

Episode One:

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TRUTHBUMP
INTERVIEWS WITH PODCASTERS

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00:00:19,630 --> 00:00:16,859
and deeper we go my beloved true seekers

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00:00:22,929 --> 00:00:19,640
deeper into the wastelands of mater and

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00:00:24,519 --> 00:00:22,939
graveyards of broken dreams please allow

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00:00:27,310 --> 00:00:24,529
me to introduce myself

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00:00:31,150 --> 00:00:27,320
and keep you company as your psychopomp

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00:00:34,240 --> 00:00:31,160
of impossible secrets I am and I am

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00:00:36,910 --> 00:00:34,250
Abraxas and his meatsac incarnation of

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00:00:40,799 --> 00:00:36,920
new yel Connor broadcasting from the

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00:00:43,420 --> 00:00:40,809
lawful but frigid dystopia of Chicago

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00:00:46,270 --> 00:00:43,430
welcome you veterans of a thousand

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00:00:49,170 --> 00:00:46,280
psychic wars welcome you revenge of the

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00:00:53,290 --> 00:00:49,180
myth you Johnny Cash Bodhisattvas and

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00:00:55,960 --> 00:00:53,300

spiritual entrepreneurs welcome to the

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Machine my son and the means to escape

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it deeper we go

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certainly say my work has influenced or

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popularize the idea of Gnosticism the

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idea of archons didn't exist ten years

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ago now you have people like Alex Jones

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David Icke and so forth talking about it

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in the matrix has always been a popular

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movie but it seems only recently has it

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really infused itself into the the

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00:02:06,540 --> 00:02:03,640
psyche of the public and of course there

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00:02:10,680 --> 00:02:06,550
are people like Elon Musk's and saying

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00:02:13,590 --> 00:02:10,690
we live in a fabricated reality and this

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is all program as Sam writer sang

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00:02:19,710 --> 00:02:16,480
credits bad software we are stuck in bad

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00:02:26,270 --> 00:02:19,720
software and now it's it's accepted it's

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00:02:34,100 --> 00:02:30,410
I think the beauty of podcasting is that

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00:02:37,550 --> 00:02:34,110
you can literally have a PC and a mic

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00:02:40,040 --> 00:02:37,560
and very little else and you can connect

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00:02:42,050 --> 00:02:40,050
with scholars in Oxford you can connect

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00:02:43,910 --> 00:02:42,060
with researchers in Australia you can

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00:02:46,250 --> 00:02:43,920
bring them into your room and then you

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00:02:48,020 --> 00:02:46,260

can spread that information out what I

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00:02:49,970 --> 00:02:48,030

like about Gnosticism is that you can

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00:02:52,190 --> 00:02:49,980

take it as psychologically spiritually

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00:02:54,890 --> 00:02:52,200

or materially I mean you don't have to

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00:02:56,870 --> 00:02:54,900

believe that there's these giant archons

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in heaven oppressing your life the

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Archon can be the boss at your job write

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your own gospel and live your own myth

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00:03:07,699 --> 00:03:05,580

and for my life I've got my myth that

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00:03:10,850 --> 00:03:07,709

I'm trying to live in my gospel Karl

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Yune said we have inner archetypes and

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mythologies that reside deep within our

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unconscious when we bring those out we

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can actually start changing the

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narrative of our life changing our

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personas changing how things go and I

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think that tagline is what I really want

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people to know I want people to have as

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much information as they can so they can

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write their own gospel and live their

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own myths so they can as I say in my

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show create better than the Creator of

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gods and they're but slaves in the

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establishment because all of us have

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been programmed all of us are leaving

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are living a story that was written by

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somebody else and it was the ancient

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Gnostics who said enough of this we're

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gonna write our own narrative we're

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gonna create our own reality not in this

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I was born in Europe and Lisbon Portugal

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and my father was a geologist he worked

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for oil companies so we moved around a

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lot as a kid so what I saw was different

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worlds in these world were always ending

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and I saw different cultures as a young

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kid I saw the reality that governments

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and cultures were different and I wonder

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well which is they're all false oh

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00:04:27,210 --> 00:04:24,340
they're all real how malleable is

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reality when one year you're in Tanzania

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in the next year you're in Brazil and so

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00:04:33,510 --> 00:04:31,720
forth so we settled in Mexico for many

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00:04:35,790 --> 00:04:33,520
years and of course that's where I

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00:04:40,140 --> 00:04:35,800
really picked up the idea magic realism

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which really influences southern America

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and Europe and that of course is the ID

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that the spiritual and the material

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world or today we could say the digital

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in the material world are always

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together and they're always

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communicating they ended up in Chicago

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and Chicago really was as much as it a

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great city

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it really had that Gnostic vibe of the

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the soul of the divine spark being

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trapped in matter because the city is

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sprawling it's intense but it's also

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very segregated in siloed and you all

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and it's certainly very claustrophobic

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when you live in the city with the

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family so it also accentuated that sense

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that I was trapped and I needed to to

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00:05:24,089 --> 00:05:21,220
get out and of course I always say that

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00:05:26,820 --> 00:05:24,099
I call Chicago the frigid and lawful

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00:05:29,490 --> 00:05:26,830
dystopia I would say it's rewarding to

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say my listeners are very varied I mean

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I have a lot of listeners who are

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atheists a lot of listeners who are

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still practicing Catholics or Methodists

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I had had a listener who told me he had

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00:05:44,969 --> 00:05:42,460
converted to Islam and he was now gonna

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00:05:46,830 --> 00:05:44,979
be a strict Muslim but he still loved am

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00:05:48,750 --> 00:05:46,840
bide because he loved the message of

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00:05:50,730 --> 00:05:48,760

liberation and breaking through the

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falsehood of our realities I think

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00:05:55,950 --> 00:05:52,539

religion is great I think human beings

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are really our brain is hardwired for

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mysticism I think we need to be I think

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humans should be religious but religious

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in the way of mythology again what are

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the symbols and the

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myths and the archetypes that inform us

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and where do they lead us to our growth

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I would tell people what they need to

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embrace it what is what works for them

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I always tell one thing that I say in

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the show is we don't take prisoners we

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liberate them we are not the final

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authority in anything you are the final

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authority and I hope that the a.m. by

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Gnostic radio is there so that people as

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I tell them they can find the mystery

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that works for them and only them what's

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the supplying parts of your life the

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artistic parts of your life that really

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liberate you I think the greatest thing

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that I found or the true the central

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core about Gnosticism find is that they

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have a lucid yearning for liberation

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that was their thrust and has been their

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thrust throughout history liberation

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from the material world liberation from

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the constructs of the world liberation

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from outside and inner demons because

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the hardest thing you're gonna tell

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somebody and that's really the

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underlying message of the Gnostic is

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that you are a lie and everything you've

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been told in this world is a lie that's

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a hard pill to swallow

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again I'd rather be free and live in

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truth and you know just a chattel to

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some overlords living a lie

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living an illusion and I could be wrong

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I mean I could be delusional the whole

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time I mean but at least it's my journey

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to take there's always conflict and as

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you you break through to new

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realizations you get new insights new

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data in there's always gonna be a

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resistance because of course I want to

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settle I want to find a nice comfortable

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place with my own comfortable ideology

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and I just want to chill and sort of

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putt-putt the rest of my life but this

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this Gnostic impulse always keeps me

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pushing and yes there is conflict there

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is doubt and a lot of times there is

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pain I mean it it's not easy being

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outside of a community it's not easy

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being outside of a family zone when they

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have their own traditions and all that

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it's it is hard I mean I am a human

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being I'm a pack

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animal I like communities but in this

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world of podcasting and this sort of

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edgy philosophy that you call Gnosticism

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you often find yourself in a Bardo as

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they say in Buddhism in that middle

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space where you're in between you're in

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between everything you're not really

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part of anything so yeah it can be very

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challenging the divine spark is a term

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the Gnostics had for that shard of

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infinity that lives within us it is that

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shard that fell from the higher worlds

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and resides in each human being and it

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is our greatest potential the matrix is

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probably the greatest Gnostic modern

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myth and of course it's probably our

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greatest modern myth period and if

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you're ever confused about Gnosticism a

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gnostic philosophy or gnostic ideology

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just go watch the matrix you'll get a

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blow-by-blow account of what Gnosticism

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is the Demiurge is the main villain he's

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the biggest baddest guy in the in the

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whole place he's basically the Supreme

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Being and creator of the universe in

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Gnostic texts they associate the

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Demiurge with the Old Testament God

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Jehovah or Yahweh he is sort of this

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creator of this imperfect fabricated

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world who traps our divine sparks within

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our bodies I remember years ago when I

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was a Catholic somebody gave me these

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photocopies and it was a chariot S's the

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Christ conspiracy I never heard of it so

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I started reading them how Jesus had

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these parallels to Horus to Krishna

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so in it it blew my mind in a very

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positive way because it showed me the

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richness of myth how syncretic cultures

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was and it showed me that all these

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beings including Jesus were beings of

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possibility like the Gnostics the

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Gnostics posited theoretical Jesus they

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weren't too concerned with the

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historical Jesus

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some groups thought he was historical or

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the flesh some thought it was our own

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intuition coming

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from within and projecting out into the

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world and showing the world what a

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positive compassionate good figure could

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be as I always like to tell people don't

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concern you don't concern yourself too

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much with a historical Jesus

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why don't you concern yourself whether

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you are historical it's probably a shock

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to many but there is no doubt that the

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Gospel of John was originally a gnostic

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text and it was actually the first

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people to ever write commentary on the

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Gospel of John where the Gnostics it's

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probably a shock that Paul the Apostle

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Paul really sets the foundation from

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Gnosticism he's talking about archons

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he's talking about Sophia he's talking

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about the mysteries and he's talking

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about this sort of cosmic war and all

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the and how we are all trapped by the

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ruler of this age the god of this age

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and how the angels are up there screwing

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up creation so the Gnostic element was

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there is there even in the Bible of

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course the church sort of once they

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eliminated the Gnostic sort of altered

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things around gave it their own spin but

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it's all there but for people not only

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is the Gnostic idea there but there's

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also the Gnostic idea that you know you

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really don't need a church that's your

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that's your choice what you need is a

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brain and your heart to go exploring