

# Bryan & Anthony Badventist

## Skeptiko #404



### Skeptiko Topics:

Consciousness Science

Parapsychology

Near-Death Experience

Spirituality

Skeptics/Skepticism

Psi

Psychics & Mediums

Atheism

UFO

Neuroscience

Conspiracy Theories

Contactee Experience

OBE

1  
00:00:11,360 --> 00:00:08,600  
sometimes people say to me pastor Jeff

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00:00:15,200 --> 00:00:11,370  
how do you know there's a god and I say

3  
00:00:17,090 --> 00:00:15,210  
it's simple math God either exists or he

4  
00:00:19,370 --> 00:00:17,100  
doesn't so let's be cynical

5  
00:00:22,370 --> 00:00:19,380  
worst case scenario there's a 50/50

6  
00:00:25,849 --> 00:00:22,380  
chance and I like those odds that's

7  
00:00:28,609 --> 00:00:25,859  
wrong that's a clip from young Sheldon a

8  
00:00:30,380 --> 00:00:28,619  
TV show about a Brainiac kid who likes

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00:00:32,870 --> 00:00:30,390  
to tell adults all stupid they are and

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00:00:35,870 --> 00:00:32,880  
how smart he is for following science

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00:00:37,729 --> 00:00:35,880  
and logic you've confused possibilities

12  
00:00:39,740 --> 00:00:37,739  
with probabilities according to your

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00:00:41,660 --> 00:00:39,750

analogy when I go home I might find a

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00:00:45,920 --> 00:00:41,670

million dollars on my bed or I might not

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00:00:47,240 --> 00:00:45,930

and what universe is that 5050 now if

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00:00:49,610 --> 00:00:47,250

you've listened to this show very much

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00:00:52,939 --> 00:00:49,620

you know that the science versus

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00:00:57,350 --> 00:00:52,949

religion debate non debate is an itch

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00:00:59,959 --> 00:00:57,360

that I just can't resist scratching and

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00:01:02,630 --> 00:00:59,969

when I say is Christianity worth saving

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00:01:05,509 --> 00:01:02,640

why is it necessary I mean it's really

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00:01:09,320 --> 00:01:05,519

cool that if you travel to a foreign

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00:01:11,960 --> 00:01:09,330

country and get really sick that you

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00:01:14,990 --> 00:01:11,970

have a network that you can tie into

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00:01:18,230 --> 00:01:15,000

that's awesome on a practical level but

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00:01:21,410 --> 00:01:18,240

on a spiritual level if that is based on

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00:01:23,240 --> 00:01:21,420

some things that are not true in the way

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00:01:27,560 --> 00:01:23,250

that we normally think about things

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00:01:31,340 --> 00:01:27,570

being true have you kind of made some

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00:01:34,730 --> 00:01:31,350

compromises there that may inhibit your

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00:01:37,460 --> 00:01:34,740

spiritual growth I struggled with that

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00:01:40,340 --> 00:01:37,470

question like oh yeah why don't I study

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00:01:42,590 --> 00:01:40,350

Sufi ism or pick up Zen Buddhism Beth

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00:01:44,929 --> 00:01:42,600

Bryan to shade from the Bad Venice

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00:01:47,149 --> 00:01:44,939

podcast Brad's a young guy in his early

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00:01:49,219 --> 00:01:47,159

20s who joined me today to rehash these

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00:01:51,350 --> 00:01:49,229

questions about Christianity and about

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00:01:53,569 --> 00:01:51,360

whether regardless of whether or not it

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00:01:57,740 --> 00:01:53,579

can hold up to the scrutiny of young

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00:02:01,450 --> 00:01:57,750

Sheldon it might still offer a language

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00:02:04,459 --> 00:02:01,460

with which to access the very real

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00:02:07,429 --> 00:02:04,469

scientifically established realms of

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00:02:10,070 --> 00:02:07,439

extended consciousness the answer that I

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00:02:12,360 --> 00:02:10,080

came up with because the Christian

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00:02:14,729 --> 00:02:12,370

language that I grew up with is the most

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00:02:17,400 --> 00:02:14,739

accessible language for me to interact

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00:02:19,470 --> 00:02:17,410

with the spiritual stick around my

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00:02:22,910 --> 00:02:19,480

interview with Brian and Anthony from

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00:02:25,550 --> 00:02:22,920

the Bad Venice podcast is coming up on

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00:02:33,930 --> 00:02:25,560

skeptic Oh

51  
00:02:40,540 --> 00:02:37,330  
today we welcome Brian and Anthony from

52  
00:02:43,300 --> 00:02:40,550  
the Bad Venice podcast two young guys

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00:02:46,089 --> 00:02:43,310  
who are really blazing a new trail in

54  
00:02:47,530 --> 00:02:46,099  
the progressive Christian movement and

55  
00:02:49,360 --> 00:02:47,540  
that brand a few months ago and he

56  
00:02:51,520 --> 00:02:49,370  
helped me out a great deal with some

57  
00:02:53,920 --> 00:02:51,530  
skeptical projects and then I was super

58  
00:02:56,830 --> 00:02:53,930  
excited to hear that he had started his

59  
00:02:58,240 --> 00:02:56,840  
own podcast and along with Anthony I

60  
00:03:00,910 --> 00:02:58,250  
listened to a couple of them and I

61  
00:03:02,890 --> 00:03:00,920  
thought they were so relevant to some of

62  
00:03:05,140 --> 00:03:02,900  
the topics that I've been haranguing

63  
00:03:07,690 --> 00:03:05,150

people about lately

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00:03:10,240 --> 00:03:07,700

that I really wanted to have these guys

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00:03:13,030 --> 00:03:10,250

on we had a little pre-interview chat

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00:03:15,250 --> 00:03:13,040

and that went great so I'm excited to

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00:03:17,860 --> 00:03:15,260

have both of you guys here thanks for

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00:03:20,650 --> 00:03:17,870

joining me on skeptic oh thanks so much

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00:03:22,839 --> 00:03:20,660

for having us in our cartoonishly large

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00:03:23,979 --> 00:03:22,849

headphones yeah thank you very much is

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00:03:29,410 --> 00:03:23,989

quite an honor

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00:03:30,819 --> 00:03:29,420

Wow honor jeez great well I tell you

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00:03:33,100 --> 00:03:30,829

what I don't know about that well we'll

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00:03:36,309 --> 00:03:33,110

see how we all feel at the end but I do

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00:03:38,289 --> 00:03:36,319

say I really did enjoy the Bad Venice

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00:03:39,910 --> 00:03:38,299

the episodes that I've listened to I

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00:03:41,530 --> 00:03:39,920

think you guys have a great vibe and a

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00:03:43,720 --> 00:03:41,540

great way of working together and I

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00:03:46,090 --> 00:03:43,730

think you're you you have a fresh

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00:03:48,250 --> 00:03:46,100

approach to these topics so let's start

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00:03:51,849 --> 00:03:48,260

just tell folks a little bit each one of

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00:03:56,530 --> 00:03:51,859

you about who you are and how you came

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00:03:58,240 --> 00:03:56,540

to do this podcast maybe so we both grew

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00:04:01,599 --> 00:03:58,250

up in the seventh-day Adventist Church

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00:04:05,289 --> 00:04:01,609

was which is in a very American

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00:04:08,110 --> 00:04:05,299

Protestant conservative denomination and

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00:04:11,770 --> 00:04:08,120

it kind of it's an institution that

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00:04:14,530 --> 00:04:11,780

raised us I grew up going to private

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00:04:18,430 --> 00:04:14,540

Christian school Adventist academies and

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00:04:22,240 --> 00:04:18,440

so the simply Adventist Church pretty

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00:04:25,600 --> 00:04:22,250

much raised us Anthony's family

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00:04:28,150 --> 00:04:25,610

converted when he was very young I come

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00:04:30,879 --> 00:04:28,160

from like a very like diverse at the

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00:04:33,250 --> 00:04:30,889

ethnically diverse background and so I

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00:04:36,310 --> 00:04:33,260

feel like I'm more Adventist than I am

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00:04:40,480 --> 00:04:36,320

any of my respective Heritage's and so

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00:04:43,029 --> 00:04:40,490

we met um in college he graduated the

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00:04:45,040 --> 00:04:43,039

year I started going to a PC Berkeley

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00:04:46,180 --> 00:04:45,050

and we met each other at the church

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00:04:48,430 --> 00:04:46,190

there

101  
00:04:50,980 --> 00:04:48,440  
and it's a lovely little hub of like

102  
00:04:54,430 --> 00:04:50,990  
very liberal people in a very

103  
00:04:57,270 --> 00:04:54,440  
conservative wave Enclave yeah yeah and

104  
00:05:00,340 --> 00:04:57,280  
it seems kind of like a surreal place

105  
00:05:03,460 --> 00:05:00,350  
because like Brian mentioned we are very

106  
00:05:06,450 --> 00:05:03,470  
well the combination is very

107  
00:05:10,660 --> 00:05:06,460  
conservative almost laughingly so and

108  
00:05:14,320 --> 00:05:10,670  
the Berkeley Enclave the Berkeley group

109  
00:05:18,030 --> 00:05:14,330  
is so diverse so progressive so exciting

110  
00:05:20,800 --> 00:05:18,040  
and to talk to but to be around and

111  
00:05:23,590 --> 00:05:20,810  
they're in my opinion we're all very

112  
00:05:24,490 --> 00:05:23,600  
sincere advant is that we really want to

113  
00:05:27,970 --> 00:05:24,500

be Adventist

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00:05:29,590 --> 00:05:27,980

and by anyone else's metric by the

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00:05:34,840 --> 00:05:29,600

church's own metric I don't think we'd

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00:05:38,980 --> 00:05:34,850

we make the cut yeah and then we've

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00:05:41,470 --> 00:05:38,990

decided to sort of amend the metric and

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00:05:43,810 --> 00:05:41,480

just okay we're bad with us and these

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00:05:46,710 --> 00:05:43,820

are topics and issues that we talk about

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00:05:49,780 --> 00:05:46,720

normally and so we just decided let's uh

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00:05:52,420 --> 00:05:49,790

put turn on the microphone and try to

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00:05:56,230 --> 00:05:52,430

find other people like us and in doing

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00:05:58,270 --> 00:05:56,240

so I think Brian and I I sort of had a

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00:06:00,460 --> 00:05:58,280

flesh out kind of what we believe and

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00:06:03,490 --> 00:06:00,470

kind of what our journeys have been and

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00:06:05,230 --> 00:06:03,500

sometimes we disagree as we're surprised

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00:06:08,020 --> 00:06:05,240

by the fighting we disagree sometimes we

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00:06:10,270 --> 00:06:08,030

don't disagree sail yeah yeah it's been

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00:06:13,480 --> 00:06:10,280

an interesting journey mm-hmm and we're

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00:06:17,610 --> 00:06:13,490

also technically uh funded right I don't

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00:06:20,500 --> 00:06:17,620

know how Brian hoodwinked the conference

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00:06:21,820 --> 00:06:20,510

yeah we have like a small stipend from

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00:06:26,350 --> 00:06:21,830

the church for this and the running joke

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00:06:28,720 --> 00:06:26,360

is how long can we go on until we lose I

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00:06:30,400 --> 00:06:28,730

mean it's yeah but it's this because

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00:06:33,520 --> 00:06:30,410

they've sort of embraced us I was like

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00:06:35,920 --> 00:06:33,530

oh you guys are really cool and like you

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00:06:37,900 --> 00:06:35,930

provide a space you provide a space or

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00:06:40,450 --> 00:06:37,910

on people to question or doubt without

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00:06:43,000 --> 00:06:40,460

leaving so they're very concerned about

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00:06:45,490 --> 00:06:43,010

retention especially of Millennials and

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00:06:51,940 --> 00:06:45,500

I don't think they know how to talk to

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00:06:54,930 --> 00:06:51,950

my and Sutherland and I don't know how

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00:06:58,360 --> 00:06:54,940

much we actually talk to them but we do

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00:06:59,740 --> 00:06:58,370

compared to you know the other Adventist

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00:07:02,680 --> 00:06:59,750

podcast I do

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00:07:05,890 --> 00:07:02,690

that were honest and refresh and we're

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00:07:08,590 --> 00:07:05,900

not just trying to rehash church policy

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00:07:10,530 --> 00:07:08,600

in with young faces yeah I'm certainly

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00:07:13,180 --> 00:07:10,540

not certainly not from what I've heard

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00:07:15,970 --> 00:07:13,190

but hey that's all that's all really

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00:07:19,720 --> 00:07:15,980

super refreshing and it's like I said

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00:07:21,670 --> 00:07:19,730

it's at the edge of these issues that I

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00:07:23,410 --> 00:07:21,680

care about and I try and bring forward

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00:07:24,730 --> 00:07:23,420

on skeptic oh and I just think your

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00:07:27,610 --> 00:07:24,740

background is interesting well you guys

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00:07:28,960 --> 00:07:27,620

are very well educated Berkeley you know

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00:07:32,140 --> 00:07:28,970

Anthony you were just telling us you're

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00:07:34,330 --> 00:07:32,150

an attorney Brian you I don't want to go

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00:07:36,640 --> 00:07:34,340

into your job but you're professional

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00:07:40,300 --> 00:07:36,650

you're working hard on your career so

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00:07:41,820 --> 00:07:40,310

it's it's just kind of cool that we're

163

00:07:45,010 --> 00:07:41,830

gonna get into it in a minute but

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00:07:47,500 --> 00:07:45,020

seventh-day adventists immediately

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00:07:50,590 --> 00:07:47,510

there's a knee-jerk reaction from people

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00:07:54,130 --> 00:07:50,600

about preconceived notions about what

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00:07:56,409 --> 00:07:54,140

that religion is some of them are true

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00:07:57,750 --> 00:07:56,419

and I'm gonna push you on those and some

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00:08:01,840 --> 00:07:57,760

of those you're gonna have to kind of

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00:08:04,420 --> 00:08:01,850

handle but isn't it cool that you're

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00:08:08,110 --> 00:08:04,430

willing and able to go there and I think

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00:08:09,700 --> 00:08:08,120

that's that's terrific so but before we

173

00:08:11,409 --> 00:08:09,710

go there you know you've given us a

174

00:08:14,590 --> 00:08:11,419

little bit of a background I started

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00:08:16,630 --> 00:08:14,600

asking people kind of this one question

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00:08:17,350 --> 00:08:16,640

kind of thing and it's actually two

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00:08:19,980 --> 00:08:17,360

questions

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00:08:22,630 --> 00:08:19,990

but since skeptic Oh is a show about

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00:08:26,830 --> 00:08:22,640

science and spirituality

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00:08:30,450 --> 00:08:26,840

I wonder if each of you can share with

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00:08:35,320 --> 00:08:30,460

us a profound experience that you had

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00:08:37,360 --> 00:08:35,330

either either in science slash reason

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00:08:39,159 --> 00:08:37,370

something that you gained through you

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00:08:41,020 --> 00:08:39,169

know standard science or learning and

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00:08:43,990 --> 00:08:41,030

said wow you know now I really am opened

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00:08:46,780 --> 00:08:44,000

up in a way and or a profound spiritual

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00:08:49,120 --> 00:08:46,790

experience that really transformed you

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00:08:50,410 --> 00:08:49,130

in some way so put me on the spot here

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00:08:53,829 --> 00:08:50,420

but there's kind of no pressure

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00:08:58,860 --> 00:08:53,839

anything popped in mind about a one of

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00:09:03,520 --> 00:08:58,870

those types of experiences today yeah so

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00:09:05,320 --> 00:09:03,530

just today I had like in it like a I've

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00:09:09,010 --> 00:09:05,330

been finding the language for it

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00:09:11,460 --> 00:09:09,020

recently things to skeptic oh thanks to

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00:09:12,970 --> 00:09:11,470

Gordon white thanks to Conor have the

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00:09:14,650 --> 00:09:12,980

eye

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00:09:16,930 --> 00:09:14,660

like this kind of synchronistic journey

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00:09:20,230 --> 00:09:16,940

today where last night I had this dream

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00:09:22,329 --> 00:09:20,240

of my grandparents home and I'm the

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00:09:27,670 --> 00:09:22,339

afternoon delivery boy in my office job

201  
00:09:33,550 --> 00:09:27,680  
also and I I was struggling yeah that's

202  
00:09:36,579 --> 00:09:33,560  
good struggles real and I was given like

203  
00:09:38,650 --> 00:09:36,589  
this one package to deliver to a place

204  
00:09:40,900 --> 00:09:38,660  
I've never been to before that took me

205  
00:09:46,420 --> 00:09:40,910  
right by my grandparents home it's like

206  
00:09:47,680 --> 00:09:46,430  
an hour away from the office and and in

207  
00:09:50,620 --> 00:09:47,690  
the dream there were like these birds

208  
00:09:52,180 --> 00:09:50,630  
with like bright red and driving up

209  
00:09:55,060 --> 00:09:52,190  
there were these vultures with their

210  
00:09:58,689 --> 00:09:55,070  
bright red faces and there was just this

211  
00:10:03,759 --> 00:09:58,699  
sense of like emotional sentimental but

212  
00:10:04,900 --> 00:10:03,769  
also like transcendent like wait - I

213  
00:10:08,920 --> 00:10:04,910

don't know what's going to happen next

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00:10:11,590 --> 00:10:08,930

and the house my grandparents have

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00:10:14,740 --> 00:10:11,600

passed away and I've been having some

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00:10:19,120 --> 00:10:14,750

other synchronicities relating to them

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00:10:21,160 --> 00:10:19,130

recently in the last year so and their

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00:10:25,300 --> 00:10:21,170

house is in a small gated community and

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00:10:27,069 --> 00:10:25,310

I tried to I don't know the code I tried

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00:10:29,829 --> 00:10:27,079

to go up and I looked at the call box in

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00:10:32,920 --> 00:10:29,839

the directory and our family name was

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00:10:36,460 --> 00:10:32,930

still listed so I pressed call and then

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00:10:40,180 --> 00:10:36,470

I just hear this like big smiling voice

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00:10:42,189 --> 00:10:40,190

of my dad saying hi and I thought that

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00:10:43,990 --> 00:10:42,199

it was calling directly to him but it

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00:10:48,100 --> 00:10:44,000

was recording that he had set up I don't

227

00:10:50,920 --> 00:10:48,110

know how long ago and and then nothing

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00:10:54,040 --> 00:10:50,930

happened I can get inside and so just I

229

00:10:58,120 --> 00:10:54,050

called my dad and I haven't talked him

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00:11:00,129 --> 00:10:58,130

in several weeks and like the last year

231

00:11:04,300 --> 00:11:00,139

or so has been like a little tense

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00:11:08,259 --> 00:11:04,310

between us and so this feels it it felt

233

00:11:11,439 --> 00:11:08,269

like a very Universal cosmic scientist

234

00:11:12,790 --> 00:11:11,449

like talk to your dad and I don't like

235

00:11:14,800 --> 00:11:12,800

that just happened today so I feel like

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00:11:16,150 --> 00:11:14,810

something's still going on with it and I

237

00:11:20,259 --> 00:11:16,160

kind of want to share it for that reason

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00:11:22,689 --> 00:11:20,269

but um but if anyone has any peacock

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00:11:26,290 --> 00:11:22,699

synchronicities those also showed up and

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00:11:28,570 --> 00:11:26,300

I'd love to connect about those yeah

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00:11:31,210 --> 00:11:28,580

we've also had one experience where were

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00:11:33,160 --> 00:11:31,220

in Table Mountain on a full moon

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00:11:37,810 --> 00:11:33,170

throughout a full moon doing a ritual

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00:11:40,180 --> 00:11:37,820

and I what I think was this huge an owl

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00:11:42,880 --> 00:11:40,190

or glue like straight in front of a

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00:11:44,020 --> 00:11:42,890

mouse I like sort of spirit as you I

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00:11:46,750 --> 00:11:44,030

don't know if you can see but there's a

248

00:11:49,390 --> 00:11:46,760

bunch of elves in my office just a bunch

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00:11:54,550 --> 00:11:49,400

of owls um that's kind of mind like

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00:11:57,600 --> 00:11:54,560

spirit animal but yeah yes I was

251  
00:12:01,800 --> 00:11:57,610  
peacocks yeah as big tube and apart from

252  
00:12:05,020 --> 00:12:01,810  
like the kind of hormonal like praise

253  
00:12:06,190 --> 00:12:05,030  
music like the moment where it moonless

254  
00:12:08,200 --> 00:12:06,200  
their hands in the air which is very

255  
00:12:10,510 --> 00:12:08,210  
rare in the Adventist Church yes but I

256  
00:12:12,340 --> 00:12:10,520  
feel like a lot of um I don't know it

257  
00:12:16,420 --> 00:12:12,350  
feels like a lot of those spiritually

258  
00:12:21,100 --> 00:12:16,430  
impactful moments happen outside of your

259  
00:12:22,450 --> 00:12:21,110  
recognized religious worldview and a lot

260  
00:12:24,190 --> 00:12:22,460  
of Adventists have experience with that

261  
00:12:26,470 --> 00:12:24,200  
too where they talk about oh there was

262  
00:12:27,730 --> 00:12:26,480  
an angel you know like someone helped

263  
00:12:28,750 --> 00:12:27,740

them when their car broke down in the

264

00:12:31,660 --> 00:12:28,760

middle of the night and then they

265

00:12:33,730 --> 00:12:31,670

disappeared and so it feels like there's

266

00:12:35,230 --> 00:12:33,740

a lot of experience with something that

267

00:12:41,340 --> 00:12:35,240

happened that shouldn't have happened on

268

00:12:45,400 --> 00:12:41,350

the edges on the edges the edges and and

269

00:12:46,840 --> 00:12:45,410

I guess one thing that I want to do with

270

00:12:48,640 --> 00:12:46,850

our podcast is to learn how to talk

271

00:12:52,390 --> 00:12:48,650

about those instances more those

272

00:12:54,540 --> 00:12:52,400

mystical experiences what about the

273

00:12:59,320 --> 00:12:54,550

other side of that what about the

274

00:13:02,650 --> 00:12:59,330

scientific rational logical side that

275

00:13:05,260 --> 00:13:02,660

that might have propelled you forward or

276

00:13:07,960 --> 00:13:05,270

shifted you in a way anything you can

277

00:13:12,100 --> 00:13:07,970

relate to there something that you that

278

00:13:19,300 --> 00:13:12,110

you learned that change the way you view

279

00:13:22,080 --> 00:13:19,310

the world I mean I mean I went to law

280

00:13:26,590 --> 00:13:22,090

school so law school is just founded in

281

00:13:30,370 --> 00:13:26,600

no reason I mean it tells us it is right

282

00:13:33,400 --> 00:13:30,380

and and it wants to it wants us to view

283

00:13:36,250 --> 00:13:33,410

the world strictly from that point and

284

00:13:37,680 --> 00:13:36,260

on the best days we got to do that I

285

00:13:40,650 --> 00:13:37,690

guess

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00:13:43,350 --> 00:13:40,660

but and that is helpful at different

287

00:13:46,560 --> 00:13:43,360

moments like at the beginning of college

288

00:13:48,180 --> 00:13:46,570

I was struggling very much with Lake you

289

00:13:50,460 --> 00:13:48,190

know there has to be some spiritual

290

00:13:53,520 --> 00:13:50,470

meaning to the world and yet does it

291

00:13:55,800 --> 00:13:53,530

have to be this sexist racist book that

292

00:13:58,350 --> 00:13:55,810

we've inherited or in the last like

293

00:14:01,320 --> 00:13:58,360

millennium where I get that like like

294

00:14:03,800 --> 00:14:01,330

deep residences when this is very nerdy

295

00:14:08,160 --> 00:14:03,810

I know but when I listen to or I read

296

00:14:12,060 --> 00:14:08,170

like a groundbreaking case I'm like like

297

00:14:15,390 --> 00:14:12,070

RBG when she was like in front of the

298

00:14:17,940 --> 00:14:15,400

tenth circuit was Mary hurricane no but

299

00:14:22,680 --> 00:14:17,950

it's the basis of the new movie about

300

00:14:26,850 --> 00:14:22,690

her and she she uses the same logic and

301

00:14:30,180 --> 00:14:26,860

reason that put her and her gender in

302

00:14:32,520 --> 00:14:30,190

oppression and she uses that to sort of

303

00:14:35,220 --> 00:14:32,530

wiggle her way out and and pray who is

304

00:14:37,110 --> 00:14:35,230

this who is this Oh Ruth Bader Ginsburg

305

00:14:41,430 --> 00:14:37,120

wench okay before she became a Supreme

306

00:14:42,690 --> 00:14:41,440

Court justice she was arguing a case of

307

00:14:45,000 --> 00:14:42,700

the Tenth Circuit and that became

308

00:14:47,670 --> 00:14:45,010

precedent and you know how when the

309

00:14:50,880 --> 00:14:47,680

system works and it's very slow and it's

310

00:14:53,040 --> 00:14:50,890

very rare mm-hmm but when it but you see

311

00:14:57,660 --> 00:14:53,050

you see her doing it and it's like wow

312

00:15:00,150 --> 00:14:57,670

that's that's insane um and that we're

313

00:15:01,680 --> 00:15:00,160

supposed to do yeah wiggle out or you

314

00:15:05,730 --> 00:15:01,690

know have a UFO experience that just

315

00:15:09,500 --> 00:15:05,740

takes yeah but in regards to like

316

00:15:11,790 --> 00:15:09,510

science and I don't know the rationale

317

00:15:14,670 --> 00:15:11,800

on our journey

318

00:15:17,700 --> 00:15:14,680

Sam Harris and Jordan Pederson has

319

00:15:20,220 --> 00:15:17,710

helped us get us out of a couple of and

320

00:15:22,650 --> 00:15:20,230

then you know these are stepping stones

321

00:15:24,120 --> 00:15:22,660

that you move past eventually yesterday

322

00:15:27,210 --> 00:15:24,130

to high school students got disqualified

323

00:15:30,120 --> 00:15:27,220

for using Jordan Peterson as a as a son

324

00:15:32,760 --> 00:15:30,130

that's no ma'am no we're glad we're past

325

00:15:35,580 --> 00:15:32,770

it but no you know we're lessons to be

326

00:15:39,030 --> 00:15:35,590

learned so you know they helped us in a

327

00:15:43,710 --> 00:15:39,040

couple of summers lumps sure nice

328

00:15:46,320 --> 00:15:43,720

one of the goals of this show is to kind

329

00:15:48,060 --> 00:15:46,330

of traverse that path that I think so

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00:15:50,250 --> 00:15:48,070

many of us

331

00:15:54,120 --> 00:15:50,260

not only follow but flip back and forth

332

00:15:55,800 --> 00:15:54,130

to and that's the rational logical help

333

00:15:59,600 --> 00:15:55,810

me make this make sense I'm a smart

334

00:16:02,790 --> 00:15:59,610

person I can think through this and the

335

00:16:05,010 --> 00:16:02,800

super natural which so many people are

336

00:16:08,940 --> 00:16:05,020

afraid to go there but we can't explain

337

00:16:11,130 --> 00:16:08,950

our transformative spiritual experiences

338

00:16:13,320 --> 00:16:11,140

in the rational that's at least my

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00:16:15,840 --> 00:16:13,330

conclusion that's my rational conclusion

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00:16:18,660 --> 00:16:15,850

about the irrational so I love that

341

00:16:21,990 --> 00:16:18,670

we've kind of traversed that territory a

342

00:16:24,870 --> 00:16:22,000

little bit okay so I said we would talk

343

00:16:26,940 --> 00:16:24,880

about this and that was actually very

344

00:16:31,950 --> 00:16:26,950

excited about this next stuff a dislike

345

00:16:33,600 --> 00:16:31,960

to it because I think I think it is

346

00:16:35,100 --> 00:16:33,610

tough for people I remember the first

347

00:16:37,410 --> 00:16:35,110

time I talked to Brian and he told me

348

00:16:38,060 --> 00:16:37,420

say 78 I said yeah but that's a cult

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00:16:41,100 --> 00:16:38,070

right

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00:16:43,800 --> 00:16:41,110

is it because I'd like to be provocative

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00:16:45,960 --> 00:16:43,810

and I like really hard and see what

352

00:16:48,660 --> 00:16:45,970

their comeback was yeah I'd like Brian

353

00:16:51,420 --> 00:16:48,670

immediately because his comeback was

354

00:16:55,080 --> 00:16:51,430

yeah some people see it that way but it

355

00:16:57,690 --> 00:16:55,090

really isn't that way and but was open

356

00:17:00,270 --> 00:16:57,700

to understanding why there is that

357

00:17:04,160 --> 00:17:00,280

perception and how people might form

358

00:17:07,200 --> 00:17:04,170

that perception and take away guy's fact

359

00:17:12,090 --> 00:17:07,210

versus fiction well just just off the

360

00:17:14,430 --> 00:17:12,100

but we do have a prophetess Alan G white

361

00:17:16,590 --> 00:17:14,440

she's sort of the founder not the

362

00:17:19,920 --> 00:17:16,600

founder but she's the spiritual founders

363

00:17:21,810 --> 00:17:19,930

there's a leader yet and I feel always

364

00:17:23,940 --> 00:17:21,820

feel weird saying that to people because

365

00:17:27,600 --> 00:17:23,950

it's so weird it's so weird

366

00:17:29,280 --> 00:17:27,610

um the other domination as a cult are

367

00:17:32,610 --> 00:17:29,290

the Mormons right they have bad they

368

00:17:33,450 --> 00:17:32,620

have a prophet I think I always been

369

00:17:37,110 --> 00:17:33,460

talking about this

370

00:17:40,200 --> 00:17:37,120

I always differentiate we don't have the

371

00:17:42,600 --> 00:17:40,210

whole separate book of Adventism I mean

372

00:17:45,480 --> 00:17:42,610

she wrote a lot of books but there are

373

00:17:48,030 --> 00:17:45,490

usually just commentaries um Adventist

374

00:17:50,010 --> 00:17:48,040

have really taken to her and her

375

00:17:50,820 --> 00:17:50,020

writings and sort of that leave it a

376

00:17:54,480 --> 00:17:50,830

cult about her

377

00:17:56,340 --> 00:17:54,490

it was nice at times um her home

378

00:17:58,910 --> 00:17:56,350

actually her home is here in Northern

379

00:18:00,560 --> 00:17:58,920

California her rest her final home

380

00:18:04,310 --> 00:18:00,570

and I might have passed it actually on

381

00:18:06,350 --> 00:18:04,320

my signal journey yeah and in it's sort

382

00:18:09,920 --> 00:18:06,360

of a pilgrimage site for a lot of

383

00:18:10,430 --> 00:18:09,930

Adventist sand her relatives still in

384

00:18:12,800 --> 00:18:10,440

there

385

00:18:15,080 --> 00:18:12,810

and if you were to ask anyone about it

386

00:18:18,770 --> 00:18:15,090

they would say oh no no no she was just

387

00:18:21,740 --> 00:18:18,780

a you know an inspired woman and they

388

00:18:25,130 --> 00:18:21,750

would if well know and I would just say

389

00:18:26,900 --> 00:18:25,140

that she has a spirit of prophecy we do

390

00:18:28,670 --> 00:18:26,910

have to take a step back though guys cuz

391

00:18:30,680 --> 00:18:28,680

a lot of people are coming in cold and

392

00:18:32,090 --> 00:18:30,690

they just really have no idea or they're

393

00:18:34,670 --> 00:18:32,100

these people who've knocked on their

394

00:18:37,580 --> 00:18:34,680

door incessantly kind of thing or you

395

00:18:40,280 --> 00:18:37,590

know run it so your Protestant I mean

396

00:18:42,080 --> 00:18:40,290

you guys rotten from so you're kind of

397

00:18:44,240 --> 00:18:42,090

recognized Christians first of all

398

00:18:46,790 --> 00:18:44,250

you're not kind of outsiders or anything

399

00:18:49,640 --> 00:18:46,800

like that and you come from a kind of

400

00:18:53,380 --> 00:18:49,650

conservative bent and you said there was

401  
00:18:55,960 --> 00:18:53,390  
this kind of prophecy upstate New York

402  
00:18:58,580 --> 00:18:55,970  
mid-1800s everyone's kind of

403  
00:19:01,430 --> 00:18:58,590  
spirituality is kind of churning out all

404  
00:19:03,140 --> 00:19:01,440  
these magnificent thoughts and spiritual

405  
00:19:06,680 --> 00:19:03,150  
traditions and one of them that emerges

406  
00:19:09,040 --> 00:19:06,690  
is you all at the seventy and it kind of

407  
00:19:12,080 --> 00:19:09,050  
has a very as a little bit of an

408  
00:19:13,700 --> 00:19:12,090  
apocalyptic feel to it you know

409  
00:19:15,320 --> 00:19:13,710  
Christian all these are threads in

410  
00:19:18,410 --> 00:19:15,330  
Christianity I'm not like pulling you

411  
00:19:22,640 --> 00:19:18,420  
guys out and saying you know epochal

412  
00:19:24,140 --> 00:19:22,650  
apocalyptic overtones though yeah yeah

413  
00:19:26,060 --> 00:19:24,150

and then so then pick it up from there

414

00:19:29,000 --> 00:19:26,070

what other kind of big picture things

415

00:19:32,180 --> 00:19:29,010

with people it's funny that you they

416

00:19:33,770 --> 00:19:32,190

like call so obviously we will reject

417

00:19:35,210 --> 00:19:33,780

the whole coal thing but we are very

418

00:19:37,310 --> 00:19:35,220

proud of the fact that we're peculiar

419

00:19:39,110 --> 00:19:37,320

right so um because we don't go to

420

00:19:40,520 --> 00:19:39,120

church on the same day as people do

421

00:19:42,500 --> 00:19:40,530

that's why it's in the name seventh-day

422

00:19:43,370 --> 00:19:42,510

Adventist we usually go to church on on

423

00:19:45,770 --> 00:19:43,380

Saturdays

424

00:19:48,320 --> 00:19:45,780

the Sabbath starts on Friday night like

425

00:19:50,180 --> 00:19:48,330

you know I could like in a Jewish pages

426  
00:19:53,990 --> 00:19:50,190  
of the front front we have Friday night

427  
00:19:57,020 --> 00:19:54,000  
seven and it ends on Sabbath on

428  
00:19:59,090 --> 00:19:57,030  
Saturdays Sunday so it's it's a it's an

429  
00:20:01,040 --> 00:19:59,100  
old-school biblical Sabbath Friday night

430  
00:20:02,630 --> 00:20:01,050  
to Saturday night and I think something

431  
00:20:07,180 --> 00:20:02,640  
that'll be very familiar to let's say a

432  
00:20:09,830 --> 00:20:07,190  
Jewish person there's a particular like

433  
00:20:12,350 --> 00:20:09,840  
sincerity and I'm just wanting to get it

434  
00:20:12,820 --> 00:20:12,360  
right according to right according to

435  
00:20:14,530 --> 00:20:12,830  
the by

436  
00:20:16,810 --> 00:20:14,540  
anything seen in the early roots like

437  
00:20:18,340 --> 00:20:16,820  
they really wanted to get in that case

438  
00:20:21,910 --> 00:20:18,350

they wanted to get the second coming

439

00:20:25,210 --> 00:20:21,920

right and they were starts and there's a

440

00:20:28,000 --> 00:20:25,220

prediction of his coming in 1844 and

441

00:20:30,490 --> 00:20:28,010

then I will you know yeah break it you

442

00:20:33,580 --> 00:20:30,500

know breaking news they did they've been

443

00:20:35,080 --> 00:20:33,590

in 1844 and that is the start of the

444

00:20:37,300 --> 00:20:35,090

adventist church and it's called the

445

00:20:40,570 --> 00:20:37,310

great disappointment and yeah October

446

00:20:43,000 --> 00:20:40,580

22nd 1884 put it in the calendar every

447

00:20:44,800 --> 00:20:43,010

Adventist knows this and it really did

448

00:20:48,520 --> 00:20:44,810

it's really sad that we do it's really

449

00:20:50,290 --> 00:20:48,530

fun it's fun but that's where it starts

450

00:20:52,660 --> 00:20:50,300

it starts with this ok this realization

451  
00:20:53,830 --> 00:20:52,670  
that God didn't come okay then something

452  
00:20:56,110 --> 00:20:53,840  
must have happened that day

453  
00:20:58,690 --> 00:20:56,120  
and so then there's an explanation of

454  
00:21:01,420 --> 00:20:58,700  
what happened and then a Protestant

455  
00:21:03,220 --> 00:21:01,430  
Christian denominations or forms out of

456  
00:21:05,620 --> 00:21:03,230  
that group of people who are adamant

457  
00:21:07,300 --> 00:21:05,630  
that something very important happened

458  
00:21:09,280 --> 00:21:07,310  
on October 22nd and they can prove it

459  
00:21:11,800 --> 00:21:09,290  
saved by charts and Daniel and

460  
00:21:14,770 --> 00:21:11,810  
revelation and I don't think a whole lot

461  
00:21:18,640 --> 00:21:14,780  
of Adventist nowadays would like hold to

462  
00:21:20,260 --> 00:21:18,650  
that well well some would I think

463  
00:21:21,730 --> 00:21:20,270

everyone you know knows that that

464

00:21:25,390 --> 00:21:21,740

happened but it doesn't really affect

465

00:21:28,210 --> 00:21:25,400

them and so so how do you guys play

466

00:21:30,820 --> 00:21:28,220

around with that you're kind of

467

00:21:33,610 --> 00:21:30,830

light-hearted and you seem to have this

468

00:21:34,900 --> 00:21:33,620

kind of comfort about talking about some

469

00:21:37,030 --> 00:21:34,910

of these things that a lot of people you

470

00:21:37,780 --> 00:21:37,040

know because you've experienced it your

471

00:21:39,790 --> 00:21:37,790

whole life

472

00:21:41,550 --> 00:21:39,800

kind of snicker and laugh at and you've

473

00:21:44,080 --> 00:21:41,560

got some really good attitude about it

474

00:21:46,720 --> 00:21:44,090

but there has to be there has to be

475

00:21:49,050 --> 00:21:46,730

another kind of sense of going on there

476

00:21:52,690 --> 00:21:49,060

I mean you guys also have a literalist

477

00:21:54,790 --> 00:21:52,700

interpretation of creation six days guys

478

00:21:56,800 --> 00:21:54,800

six days it all happened that I mean

479

00:22:01,030 --> 00:21:56,810

some of this stuff I mean right out of

480

00:22:02,740 --> 00:22:01,040

Bill Maher documentaries you know you

481

00:22:05,200 --> 00:22:02,750

could I'm sure that he could go find

482

00:22:08,050 --> 00:22:05,210

some Adventist church fathers who would

483

00:22:12,430 --> 00:22:08,060

just spew this stuff and look totally

484

00:22:14,080 --> 00:22:12,440

ridiculous to 90% of people mm-hmm how

485

00:22:19,480 --> 00:22:14,090

does how do you balance that how do you

486

00:22:21,250 --> 00:22:19,490

kind of keep those two I think that like

487

00:22:25,540 --> 00:22:21,260

even though that that's been the

488

00:22:27,009 --> 00:22:25,550

tradition for the last 200 years there's

489

00:22:30,129 --> 00:22:27,019

a sense of people

490

00:22:31,839 --> 00:22:30,139

like okay not six days you know like

491

00:22:35,830 --> 00:22:31,849

let's be open to science and like

492

00:22:41,849 --> 00:22:35,840

evolution to our audience talking about

493

00:22:43,810 --> 00:22:41,859

like the validity of evolution is is is

494

00:22:47,049 --> 00:22:43,820

groundbreaking for them not as

495

00:22:48,310 --> 00:22:47,059

triggering its triggering and for you

496

00:22:50,469 --> 00:22:48,320

audience talking about the

497

00:22:52,599 --> 00:22:50,479

inconsistencies of evolution might be

498

00:22:57,700 --> 00:22:52,609

the the groundbreaking bit for us to

499

00:22:59,710 --> 00:22:57,710

bring people do that but has it just as

500

00:23:03,249 --> 00:22:59,720

quick aside into Anthony's childhood as

501  
00:23:05,560 --> 00:23:03,259  
a kid my dad bought me the seven

502  
00:23:06,489 --> 00:23:05,570  
Jellicle like I don't feel bad or

503  
00:23:09,369 --> 00:23:06,499  
someone gave it to him

504  
00:23:12,310 --> 00:23:09,379  
there were recordings of this man who

505  
00:23:14,619 --> 00:23:12,320  
was an apologist for creationism and his

506  
00:23:15,820 --> 00:23:14,629  
name was Kent Hovind I this is probably

507  
00:23:17,889 --> 00:23:15,830  
familiar you're shaking your head

508  
00:23:19,779 --> 00:23:17,899  
Keolis he's also in prison right now

509  
00:23:21,789 --> 00:23:19,789  
he's in prison right now for evading

510  
00:23:23,529 --> 00:23:21,799  
taxes because he thinks that the

511  
00:23:25,899 --> 00:23:23,539  
government has he's one of these like

512  
00:23:28,389 --> 00:23:25,909  
Admiralty law people or he doesn't think

513  
00:23:33,789 --> 00:23:28,399

the government Nina has this you know

514

00:23:36,099 --> 00:23:33,799

whatever he now is crazy um but I I grew

515

00:23:38,469 --> 00:23:36,109

up on I watched those on repeat like and

516

00:23:40,239 --> 00:23:38,479

that was my sort of like okay look

517

00:23:42,129 --> 00:23:40,249

evolution I have an answer for

518

00:23:44,169 --> 00:23:42,139

everything and that's very Adventist to

519

00:23:47,080 --> 00:23:44,179

have you answer for every it's it's very

520

00:23:49,930 --> 00:23:47,090

conspiratorial though the way applying a

521

00:23:51,909 --> 00:23:49,940

literalist view of the Bible Daniel and

522

00:23:54,999 --> 00:23:51,919

revelation in particular leads to this

523

00:23:58,599 --> 00:23:55,009

very pair of political like a pair

524

00:24:01,269 --> 00:23:58,609

political fever dream of okay the

525

00:24:03,820 --> 00:24:01,279

Catholic papacy is gonna take over the

526

00:24:07,419 --> 00:24:03,830

world and change make everyone worship

527

00:24:10,389 --> 00:24:07,429

on Sunday and in and it's not it's not

528

00:24:14,349 --> 00:24:10,399

it's not it's not if it's when yes

529

00:24:15,580 --> 00:24:14,359

and so it feels that our generation is

530

00:24:20,139 --> 00:24:15,590

like okay that's a little paranoid

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00:24:23,409 --> 00:24:20,149

that's a little wild and they're we're

532

00:24:25,419 --> 00:24:23,419

slowly like opening up to to other

533

00:24:28,359 --> 00:24:25,429

things but there's this tension of like

534

00:24:30,999 --> 00:24:28,369

how much do you open and how much do you

535

00:24:32,950 --> 00:24:31,009

lose with that yeah I feel in our

536

00:24:35,409 --> 00:24:32,960

generation we're gonna put those things

537

00:24:38,529 --> 00:24:35,419

on hold you know the the mark of the

538

00:24:39,750 --> 00:24:38,539

beast and the Sunday law and they sound

539

00:24:41,370 --> 00:24:39,760

a little crimp

540

00:24:43,380 --> 00:24:41,380

sure will believe them sure let's put

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00:24:46,230 --> 00:24:43,390

them on hold though mm-hmm and how do we

542

00:24:49,320 --> 00:24:46,240

solve problems like can women be

543

00:24:53,610 --> 00:24:49,330

ordained pastor or can argue people you

544

00:24:57,540 --> 00:24:53,620

know people and and and I feel that's

545

00:25:00,510 --> 00:24:57,550

where our you know addition to the

546

00:25:01,050 --> 00:25:00,520

conversation has been noticed as of late

547

00:25:04,830 --> 00:25:01,060

right

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00:25:05,970 --> 00:25:04,840

okay can you get there from here you

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00:25:10,020 --> 00:25:05,980

know Anthony you mentioned a minute ago

550

00:25:12,840 --> 00:25:10,030

that you had listened to my dialogue on

551  
00:25:15,780 --> 00:25:12,850  
skeptic oh is Christianity worth saving

552  
00:25:18,330 --> 00:25:15,790  
you know is the seventh-day Adventist

553  
00:25:20,670 --> 00:25:18,340  
Church worth saving can you get there

554  
00:25:25,010 --> 00:25:20,680  
from here are you in your attempt to

555  
00:25:28,260 --> 00:25:25,020  
kind of bring people along maybe

556  
00:25:30,900 --> 00:25:28,270  
compromising too much in terms of the

557  
00:25:33,420 --> 00:25:30,910  
core issues so here's what's interesting

558  
00:25:36,030 --> 00:25:33,430  
when you ask it in terms of the seventh

559  
00:25:37,950 --> 00:25:36,040  
damages Church I think yes it is worth

560  
00:25:40,860 --> 00:25:37,960  
saving but the seventh-day Adventist

561  
00:25:43,880 --> 00:25:40,870  
Church as an institution is going to

562  
00:25:47,580 --> 00:25:43,890  
fight that change tooth and nail

563  
00:25:50,910 --> 00:25:47,590

probably into its own extinction you

564

00:25:52,740 --> 00:25:50,920

know and that's where things from my

565

00:25:56,490 --> 00:25:52,750

point of view get really interesting

566

00:25:58,890 --> 00:25:56,500

because Bryan and I don't want to speak

567

00:26:01,530 --> 00:25:58,900

for you but we do think that there is a

568

00:26:03,950 --> 00:26:01,540

Christian shift going on in this country

569

00:26:06,450 --> 00:26:03,960

we do think that Christianity

570

00:26:09,300 --> 00:26:06,460

Catholicism sure but Protestant

571

00:26:12,570 --> 00:26:09,310

Christianity is having a an identity

572

00:26:14,040 --> 00:26:12,580

crisis and it's going the Christians of

573

00:26:17,970 --> 00:26:14,050

tomorrow are not going to be the

574

00:26:20,250 --> 00:26:17,980

Christians of yesterday and and is the

575

00:26:22,590 --> 00:26:20,260

Adventist Church going to survive that

576

00:26:24,600 --> 00:26:22,600

that is a great question is it worth

577

00:26:28,140 --> 00:26:24,610

saving yes is it going to survive it I

578

00:26:30,900 --> 00:26:28,150

don't know you know at the very least

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00:26:33,930 --> 00:26:30,910

the Adventist Church is this global

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00:26:37,410 --> 00:26:33,940

network this global community of people

581

00:26:39,210 --> 00:26:37,420

who care for each other if you're if

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00:26:41,250 --> 00:26:39,220

you're Adventist from California and you

583

00:26:43,980 --> 00:26:41,260

get lost in Italy and you find a church

584

00:26:46,170 --> 00:26:43,990

you might find someone who knows someone

585

00:26:49,890 --> 00:26:46,180

who knows someone who knew your parents

586

00:26:52,480 --> 00:26:49,900

and they'll help take care of you

587

00:26:56,680 --> 00:26:52,490

the church is also very big on

588

00:26:59,790 --> 00:26:56,690

medicine in hospitals and education you

589

00:27:02,530 --> 00:26:59,800

know with you know with other like

590

00:27:07,210 --> 00:27:02,540

unconscious agendas as to what education

591

00:27:08,890 --> 00:27:07,220

is but there is this infrastructure to

592

00:27:10,630 --> 00:27:08,900

decide this is just something I heard

593

00:27:12,190 --> 00:27:10,640

but it's fine

594

00:27:14,200 --> 00:27:12,200

other than the Catholic Church the

595

00:27:18,130 --> 00:27:14,210

average church is the largest landowner

596

00:27:21,330 --> 00:27:18,140

like in like denominations that exist

597

00:27:23,770 --> 00:27:21,340

and it it does have this framework of

598

00:27:26,590 --> 00:27:23,780

you know the likkle litter ISM

599

00:27:29,440 --> 00:27:26,600

literalism but it's also a framework of

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00:27:33,520 --> 00:27:29,450

community and so I think one of the

601  
00:27:36,430 --> 00:27:33,530  
things that we want to achieve with our

602  
00:27:39,930 --> 00:27:36,440  
podcast is to be able to find that sense

603  
00:27:44,410 --> 00:27:39,940  
of community and realize that that is

604  
00:27:47,230 --> 00:27:44,420  
worth saving and that even if you take

605  
00:27:49,450 --> 00:27:47,240  
biblical literalism out of it there are

606  
00:27:52,510 --> 00:27:49,460  
other narratives of the human experience

607  
00:27:54,970 --> 00:27:52,520  
that you can plug like Ellen White

608  
00:27:58,780 --> 00:27:54,980  
fitting into the scene in upstate New

609  
00:28:00,940 --> 00:27:58,790  
York or mysticism and Gnosticism in the

610  
00:28:03,130 --> 00:28:00,950  
Bible and realizing that there is still

611  
00:28:06,820 --> 00:28:03,140  
a spiritual dimension to it that you can

612  
00:28:10,150 --> 00:28:06,830  
access and interact with without losing

613  
00:28:11,740 --> 00:28:10,160

that sense of community and so I don't

614

00:28:14,110 --> 00:28:11,750

know if it's worth saving but I think

615

00:28:15,370 --> 00:28:14,120

it's worth well let me go all Bill Maher

616

00:28:21,180 --> 00:28:15,380

on you mm-hmm

617

00:28:25,240 --> 00:28:21,190

you know you're demanding a lot

618

00:28:28,600 --> 00:28:25,250

religious people are demanding demanding

619

00:28:31,450 --> 00:28:28,610

a lot and asking a lot and really not

620

00:28:34,120 --> 00:28:31,460

giving back much in return what you're

621

00:28:36,850 --> 00:28:34,130

demanding is is special treatment really

622

00:28:40,780 --> 00:28:36,860

over and over again you're telling us

623

00:28:43,330 --> 00:28:40,790

that you deserve to be treated special

624

00:28:45,880 --> 00:28:43,340

in the marketplace of ideas that you

625

00:28:47,049 --> 00:28:45,890

shouldn't be challenged on some of these

626

00:28:50,260 --> 00:28:47,059

beliefs that are highly questionable

627

00:28:54,970 --> 00:28:50,270

that don't don't hold to a worldwide

628

00:28:58,750 --> 00:28:54,980

standard in terms of both morally as

629

00:29:02,260 --> 00:28:58,760

well as scientifically and from multiple

630

00:29:04,210 --> 00:29:02,270

dissing time gonna go on Bill Maher on

631

00:29:05,950 --> 00:29:04,220

you it's not only that it doesn't fit

632

00:29:07,659 --> 00:29:05,960

with one particular

633

00:29:11,200 --> 00:29:07,669

of science because you know I can really

634

00:29:14,739 --> 00:29:11,210

get down on science I mean it's the the

635

00:29:18,210 --> 00:29:14,749

the its refuted some from so many

636

00:29:21,700 --> 00:29:18,220

different areas that you're asking us to

637

00:29:24,669 --> 00:29:21,710

treat your faith beliefs in a special

638

00:29:27,190 --> 00:29:24,679

way that we just wouldn't accept from

639

00:29:31,379 --> 00:29:27,200

anyone else who stepped into the public

640

00:29:34,180 --> 00:29:31,389

arena and say and said this is true I

641

00:29:40,090 --> 00:29:34,190

don't understand my special treatment

642

00:29:43,629 --> 00:29:40,100

what does that mean well there you're

643

00:29:47,350 --> 00:29:43,639

you're asking us to kind of go along

644

00:29:49,090 --> 00:29:47,360

wink and nod with this story that we're

645

00:29:51,159 --> 00:29:49,100

saying on the other hand we know can't

646

00:29:57,460 --> 00:29:51,169

possibly be true we're not you're not

647

00:29:59,619 --> 00:29:57,470

willing to apply the basic scrutiny that

648

00:30:02,320 --> 00:29:59,629

we would and anyone else who makes

649

00:30:04,749 --> 00:30:02,330

similar kind of claims about something

650

00:30:07,149 --> 00:30:04,759

they believe whether it's May night to

651  
00:30:09,009 --> 00:30:07,159  
go all you know Santa Claus or anything

652  
00:30:10,450 --> 00:30:09,019  
else we'd say well we really have to

653  
00:30:11,859 --> 00:30:10,460  
challenge that whether there really is a

654  
00:30:14,529 --> 00:30:11,869  
Santa Claus but there really is an

655  
00:30:18,070 --> 00:30:14,539  
Easter Bunny and when we challenge faith

656  
00:30:22,180 --> 00:30:18,080  
people on those kind of beliefs it gets

657  
00:30:24,999 --> 00:30:22,190  
nasty really quick no I think that that

658  
00:30:27,999 --> 00:30:25,009  
that the pressure is being felt I don't

659  
00:30:31,509 --> 00:30:28,009  
think that that Christianity is coasting

660  
00:30:35,009 --> 00:30:31,519  
along in any in any capacity that's why

661  
00:30:38,409 --> 00:30:35,019  
it's it's at a breaking point I think

662  
00:30:41,560 --> 00:30:38,419  
because of that pressure now is it

663  
00:30:42,009 --> 00:30:41,570

persecution no no okay everyone calm

664

00:30:44,590 --> 00:30:42,019

down

665

00:30:46,779 --> 00:30:44,600

you know the avengers' are very good at

666

00:30:49,330 --> 00:30:46,789

you know highlighting whoever does it

667

00:30:56,409 --> 00:30:49,340

being persecuted now or not at least not

668

00:30:59,830 --> 00:30:56,419

in America yes but I I think that the

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00:31:04,359 --> 00:30:59,840

pressure is building I think maybe that

670

00:31:07,690 --> 00:31:04,369

was true a few years ago maybe maybe the

671

00:31:11,320 --> 00:31:07,700

Christian supremacy was unchallenged for

672

00:31:13,389 --> 00:31:11,330

a long time I don't think I think to

673

00:31:16,299 --> 00:31:13,399

characterize it as as going and

674

00:31:19,540 --> 00:31:16,309

challenged now I look around churches

675

00:31:21,760 --> 00:31:19,550

are losing membership left and right

676

00:31:26,260 --> 00:31:21,770

you know maybe you guys are winning you

677

00:31:28,480 --> 00:31:26,270

know there's an interesting tension Loma

678

00:31:30,340 --> 00:31:28,490

Linda University we have a friend who's

679

00:31:36,160 --> 00:31:30,350

studying medicine there which isn't it's

680

00:31:40,450 --> 00:31:36,170

an Adventist institution and I this is

681

00:31:43,720 --> 00:31:40,460

just an illustration but in a lecture

682

00:31:47,260 --> 00:31:43,730

about sexuality they're told about a

683

00:31:50,110 --> 00:31:47,270

study that said the suicide of risks for

684

00:31:56,350 --> 00:31:50,120

transgender people goes down from 20% to

685

00:31:57,790 --> 00:31:56,360

0.05 percent after operation and I was

686

00:32:00,100 --> 00:31:57,800

blown away when my friend just casually

687

00:32:03,450 --> 00:32:00,110

mentioned that because this is something

688

00:32:07,750 --> 00:32:03,460

that's being taught inside the the

689

00:32:10,840 --> 00:32:07,760

austere institution of medicine but

690

00:32:13,750 --> 00:32:10,850

you'll never hear that from a pulpit and

691

00:32:17,980 --> 00:32:13,760

so I feel that that is an interesting

692

00:32:22,330 --> 00:32:17,990

illustration of this interior struggle

693

00:32:24,940 --> 00:32:22,340

yeah and in their real ways not only are

694

00:32:26,950 --> 00:32:24,950

outsiders as you would characterize them

695

00:32:29,860 --> 00:32:26,960

maybe putting the pressure on on

696

00:32:32,380 --> 00:32:29,870

institutions of faith but I think now

697

00:32:35,380 --> 00:32:32,390

insiders are saying hey I am not

698

00:32:37,360 --> 00:32:35,390

comfortable with my institution doing

699

00:32:38,620 --> 00:32:37,370

harm to people you know this this

700

00:32:42,550 --> 00:32:38,630

statistic right here that Brian

701  
00:32:44,710 --> 00:32:42,560  
mentioned is one of them right I am NOT

702  
00:32:46,870 --> 00:32:44,720  
I don't I don't want those beliefs to be

703  
00:32:49,900 --> 00:32:46,880  
part of what I call my faith you know

704  
00:32:53,800 --> 00:32:49,910  
and so I think now more than ever you're

705  
00:32:55,960 --> 00:32:53,810  
seeing members even now saying hey I

706  
00:32:57,640 --> 00:32:55,970  
maybe we shouldn't have sexist beliefs

707  
00:33:00,940 --> 00:32:57,650  
maybe we shouldn't have transphobic

708  
00:33:02,650 --> 00:33:00,950  
homophobic beliefs and you're seeing up

709  
00:33:04,300 --> 00:33:02,660  
now you're not only seeing this in our

710  
00:33:05,590 --> 00:33:04,310  
church you're seeing as in the Methodist

711  
00:33:07,930 --> 00:33:05,600  
Church you see this in the United Church

712  
00:33:10,450 --> 00:33:07,940  
of Christ they're having conferences

713  
00:33:12,300 --> 00:33:10,460

where they are voting on hey are we

714

00:33:14,950 --> 00:33:12,310

going to be accepting and firming and

715

00:33:17,110 --> 00:33:14,960

some people and within those

716

00:33:19,780 --> 00:33:17,120

denominations don't want to be you know

717

00:33:21,640 --> 00:33:19,790

and and and and at least in the

718

00:33:24,280 --> 00:33:21,650

Methodist for example they're gonna have

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00:33:26,050 --> 00:33:24,290

a conference is this the spring and they

720

00:33:29,020 --> 00:33:26,060

might split they might there might be

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00:33:32,680 --> 00:33:29,030

two branches of the Methodist Church and

722

00:33:35,020 --> 00:33:32,690

so this this struggle

723

00:33:36,670 --> 00:33:35,030

is is getting if anything it's

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00:33:38,320 --> 00:33:36,680

intensifying and it's because it's going

725

00:33:41,320 --> 00:33:38,330

internally I think it this is a

726

00:33:45,160 --> 00:33:41,330

roundabout way of agreeing with you that

727

00:33:48,210 --> 00:33:45,170

this that institutions if they do need

728

00:33:52,150 --> 00:33:48,220

this pressure not so much you know

729

00:33:55,870 --> 00:33:52,160

kneeling to the 95 the 95 theses to the

730

00:33:59,320 --> 00:33:55,880

door but it's being felt on the inside

731

00:34:03,490 --> 00:33:59,330

and I think it's making plenty of people

732

00:34:05,080 --> 00:34:03,500

think and it's overdue but I think it's

733

00:34:07,840 --> 00:34:05,090

worth pushing for it and that's why we

734

00:34:08,380 --> 00:34:07,850

have a podcast at the moment trying to

735

00:34:10,450 --> 00:34:08,390

do that

736

00:34:12,070 --> 00:34:10,460

no and it's great that you doing and I

737

00:34:16,510 --> 00:34:12,080

really think I took things in the wrong

738

00:34:19,870 --> 00:34:16,520

direction there because number one to me

739

00:34:21,610 --> 00:34:19,880

it's not about the institutions and it

740

00:34:22,870 --> 00:34:21,620

never has been about the institutions

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00:34:25,270 --> 00:34:22,880

and the more we talk about the

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00:34:27,970 --> 00:34:25,280

institutions the religious institutions

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00:34:31,210 --> 00:34:27,980

the further we get away from the real

744

00:34:34,600 --> 00:34:31,220

questioning spirituality exactly and how

745

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

we experience spirituality and people

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00:34:41,400 --> 00:34:37,430

who are interested in that experience

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00:34:44,410 --> 00:34:41,410

whose lives are driven by understanding

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00:34:47,790 --> 00:34:44,420

and further expanding that experience

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00:34:51,960 --> 00:34:47,800

like my life is I think often our are

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00:34:54,640 --> 00:34:51,970

bewildered by all this talk about

751  
00:34:56,890 --> 00:34:54,650  
institutions that just seem to over and

752  
00:34:59,590 --> 00:34:56,900  
over again get in the way of people

753  
00:35:01,630 --> 00:34:59,600  
having these experiences so let me

754  
00:35:04,360 --> 00:35:01,640  
rewind a little bit and when I say is

755  
00:35:06,490 --> 00:35:04,370  
Christianity worth saving I think the

756  
00:35:08,260 --> 00:35:06,500  
way I originally intended it in that

757  
00:35:12,160 --> 00:35:08,270  
show and I hope the way that it came out

758  
00:35:15,160 --> 00:35:12,170  
is that why is it necessary I mean it's

759  
00:35:18,670 --> 00:35:15,170  
really cool that if you travel to a

760  
00:35:21,460 --> 00:35:18,680  
foreign country and get really sick that

761  
00:35:24,430 --> 00:35:21,470  
you have a network you know that you can

762  
00:35:27,040 --> 00:35:24,440  
kind of tie into that's awesome on a

763  
00:35:30,760 --> 00:35:27,050

practical level but on a spiritual level

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00:35:33,970 --> 00:35:30,770

if that is based on some things that are

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00:35:37,320 --> 00:35:33,980

not true in the way that we normally

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00:35:41,430 --> 00:35:37,330

think about things being true have you

767

00:35:45,080 --> 00:35:41,440

kind of made some compromises there that

768

00:35:49,700 --> 00:35:45,090

may inhibit or may limit you

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00:35:54,070 --> 00:35:49,710

or your spiritual growth I struggled

770

00:35:57,070 --> 00:35:54,080

with that question taking a class on

771

00:36:00,800 --> 00:35:57,080

mysticism at Berkeley but this is a very

772

00:36:03,860 --> 00:36:00,810

weird mystical guy who I deeply admire

773

00:36:08,240 --> 00:36:03,870

but like oh yeah why don't I stuff study

774

00:36:10,190 --> 00:36:08,250

Sufiism or pick up Zen Buddhism and the

775

00:36:14,420 --> 00:36:10,200

answer that I came up with was oh

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00:36:15,950 --> 00:36:14,430

because the the Christian the Adventist

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00:36:19,160 --> 00:36:15,960

but Christian the Christian language

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00:36:21,740 --> 00:36:19,170

that I grew up with is the most

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00:36:27,350 --> 00:36:21,750

accessible language for me to interact

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00:36:30,080 --> 00:36:27,360

with the spiritual and so in using the

781

00:36:32,150 --> 00:36:30,090

religion as a language to interact with

782

00:36:35,560 --> 00:36:32,160

that which is beyond I think that it's

783

00:36:41,900 --> 00:36:35,570

worth interrogating and learning how to

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00:36:43,670 --> 00:36:41,910

interact challenge and accept I don't

785

00:36:45,890 --> 00:36:43,680

know I'm trying to think of an example I

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00:36:48,080 --> 00:36:45,900

think you're right I Brian in and now I

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00:36:51,350 --> 00:36:48,090

got a pull in Anthony but this line I

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00:36:54,440 --> 00:36:51,360

love from your show and he knows I'm

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00:36:55,940 --> 00:36:54,450

gonna do it yeah you know you know you

790

00:36:58,370 --> 00:36:55,950

guys are bantering back and forth in

791

00:37:00,740 --> 00:36:58,380

this one episode and at one point you're

792

00:37:05,840 --> 00:37:00,750

kind of spewing all this mystical kind

793

00:37:08,210 --> 00:37:05,850

of stuff there Brian and Anthony comes

794

00:37:11,300 --> 00:37:08,220

back and says how do you even call

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00:37:13,300 --> 00:37:11,310

yourself a Christian anymore and I think

796

00:37:16,040 --> 00:37:13,310

that that is the edge that is

797

00:37:18,920 --> 00:37:16,050

interesting to me you know how do you

798

00:37:21,680 --> 00:37:18,930

call yourself a Christian anymore

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00:37:23,720 --> 00:37:21,690

if you go too far off the reservation is

800

00:37:25,790 --> 00:37:23,730

that a concern what did you mean by then

801  
00:37:28,730 --> 00:37:25,800  
Anthony to what extent you're a lawyer

802  
00:37:30,440 --> 00:37:28,740  
to what extent rank right so that that

803  
00:37:34,730 --> 00:37:30,450  
is informing it right like there's

804  
00:37:37,190 --> 00:37:34,740  
definitions and and and and and I think

805  
00:37:39,130 --> 00:37:37,200  
that's where the your first question I

806  
00:37:43,400 --> 00:37:39,140  
think is important to bring back up

807  
00:37:45,260 --> 00:37:43,410  
science you know a deep profound

808  
00:37:48,140 --> 00:37:45,270  
experience and based on reason and then

809  
00:37:51,260 --> 00:37:48,150  
a deep profound experience based in

810  
00:37:54,050 --> 00:37:51,270  
spirituality and that's that's the trick

811  
00:37:58,330 --> 00:37:54,060  
right how do you how do you mesh you

812  
00:38:01,080 --> 00:37:58,340  
know you know your your physical life

813  
00:38:05,710 --> 00:38:01,090

your day-to-day life with this higher

814

00:38:08,320 --> 00:38:05,720

you know plane that that that we believe

815

00:38:09,430 --> 00:38:08,330

exists you know and and where did those

816

00:38:12,520 --> 00:38:09,440

two worlds

817

00:38:16,630 --> 00:38:12,530

touch and for a lot of people myself

818

00:38:19,510 --> 00:38:16,640

included the the Avenue from where those

819

00:38:24,490 --> 00:38:19,520

two worlds touch is is the person of

820

00:38:26,530 --> 00:38:24,500

Jesus right that is how I my physical

821

00:38:34,210 --> 00:38:26,540

being is connected to something beyond

822

00:38:36,730 --> 00:38:34,220

myself and and and for millions of

823

00:38:39,610 --> 00:38:36,740

people and I'm not saying you know that

824

00:38:41,740 --> 00:38:39,620

that because of this one thing we're

825

00:38:43,960 --> 00:38:41,750

seeing gets a free pass forever but for

826

00:38:46,560 --> 00:38:43,970

millions of people this story of Jesus

827

00:38:51,480 --> 00:38:46,570

and this person of Jesus and this idea

828

00:38:56,410 --> 00:38:51,490

has been the path to to this this this

829

00:38:57,910 --> 00:38:56,420

is metaphysical experience and for a lot

830

00:38:59,410 --> 00:38:57,920

of people it's been the only path it's

831

00:39:01,780 --> 00:38:59,420

been it's been the only way they're

832

00:39:04,930 --> 00:39:01,790

being connected to something beyond into

833

00:39:06,310 --> 00:39:04,940

and and this and the way I think that

834

00:39:08,650 --> 00:39:06,320

Christiana should be the story of

835

00:39:11,830 --> 00:39:08,660

Christianity preserves because it holds

836

00:39:15,130 --> 00:39:11,840

in it this idea of redemption and I feel

837

00:39:19,390 --> 00:39:15,140

that that is something missing from any

838

00:39:23,980 --> 00:39:19,400

of the other maybe coherent ways of

839

00:39:26,500 --> 00:39:23,990

looking at the world I don't I I look at

840

00:39:29,650 --> 00:39:26,510

other philosophies of being and I don't

841

00:39:31,510 --> 00:39:29,660

see a rationale for redemption I don't

842

00:39:34,390 --> 00:39:31,520

see a rationale for justice I don't see

843

00:39:36,490 --> 00:39:34,400

a dress or now for striving to be better

844

00:39:38,380 --> 00:39:36,500

even though maybe the world be but

845

00:39:40,690 --> 00:39:38,390

really hold on I got a dip in there cuz

846

00:39:43,390 --> 00:39:40,700

I am Christian say stuff like that all

847

00:39:46,720 --> 00:39:43,400

the time and I just don't find it to be

848

00:39:49,030 --> 00:39:46,730

at all true I mean I'll find it in so

849

00:39:50,710 --> 00:39:49,040

many different wisdom traditions that I

850

00:39:53,590 --> 00:39:50,720

just kind of stumble across and don't

851

00:39:55,630 --> 00:39:53,600

ask me to kind of quote chapter and

852

00:39:59,470 --> 00:39:55,640

verse right here but I mean isn't that

853

00:40:01,840 --> 00:39:59,480

just common themes throughout not only

854

00:40:03,490 --> 00:40:01,850

great spiritual traditions but great

855

00:40:05,740 --> 00:40:03,500

literature is this whole idea of

856

00:40:08,260 --> 00:40:05,750

redemption when Christians want to grab

857

00:40:09,770 --> 00:40:08,270

that work how somehow unique no I got

858

00:40:12,650 --> 00:40:09,780

this

859

00:40:15,140 --> 00:40:12,660

- there's something you're right I think

860

00:40:20,240 --> 00:40:15,150

there's something Universal and very

861

00:40:21,740 --> 00:40:20,250

very human about it um just I think what

862

00:40:24,380 --> 00:40:21,750

Brian was trying to say I think I'm

863

00:40:26,690 --> 00:40:24,390

going to kind of latch on to is that

864

00:40:30,530 --> 00:40:26,700

Christianity is the best articulation of

865

00:40:36,250 --> 00:40:30,540

that not that it's not available

866

00:40:40,040 --> 00:40:36,260

you know elsewhere but this idea that

867

00:40:41,860 --> 00:40:40,050

that man needs to be redeemed and I know

868

00:40:48,500 --> 00:40:41,870

that Christians don't own that concept

869

00:40:49,910 --> 00:40:48,510

but that I feel is a and B I think

870

00:40:52,490 --> 00:40:49,920

because of the fact that it exists in

871

00:40:56,810 --> 00:40:52,500

other cultures proves or not proves but

872

00:41:02,030 --> 00:40:56,820

shows just how I need that is inside of

873

00:41:04,130 --> 00:41:02,040

us this idea to look beyond and yes

874

00:41:07,360 --> 00:41:04,140

Christianity the institution hasn't

875

00:41:11,030 --> 00:41:07,370

always as never done direct um probably

876

00:41:13,400 --> 00:41:11,040

but but the person of Jesus I think if

877

00:41:16,160 --> 00:41:13,410

you if you look at the example I think

878

00:41:19,280 --> 00:41:16,170

that I think the person of Jesus has a

879

00:41:21,310 --> 00:41:19,290

lesson for it for every person on the

880

00:41:24,700 --> 00:41:21,320

planet even if they heard of him or not

881

00:41:28,850 --> 00:41:24,710

you know and I think I think a person

882

00:41:31,970 --> 00:41:28,860

could have lived with this connected you

883

00:41:33,440 --> 00:41:31,980

know to a higher power how did that

884

00:41:38,600 --> 00:41:33,450

experience without ever hearing about

885

00:41:41,990 --> 00:41:38,610

Jesus but um when they did feel that you

886

00:41:46,810 --> 00:41:42,000

know they experienced not Jesus but they

887

00:41:50,900 --> 00:41:46,820

experienced the essence of it I I feel

888

00:41:57,200 --> 00:41:50,910

mmm actually I don't have an articulated

889

00:42:01,730 --> 00:41:57,210

answer that I thought I did but I feel

890

00:42:07,160 --> 00:42:01,740

and I'm not putting my meaning or faith

891

00:42:11,810 --> 00:42:07,170

in the primacy of the Jesus story but as

892

00:42:15,410 --> 00:42:11,820

far as a story of redemption the Jesus

893

00:42:18,560 --> 00:42:15,420

narrative has a primacy for my lived

894

00:42:21,920 --> 00:42:18,570

experience that is the story that I grew

895

00:42:22,910 --> 00:42:21,930

up with and you know imaginal II

896

00:42:24,950 --> 00:42:22,920

experience

897

00:42:31,850 --> 00:42:24,960

being read and shown these pictures as a

898

00:42:33,770 --> 00:42:31,860

child and so I find the value and I find

899

00:42:36,890 --> 00:42:33,780

the weight of it to be very subjective

900

00:42:42,530 --> 00:42:36,900

and personal and that's all I'm capable

901  
00:42:44,600 --> 00:42:42,540  
of putting my own oh my spiritual

902  
00:42:48,500 --> 00:42:44,610  
experience on just that it is mine and

903  
00:42:50,510 --> 00:42:48,510  
this is my foot in the door I think it's

904  
00:42:53,090 --> 00:42:50,520  
a pretty cool buddy I mean you nailed on

905  
00:42:55,600 --> 00:42:53,100  
there I mean primacy of your personal

906  
00:42:58,040 --> 00:42:55,610  
experience versus the primacy of the

907  
00:43:00,200 --> 00:42:58,050  
historical Jesus because you guys have

908  
00:43:04,490 --> 00:43:00,210  
heard me heard enough these shows and I

909  
00:43:07,130 --> 00:43:04,500  
kind of rail on the historical Jesus

910  
00:43:08,480 --> 00:43:07,140  
because and I know we've kind of danced

911  
00:43:10,190 --> 00:43:08,490  
around that and I don't want to dive

912  
00:43:14,920 --> 00:43:10,200  
into that too far because it really

913  
00:43:17,810 --> 00:43:14,930

requires a lot of painstaking work but

914

00:43:21,800 --> 00:43:17,820

it does come down to that at some point

915

00:43:25,310 --> 00:43:21,810

it does come down to it matters and I

916

00:43:28,040 --> 00:43:25,320

think that it also matters side by side

917

00:43:31,880 --> 00:43:28,050

with that is the social engineering

918

00:43:34,040 --> 00:43:31,890

aspect of Christianity and I as I've

919

00:43:35,630 --> 00:43:34,050

told you on this show you know with it I

920

00:43:38,720 --> 00:43:35,640

think we can trace that all the way back

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00:43:41,300 --> 00:43:38,730

but even if you don't want to go all the

922

00:43:43,670 --> 00:43:41,310

way back you can sure see it all over

923

00:43:46,370 --> 00:43:43,680

and our culture and our lives in your

924

00:43:50,000 --> 00:43:46,380

young lives in my old life we can see it

925

00:43:54,020 --> 00:43:50,010

over and over again how it is used to

926

00:43:56,660 --> 00:43:54,030

kind of co-opt cultural trends shape

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00:43:59,630 --> 00:43:56,670

cultural trends and and that's got to be

928

00:44:03,110 --> 00:43:59,640

worrisome because that isn't that has to

929

00:44:05,930 --> 00:44:03,120

get in the way of our genuine spiritual

930

00:44:08,390 --> 00:44:05,940

experience because by design it's it's

931

00:44:11,540 --> 00:44:08,400

spiritual engineering and the same time

932

00:44:13,970 --> 00:44:11,550

that it's social engineering do you are

933

00:44:15,950 --> 00:44:13,980

you worried about that how do you think

934

00:44:18,470 --> 00:44:15,960

you need to protect yourself against

935

00:44:21,440 --> 00:44:18,480

that and that can you do that from

936

00:44:24,380 --> 00:44:21,450

inside of an organization like you're in

937

00:44:27,440 --> 00:44:24,390

or does it make it for someone like me

938

00:44:30,200 --> 00:44:27,450

on the outside who occasionally goes to

939

00:44:30,760 --> 00:44:30,210

church still for various reasons and

940

00:44:32,680 --> 00:44:30,770

just

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00:44:36,910 --> 00:44:32,690

and dumbfounded that I'm even there

942

00:44:39,100 --> 00:44:36,920

because it's ridiculous but you know I I

943

00:44:43,000 --> 00:44:39,110

just can't imagine I usually walk out I

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00:44:45,160 --> 00:44:43,010

just can't read it's just so insane and

945

00:44:49,240 --> 00:44:45,170

you know why cuz it's the classical

946

00:44:51,790 --> 00:44:49,250

thing they say to three things that you

947

00:44:54,070 --> 00:44:51,800

totally agree with about community about

948

00:44:57,580 --> 00:44:54,080

I love the stuff we're doing to help

949

00:45:00,130 --> 00:44:57,590

people about love your neighbor all the

950

00:45:03,010 --> 00:45:00,140

rest says and then they slip one in

951  
00:45:06,070 --> 00:45:03,020  
that's totally off the freaking wall you

952  
00:45:09,550 --> 00:45:06,080  
know about Jesus this and you know it's

953  
00:45:13,109 --> 00:45:09,560  
just like insane stuff you know so does

954  
00:45:16,720 --> 00:45:13,119  
it make it harder to resist the the

955  
00:45:21,540 --> 00:45:16,730  
spiritual social engineering from inside

956  
00:45:24,820 --> 00:45:21,550  
of a tradition like yours I that's the

957  
00:45:29,109 --> 00:45:24,830  
that's a paranoia of mine that and you

958  
00:45:30,880 --> 00:45:29,119  
know the fact that the Bible is has like

959  
00:45:33,010 --> 00:45:30,890  
beautiful literature and a lot of

960  
00:45:36,820 --> 00:45:33,020  
entangled meanings but at the same time

961  
00:45:40,859 --> 00:45:36,830  
as as great dense literature and

962  
00:45:43,030 --> 00:45:40,869  
mythology as it is it was yes it was

963  
00:45:44,530 --> 00:45:43,040

ministered throughout the world through

964

00:45:50,380 --> 00:45:44,540

very loving and intentional people but

965

00:45:58,210 --> 00:45:50,390

also by the sword and by the gun and and

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00:46:00,570 --> 00:45:58,220

so I think a fun tension that I that

967

00:46:05,020 --> 00:46:00,580

helps me get through that is that

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00:46:09,820 --> 00:46:05,030

Christianity itself started has this

969

00:46:13,840 --> 00:46:09,830

very anti imperial movement towards

970

00:46:17,880 --> 00:46:13,850

spiritual oh maybe yeah well there there

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00:46:22,870 --> 00:46:17,890

are like Gnostic anti-imperial movements

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00:46:26,260 --> 00:46:22,880

that are interwoven inside so to know

973

00:46:29,620 --> 00:46:26,270

that some of that is there that that can

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00:46:32,290 --> 00:46:29,630

be the ethos with which I try to

975

00:46:34,480 --> 00:46:32,300

navigate the world my spirituality and

976  
00:46:40,030 --> 00:46:34,490  
those of the other of others around me

977  
00:46:44,030 --> 00:46:40,040  
and so for me trying to broaden the

978  
00:46:48,310 --> 00:46:44,040  
definitions of what spear

979  
00:46:51,050 --> 00:46:48,320  
shuh ality and religion are to say no

980  
00:46:52,460 --> 00:46:51,060  
you know like someone having a UFO

981  
00:46:55,340 --> 00:46:52,470  
encounter or seeing a ghost and then

982  
00:47:00,680 --> 00:46:55,350  
saying it was a demon or it was an angel

983  
00:47:02,930 --> 00:47:00,690  
to try to broaden the vocabulary of that

984  
00:47:06,410 --> 00:47:02,940  
which we can describe the spiritual

985  
00:47:10,930 --> 00:47:06,420  
experiences and trying to read bring the

986  
00:47:14,210 --> 00:47:10,940  
excluded into the conversation that's

987  
00:47:18,070 --> 00:47:14,220  
that's what I'm wrestling with that's

988  
00:47:20,840 --> 00:47:18,080

how I can try to navigate it mm-hmm and

989

00:47:25,070 --> 00:47:20,850

it's it's tough with other people but

990

00:47:28,550 --> 00:47:25,080

yeah I look at the last two thousand

991

00:47:30,440 --> 00:47:28,560

years and Christianity has one like I

992

00:47:33,440 --> 00:47:30,450

don't want a quote and now disgraced

993

00:47:35,300 --> 00:47:33,450

comedian but the Christians have one big

994

00:47:40,040 --> 00:47:35,310

time like how do you know what year is

995

00:47:44,240 --> 00:47:40,050

it you know and I think that Christians

996

00:47:49,060 --> 00:47:44,250

today don't know what to do with that I

997

00:47:52,280 --> 00:47:49,070

think we apologize I think and we should

998

00:47:53,510 --> 00:47:52,290

but I that was that was what that was

999

00:47:55,430 --> 00:47:53,520

what they set out to do they were

1000

00:47:58,400 --> 00:47:55,440

supposed to take over the world right

1001  
00:48:01,640 --> 00:47:58,410  
that was the Great Commission I think we

1002  
00:48:02,870 --> 00:48:01,650  
did it the wrong way because you know I

1003  
00:48:05,300 --> 00:48:02,880  
mean I don't want to go too far down

1004  
00:48:07,730 --> 00:48:05,310  
that path because you only need to kind

1005  
00:48:09,500 --> 00:48:07,740  
of jump in there and say oh it was a

1006  
00:48:12,080 --> 00:48:09,510  
social engineering project from the

1007  
00:48:14,750 --> 00:48:12,090  
people that's really where that really

1008  
00:48:16,280 --> 00:48:14,760  
shows up is with Constantine at 400 so

1009  
00:48:20,300 --> 00:48:16,290  
we go back to say you're right and

1010  
00:48:23,540 --> 00:48:20,310  
that's that's my point by being social

1011  
00:48:26,300 --> 00:48:23,550  
engineering project that's why it's it's

1012  
00:48:28,550 --> 00:48:26,310  
on every single continent now including

1013  
00:48:32,000 --> 00:48:28,560

Antarctica probably said I don't think

1014

00:48:35,540 --> 00:48:32,010

so I mean just a slight twist on that my

1015

00:48:38,390 --> 00:48:35,550

read of it is it was expedient at the

1016

00:48:40,490 --> 00:48:38,400

time it was like [h\_\_h] why not if we can

1017

00:48:42,800 --> 00:48:40,500

get at wing control everybody with this

1018

00:48:44,150 --> 00:48:42,810

thing and we don't have to go to war and

1019

00:48:46,700 --> 00:48:44,160

we don't have to do it with the sword

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00:48:48,200 --> 00:48:46,710

the just the it was a one-time thing

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00:48:52,940 --> 00:48:48,210

they weren't thinking that they're gonna

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00:48:57,900 --> 00:48:56,070

just become a tool that later

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00:49:00,330 --> 00:48:57,910

generations picked up and said hey let's

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00:49:02,790 --> 00:49:00,340

go back it's our go-to and then it got

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00:49:04,470 --> 00:49:02,800

this is my read of that history and all

1026  
00:49:06,570 --> 00:49:04,480  
along there were people who are having

1027  
00:49:08,550 --> 00:49:06,580  
these genuine spiritual experiences

1028  
00:49:12,510 --> 00:49:08,560  
we're saying hold on there's something

1029  
00:49:14,160 --> 00:49:12,520  
really here if it's and I it's funny but

1030  
00:49:16,350 --> 00:49:14,170  
I think there's a lot of parallels with

1031  
00:49:19,050 --> 00:49:16,360  
the psychedelic movement that we talked

1032  
00:49:21,600 --> 00:49:19,060  
about on this show where you know you

1033  
00:49:26,150 --> 00:49:21,610  
introduces substance and it's the evil

1034  
00:49:28,680 --> 00:49:26,160  
CIA psyops ORS and hey man maybe

1035  
00:49:30,840 --> 00:49:28,690  
mind-control everybody and maybe use it

1036  
00:49:33,030 --> 00:49:30,850  
as a truth serum and meanwhile these

1037  
00:49:37,410 --> 00:49:33,040  
people are going you don't know what you

1038  
00:49:40,200 --> 00:49:37,420

have here this is my god experience and

1039

00:49:43,410 --> 00:49:40,210

don't know how to I think that is a

1040

00:49:46,170 --> 00:49:43,420

theme that that we see over and over and

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00:49:49,380 --> 00:49:46,180

over again which is that the control

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00:49:52,650 --> 00:49:49,390

group they're using it for very sinister

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00:49:54,360 --> 00:49:52,660

kind of but materialistic kind of means

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00:49:56,730 --> 00:49:54,370

and there's these other people or having

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00:49:58,230 --> 00:49:56,740

these spiritual experiences I think

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00:50:00,540 --> 00:49:58,240

there's always going to be that tension

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00:50:02,070 --> 00:50:00,550

between all right this is how we're

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00:50:03,770 --> 00:50:02,080

going to take over the world and wait a

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00:50:06,660 --> 00:50:03,780

minute know this is supposed to be in a

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00:50:10,590 --> 00:50:06,670

religion and philosophy of love

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00:50:13,350 --> 00:50:10,600

you know and and I think I think the

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00:50:18,360 --> 00:50:13,360

story of Christianity is is a battle

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00:50:21,320 --> 00:50:18,370

between those two groups and maybe today

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00:50:24,540 --> 00:50:21,330

I'm there's these people want to

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00:50:26,490 --> 00:50:24,550

continue this this this this idea of

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00:50:29,130 --> 00:50:26,500

control again it's been good to them

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00:50:30,810 --> 00:50:29,140

because it's been good to they're the

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00:50:31,980 --> 00:50:30,820

people that look like them the people

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00:50:33,720 --> 00:50:31,990

that believe like them the people that

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00:50:35,190 --> 00:50:33,730

love like them and of course they're

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00:50:38,430 --> 00:50:35,200

gonna want to keep that because its life

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00:50:41,210 --> 00:50:38,440

has been good to them and you know

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00:50:43,890 --> 00:50:41,220

forget all the people they've oppressed

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00:50:46,560 --> 00:50:43,900

through what was supposed to be a

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00:50:49,020 --> 00:50:46,570

redeeming philosophy so I think every

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00:50:52,500 --> 00:50:49,030

Christian should be outraged that that

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00:50:55,200 --> 00:50:52,510

our faith has been used like this it's

1068

00:50:57,240 --> 00:50:55,210

very poignant play like just in the

1069

00:50:59,580 --> 00:50:57,250

narrative of the Bible the you know in

1070

00:51:02,040 --> 00:50:59,590

Genesis we start off with this nomadic

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00:51:04,300 --> 00:51:02,050

people that are terrified of cities and

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00:51:05,800 --> 00:51:04,310

cities like Sodom and Gomorrah

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00:51:08,380 --> 00:51:05,810

to be burned or the Tower of Babel

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00:51:10,420 --> 00:51:08,390

deserves to be destroyed and then at the

1075

00:51:14,310 --> 00:51:10,430

end of Revelation we can only imagine

1076  
00:51:19,800 --> 00:51:14,320  
God coming by sending us in another city

1077  
00:51:24,370 --> 00:51:19,810  
and it feels like that tension of

1078  
00:51:28,540 --> 00:51:24,380  
control hmm is something deeply

1079  
00:51:30,820 --> 00:51:28,550  
entrenched in a constant and a constant

1080  
00:51:35,320 --> 00:51:30,830  
tension throughout than the narrative of

1081  
00:51:38,470 --> 00:51:35,330  
the Christian story okay guys

1082  
00:51:40,750 --> 00:51:38,480  
maybe maybe let me take it one more

1083  
00:51:43,060 --> 00:51:40,760  
place before we before we end it and

1084  
00:51:47,200 --> 00:51:43,070  
that's you know how far are you willing

1085  
00:51:51,600 --> 00:51:47,210  
to go so Brian you threw out the UFO

1086  
00:51:54,190 --> 00:51:51,610  
term does that does that potentially

1087  
00:51:56,700 --> 00:51:54,200  
completely change the paradigm for

1088  
00:51:59,770 --> 00:51:56,710

Christians I talked about on this show

1089

00:52:01,780 --> 00:51:59,780

near-death experience which a lot of

1090

00:52:03,250 --> 00:52:01,790

people you know one of my complaints is

1091

00:52:04,540 --> 00:52:03,260

that Christians try and then co-opted

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00:52:06,100 --> 00:52:04,550

that and say oh that's a Christian

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00:52:09,370 --> 00:52:06,110

experience and anyone who doesn't have

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00:52:14,740 --> 00:52:09,380

it so that's probably less controversial

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00:52:19,510 --> 00:52:14,750

but what developments in this kind of

1096

00:52:22,030 --> 00:52:19,520

fringy spirituality and I'm gonna throw

1097

00:52:24,430 --> 00:52:22,040

the UFO thing in there push the limits

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00:52:30,310 --> 00:52:24,440

of your paradigm your Christian

1099

00:52:33,640 --> 00:52:30,320

Adventist paradigm I mean I'm the mists

1100

00:52:36,640 --> 00:52:33,650

the mystic his whimsical one so I'm open

1101

00:52:39,040 --> 00:52:36,650

to all of that but it's a but it's a

1102

00:52:42,400 --> 00:52:39,050

it's a tense discussion

1103

00:52:45,130 --> 00:52:42,410

it's a weird tension to bring up in

1104

00:52:47,980 --> 00:52:45,140

conversation because you know at the

1105

00:52:50,470 --> 00:52:47,990

same time people are believing that you

1106

00:52:53,410 --> 00:52:50,480

know God sends angels to the world right

1107

00:52:59,020 --> 00:52:53,420

and then you tell them about John Dee

1108

00:53:00,220 --> 00:52:59,030

summoning angels mmm and having just are

1109

00:53:04,240 --> 00:53:00,230

very comfortable with the fact that

1110

00:53:05,860 --> 00:53:04,250

angels and demons exist I don't think

1111

00:53:08,740 --> 00:53:05,870

we're comfortable to play ghosts and

1112

00:53:12,010 --> 00:53:08,750

stuff but yeah ghost is a particularly

1113

00:53:15,420 --> 00:53:12,020

interesting one and that one of the

1114

00:53:17,860 --> 00:53:15,430

things that Adventists at least you know

1115

00:53:20,530 --> 00:53:17,870

are proud of

1116

00:53:24,010 --> 00:53:20,540

that their model of consciousness seems

1117

00:53:25,810 --> 00:53:24,020

to match scientific consensus of you

1118

00:53:27,340 --> 00:53:25,820

know once you die you're asleep and then

1119

00:53:29,410 --> 00:53:27,350

Jesus will wake you up later you don't

1120

00:53:33,040 --> 00:53:29,420

have an immortal soul

1121

00:53:36,640 --> 00:53:33,050

you'll be woken up in the future and so

1122

00:53:39,250 --> 00:53:36,650

I've met a couple of advocacy I've had

1123

00:53:41,260 --> 00:53:39,260

near-death experiences one was the

1124

00:53:43,330 --> 00:53:41,270

daughter of a pastor and she became a

1125

00:53:44,830 --> 00:53:43,340

doula we're trying to get her or we're

1126

00:53:49,660 --> 00:53:44,840

gonna get her on the show well Anthony

1127

00:53:54,670 --> 00:53:49,670

what does push the edges for you NDE OBE

1128

00:53:58,630 --> 00:53:54,680

magic Chaos magic UFOs I think I think

1129

00:54:00,400 --> 00:53:58,640

that one's faster I think so I I do them

1130

00:54:02,800 --> 00:54:00,410

the human consciousness hasn't been

1131

00:54:04,180 --> 00:54:02,810

explored at all I think I think we

1132

00:54:08,950 --> 00:54:04,190

haven't even scratched the surface on

1133

00:54:12,100 --> 00:54:08,960

that and there's so much there that I

1134

00:54:15,220 --> 00:54:12,110

think what's fit very neatly in like and

1135

00:54:18,850 --> 00:54:15,230

haven't just like um you know world view

1136

00:54:20,740 --> 00:54:18,860

and sort of like a fringy like

1137

00:54:21,990 --> 00:54:20,750

conspiracy theorists worldview I think I

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00:54:25,870 --> 00:54:22,000

actually think we have more in common

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00:54:28,030 --> 00:54:25,880

then then you would think the different

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00:54:29,440 --> 00:54:28,040

presuppositions as to how it operates

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00:54:34,810 --> 00:54:29,450

yeah

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00:54:37,630 --> 00:54:34,820

magic I think I'm sorry so personally I

1143

00:54:40,090 --> 00:54:37,640

am Not Afraid of like the golden and and

1144

00:54:43,980 --> 00:54:40,100

magic and all that stuff I do believe

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00:54:46,600 --> 00:54:43,990

it's real but magic is magic is

1146

00:54:48,970 --> 00:54:46,610

completely intertwined with Christianity

1147

00:54:51,160 --> 00:54:48,980

right I mean in so many ways that it's

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00:54:53,230 --> 00:54:51,170

just almost ridiculous that Christians

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00:54:55,630 --> 00:54:53,240

don't realize it and that's right

1150

00:54:57,490 --> 00:54:55,640

finding an exciting new ground I feel

1151

00:55:03,430 --> 00:54:57,500

well I don't know if it's exciting it

1152

00:55:06,010 --> 00:55:03,440

just isn't what's you open to the other

1153

00:55:07,210 --> 00:55:06,020

in theory it is but open to that one of

1154

00:55:09,970 --> 00:55:07,220

the things you have is you have all

1155

00:55:11,560 --> 00:55:09,980

these Saints running around throughout

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00:55:13,870 --> 00:55:11,570

history now this isn't just first

1157

00:55:16,630 --> 00:55:13,880

century this goes all the way through

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00:55:19,810 --> 00:55:16,640

that are doing some really really

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00:55:21,040 --> 00:55:19,820

bizarre stuff and what do you do with

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00:55:23,860 --> 00:55:21,050

that and what do you do with that when

1161

00:55:25,990 --> 00:55:23,870

they do become Saints and are ordained

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00:55:27,890 --> 00:55:26,000

by the church maybe not the true

1163

00:55:30,799 --> 00:55:27,900

promises yeah

1164

00:55:32,989 --> 00:55:30,809

I mean just like other Protestants I

1165

00:55:36,579 --> 00:55:32,999

think they would just chalk up Saints

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00:55:39,620 --> 00:55:36,589

and all other weirdnesses superstition

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00:55:42,559 --> 00:55:39,630

and it's tough to talk about how we have

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00:55:44,120 --> 00:55:42,569

a prophetess yeah you know swears does

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00:55:46,700 --> 00:55:44,130

she communicated with God and with

1170

00:55:49,039 --> 00:55:46,710

angels visited Jupiter and size at a

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00:55:51,410 --> 00:55:49,049

Jupiter it means there and and there's

1172

00:55:52,999 --> 00:55:51,420

the room isn't still you know but an

1173

00:55:55,249 --> 00:55:53,009

hour up north from here where we're

1174

00:55:57,859 --> 00:55:55,259

sitting where she had that experience

1175

00:56:02,720 --> 00:55:57,869

that she saw her room filled with angels

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00:56:04,120 --> 00:56:02,730

and and and nurses from the nearby

1177

00:56:07,069 --> 00:56:04,130

hospital a little bit up the hill

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00:56:09,259 --> 00:56:07,079

sometimes at night who could see a glow

1179

00:56:11,559 --> 00:56:09,269

really does anything it's a hundred

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00:56:14,269 --> 00:56:11,569

percent thing you take the sort that

1181

00:56:16,789 --> 00:56:14,279

could see a glow from her house so like

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00:56:18,470 --> 00:56:16,799

so yes Adventist you know very low no of

1183

00:56:21,769 --> 00:56:18,480

course that don't we don't believe that

1184

00:56:25,519 --> 00:56:21,779

and yet we have our prophetess who is

1185

00:56:27,950 --> 00:56:25,529

flirting with with all of this and and I

1186

00:56:29,420 --> 00:56:27,960

see a lot of exciting potential yeah and

1187

00:56:32,539 --> 00:56:29,430

so I think that's one thing that we're

1188

00:56:33,979 --> 00:56:32,549

trying to to talk about I mean babies

1189

00:56:35,720 --> 00:56:33,989

I'm surprised to hear and say that he's

1190

00:56:37,309 --> 00:56:35,730

okay with the occult because it feels

1191

00:56:40,940 --> 00:56:37,319

like once we say that out loud

1192

00:56:46,910 --> 00:56:40,950

we lose a lot of credibility from from

1193

00:56:48,440 --> 00:56:46,920

our communities and so we define a

1194

00:56:50,509 --> 00:56:48,450

little bit what we mean when we say a

1195

00:56:52,339 --> 00:56:50,519

cult I mean the cult gets hidden I mean

1196

00:56:58,279 --> 00:56:52,349

we're really saying I don't think you're

1197

00:57:02,259 --> 00:56:58,289

embracing anything but off the bat you

1198

00:57:07,609 --> 00:57:02,269

you raise the hackles and suspicions of

1199

00:57:10,150 --> 00:57:07,619

your parents of your family of the

1200

00:57:14,420 --> 00:57:10,160

community that you grew up in and so

1201  
00:57:18,229 --> 00:57:14,430  
we're trying to slowly talk about it or

1202  
00:57:21,999 --> 00:57:18,239  
open it up for discussion but it's a

1203  
00:57:28,700 --> 00:57:22,009  
very weird strat strategic strategic

1204  
00:57:31,210 --> 00:57:28,710  
requiring map to navigate but so that we

1205  
00:57:34,670 --> 00:57:31,220  
want to like you know get those NDE

1206  
00:57:38,720 --> 00:57:34,680  
survivors who stayed in and left the

1207  
00:57:41,280 --> 00:57:38,730  
church and try to find that within our

1208  
00:57:45,840 --> 00:57:41,290  
own experiences um

1209  
00:57:47,330 --> 00:57:45,850  
yeah it's tough tough no I think for a

1210  
00:57:50,010 --> 00:57:47,340  
long time

1211  
00:57:51,390 --> 00:57:50,020  
reflections of our own spirituality or

1212  
00:57:53,810 --> 00:57:51,400  
of other people's rich I have been

1213  
00:57:56,250 --> 00:57:53,820

filtered through you know the Machine

1214

00:57:59,400 --> 00:57:56,260

and have been you know fed to us every

1215

00:58:01,260 --> 00:57:59,410

Sabbath you know as a cookie cutter

1216

00:58:03,690 --> 00:58:01,270

testimonies right of how they already

1217

00:58:07,680 --> 00:58:03,700

bolster what the church already teaches

1218

00:58:09,720 --> 00:58:07,690

and I think set free from that and if

1219

00:58:13,340 --> 00:58:09,730

people are allowed to experience their

1220

00:58:16,640 --> 00:58:13,350

spirituality the way the way they see

1221

00:58:19,740 --> 00:58:16,650

fit for their lives right and that

1222

00:58:23,670 --> 00:58:19,750

includes you know loving who they want

1223

00:58:27,330 --> 00:58:23,680

and and and you're worshiping in the way

1224

00:58:29,970 --> 00:58:27,340

they want and and and if we just could

1225

00:58:31,230 --> 00:58:29,980

convince in my ideal world convinced the

1226

00:58:34,410 --> 00:58:31,240

average church take them a little bit

1227

00:58:35,910 --> 00:58:34,420

more hands-off approach on people's you

1228

00:58:38,310 --> 00:58:35,920

know getting in size people spiritual

1229

00:58:40,200 --> 00:58:38,320

because you'd be surprised the level of

1230

00:58:42,420 --> 00:58:40,210

engineering that goes into an Adventist

1231

00:58:44,940 --> 00:58:42,430

Church service you know cuz everything

1232

00:58:46,920 --> 00:58:44,950

is choreographed you know there's been

1233

00:58:49,680 --> 00:58:46,930

huge splits on whether to have drums in

1234

00:58:52,710 --> 00:58:49,690

church I mean this is very silly thing

1235

00:58:54,690 --> 00:58:52,720

the fire is pretty low yeah what we're

1236

00:58:58,440 --> 00:58:54,700

who gets to do gets to deliver the

1237

00:59:01,050 --> 00:58:58,450

sermon you know like and and I do think

1238

00:59:02,940 --> 00:59:01,060

the average church is unique it has a

1239

00:59:05,130 --> 00:59:02,950

very beautiful message to tell the world

1240

00:59:06,900 --> 00:59:05,140

I think it's gone way too far on this

1241

00:59:08,460 --> 00:59:06,910

whole control thing

1242

00:59:10,520 --> 00:59:08,470

and I think we should pull back and

1243

00:59:13,980 --> 00:59:10,530

that's what the aberrant test is about

1244

00:59:16,050 --> 00:59:13,990

hopefully guys tell us tell folks where

1245

00:59:18,660 --> 00:59:16,060

they can find the podcast the bad

1246

00:59:20,550 --> 00:59:18,670

dentist and what you guys are up to in

1247

00:59:22,410 --> 00:59:20,560

the near future you kind of tipped your

1248

00:59:25,950 --> 00:59:22,420

hand with an exciting idea of

1249

00:59:28,140 --> 00:59:25,960

interviewing Adventists in de experience

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00:59:29,820 --> 00:59:28,150

or what else is coming yeah if you know

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00:59:32,970 --> 00:59:29,830

any please get them in touch with us

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00:59:37,140 --> 00:59:32,980

also we only know to now it was one

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00:59:40,950 --> 00:59:37,150

before and to today so feel free to

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00:59:42,630 --> 00:59:40,960

follow us at Adventism on Twitter and

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00:59:48,510 --> 00:59:42,640

Instagram you can email us at the

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00:59:50,970 --> 00:59:48,520

Badminton at gmail.com yeah and then you

1257

00:59:54,120 --> 00:59:50,980

can find us through there also you feel

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00:59:55,109 --> 00:59:54,130

I'm on Twitter at Brian Nash's I don't

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00:59:56,969 --> 00:59:55,119

know if you want to

1260

01:00:05,670 --> 00:59:56,979

finally including that he has weird

1261

01:00:06,930 --> 01:00:05,680

tweets yeah but and we had word some the

1262

01:00:09,839 --> 01:00:06,940

Adventist Church is trying to talk about

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01:00:12,900 --> 01:00:09,849

sexuality in a more open and inviting

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01:00:17,279 --> 01:00:12,910

way we don't think they go far enough

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01:00:19,380 --> 01:00:17,289

laughably filled and so we have a small

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01:00:23,729 --> 01:00:19,390

series of Christianity and sexuality

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01:00:25,859 --> 01:00:23,739

coming up and so so with with the mantra

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01:00:28,469 --> 01:00:25,869

of like hey I know you guys like to

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01:00:32,789 --> 01:00:28,479

control things including you know ease

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01:00:38,099 --> 01:00:32,799

up a bit yeah thanks this is weird and

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01:00:39,569 --> 01:00:38,109

so I mean I think you are there's

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01:00:41,489 --> 01:00:39,579

probably a little overlap between

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01:00:44,489 --> 01:00:41,499

skeptical audience and the bad with this

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01:00:51,509 --> 01:00:44,499

audience but if any of the skeptical

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01:00:54,569 --> 01:00:51,519

audience is the overlap yeah audience

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01:00:58,319 --> 01:00:54,579

has any Christian friends or relatives

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01:01:02,519 --> 01:00:58,329

hopefully we can be like the bridge for

1278

01:01:05,670 --> 01:01:02,529

them and and the this I can't be

1279

01:01:09,150 --> 01:01:05,680

surprised how I've listened to it like a

1280

01:01:12,299 --> 01:01:09,160

number of Alex's podcast my dad would

1281

01:01:14,549 --> 01:01:12,309

love your pilot oh really oh my leg it's

1282

01:01:16,799 --> 01:01:14,559

it's very much in his like vein of

1283

01:01:19,559 --> 01:01:16,809

thinking hopefully you get a bunch of

1284

01:01:22,859 --> 01:01:19,569

Adventist listeners after this we'll see

1285

01:01:29,430 --> 01:01:22,869

let us know if that happens I will let

1286

01:01:32,910 --> 01:01:29,440

the world hey guys it's been awesome

1287

01:01:35,489 --> 01:01:32,920

having you on and I appreciate it and I

1288

01:01:37,529 --> 01:01:35,499

look forward to you know checking into

1289

01:01:39,120 --> 01:01:37,539

the bed Venice one of the problems going

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01:01:41,190 --> 01:01:39,130

on right now is there's so much great

1291

01:01:43,859 --> 01:01:41,200

content and I would include you guys in

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01:01:45,539 --> 01:01:43,869

there but I am gonna make sure to peek

1293

01:01:47,099 --> 01:01:45,549

and poke in there especially on some of

1294

01:01:49,709 --> 01:01:47,109

these great episodes that are coming up

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01:01:52,319 --> 01:01:49,719

so thanks again so much for joining me

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01:01:55,229 --> 01:01:52,329

and skip to go thanks so much thanks for

1297

01:01:56,969 --> 01:01:55,239

having us on really appreciate it thanks

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01:01:58,709 --> 01:01:56,979

again to Brian and Anthony for joining

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01:02:02,009 --> 01:01:58,719

me today on skeptic oh the one question

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01:02:04,950 --> 01:02:02,019

I T up is Christianity worth saving can

1301  
01:02:07,739 --> 01:02:04,960  
we really brush aside all the tradition

1302  
01:02:08,410 --> 01:02:07,749  
all the history that's woven into the

1303  
01:02:10,960 --> 01:02:08,420  
fabric

1304  
01:02:12,220 --> 01:02:10,970  
of our country here in the US into

1305  
01:02:15,130 --> 01:02:12,230  
Western culture

1306  
01:02:18,760 --> 01:02:15,140  
can we really brush all that aside

1307  
01:02:22,030 --> 01:02:18,770  
merely because much of it is a social

1308  
01:02:24,970 --> 01:02:22,040  
engineering control sigh huh I mean what

1309  
01:02:27,660 --> 01:02:24,980  
if the best parts aren't that what if

1310  
01:02:31,890 --> 01:02:27,670  
the best parts are as Brian said a

1311  
01:02:34,420 --> 01:02:31,900  
language for accessing the spiritual I

1312  
01:02:36,910 --> 01:02:34,430  
don't know on this one I keep bouncing

1313  
01:02:39,220 --> 01:02:36,920

back and forth I thought I knew but I

1314

01:02:42,100 --> 01:02:39,230

think I don't know come play with me on

1315

01:02:44,650 --> 01:02:42,110

this one connect skeptical forum love

1316

01:02:47,080 --> 01:02:44,660

seeing so many new faces there so many

1317

01:02:50,470 --> 01:02:47,090

bright intelligent brilliant people

1318

01:02:52,840 --> 01:02:50,480

there please come join us I do have some

1319

01:02:54,970 --> 01:02:52,850

really good shows coming up I think stay

1320

01:02:56,680 --> 01:02:54,980

with me for all of that please tell

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01:02:59,350 --> 01:02:56,690

someone who needs to know about this

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01:03:01,180 --> 01:02:59,360

show to tune in show them how to

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01:03:03,730 --> 01:03:01,190

download it show them how to listen to

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01:03:05,470 --> 01:03:03,740

it show him how to use Spotify but

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01:03:07,840 --> 01:03:05,480

that's gonna do it for this episode of

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01:03:10,630 --> 01:03:07,850

skeptic oh do take care and until next

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01:03:17,290 --> 01:03:10,640

time bye for now

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01:03:28,340 --> 01:03:24,290

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01:03:30,050 --> 01:03:28,350

so thanks for watching this video and if

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01:03:32,930 --> 01:03:30,060

it wasn't really a video but just an

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01:03:34,520 --> 01:03:32,940

audio stored as a video I apologize but

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01:03:36,440 --> 01:03:34,530

there's more videos out there as well

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01:03:38,270 --> 01:03:36,450

but please check out the skeptic Oh

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01:03:39,620 --> 01:03:38,280

website you can see it here we cover a

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01:03:42,470 --> 01:03:39,630

lot of different stuff you might be

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01:03:45,770 --> 01:03:42,480

interested in relating to controversial

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01:03:49,190 --> 01:03:45,780

science and spirituality a lot of shows

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01:03:52,190 --> 01:03:49,200

up there over 350 of them or so all free

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01:03:53,650 --> 01:03:52,200

all available for download so do check