36:19,180 --> 00:36:16,490

which i think is very brave on your part

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00:36:22,170 --> 00:36:19,190

and at the same time pursuing it on a

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00:36:23,950 --> 00:36:22,180

parallel path that asks these questions

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00:36:26,680 --> 00:36:23,960

scientifically and I think there's

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00:36:29,350 --> 00:36:26,690

there's some great great work to be done

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00:36:31,390 --> 00:36:29,360

there too so it's it's just really great

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00:36:34,470 --> 00:36:31,400

and I hope people dig into it and I'm

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00:36:36,820 --> 00:36:34,480

sure that this will generate a lot more

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00:36:38,440 --> 00:36:36,830

CNP ease from people I think it's the

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00:36:42,490 --> 00:36:38,450

kind of thing that once you hear about

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00:36:44,710 --> 00:36:42,500

it you see them much more than you would

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00:36:46,300 --> 00:36:44,720

then before when you didn't know about

825

00:36:48,490 --> 00:36:46,310

it I'm sure you have plenty of stories

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00:36:51,430 --> 00:36:48,500

of that right it's true and they are

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00:36:54,820 --> 00:36:51,440

very easy to overlook because some are

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00:36:56,860 --> 00:36:54,830

obvious but some for some you have to

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00:36:58,600 --> 00:36:56,870

have a kind of a pattern state of mind

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00:37:00,670 --> 00:36:58,610

where you're looking for not a single

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00:37:04,810 --> 00:37:00,680

striking thing but for the whole pattern

832

00:37:06,400 --> 00:37:04,820

and those can blow by very easily I like

833

00:37:08,410 --> 00:37:06,410

the the forward to the book because I

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00:37:10,600 --> 00:37:08,420

felt the same way you know there's at

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00:37:13,000 --> 00:37:10,610

first there's this kind of desire to

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00:37:15,250 --> 00:37:13,010

push against it and go but then the more

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00:37:17,620 --> 00:37:15,260

you dig into it I I think it's it's

838

00:37:20,410 --> 00:37:17,630

rather remarkable that you've kind of

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00:37:22,690 --> 00:37:20,420

identified this little paranormal

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00:37:24,820 --> 00:37:22,700

phenomena that I'm sure other people

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00:37:26,860 --> 00:37:24,830

have kind of seen but no one's really

842

00:37:29,650 --> 00:37:26,870

nailed down and the way that you have so

843

00:37:32,140 --> 00:37:29,660

that's most of our paranormal events

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00:37:34,180 --> 00:37:32,150

that we're studying now their inner

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00:37:36,970 --> 00:37:34,190

experiences with hopefully a political

846

00:37:39,910 --> 00:37:36,980

component but in the end they say they

847

00:37:43,030 --> 00:37:39,920

seem Sisson about our abilities or our

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00:37:45,190 --> 00:37:43,040

ultimate nature being perhaps immaterial

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00:37:47,470 --> 00:37:45,200

but with science or CMPs

850

00:37:50,230 --> 00:37:47,480

they their statements seem to be more

851
00:37:53,350 --> 00:37:50,240
about something other than us that seems

852
00:37:54,370 --> 00:37:53,360
to be you know giving us messages right

853
00:37:56,079 --> 00:37:54,380
and

854
00:38:00,160 --> 00:37:56,089
it's interesting what you just said

855
00:38:01,509 --> 00:38:00,170
about the empirical aspect of it let's

856
00:38:03,130 --> 00:38:01,519
explore that a little bit further and

857
00:38:06,640 --> 00:38:03,140
maybe I'll roll this back into the show

858
00:38:09,069 --> 00:38:06,650
but tell us how you think there's a

859
00:38:12,459 --> 00:38:09,079
little bit of a difference there in how

860
00:38:16,449 --> 00:38:12,469
we experience this as opposed to like an

861
00:38:18,249 --> 00:38:16,459
out-of-body experience well you know

862
00:38:21,459 --> 00:38:18,259
with an out-of-body experience

863
00:38:23,559 --> 00:38:21,469

that is an internal experience that at

864

00:38:25,509 --> 00:38:23,569

best you know have some political

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00:38:27,519 --> 00:38:25,519

component to it you see something out of

866

00:38:29,920 --> 00:38:27,529

the body that you couldn't have seen if

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00:38:32,410 --> 00:38:29,930

you were in the body but fundamentally

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00:38:37,029 --> 00:38:32,420

it's a subjective you know into interior

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00:38:38,620 --> 00:38:37,039

experience with cn Pease be one of the

870

00:38:40,749 --> 00:38:38,630

things that makes them so different from

871

00:38:43,150 --> 00:38:40,759

other things that we're studying in

872

00:38:46,329 --> 00:38:43,160

terms of the paranormal if these are

873

00:38:48,519 --> 00:38:46,339

objectives there's a khole events just

874

00:38:51,099 --> 00:38:48,529

to nail that down a little bit so when

875

00:38:53,140 --> 00:38:51,109

you're in the water brigade you're in

876

00:38:55,930 --> 00:38:53,150

the water brigade with ten other people

877

00:38:58,059 --> 00:38:55,940

or five hover many there are and they

878

00:39:00,660 --> 00:38:58,069

can all right say yes that really

879

00:39:04,509 --> 00:39:00,670

happened when you have the experience of

880

00:39:08,349 --> 00:39:04,519

being inside the Simpsons episode of the

881

00:39:10,749 --> 00:39:08,359

Krusty the Klown episode then every

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00:39:13,269 --> 00:39:10,759

millions of people can watch the Krusty

883

00:39:14,680 --> 00:39:13,279

the Klown episode and say yeah that

884

00:39:17,259 --> 00:39:14,690

really happened and they could have

885

00:39:19,390 --> 00:39:17,269

videotaped you out at the park and said

886

00:39:21,579 --> 00:39:19,400

yeah that same thing happens so there is

887

00:39:25,239 --> 00:39:21,589

this this difference there isn't there

888

00:39:26,709 --> 00:39:25,249

right and a lot of the events of cmts I

889

00:39:30,609 --> 00:39:26,719

found through going back and checking

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00:39:32,650 --> 00:39:30,619

are recorded their emails their their a

891

00:39:35,410 --> 00:39:32,660

television show they're things that

892

00:39:37,779 --> 00:39:35,420

don't rely on people's reporting so here

893

00:39:43,209 --> 00:39:37,789

we have objective often recorded

894

00:39:45,910 --> 00:39:43,219

physical events that you know we have to

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00:39:49,180 --> 00:39:45,920

explain how they came together while

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00:39:51,910 --> 00:39:49,190

being so unbelievably similar and so in

897

00:39:54,160 --> 00:39:51,920

the end that the you know the the import

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00:39:55,359 --> 00:39:54,170

of the phenomenon is a bit different

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00:39:56,829 --> 00:39:55,369

than with something like an out-of-body

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00:40:01,449 --> 00:39:56,839

experience or an NDE

901
00:40:04,390 --> 00:40:01,459
or past life memory where those things

902
00:40:06,900 --> 00:40:04,400
are suggestive of unusual human

903
00:40:09,390 --> 00:40:06,910
abilities or suggestive of

904
00:40:11,130 --> 00:40:09,400
you know our ultimate nature as humans

905
00:40:11,670 --> 00:40:11,140
maybe were in material and could survive

906
00:40:15,359 --> 00:40:11,680
death

907
00:40:17,279 --> 00:40:15,369
this phenomenon instead is suggestive it

908
00:40:19,950 --> 00:40:17,289
seems to me of something other than us

909
00:40:22,020 --> 00:40:19,960
something that seems could be sending us

910
00:40:23,549 --> 00:40:22,030
messages whether that be God or

911
00:40:25,500 --> 00:40:23,559
something else like a collective

912
00:40:28,170 --> 00:40:25,510
unconscious or you know who knows you

913
00:40:30,059 --> 00:40:28,180

know aliens whatever I'm just not quite

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00:40:32,279 --> 00:40:30,069

sure that we can make that last leap

915

00:40:33,809 --> 00:40:32,289

because there's this whole idea one of

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00:40:36,390 --> 00:40:33,819

time that we talked about and

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00:40:40,069 --> 00:40:36,400

precognition but also just in terms of

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00:40:42,750 --> 00:40:40,079

being you and I and whoever being

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00:40:44,490 --> 00:40:42,760

co-creators of our reality so we get

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00:40:47,760 --> 00:40:44,500

back to this idea of what's reality and

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00:40:49,710 --> 00:40:47,770

how is reality being created and

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00:40:51,809 --> 00:40:49,720

experienced and again what's our

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00:40:54,000 --> 00:40:51,819

relationship to time are we in the

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00:40:56,760 --> 00:40:54,010

future creating our reality of the past

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00:40:58,620 --> 00:40:56,770

I mean but I do get your point yeah we

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00:41:01,589 --> 00:40:58,630

shouldn't act like anything's pursuing

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00:41:04,829 --> 00:41:01,599

it as yet however I think that there is

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00:41:07,020 --> 00:41:04,839

a contemporary bias even among those of

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00:41:09,960 --> 00:41:07,030

us who were into the paranormal a bias

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00:41:14,579 --> 00:41:09,970

against sort of agents that are beyond

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00:41:16,589 --> 00:41:14,589

the human you know maybe if we take NDE

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00:41:19,319 --> 00:41:16,599

seriously for instance it looks like

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00:41:21,660 --> 00:41:19,329

that experience involves a certain

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00:41:24,240 --> 00:41:21,670

amount of initiative from the other side

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00:41:26,339 --> 00:41:24,250

maybe something coming to the human

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00:41:29,849 --> 00:41:26,349

level from the other side is part of how

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00:41:32,010 --> 00:41:29,859

that works great well the book again is

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00:41:34,049 --> 00:41:32,020

signs we'll have a link to it up here on

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00:41:35,789 --> 00:41:34,059

the website Robert it's been great

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00:41:38,519 --> 00:41:35,799

having you on thanks for joining us oh

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00:41:40,260 --> 00:41:38,529

thank you so much for having me thanks

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00:41:42,210 --> 00:41:40,270

again to robert Parry for joining me

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00:41:44,760 --> 00:41:42,220

today on skeptic oh you know there's a

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00:41:47,130 --> 00:41:44,770

couple of questions that I pull out of

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00:41:49,260 --> 00:41:47,140

this interview and ask for your response

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00:41:52,260 --> 00:41:49,270

on love to hear your opinion on these

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00:41:54,059 --> 00:41:52,270

the first has to do with synchronicity

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00:41:56,220 --> 00:41:54,069

you know we've never talked about it on

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00:41:58,859 --> 00:41:56,230

this show so perhaps it would be

950

00:42:00,299 --> 00:41:58,869

interesting to hear your experiences

951
00:42:02,309 --> 00:42:00,309
with it whether you think it's real

952
00:42:04,140 --> 00:42:02,319
whether you think it's a pattern

953
00:42:06,420 --> 00:42:04,150
matching brain kind of thing which it

954
00:42:08,370 --> 00:42:06,430
certainly is in some cases but is there

955
00:42:11,130 --> 00:42:08,380
any real nough stew it up does it ever

956
00:42:13,440 --> 00:42:11,140
go beyond the normal to the paranormal

957
00:42:15,210 --> 00:42:13,450
and the second question i teed up has to

958
00:42:17,010 --> 00:42:15,220
do at this point that robert made at the

959
00:42:20,010 --> 00:42:17,020
end which i think is a fascinating point

960
00:42:20,600 --> 00:42:20,020
and that is is there a bias against

961
00:42:23,630 --> 00:42:20,610
theory

962
00:42:25,790 --> 00:42:23,640
that suggests this hand of God kind of

963
00:42:27,770 --> 00:42:25,800

phenomena and as Robert points out it

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00:42:29,480 --> 00:42:27,780

doesn't always have to be God upon a

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00:42:33,250 --> 00:42:29,490

cloud or anything like that but this

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00:42:35,780 --> 00:42:33,260

idea that there may be these external

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00:42:38,030 --> 00:42:35,790

non-physical influences that are

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00:42:41,930 --> 00:42:38,040

directing our life in a certain way is

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00:42:44,210 --> 00:42:41,940

there a built-in bias against even

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00:42:45,560 --> 00:42:44,220

considering theories like that I think

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00:42:47,630 --> 00:42:45,570

that's a really interesting point I'd

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00:42:48,950 --> 00:42:47,640

love to hear your thoughts on it the way

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00:42:51,440 --> 00:42:48,960

to share those thoughts are either

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00:42:54,290 --> 00:42:51,450

through the skeptical form on the

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00:42:56,870 --> 00:42:54,300

website email to me Facebook to me all

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00:43:01,160 --> 00:42:56,880

that stuff you can find at The Skeptical

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00:43:02,900 --> 00:43:01,170

website it's at sk EPT lko comm and

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00:43:04,760 --> 00:43:02,910

there you'll also find links to all our

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00:43:06,950 --> 00:43:04,770

previous shows so you can get caught up

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00:43:10,160 --> 00:43:06,960

on all the back episodes of skeptic oh

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00:43:11,990 --> 00:43:10,170

it's always so fun to get emails from

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00:43:14,270 --> 00:43:12,000

people who say hey I just stumbled

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00:43:16,160 --> 00:43:14,280

across the show and I found that there's

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00:43:17,810 --> 00:43:16,170

all these back episodes and I'm

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00:43:21,050 --> 00:43:17,820

listening to them and you can kind of

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00:43:22,490 --> 00:43:21,060

reacts perience them going through and

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00:43:25,040 --> 00:43:22,500

going through the same journey that I've

988

00:43:28,370 --> 00:43:25,050

been on over these four or five years

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00:43:30,170 --> 00:43:28,380

now in doing skeptic oh so if you are

990

00:43:31,970 --> 00:43:30,180

inclined to do that or you know someone

991

00:43:34,100 --> 00:43:31,980

who'd liked it maybe listen to some of

992

00:43:35,570 --> 00:43:34,110

those old shows please tell them about

993

00:43:37,190 --> 00:43:35,580

it that's what they're there for

994

00:43:38,930 --> 00:43:37,200

so with that I just want to let you know

995

00:43:40,820 --> 00:43:38,940

I have a number of shows coming up I'm

996

00:43:42,800 --> 00:43:40,830

gonna probably get be bringing them out

997

00:43:45,620 --> 00:43:42,810

every week for a while because I do have

998

00:43:47,360 --> 00:43:45,630

several in the hopper and I need to get

999

00:43:48,590 --> 00:43:47,370

caught up so I can do some more

1000

00:43:50,390 --> 00:43:48,600

interviews because I have so many

1001

00:43:52,760 --> 00:43:50,400

interviews out there that I want to do

1002

00:43:55,460 --> 00:43:52,770

so you might have to pick up your pace

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00:43:59,150 --> 00:43:55,470

of skeptical listening for a while here