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Do Academics Get Evil?

Skeptiko Topics:

Consciousness Science
Parapsychology
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00:00:10,120 --> 00:00:08,210
welcome to skeptical we explore

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00:00:12,980 --> 00:00:10,130
controversial science and spirituality

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00:00:13,789 --> 00:00:12,990
with leading researchers thinkers and

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00:00:17,090 --> 00:00:13,799
their critics

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00:00:20,750 --> 00:00:17,100
I'm your host Alex Icarus and today's

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00:00:23,810 --> 00:00:20,760
guest is very interesting guy

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00:00:26,050 --> 00:00:23,820
he's a former professional boxer trained

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00:00:29,419 --> 00:00:26,060
by heavyweight champ Floyd Patterson

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00:00:31,490 --> 00:00:29,429
quite an amazing thing they're a former

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00:00:34,490 --> 00:00:31,500
criminal investigator has worked on many

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00:00:36,410 --> 00:00:34,500
high-profile cases before becoming an

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00:00:40,340 --> 00:00:36,420
instructor at the Criminal Justice

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00:00:42,020 --> 00:00:40,350

Institute and dr. rich Greco is also a

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00:00:44,270 --> 00:00:42,030

professor of philosophy in world

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00:00:47,090 --> 00:00:44,280

religion at Florida State College in

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00:00:50,720 --> 00:00:47,100

Jacksonville who earned his PhD with a

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00:00:54,950 --> 00:00:50,730

dissertation on Krishnamurti and tick

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00:00:57,020 --> 00:00:54,960

not hon so like I said interesting guy

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00:00:58,670 --> 00:00:57,030

and for those of you who've been around

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00:01:01,490 --> 00:00:58,680

skeptical for a while

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00:01:03,860 --> 00:01:01,500

you recognize rich as someone who's been

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00:01:06,620 --> 00:01:03,870

on the show before somebody Eileen

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00:01:08,450 --> 00:01:06,630

to kind of weigh in on topics he was

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00:01:11,420 --> 00:01:08,460

recently on the interview that I did

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00:01:13,429 --> 00:01:11,430

with dr. Donna Hoffman and he provided

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00:01:15,649 --> 00:01:13,439
some great analysis there but he's also

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00:01:17,600 --> 00:01:15,659
dumped some interviews for a skeptic Oh

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00:01:20,539 --> 00:01:17,610
over the years so it's always great to

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00:01:21,590 --> 00:01:20,549
connect with them and rich thanks for

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00:01:26,200 --> 00:01:21,600
joining me on this one

31
00:01:29,270 --> 00:01:26,210
thanks again for having me man so what

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00:01:31,249 --> 00:01:29,280
interesting guy like I said you know I'm

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00:01:35,960 --> 00:01:31,259
doing this and we talked a couple times

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00:01:38,960 --> 00:01:35,970
and we have like a good rapport going

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00:01:42,050 --> 00:01:38,970
back and forth but I kind of read dug

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00:01:44,960 --> 00:01:42,060
into your background and it's really

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00:01:47,450 --> 00:01:44,970
really interesting and it's particularly

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00:01:49,609 --> 00:01:47,460

relevant to these kind of things that

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00:01:52,550 --> 00:01:49,619

we've been talking about today and that

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00:01:56,209 --> 00:01:52,560

we're going to be getting into in terms

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00:02:00,620 --> 00:01:56,219

of you know what kind of background it

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00:02:02,600 --> 00:02:00,630

really takes to be able to engage in the

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00:02:05,120 --> 00:02:02,610

discourse that we need to when we start

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00:02:08,680 --> 00:02:05,130

getting into extended consciousness or

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00:02:11,660 --> 00:02:08,690

talks about evil or those kind of things

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00:02:12,860 --> 00:02:11,670

what else can we what else can we know

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00:02:15,770 --> 00:02:12,870

from your back

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00:02:17,479 --> 00:02:15,780

ground that you think is kind of maybe

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00:02:19,240 --> 00:02:17,489

coming into play with the work that

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00:02:21,680 --> 00:02:19,250

you've done in worldview that you have

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00:02:23,479 --> 00:02:21,690
well I mean I don't know you've really

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00:02:25,640 --> 00:02:23,489
done substantial trust it's a pretty

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00:02:27,770 --> 00:02:25,650
good investigator yourself I could use

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00:02:29,539 --> 00:02:27,780
your help back in the day I didn't

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00:02:31,940 --> 00:02:29,549
realize you knew that much about my my

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00:02:34,850 --> 00:02:31,950
background but in terms of the the past

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00:02:37,160 --> 00:02:34,860
that led me here I guess has a lot to do

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00:02:38,479 --> 00:02:37,170
with the fact that yeah you know I

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00:02:40,580 --> 00:02:38,489
suppose if being a professional

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00:02:43,759 --> 00:02:40,590
philosopher and I suppose like trained

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00:02:46,759 --> 00:02:43,769
historian I guess to is sort of one

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00:02:51,250 --> 00:02:46,769
branch of the quest for ultimate meaning

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00:02:53,690 --> 00:02:51,260

and truth you know I certainly just

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00:02:55,369 --> 00:02:53,700

investigation in a practical context

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00:02:58,610 --> 00:02:55,379

doing a criminal investigation or any

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00:03:01,369 --> 00:02:58,620

other kind is also essentially about the

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00:03:02,750 --> 00:03:01,379

very same thing so I've been sending you

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00:03:04,220 --> 00:03:02,760

a ton of these interviews I've been

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00:03:06,500 --> 00:03:04,230

doing lately and they're kind of all

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00:03:10,069 --> 00:03:06,510

over the board I'm Stella five Anika

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00:03:11,809 --> 00:03:10,079

Lucas who's been a victim of what turns

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00:03:14,720 --> 00:03:11,819

out is satanic ritual abuse since the

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00:03:16,520 --> 00:03:14,730

time she was six years old sold into sex

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00:03:20,300 --> 00:03:16,530

slavery then I sent you an interview

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00:03:21,650 --> 00:03:20,310

with Christian fundamentalist guy who

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00:03:24,110 --> 00:03:21,660

deals with it

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00:03:26,059 --> 00:03:24,120

that is deals with satanic ritual abuse

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00:03:27,979 --> 00:03:26,069

from a whole different basis so I sent

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00:03:29,509 --> 00:03:27,989

you a bunch of these along with these

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00:03:31,280 --> 00:03:29,519

interviews I've done most scholars I'm

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00:03:33,949 --> 00:03:31,290

done like how are we supposed to sort

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00:03:37,460 --> 00:03:33,959

this out and I think one of the things

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00:03:40,400 --> 00:03:37,470

that emerge from that discussion is your

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00:03:43,879 --> 00:03:40,410

background as a criminal investigator in

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00:03:45,740 --> 00:03:43,889

how that might I don't know there's a

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00:03:52,220 --> 00:03:45,750

worldliness to that where it's like you

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00:03:54,050 --> 00:03:52,230

know this guy is a creep these horrible

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00:03:55,129 --> 00:03:54,060

things and as a criminal investigator

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00:03:57,860 --> 00:03:55,139

you know you have to play both sides

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00:03:59,629 --> 00:03:57,870

you're like hey I can't you know I'll be

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00:04:01,430 --> 00:03:59,639

too prejudiced but on the other hand I

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00:04:04,939 --> 00:04:01,440

know this guy's a creep and I gonna nail

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00:04:09,189 --> 00:04:04,949

them and there's that is that's needed I

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00:04:12,740 --> 00:04:09,199

think that kind of lack of naivete is

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00:04:18,580 --> 00:04:12,750

needed and is wanting in some of these

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00:04:21,920 --> 00:04:18,590

interviews I've done and yeah yeah I

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00:04:23,920 --> 00:04:21,930

certainly you know I think the the Heuer

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00:04:26,590 --> 00:04:23,930

band one is particularly

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00:04:29,290 --> 00:04:26,600

salient in that regard isn't it in terms

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00:04:31,090 --> 00:04:29,300

of both you and Chris Shelton you

101
00:04:33,969 --> 00:04:31,100
subsequently interviewed being kind of

102
00:04:39,430 --> 00:04:33,979
frustrated at him even maybe more than

103
00:04:41,320 --> 00:04:39,440
you with the the lack of any what should

104
00:04:44,680 --> 00:04:41,330
what should I call a commitment in the

105
00:04:47,350 --> 00:04:44,690
scope of his inquiry again I tend to be

106
00:04:50,560 --> 00:04:47,360
a both/and guy when my thinking versus

107
00:04:53,469 --> 00:04:50,570
an ether or guy and I try to I try to

108
00:04:55,570 --> 00:04:53,479
reconcile maybe seemingly contradictory

109
00:04:57,820 --> 00:04:55,580
views and I think I remember you had

110
00:05:00,340 --> 00:04:57,830
when I did enter an interview with

111
00:05:02,200 --> 00:05:00,350
Stanley critter at the American

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00:05:04,860 --> 00:05:02,210
Psychological Association conference I

113
00:05:07,270 --> 00:05:04,870

remember you expressing the exact same

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00:05:09,159 --> 00:05:07,280

frustrations I'd not exact same it was a

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00:05:11,050 --> 00:05:09,169

different context I suppose but very

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00:05:13,719 --> 00:05:11,060

similar frustrations with him in that

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00:05:16,620 --> 00:05:13,729

connection and and I understand that I

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00:05:21,250 --> 00:05:16,630

guess at the same time though I also

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00:05:23,140 --> 00:05:21,260

understand the need for an investigator

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00:05:25,870 --> 00:05:23,150

whether it's a scholarly investigator or

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00:05:28,300 --> 00:05:25,880

a criminal investigator to be impartial

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00:05:30,610 --> 00:05:28,310

and unbiased insofar as you can realize

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00:05:33,640 --> 00:05:30,620

that ideal because if when you're not

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00:05:35,680 --> 00:05:33,650

right then you're just doing a polemic

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00:05:37,689 --> 00:05:35,690

you're doing apologetics instead of an

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00:05:40,360 --> 00:05:37,699
investigation and that's my big concern

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00:05:42,610 --> 00:05:40,370
right you brought up that that interview

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00:05:43,180 --> 00:05:42,620
you did with Stanley critter and that's

129
00:05:44,469 --> 00:05:43,190
a good one

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00:05:47,320 --> 00:05:44,479
but I tell you what I wanted to do I

131
00:05:49,330 --> 00:05:47,330
want to play folks a clip from from

132
00:05:52,029 --> 00:05:49,340
another interview you did for us one

133
00:05:53,290 --> 00:05:52,039
with a guy who you've known for awhile

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00:05:56,500 --> 00:05:53,300
and lives down there in Florida

135
00:05:58,600 --> 00:05:56,510
dr. Hoyt edge and this is from a while

136
00:06:00,719 --> 00:05:58,610
back I had to dig into the archives but

137
00:06:04,180 --> 00:06:00,729
I listened to this interview and it and

138
00:06:07,990 --> 00:06:04,190

again it's one of those where this stuff

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00:06:09,969 --> 00:06:08,000

has come up for a while and particularly

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00:06:12,219 --> 00:06:09,979

in parapsychology but I wanted to play

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00:06:15,189 --> 00:06:12,229

you this clip and then we can chat about

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00:06:18,279 --> 00:06:15,199

it so here goes a number of pair of

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00:06:21,219 --> 00:06:18,289

psychologists a lot of them perhaps want

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00:06:25,270 --> 00:06:21,229

to call the field a part of phenomena

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00:06:29,439 --> 00:06:25,280

listing psychology long okay it for two

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00:06:31,480 --> 00:06:29,449

reasons one it is just as Bob Bob Morris

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00:06:33,219 --> 00:06:31,490

said what we ought to do if we want to

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00:06:34,870 --> 00:06:33,229

have parapsychology you mean something

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00:06:37,540 --> 00:06:34,880

in parapsychology be paid attention to

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00:06:40,310 --> 00:06:37,550

if we can contribute something to know

151
00:06:43,940 --> 00:06:40,320
psychology then they're much more likely

152
00:06:49,070 --> 00:06:43,950
to say oh these are good people one that

153
00:06:51,230 --> 00:06:49,080
he didn't like I think he's also perhaps

154
00:06:53,420 --> 00:06:51,240
been a little unfair they're also

155
00:06:55,190 --> 00:06:53,430
playing it away or that's right yeah

156
00:06:57,770 --> 00:06:55,200
that's right I like Richard you know I

157
00:06:59,990 --> 00:06:57,780
know Richard I like him

158
00:07:02,810 --> 00:07:00,000
Susan blackboard Blackie knows the same

159
00:07:05,090 --> 00:07:02,820
way yes Susan has stayed in my home and

160
00:07:10,150 --> 00:07:05,100
so forth I love Susan right you know

161
00:07:12,800 --> 00:07:10,160
these are good good people good good

162
00:07:15,680 --> 00:07:12,810
he's talking about their a dr. Richard

163
00:07:17,270 --> 00:07:15,690

Wiseman who I don't know we haven't

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00:07:19,520 --> 00:07:17,280

really kept up with him much on this

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00:07:21,950 --> 00:07:19,530

show but he's a guy I would remind folks

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00:07:25,040 --> 00:07:21,960

that Rupert Sheldrake was pretty

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00:07:28,850 --> 00:07:25,050

measured guy and has that British

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00:07:32,300 --> 00:07:28,860

Cambridge formality called intentionally

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00:07:35,540 --> 00:07:32,310

deceptive regarding how his how he

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00:07:38,810 --> 00:07:35,550

treated sheldricks research and then

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00:07:40,790 --> 00:07:38,820

Susan Blackmore more or less out-and-out

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00:07:42,320 --> 00:07:40,800

lied on the show when she said she

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00:07:44,840 --> 00:07:42,330

wasn't interested in near-death

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00:07:46,520 --> 00:07:44,850

experience research anymore and she

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00:07:48,740 --> 00:07:46,530

hadn't kept up with it and then the very

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00:07:51,080 --> 00:07:48,750

next month went and did a public

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00:07:53,510 --> 00:07:51,090

presentation on near-death experience

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00:07:55,909 --> 00:07:53,520

this is someone who's naive they're just

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00:07:58,730 --> 00:07:55,919

naive they just don't understand the

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00:08:01,340 --> 00:07:58,740

extent to which these guys who he says

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00:08:04,930 --> 00:08:01,350

are nice guys are not nice guys and are

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00:08:06,370 --> 00:08:04,940

completely undermining what was

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00:08:08,690 --> 00:08:06,380

parapsychology I don't even know that

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00:08:10,130 --> 00:08:08,700

parapsychology is relevant anymore which

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00:08:13,580 --> 00:08:10,140

leads back to the first part of his

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00:08:17,180 --> 00:08:13,590

quote where he says gee if we're just

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00:08:19,520 --> 00:08:17,190

nice enough then maybe science will let

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00:08:22,219 --> 00:08:19,530

us in the door here's a seat at the

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00:08:25,340 --> 00:08:22,229

table if we can just you know convince

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00:08:27,800 --> 00:08:25,350

him that we're really nice guys this

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00:08:29,390 --> 00:08:27,810

this just doesn't fly so that's when I

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00:08:36,980 --> 00:08:29,400

get back to the you know criminal

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00:08:38,390 --> 00:08:36,990

investigator looks and goes wow yeah and

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00:08:40,520 --> 00:08:38,400

you know it's interesting

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00:08:43,540 --> 00:08:40,530

Paul Smith who I think you did a show

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00:08:45,620 --> 00:08:43,550

with on skeptic oh I met him at a

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00:08:49,329 --> 00:08:45,630

parapsychology conference and Nam and

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00:08:50,890 --> 00:08:49,339

talked to him about this that issue in

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00:08:52,990 --> 00:08:50,900

parapsychology there

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00:08:55,480 --> 00:08:53,000

then Paul Smith being the remote viewing

201
00:08:57,820 --> 00:08:55,490
guy worked with the armies yet program

202
00:08:59,920 --> 00:08:57,830
just to refresh anybody's memory and

203
00:09:01,480 --> 00:08:59,930
yeah I thought I remember talking to him

204
00:09:04,090 --> 00:09:01,490
about that that's it's this very

205
00:09:06,670 --> 00:09:04,100
situation you're addressing and his

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00:09:09,090 --> 00:09:06,680
response is the need of the

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00:09:14,080 --> 00:09:09,100
parapsychological community specifically

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00:09:16,600 --> 00:09:14,090
to please the scientific community to to

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00:09:19,390 --> 00:09:16,610
become acceptable to him - it reminds

210
00:09:22,300 --> 00:09:19,400
him of Stockholm Syndrome in the sense

211
00:09:24,100 --> 00:09:22,310
that you know it's just you know these

212
00:09:26,920 --> 00:09:24,110
people who abuse you and don't

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00:09:29,230 --> 00:09:26,930

understand you and and are really out to

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00:09:33,070 --> 00:09:29,240

get you or the very ones you're just

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00:09:35,530 --> 00:09:33,080

trying so hard to to please and and I

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00:09:37,930 --> 00:09:35,540

think maybe to some extent you see some

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00:09:41,530 --> 00:09:37,940

of these guys bending over backwards in

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00:09:43,810 --> 00:09:41,540

deference to that project I want you to

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00:09:46,780 --> 00:09:43,820

weigh in on that further rich because as

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00:09:49,630 --> 00:09:46,790

I was sending you these interviews that

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00:09:53,170 --> 00:09:49,640

I've done yeah I was kind of more and

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00:09:55,540 --> 00:09:53,180

more trying to come to grips with the

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00:09:58,780 --> 00:09:55,550

complete disconnect the complete

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00:10:00,760 --> 00:09:58,790

disconnect here in academia and you're

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00:10:01,930 --> 00:10:00,770

part of academia so I'm kind of asking

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00:10:05,110 --> 00:10:01,940

you did man

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00:10:08,980 --> 00:10:05,120

do what you can I do in terms of yeah

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00:10:11,440 --> 00:10:08,990

but how bad is it I guess is what I'm

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00:10:13,420 --> 00:10:11,450

saying yeah um you know again and I

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00:10:15,910 --> 00:10:13,430

suppose you know I'm of two minds I'm

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00:10:19,780 --> 00:10:15,920

torn I I see where you're coming from I

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00:10:23,770 --> 00:10:19,790

really do on the other hand I get the

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00:10:28,600 --> 00:10:23,780

the very rigid commitment of academics

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00:10:33,000 --> 00:10:28,610

and scholars to to want to maintain you

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00:10:35,320 --> 00:10:33,010

know a sense of impartial and unbiased

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00:10:37,810 --> 00:10:35,330

perspective on the issues that they're

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00:10:40,000 --> 00:10:37,820

discussing not act as though they have

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00:10:43,120 --> 00:10:40,010

their minds so completely made up about

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00:10:44,920 --> 00:10:43,130

not only the field but their opponents

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00:10:47,680 --> 00:10:44,930

you know the people like Richard Wiseman

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00:10:50,140 --> 00:10:47,690

and Susan Blackmore and there's millions

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00:10:52,270 --> 00:10:50,150

of them right that they're going to sort

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00:10:54,070 --> 00:10:52,280

of name call and dismiss and simply

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00:10:55,840 --> 00:10:54,080

dismiss them because then you're not

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00:10:57,230 --> 00:10:55,850

only going to get ignored in the

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00:11:00,439 --> 00:10:57,240

academic community

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00:11:02,809 --> 00:11:00,449

which again it's an important voice I

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00:11:04,189 --> 00:11:02,819

mean it it may not be the only voice but

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00:11:06,799 --> 00:11:04,199

it's an important voice and it's an

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00:11:08,540 --> 00:11:06,809

important repository of knowledge but

251
00:11:10,400 --> 00:11:08,550
you're also going to get probably and

252
00:11:12,699 --> 00:11:10,410
rightfully so you're going to discredit

253
00:11:16,939 --> 00:11:12,709
yourself in the court of public opinion

254
00:11:20,389 --> 00:11:16,949
because you're gonna sound biased you're

255
00:11:22,879 --> 00:11:20,399
going to sound like you're not a

256
00:11:25,100 --> 00:11:22,889
disinterested detached on critical

257
00:11:26,480 --> 00:11:25,110
objective observer I don't know if

258
00:11:29,210 --> 00:11:26,490
people trust that and maybe they

259
00:11:31,220 --> 00:11:29,220
shouldn't I don't know if that message

260
00:11:33,290 --> 00:11:31,230
resonates with you at all I think it's I

261
00:11:34,970 --> 00:11:33,300
know how you feel I know you you're like

262
00:11:37,879 --> 00:11:34,980
look there's got to be a point where you

263
00:11:42,410 --> 00:11:37,889

just sort of call a spade a spade

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00:11:44,389 --> 00:11:42,420

and make Li yeah exactly in its adding

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00:11:46,819 --> 00:11:44,399

with so much calling a spade a spade

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00:11:48,919 --> 00:11:46,829

it's just at some point it's kind of

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00:11:50,540 --> 00:11:48,929

being out of touch with reality you know

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00:11:52,819 --> 00:11:50,550

there's a certain reality there and if

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00:11:55,549 --> 00:11:52,829

you don't if you're not coming to grips

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00:11:58,129 --> 00:11:55,559

with it then what's the point and so

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00:12:01,789 --> 00:11:58,139

that's I guess my thing with Hoyt edge

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00:12:03,350 --> 00:12:01,799

is you don't know you're it's not gonna

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00:12:05,929 --> 00:12:03,360

work out you are doing that as a

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00:12:07,609 --> 00:12:05,939

specific strategy in this case and I

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00:12:08,840 --> 00:12:07,619

think this is going to relate to the

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00:12:11,569 --> 00:12:08,850

interview we're going to talk about in a

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00:12:13,160 --> 00:12:11,579

minute with Hugh Urban and then Chris

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00:12:15,679 --> 00:12:13,170

Shelton of course who is this former

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00:12:18,829 --> 00:12:15,689

Scientology member who gets totally

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00:12:20,539 --> 00:12:18,839

screwed over by this cult and then you

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00:12:22,400 --> 00:12:20,549

got Hugh Urban who can't bring himself

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00:12:24,559 --> 00:12:22,410

to talk about it in those terms and has

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00:12:26,960 --> 00:12:24,569

to dance around this is a repeat with

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00:12:28,999 --> 00:12:26,970

Hoyt edge where he's saying no these are

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00:12:30,919 --> 00:12:29,009

really nice guys and they really have my

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00:12:33,319 --> 00:12:30,929

best interests at heart and it's like

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00:12:35,210 --> 00:12:33,329

it's it just doesn't work that way and I

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00:12:41,119 --> 00:12:35,220

don't think science can go forward with

289

00:12:43,280 --> 00:12:41,129

that kind of level of just naivete about

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00:12:45,079 --> 00:12:43,290

the way that the world works I get where

291

00:12:47,210 --> 00:12:45,089

you're coming from on the other hand I'm

292

00:12:50,449 --> 00:12:47,220

looking at things from say ahoy Tejas

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00:12:53,600 --> 00:12:50,459

perspective and thinking well you know

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00:12:55,549 --> 00:12:53,610

so what do you you know sort of what do

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00:12:57,530 --> 00:12:55,559

you want him to do what should he say

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00:12:59,480 --> 00:12:57,540

about Richard Wiseman and Susan

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00:13:01,939 --> 00:12:59,490

Blackmore he should say what Rupert

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00:13:04,090 --> 00:13:01,949

Sheldrake did which is I've looked at

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00:13:07,189 --> 00:13:04,100

that I've carefully considered his

300

00:13:09,980 --> 00:13:07,199

opinion on this I've looked at how he's

301
00:13:10,670 --> 00:13:09,990
handled the data and he is intentionally

302
00:13:13,009 --> 00:13:10,680
deceptive

303
00:13:16,280 --> 00:13:13,019
in this case and that does not speak

304
00:13:19,460 --> 00:13:16,290
well for him as a trusted researcher

305
00:13:21,049 --> 00:13:19,470
that's everything that Rupert said and I

306
00:13:23,210 --> 00:13:21,059
don't think you have to back off of any

307
00:13:25,129 --> 00:13:23,220
of that why would we trust someone who's

308
00:13:26,989 --> 00:13:25,139
intentionally deceptive I had Darrell

309
00:13:29,119 --> 00:13:26,999
bomb on and he says the same thing he

310
00:13:30,859 --> 00:13:29,129
said it in a little bit nicer terms but

311
00:13:33,199 --> 00:13:30,869
he said you know I don't know if the guy

312
00:13:36,879 --> 00:13:33,209
is completely deceptive but in the case

313
00:13:40,400 --> 00:13:36,889

of how he tried to jury-rig this phony

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00:13:43,400 --> 00:13:40,410

replication of skeptical stuff he was

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00:13:45,679 --> 00:13:43,410

being deceptive so that to me is clear

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00:13:47,299 --> 00:13:45,689

and that's where parapsychology has

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00:13:49,249 --> 00:13:47,309

completely run off the rails and that's

318

00:13:51,559 --> 00:13:49,259

why it's no longer relevant and that's

319

00:13:53,809 --> 00:13:51,569

why you know when sam harris says in the

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00:13:56,090 --> 00:13:53,819

email exchange to me in his snarky

321

00:13:57,590 --> 00:13:56,100

little stupid kind of thing it's the

322

00:14:00,109 --> 00:13:57,600

backwater of science

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00:14:01,879 --> 00:14:00,119

everyone goes well it must be because

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00:14:03,290 --> 00:14:01,889

that's how they act they act like

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00:14:05,410 --> 00:14:03,300

they're the backwater of science they

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00:14:08,179 --> 00:14:05,420

deserve to be the backwater of science

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00:14:09,859 --> 00:14:08,189

yeah I'm a I I feel like for the sake of

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00:14:11,720 --> 00:14:09,869

argument I should disagree with you

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00:14:15,079 --> 00:14:11,730

there but I think at least certainly in

330

00:14:17,329 --> 00:14:15,089

terms of parapsychology I it's hard to

331

00:14:19,999 --> 00:14:17,339

disagree i I it seems that way and again

332

00:14:21,799 --> 00:14:20,009

I suppose I haven't kept up with that

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00:14:23,720 --> 00:14:21,809

research as much as I use and that's one

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00:14:26,600 --> 00:14:23,730

of the reasons why it's just not a very

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00:14:30,679 --> 00:14:26,610

exciting field in a sense for me anymore

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00:14:32,960 --> 00:14:30,689

but um gosh I mean I don't know I mean

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00:14:35,480 --> 00:14:32,970

then how can ya I I suppose if you if

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00:14:37,850 --> 00:14:35,490

you really are convinced that the

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00:14:39,769 --> 00:14:37,860

disagreement and the claims being made

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00:14:43,850 --> 00:14:39,779

by those who oppose you are egregious

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00:14:45,439 --> 00:14:43,860

enough that they really are deceptive

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00:14:49,160 --> 00:14:45,449

that they really are intentionally

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00:14:51,379 --> 00:14:49,170

trying to deceive um then you should

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00:14:52,910 --> 00:14:51,389

certainly you should call them out on it

345

00:14:56,269 --> 00:14:52,920

even if you do it like a gentleman if

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00:14:57,769 --> 00:14:56,279

you do it in in you know um in neutral

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00:15:01,519 --> 00:14:57,779

and not neutral but non adversarial

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00:15:03,590 --> 00:15:01,529

terms I don't know though if you thought

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00:15:06,499 --> 00:15:03,600

do you think I wouldn't say that a Hoyt

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00:15:08,480 --> 00:15:06,509

edge is convinced of that though I think

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00:15:10,249 --> 00:15:08,490

he gives these guys the benefit of the

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00:15:12,470 --> 00:15:10,259

doubt and a small thing like convinced

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00:15:15,350 --> 00:15:12,480

he isn't convinced and that's the

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00:15:17,960 --> 00:15:15,360

problem he's naive the evidence is clear

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00:15:20,150 --> 00:15:17,970

we're relying on him to have a clear

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00:15:22,850 --> 00:15:20,160

read of the evidence and he can't do it

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00:15:24,290 --> 00:15:22,860

so therefore he's not relevant and

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00:15:26,740 --> 00:15:24,300

therefore and that's how

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00:15:29,300 --> 00:15:26,750

parapsychology has become irrelevant

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00:15:31,820 --> 00:15:29,310

parapsychology is irrelevant all the

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00:15:34,550 --> 00:15:31,830

important people in it have kind of

362

00:15:35,840 --> 00:15:34,560

moved on or never even joined the club

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00:15:38,210 --> 00:15:35,850

in the first place because they were

364

00:15:39,680 --> 00:15:38,220

skeptical of it it's interesting looking

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00:15:42,230 --> 00:15:39,690

back we're looking back at an interview

366

00:15:44,780 --> 00:15:42,240

that you did in 2012 I mean is anyone

367

00:15:46,970 --> 00:15:44,790

talking about parapsychology anymore not

368

00:15:51,650 --> 00:15:46,980

really not that I think but I can think

369

00:15:54,200 --> 00:15:51,660

of I mean you know who we're going to

370

00:15:56,740 --> 00:15:54,210

look to a dean radin fear I've always

371

00:15:59,420 --> 00:15:56,750

been a little bit kind of you know

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00:16:02,300 --> 00:15:59,430

parapsychology but not exactly up front

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00:16:03,740 --> 00:16:02,310

the parapsychology conferences we're

374

00:16:05,690 --> 00:16:03,750

kind of doing his own thing over there

375

00:16:07,970 --> 00:16:05,700

at ions and now he wants me the spirit

376

00:16:09,770 --> 00:16:07,980

stuff which is kind of the leap forward

377

00:16:11,240 --> 00:16:09,780

even though I don't totally I'm not

378

00:16:12,770 --> 00:16:11,250

totally done with what he's doing it's

379

00:16:14,720 --> 00:16:12,780

the leap forward with extended

380

00:16:17,240 --> 00:16:14,730

consciousness it's not staying in this

381

00:16:19,610 --> 00:16:17,250

stupid oh well let's kind of look at it

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00:16:21,080 --> 00:16:19,620

as anomalous psychology because then

383

00:16:23,120 --> 00:16:21,090

they'll like this kind of thing it

384

00:16:25,970 --> 00:16:23,130

doesn't make any sense and and that's I

385

00:16:28,220 --> 00:16:25,980

guess that's my point of kind of getting

386

00:16:30,410 --> 00:16:28,230

into this is that if we're going to talk

387

00:16:32,380 --> 00:16:30,420

about comparative religions and we're

388

00:16:35,240 --> 00:16:32,390

going to talk about this other you know

389

00:16:41,120 --> 00:16:35,250

thing that I sent you with Hugh urban

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00:16:43,850 --> 00:16:41,130

but my concern is that that whole that

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00:16:47,450 --> 00:16:43,860

whole branch of the social sciences

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00:16:51,050 --> 00:16:47,460

including philosophy is headed down that

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00:16:53,300 --> 00:16:51,060

same path of parapsychology where

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00:16:55,400 --> 00:16:53,310

they're just completely irrelevant

395

00:16:57,680 --> 00:16:55,410

you know I when I listen to humour band

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00:17:00,860 --> 00:16:57,690

it's it's irrelevant

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00:17:03,590 --> 00:17:00,870

he sounds irrelevant you know I was it

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00:17:08,480 --> 00:17:03,600

was that it was that frustrating to you

399

00:17:11,360 --> 00:17:08,490

that the dialogue you had no the entire

400

00:17:13,540 --> 00:17:11,370

dialogue wasn't that frustrating but at

401
00:17:18,020 --> 00:17:13,550
the end of the day I think his argument

402
00:17:19,910 --> 00:17:18,030
as it stands up to the real guy who was

403
00:17:22,970 --> 00:17:19,920
in it he sounds irrelevant we've been

404
00:17:26,510 --> 00:17:22,980
talking around it so let me play ok play

405
00:17:28,850 --> 00:17:26,520
in some clips from that interview so

406
00:17:32,090 --> 00:17:28,860
here is the episode that I did with dr.

407
00:17:35,270 --> 00:17:32,100
Hugh or Ben and it's episode 437 and I

408
00:17:37,870 --> 00:17:35,280
really did like and enjoy this guy and I

409
00:17:40,420 --> 00:17:37,880
think you know probably over a

410
00:17:41,710 --> 00:17:40,430
beer we'd have a great conversation he's

411
00:17:43,060 --> 00:17:41,720
interested in a lot of stuff I'm

412
00:17:46,990 --> 00:17:43,070
interested in music

413
00:17:48,690 --> 00:17:47,000

Tantra guy and he's cool and he but he's

414

00:17:52,060 --> 00:17:48,700

written his book on the Church of

415

00:17:54,700 --> 00:17:52,070

Scientology and the book like our friend

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00:17:57,460 --> 00:17:54,710

dr. Jeff [h__h] at Rice University said

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00:17:59,800 --> 00:17:57,470

wow this is a great book this is you

418

00:18:02,110 --> 00:17:59,810

know until now there was no extensive

419

00:18:05,100 --> 00:18:02,120

scholarship on Scientology and this guy

420

00:18:07,240 --> 00:18:05,110

has done it isn't this great you know

421

00:18:10,630 --> 00:18:07,250

but the thing that I really kind of

422

00:18:13,660 --> 00:18:10,640

hammered him on that led me to you is if

423

00:18:17,620 --> 00:18:13,670

you look into Scientology and you look

424

00:18:23,260 --> 00:18:17,630

at the history of it it has this kind of

425

00:18:25,960 --> 00:18:23,270

very overt a cult connection you know so

426

00:18:29,020 --> 00:18:25,970

it's I ron Hubbard and persons who were

427

00:18:32,140 --> 00:18:29,030

out in the desert in California and

428

00:18:34,450 --> 00:18:32,150

they're trying to summon the Anti Christ

429

00:18:36,220 --> 00:18:34,460

through the [\h__\h] of Babylon and they're

430

00:18:38,710 --> 00:18:36,230

dead serious about it

431

00:18:40,690 --> 00:18:38,720

and and but here's the thing it's it's

432

00:18:43,510 --> 00:18:40,700

not that they're dead serious about it

433

00:18:46,470 --> 00:18:43,520

it's that we have to I think fully

434

00:18:49,090 --> 00:18:46,480

consider whether or not there is any

435

00:18:50,980 --> 00:18:49,100

reality to that and then I think is the

436

00:18:55,270 --> 00:18:50,990

question and that's what I brought up

437

00:18:57,040 --> 00:18:55,280

with dr. dr. urban and let me play that

438

00:18:59,800 --> 00:18:57,050

clip for us here and then we'll chat

439

00:19:02,320 --> 00:18:59,810

about it a little bit the part that

440

00:19:05,620 --> 00:19:02,330

concerns me is we have reason to believe

441

00:19:08,740 --> 00:19:05,630

that KL offend men who stare at goats I

442

00:19:11,710 --> 00:19:08,750

mean all this stuff is going on and so

443

00:19:14,700 --> 00:19:11,720

I'm just not sure that we can bracket

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00:19:17,080 --> 00:19:14,710

that back into oh you know those

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00:19:20,170 --> 00:19:17,090

Scientologists they were kind of playing

446

00:19:22,690 --> 00:19:20,180

off of the Cold War jitters and we'll

447

00:19:26,710 --> 00:19:22,700

have but I guess I would say that I

448

00:19:28,780 --> 00:19:26,720

can't know as a historian a religion

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00:19:30,040 --> 00:19:28,790

whether there's a reality with what

450

00:19:31,690 --> 00:19:30,050

they're talking about but I can't say

451
00:19:35,050 --> 00:19:31,700
that they certainly believed there was

452
00:19:36,340 --> 00:19:35,060
and took it very seriously okay so

453
00:19:38,520 --> 00:19:36,350
that's what that is

454
00:19:41,440 --> 00:19:38,530
that is the crux of it what do you think

455
00:19:42,940 --> 00:19:41,450
you know again I guess when I when I I

456
00:19:44,710 --> 00:19:42,950
guess we were sort of going back and

457
00:19:48,120 --> 00:19:44,720
forth about this a little bit and I made

458
00:19:50,850 --> 00:19:48,130
up the criminal investigation analogy I

459
00:19:53,100 --> 00:19:50,860
kind of get the idea that

460
00:19:55,919 --> 00:19:53,110
again if he wants to be a credible

461
00:19:57,330 --> 00:19:55,929
historian and I think he was doing more

462
00:19:59,010 --> 00:19:57,340
of it as I recall the book I read the

463
00:20:00,900 --> 00:19:59,020

book it was a while ago I read the book

464

00:20:02,730 --> 00:20:00,910

he has been doing more of a sort of an

465

00:20:04,350 --> 00:20:02,740

institutional history of it wasn't he

466

00:20:06,660 --> 00:20:04,360

kind of how the sort of how the core

467

00:20:08,610 --> 00:20:06,670

organization was formed and he wasn't

468

00:20:15,570 --> 00:20:08,620

really talking about their ideas as much

469

00:20:16,169 --> 00:20:15,580

right I mean maybe that's because here

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00:20:18,630 --> 00:20:16,179

is the issue

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00:20:21,410 --> 00:20:18,640

yours is yeah if we fly up 10,000 feet

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00:20:24,360 --> 00:20:21,420

and we look at how Scientology

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00:20:27,360 --> 00:20:24,370

interfaces with our culture yeah it's a

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00:20:29,430 --> 00:20:27,370

cult right you talk to anybody at this

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00:20:31,320 --> 00:20:29,440

point and they go yeah it's a cult I

476

00:20:34,500 --> 00:20:31,330

know I saw the woman on TV who's on the

477

00:20:36,690 --> 00:20:34,510

expose called it's a cult it's a cult

478

00:20:39,060 --> 00:20:36,700

and now we have this total disconnect

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00:20:41,070 --> 00:20:39,070

because I'm talking to this respected

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00:20:44,400 --> 00:20:41,080

Ohio State University professor and he's

481

00:20:48,060 --> 00:20:44,410

going well you know it's a new religious

482

00:20:49,860 --> 00:20:48,070

movement and we have to understand that

483

00:20:53,070 --> 00:20:49,870

we can't you know be too quick to

484

00:20:55,740 --> 00:20:53,080

condemn it's like no this so now it's

485

00:20:59,220 --> 00:20:55,750

back to white edge no dude it's a cult

486

00:21:01,409 --> 00:20:59,230

you don't get it I think I'm a little

487

00:21:03,870 --> 00:21:01,419

bit even more sympathetic with the

488

00:21:06,299 --> 00:21:03,880

historians perspective here because what

489

00:21:09,600 --> 00:21:06,309

he's trying to do and again is do

490

00:21:11,610 --> 00:21:09,610

precisely what the general public in a

491

00:21:14,669 --> 00:21:11,620

sense doesn't do right I mean if we if

492

00:21:16,680 --> 00:21:14,679

we allowed sort of um you know that

493

00:21:19,169 --> 00:21:16,690

whatever the fashionable trends and what

494

00:21:22,350 --> 00:21:19,179

you hear in pop culture to determine

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00:21:24,000 --> 00:21:22,360

what the truth of a situation is then

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00:21:25,680 --> 00:21:24,010

why would we need courts why would we

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00:21:27,720 --> 00:21:25,690

need scholars you know why would we need

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00:21:30,360 --> 00:21:27,730

criminal investigators you're the bull

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00:21:33,090 --> 00:21:30,370

fan guy and you're kind of playing this

500

00:21:36,570 --> 00:21:33,100

slippery slope game here no I think we

501
00:21:38,789 --> 00:21:36,580
can have both we can have like I'm

502
00:21:42,270 --> 00:21:38,799
telling I'm gonna hold up Rupert in that

503
00:21:46,650 --> 00:21:42,280
case cuz Rupert can say look I tried to

504
00:21:49,500 --> 00:21:46,660
do this research with Richard Wiseman

505
00:21:52,080 --> 00:21:49,510
and he was intentionally deceptive he's

506
00:21:55,049 --> 00:21:52,090
deceptive in doing research he's worth

507
00:21:58,049 --> 00:21:55,059
deceptive in reporting that research

508
00:22:02,070 --> 00:21:58,059
that is important we don't need to kind

509
00:22:04,100 --> 00:22:02,080
of dancer yeah and and so then the same

510
00:22:08,720 --> 00:22:04,110
way I think you know what

511
00:22:11,480 --> 00:22:08,730
what I think the objection to what dr.

512
00:22:13,760 --> 00:22:11,490
Hugh Urban is saying comes from again

513
00:22:15,799 --> 00:22:13,770

we've referenced this but now I'll play

514

00:22:19,610 --> 00:22:15,809

at this interview that I did with Chris

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00:22:21,289 --> 00:22:19,620

Shelton who is a yeah I guess we gotta

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00:22:22,610 --> 00:22:21,299

call it for what it is cuz I asked him

517

00:22:26,810 --> 00:22:22,620

if that's okay to call it that and

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00:22:29,960 --> 00:22:26,820

that's that he's a victim of Scientology

519

00:22:32,180 --> 00:22:29,970

so let me play that clip and then we can

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00:22:33,770 --> 00:22:32,190

kind of talk about that if you're going

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00:22:35,990 --> 00:22:33,780

to publish an academic paper about

522

00:22:38,840 --> 00:22:36,000

Scientology you better have something to

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00:22:40,669 --> 00:22:38,850

say and if what you have to say is

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00:22:42,500 --> 00:22:40,679

simply regurgitated Scientology

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00:22:44,419 --> 00:22:42,510

promotional materials and I am

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00:22:48,880 --> 00:22:44,429

intimately familiar with Scientology's

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00:22:51,650 --> 00:22:48,890

promotional materials I wrote them so I

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00:22:54,230 --> 00:22:51,660

understand how Scientology presents

529

00:22:57,320 --> 00:22:54,240

itself to the world and I understand the

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00:22:59,840 --> 00:22:57,330

curtain or veil behind which Scientology

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00:23:05,419 --> 00:22:59,850

operates and what they do when people

532

00:23:07,280 --> 00:23:05,429

are around is dr. urban to urban just

533

00:23:12,320 --> 00:23:07,290

being duped here he's just being taken

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00:23:15,650 --> 00:23:12,330

in uh you know and he in regard to Chris

535

00:23:18,470 --> 00:23:15,660

Shelton's claims they're having read the

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00:23:20,299 --> 00:23:18,480

book and again you know he's obviously

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00:23:22,310 --> 00:23:20,309

more more you know knowledgeable about

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00:23:24,200 --> 00:23:22,320

Scientology's promotional materials but

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00:23:27,380 --> 00:23:24,210

I never got the impression that I was

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00:23:29,960 --> 00:23:27,390

reading a biased account in favor of

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00:23:32,600 --> 00:23:29,970

Scientology or to try to make them look

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00:23:34,510 --> 00:23:32,610

good or to try to be a public service

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00:23:38,390 --> 00:23:34,520

announcement for them when I was reading

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00:23:39,919 --> 00:23:38,400

Urban's book in fact interestingly after

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00:23:42,140 --> 00:23:39,929

I read it and this was a while ago I

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00:23:45,169 --> 00:23:42,150

came away with some very with a much

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00:23:47,330 --> 00:23:45,179

worse view of Scientology at least as an

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00:23:49,130 --> 00:23:47,340

institution than I had previously I

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00:23:52,250 --> 00:23:49,140

didn't know a lot of the things that he

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00:23:53,870 --> 00:23:52,260

revealed I it - I I know several people

551
00:23:56,000 --> 00:23:53,880
in the Church of Scientology are very

552
00:23:57,530 --> 00:23:56,010
well was it well placed they're very

553
00:23:59,950 --> 00:23:57,540
prominent in the organization they

554
00:24:03,200 --> 00:23:59,960
they've you know they do well these

555
00:24:04,580 --> 00:24:03,210
classes themselves they're very they've

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00:24:07,100 --> 00:24:04,590
they're up to those why they call them

557
00:24:08,780 --> 00:24:07,110
ot levels on the bridge they call it

558
00:24:10,419 --> 00:24:08,790
they're at the highest ODI levels which

559
00:24:12,919 --> 00:24:10,429
in Scientology means that you've

560
00:24:14,330 --> 00:24:12,929
attained the highest spiritual state you

561
00:24:16,259 --> 00:24:14,340
can and so they're very what they're

562
00:24:18,389 --> 00:24:16,269
very prominent in the in the instance

563
00:24:20,579 --> 00:24:18,399

I mentioned it to one of them and

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00:24:23,069 --> 00:24:20,589

apparently they went out and read it

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00:24:27,709 --> 00:24:23,079

themselves and they were going to send

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00:24:30,029 --> 00:24:27,719

me a bunch of mistakes that he had made

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00:24:33,089 --> 00:24:30,039

that that urban had made making

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00:24:34,769 --> 00:24:33,099

Scientology look bad when he shouldn't

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00:24:38,069 --> 00:24:34,779

have her in other words casting them in

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00:24:39,599 --> 00:24:38,079

an unfairly bad light so I mean I don't

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00:24:40,379 --> 00:24:39,609

know and as a criminal investigator

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00:24:42,509 --> 00:24:40,389

again

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00:24:44,489 --> 00:24:42,519

Illi think it's great to hear all these

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00:24:46,559 --> 00:24:44,499

victim and you know sort of witness

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00:24:49,079 --> 00:24:46,569

eyewitness statements as a criminal

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00:24:51,899 --> 00:24:49,089

investigator you'd call them from from

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00:24:55,049 --> 00:24:51,909

people who have endured um you know

578

00:24:57,359 --> 00:24:55,059

Scientology's worst practices but again

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00:24:59,579 --> 00:24:57,369

the value you would as a criminal

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00:25:02,339 --> 00:24:59,589

investigator the value of a victim or

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00:25:04,319 --> 00:25:02,349

witness statement is great and it's

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00:25:07,229 --> 00:25:04,329

important but it's also limited by the

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00:25:09,569 --> 00:25:07,239

very intimate vantage point that it

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00:25:11,999 --> 00:25:09,579

gives you on a situation I don't think

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00:25:13,949 --> 00:25:12,009

you really buy that but like I can

586

00:25:16,349 --> 00:25:13,959

sympathize I don't buy it

587

00:25:18,809 --> 00:25:16,359

let me hit it from a different from a

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00:25:20,579 --> 00:25:18,819

different angle that I think you you can

589

00:25:23,759 --> 00:25:20,589

definitely relate to and we'll see how

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00:25:27,209 --> 00:25:23,769

this plays beyond the curt oprah winfrey

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00:25:30,089 --> 00:25:27,219

new-age thing that most people get what

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00:25:33,539 --> 00:25:30,099

he's saying about science the science of

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00:25:36,869 --> 00:25:33,549

consciousness is much much closer to

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00:25:38,579 --> 00:25:36,879

what leading researchers are saying so I

595

00:25:41,969 --> 00:25:38,589

guess returning to kind of this earlier

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00:25:44,989 --> 00:25:41,979

point if you can't get consciousness

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00:25:47,819 --> 00:25:44,999

right if you're playing with

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00:25:50,069 --> 00:25:47,829

consciousness is an illusion as your

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00:25:52,499 --> 00:25:50,079

atheist colleague no doubt believes

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00:25:54,209 --> 00:25:52,509

you're not even in the game yeah that's

601
00:25:56,039 --> 00:25:54,219
interesting point and I guess I would

602
00:25:59,489 --> 00:25:56,049
say that well there's couple answers to

603
00:26:01,619 --> 00:25:59,499
that question that there is a movement

604
00:26:03,599 --> 00:26:01,629
in religious studies and other fields

605
00:26:05,189 --> 00:26:03,609
that is extremely interested in

606
00:26:07,649 --> 00:26:05,199
consciousness from different

607
00:26:10,619 --> 00:26:07,659
perspectives but in my own work I mean

608
00:26:12,989 --> 00:26:10,629
I'm a historian and so I look at what

609
00:26:18,059 --> 00:26:12,999
people do and the texts they leave

610
00:26:21,899 --> 00:26:18,069
behind and what we can sort of see okay

611
00:26:24,839 --> 00:26:21,909
so I think that this puts a different

612
00:26:26,219 --> 00:26:24,849
angle a different spin what I keep

613
00:26:27,839 --> 00:26:26,229

pounding and I want you to pound back

614

00:26:29,900 --> 00:26:27,849

that's what I like that's what skeptical

615

00:26:34,080 --> 00:26:29,910

is about

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00:26:36,560 --> 00:26:34,090

he's in he is forced dr. urban is forced

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00:26:38,730 --> 00:26:36,570

to come at this from an atheistic

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00:26:42,030 --> 00:26:38,740

biological robot meaningless universe

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00:26:44,570 --> 00:26:42,040

perspective the head it's awful that

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00:26:48,510 --> 00:26:44,580

that's who the head of his department

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00:26:50,909 --> 00:26:48,520

right yes okay maybe listen the whole

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00:26:52,950 --> 00:26:50,919

interview early I guess hey you know I

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00:26:54,930 --> 00:26:52,960

mean you really hold his feet to the

624

00:26:57,380 --> 00:26:54,940

fire and it's like so here's other

625

00:27:00,630 --> 00:26:57,390

interviews I've done with academics and

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00:27:03,480 --> 00:27:00,640

you know they go look man I can't

627

00:27:05,310 --> 00:27:03,490

publish with that I may believe that

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00:27:08,100 --> 00:27:05,320

that's true but I can't get that

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00:27:12,930 --> 00:27:08,110

published you know Hugh is out there

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00:27:15,840 --> 00:27:12,940

doing a Tantra he's joining some Tantra

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00:27:17,789 --> 00:27:15,850

obscure community in India that has

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00:27:19,980 --> 00:27:17,799

these ancient connections to the tantric

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00:27:21,930 --> 00:27:19,990

tradition and when you ask him he says

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00:27:23,730 --> 00:27:21,940

yeah of course I do rituals I do these

635

00:27:25,820 --> 00:27:23,740

other things because I immerse myself in

636

00:27:28,080 --> 00:27:25,830

what's going on there and

637

00:27:29,580 --> 00:27:28,090

anthropologically that maybe may have

638

00:27:31,680 --> 00:27:29,590

its disadvantages but I don't see any

639

00:27:33,480 --> 00:27:31,690

other way to do it so he is entering the

640

00:27:35,400 --> 00:27:33,490

extended consciousness realm and then

641

00:27:37,409 --> 00:27:35,410

he's coming back and telling us yeah but

642

00:27:40,280 --> 00:27:37,419

when I write about this or when I have

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00:27:45,570 --> 00:27:40,290

to talk about this I have to create this

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00:27:50,659 --> 00:27:45,580

you know kind of false reality that says

645

00:27:52,740 --> 00:27:50,669

I have to jam this back into this goofy

646

00:27:54,390 --> 00:27:52,750

materialistic thing and that's why I

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00:27:57,120 --> 00:27:54,400

think the whole thing comes out as

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00:28:00,330 --> 00:27:57,130

gobbly [h__h] again a fair point

649

00:28:03,720 --> 00:28:00,340

um but I bet to push back a little bit I

650

00:28:06,780 --> 00:28:03,730

don't know if this particular guy doing

651
00:28:08,490 --> 00:28:06,790
this particular kind of research in that

652
00:28:09,960 --> 00:28:08,500
particular case meaning the

653
00:28:13,500 --> 00:28:09,970
institutional sort of history of

654
00:28:17,190 --> 00:28:13,510
Scientology feels that he is in a

655
00:28:19,289 --> 00:28:17,200
position to make judgments about the

656
00:28:21,480 --> 00:28:19,299
verticality if that's is that the issue

657
00:28:24,330 --> 00:28:21,490
the veracity of their of their beliefs

658
00:28:26,370 --> 00:28:24,340
and on that basis see but I think you're

659
00:28:31,620 --> 00:28:26,380
going back on the email that you sent me

660
00:28:34,710 --> 00:28:31,630
I'm calling all right because he's gonna

661
00:28:36,680 --> 00:28:34,720
go back on one or the other right he's

662
00:28:39,960 --> 00:28:36,690
gonna have a certain paradigm a certain

663
00:28:43,529 --> 00:28:39,970

mindset worldview and then he's gonna go

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00:28:46,499 --> 00:28:43,539

so he's adopted one which is this

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00:28:49,019 --> 00:28:46,509

humanistic atheistic one did you see I

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00:28:51,450 --> 00:28:49,029

didn't get that from the book I I just I

667

00:28:53,700 --> 00:28:51,460

I would at the end of the book I found

668

00:28:55,409 --> 00:28:53,710

myself wanting to know that because like

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00:28:56,820 --> 00:28:55,419

you that's what I'm really interested in

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00:28:58,139 --> 00:28:56,830

that that would have been the meat I

671

00:29:00,240 --> 00:28:58,149

wasn't really that impressed with the

672

00:29:01,769 --> 00:29:00,250

book action because of that I thought

673

00:29:05,759 --> 00:29:01,779

you're good guy to play along with me

674

00:29:09,720 --> 00:29:05,769

here but I go back the hook for me was

675

00:29:12,960 --> 00:29:09,730

the I ron Hubbard and Jack Parsons in

676

00:29:15,749 --> 00:29:12,970

the desert yeah summoning the Antichrist

677

00:29:19,019 --> 00:29:15,759

needs me yeah so this is the this is the

678

00:29:22,320 --> 00:29:19,029

point where all this comes to a head and

679

00:29:24,090 --> 00:29:22,330

if you're Hugh Urban you go well that

680

00:29:27,060 --> 00:29:24,100

doesn't really matter what matters is

681

00:29:30,090 --> 00:29:27,070

that they believed it no you got that

682

00:29:32,879 --> 00:29:30,100

completely wrong that is secondary

683

00:29:37,200 --> 00:29:32,889

that is completely secondary to whether

684

00:29:39,779 --> 00:29:37,210

or not there is any possible reality to

685

00:29:42,509 --> 00:29:39,789

them making contact making connection

686

00:29:44,490 --> 00:29:42,519

with an extended consciousness realm and

687

00:29:48,090 --> 00:29:44,500

that consciousness that extended

688

00:29:51,149 --> 00:29:48,100

consciousness realm interacting with us

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00:29:53,009 --> 00:29:51,159

and in the formation of this religion

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00:29:54,840 --> 00:29:53,019

that's what matters most it's not

691

00:29:58,919 --> 00:29:54,850

whether they believed it or not

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00:30:02,220 --> 00:29:58,929

yeah I agree personally but I get if

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00:30:04,350 --> 00:30:02,230

somebody feels as though that's beyond

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00:30:06,210 --> 00:30:04,360

their that you know that they're you

695

00:30:07,769 --> 00:30:06,220

know they yeah you're here you don't you

696

00:30:09,659 --> 00:30:07,779

don't buy that you think you think if

697

00:30:11,820 --> 00:30:09,669

you do that deepest study I guess is

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00:30:13,590 --> 00:30:11,830

what you're saying that if you've done

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00:30:15,029 --> 00:30:13,600

that deeper study of Scientology and

700

00:30:16,619 --> 00:30:15,039

what the people are all about what

701
00:30:18,389 --> 00:30:16,629
they're saying and doing that you should

702
00:30:21,539 --> 00:30:18,399
at least be able to commit yourself to

703
00:30:23,639 --> 00:30:21,549
some statement about the veracity of

704
00:30:26,070 --> 00:30:23,649
what they're doing and what they believe

705
00:30:29,580 --> 00:30:26,080
I think it's a slightly different issue

706
00:30:31,409 --> 00:30:29,590
it goes back to to Rupert and Richard

707
00:30:35,039 --> 00:30:31,419
Wiseman Rupert Sheldrake and Richard

708
00:30:36,090 --> 00:30:35,049
Wiseman I can't look into the soul of

709
00:30:38,730 --> 00:30:36,100
Richard Wiseman

710
00:30:41,580 --> 00:30:38,740
and all leather and tell whether he was

711
00:30:44,879 --> 00:30:41,590
being intentionally deceptive okay what

712
00:30:47,519 --> 00:30:44,889
I can do is I can look at his behavior

713
00:30:50,639 --> 00:30:47,529

and this is to the Criminal Investigator

714

00:30:53,980 --> 00:30:50,649

model I can look at the behavior and say

715

00:30:56,680 --> 00:30:53,990

you know was their criminality here

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00:31:00,130 --> 00:30:56,690

in the case of Richard Wiseman did he

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00:31:02,680 --> 00:31:00,140

perform his duties as a fair and honest

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00:31:05,289 --> 00:31:02,690

researcher and I would say no he didn't

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00:31:07,570 --> 00:31:05,299

and therefore when Hoyt edge says these

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00:31:11,169 --> 00:31:07,580

are good people he's missed the point

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00:31:12,789 --> 00:31:11,179

the point is were that was he deceptive

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00:31:16,210 --> 00:31:12,799

and I would say the same thing is here

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00:31:19,090 --> 00:31:16,220

true if you cannot if you cannot come to

724

00:31:21,220 --> 00:31:19,100

some determination as to whether or not

725

00:31:23,560 --> 00:31:21,230

there's a reality to that extended

726
00:31:26,620 --> 00:31:23,570
consciousness realm then you need to

727
00:31:28,570 --> 00:31:26,630
stop everything you're doing and you

728
00:31:31,960 --> 00:31:28,580
need to do as much research as you can

729
00:31:34,779 --> 00:31:31,970
in order to determine the reality or non

730
00:31:40,210 --> 00:31:34,789
reality of that you can't pretend like

731
00:31:42,450 --> 00:31:40,220
that isn't the main thing about this and

732
00:31:44,139 --> 00:31:42,460
I'm reading a history of Western

733
00:31:46,240 --> 00:31:44,149
anthropology and you're right there's

734
00:31:48,250 --> 00:31:46,250
that's a big issue there right well you

735
00:31:51,039 --> 00:31:48,260
go in and you observe a culture and it's

736
00:31:53,649 --> 00:31:51,049
practices and beliefs and you know the

737
00:31:55,779 --> 00:31:53,659
the you know should you as a as a

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00:31:57,580 --> 00:31:55,789

disinterested spectator which is

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00:31:59,470 --> 00:31:57,590

essentially what right an anthropologist

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00:32:01,330 --> 00:31:59,480

an anthropologist theoretically supposed

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00:32:03,700 --> 00:32:01,340

to be a fly on the wall should you be

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00:32:06,310 --> 00:32:03,710

then drawing conclusions about whether

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00:32:09,519 --> 00:32:06,320

they're you know by our standards

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00:32:12,340 --> 00:32:09,529

mystical beliefs have any substance or

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00:32:15,130 --> 00:32:12,350

not or should you is your job just to

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00:32:19,180 --> 00:32:15,140

describe how they feel and and reserve

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00:32:20,669 --> 00:32:19,190

judgment um and I you know there's

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00:32:24,370 --> 00:32:20,679

things to be said on both sides of that

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00:32:26,110 --> 00:32:24,380

but but I I get why anthropologists

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00:32:28,180 --> 00:32:26,120

would for instance and and that's

751
00:32:31,779 --> 00:32:28,190
essentially what what Hugh Urban was

752
00:32:34,750 --> 00:32:31,789
doing right I get why they want to be a

753
00:32:36,669 --> 00:32:34,760
disinterested fly on the wall instead of

754
00:32:38,200 --> 00:32:36,679
going that one step further just in

755
00:32:40,750 --> 00:32:38,210
other words just describing telling you

756
00:32:43,330 --> 00:32:40,760
what Scientologists believe as opposed

757
00:32:45,220 --> 00:32:43,340
to saying well they're full of crap or

758
00:32:46,779 --> 00:32:45,230
they're not or I believe them it's up to

759
00:32:48,909 --> 00:32:46,789
me to say whether they're full of crap

760
00:32:51,190 --> 00:32:48,919
because I get to do my little thing here

761
00:32:54,159 --> 00:32:51,200
but right what I do think they have to

762
00:32:56,260 --> 00:32:54,169
do is they have to be able to and again

763
00:32:58,870 --> 00:32:56,270

this is came out in the email exchange

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00:33:00,639 --> 00:32:58,880

that we had is that they need to

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00:33:03,310 --> 00:33:00,649

understand that they are never a

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00:33:05,409 --> 00:33:03,320

disinterested party they need to

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00:33:07,430 --> 00:33:05,419

understand that what the science at the

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00:33:10,970 --> 00:33:07,440

very least tells us is that

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00:33:13,310 --> 00:33:10,980

we are interacting with that which we

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00:33:16,039 --> 00:33:13,320

observe and we can understand that more

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00:33:18,230 --> 00:33:16,049

than just a from a your subatomic

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00:33:20,379 --> 00:33:18,240

physics standpoint we can also

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00:33:23,119 --> 00:33:20,389

understand that as many anthropologists

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00:33:26,200 --> 00:33:23,129

have is that from a cultural standpoint

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00:33:29,119 --> 00:33:26,210

we cannot get in there and just be this

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00:33:31,310 --> 00:33:29,129

observer who doesn't affect it right so

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00:33:32,659 --> 00:33:31,320

when you leave your machete behind in

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00:33:35,180 --> 00:33:32,669

the forest

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00:33:37,879 --> 00:33:35,190

to the culture that never had a machete

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00:33:40,220 --> 00:33:37,889

and you come back three years later and

781

00:33:42,860 --> 00:33:40,230

you'll find that it's the Lord of the

782

00:33:47,360 --> 00:33:42,870

Flies and whoever has the machete is now

783

00:33:49,759 --> 00:33:47,370

the king you were always part of the

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00:33:53,990 --> 00:33:49,769

process and how that gets played out is

785

00:33:55,580 --> 00:33:54,000

is it's just the way that it is yeah I

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00:33:58,970 --> 00:33:55,590

guess so on the other hand you know I

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00:34:01,940 --> 00:33:58,980

again did drawn experience from my

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00:34:03,889 --> 00:34:01,950

criminal investigating days you know I I

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00:34:06,529 --> 00:34:03,899

was I was a polygraph examiner as well

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00:34:08,030 --> 00:34:06,539

and got the credential I was trained and

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00:34:10,280 --> 00:34:08,040

at night sometimes the polygraph

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00:34:13,159 --> 00:34:10,290

examinations and I did want in a big

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00:34:14,359 --> 00:34:13,169

capital case and they actually called me

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00:34:15,710 --> 00:34:14,369

in to testify which doesn't usually

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00:34:18,169 --> 00:34:15,720

happen because usually don't like

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00:34:20,540 --> 00:34:18,179

polygraph they don't admit polygraph

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00:34:23,329 --> 00:34:20,550

evidence in court but this time they did

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00:34:25,819 --> 00:34:23,339

and I was testifying for the defense

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00:34:27,889 --> 00:34:25,829

attorney and it was weird was it was at

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00:34:30,109 --> 00:34:27,899

a sentencing hearing of all things after

801
00:34:31,970 --> 00:34:30,119
the verdict of guilt had been determined

802
00:34:34,159 --> 00:34:31,980
I'm not really sure why he wanted this

803
00:34:37,280 --> 00:34:34,169
evidence entered but I testified that

804
00:34:40,250 --> 00:34:37,290
this guy had essentially past my

805
00:34:42,559 --> 00:34:40,260
polygraph test and interestingly now the

806
00:34:44,960 --> 00:34:42,569
attorney there he was asking me about it

807
00:34:48,230 --> 00:34:44,970
we went through the whole thing and at

808
00:34:51,319 --> 00:34:48,240
the end of my statement to him in court

809
00:34:53,869 --> 00:34:51,329
there he said well you know so in your

810
00:34:57,980 --> 00:34:53,879
opinion and this guy is innocent of the

811
00:35:00,710 --> 00:34:57,990
charges right and I said well I'm not

812
00:35:02,030 --> 00:35:00,720
really qualified to enmity maybe he'll

813
00:35:03,920 --> 00:35:02,040

like this is where Alex Secours would

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00:35:06,559 --> 00:35:03,930

get mad at me I I said I'm not really

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00:35:09,170 --> 00:35:06,569

qualified to attest to that well I did

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00:35:12,680 --> 00:35:09,180

and the reason is the rial is because

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00:35:15,710 --> 00:35:12,690

all I did on that case was do one

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00:35:18,609 --> 00:35:15,720

forensic I took one forensic kind of

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00:35:21,230 --> 00:35:18,619

narrow look at the circumstances and

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00:35:23,330 --> 00:35:21,240

provided the testimony that came from

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00:35:26,720 --> 00:35:23,340

my narrow perspective on it like any

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00:35:30,250 --> 00:35:26,730

forensic person does in a case and that

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00:35:33,620 --> 00:35:30,260

was all I felt responsibly required

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00:35:36,500 --> 00:35:33,630

responsibly compelled to to talk about

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00:35:39,140 --> 00:35:36,510

the person's guilt with reference to the

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00:35:41,540 --> 00:35:39,150

entire scenario that I wasn't an expert

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00:35:44,150 --> 00:35:41,550

in and I hadn't done an investigation on

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00:35:46,040 --> 00:35:44,160

I thought would was wrong to do and the

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00:35:48,560 --> 00:35:46,050

attorney kept pushing me to do that and

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00:35:50,420 --> 00:35:48,570

I wouldn't do it and he got mad so I

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00:35:53,600 --> 00:35:50,430

mean again I don't know if that's

832

00:35:56,120 --> 00:35:53,610

exactly analogous but to me maybe let's

833

00:35:59,780 --> 00:35:56,130

make it analysis what if I asked you to

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00:36:02,930 --> 00:35:59,790

defend the idea that we need to take a

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00:36:05,180 --> 00:36:02,940

balanced look at Scientology as a new

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00:36:08,480 --> 00:36:05,190

religious movement that will stand

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00:36:10,910 --> 00:36:08,490

beside other religions that we respect

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00:36:15,950 --> 00:36:10,920

and admire and we shouldn't be kind of

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00:36:18,380 --> 00:36:15,960

too swayed by personal accounts and

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00:36:20,180 --> 00:36:18,390

testimony like that of Chris Shelton who

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00:36:21,920 --> 00:36:20,190

says this is a cult I was in it I know

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00:36:25,190 --> 00:36:21,930

that it's a cult it's a destructive cult

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00:36:27,349 --> 00:36:25,200

it's been incredibly you know harmful to

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00:36:30,260 --> 00:36:27,359

all these people that I can bring

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00:36:32,900 --> 00:36:30,270

forward but how would you how would you

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00:36:36,410 --> 00:36:32,910

give a balanced view of that in defense

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00:36:41,840 --> 00:36:36,420

of you know anyone who writes a book in

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00:36:43,790 --> 00:36:41,850

that balance kind of way um you mean how

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00:36:46,370 --> 00:36:43,800

would they be justified in doing that

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00:36:49,280 --> 00:36:46,380

how would you defend Scientology as a

851
00:36:51,440 --> 00:36:49,290
new religious movement I'm really vague

852
00:36:53,990 --> 00:36:51,450
on what and because I think it is sort

853
00:36:56,540 --> 00:36:54,000
of a vague concept on what a cult is as

854
00:37:00,560 --> 00:36:56,550
opposed to a religion we it's a term we

855
00:37:02,540 --> 00:37:00,570
throw around a lot but what is that cult

856
00:37:05,660 --> 00:37:02,550
then but what is an example of something

857
00:37:07,790 --> 00:37:05,670
that you think is clearly a cult I guess

858
00:37:09,980 --> 00:37:07,800
I don't that's why and again this is

859
00:37:12,680 --> 00:37:09,990
where I guess I'm more sympathetic to

860
00:37:14,750 --> 00:37:12,690
the human perspective on these things I

861
00:37:17,870 --> 00:37:14,760
um I don't know if you'd agree with this

862
00:37:20,750 --> 00:37:17,880
but to me cult is is just sort of a

863
00:37:24,530 --> 00:37:20,760

vague term that that that says nothing

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00:37:24,830 --> 00:37:24,540

but carries a lot of bias baggage with

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00:37:27,080 --> 00:37:24,840

it

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00:37:30,140 --> 00:37:27,090

so as opposed to religion as opposed to

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00:37:33,290 --> 00:37:30,150

religion but how is it a better how is

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00:37:33,819 --> 00:37:33,300

religion as a word and any better any

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00:37:35,979 --> 00:37:33,829

better

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00:37:39,999 --> 00:37:35,989

maybe that's good that's a good question

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00:37:42,489 --> 00:37:40,009

I don't know you know I feel like you're

872

00:37:44,349 --> 00:37:42,499

kind of trying to box here with one arm

873

00:37:51,609 --> 00:37:44,359

tied behind your back which I guess is a

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00:37:57,549 --> 00:37:51,619

training technique you got a week left

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00:37:59,559 --> 00:37:57,559

Tyler right but here's the thing it

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00:38:01,089 --> 00:37:59,569

comes back to me of the extended

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00:38:03,430 --> 00:38:01,099

consciousness and if you get

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00:38:06,249 --> 00:38:03,440

consciousness wrong then yeah you wind

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00:38:08,499 --> 00:38:06,259

up with all this silly goofy stuff of

880

00:38:10,870 --> 00:38:08,509

what's called what's religion what

881

00:38:12,849 --> 00:38:10,880

spirituality because underlying it there

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00:38:14,890 --> 00:38:12,859

is no spirituality right I mean there's

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00:38:17,920 --> 00:38:14,900

just a social construct it's just

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00:38:20,739 --> 00:38:17,930

something that we invented it's not real

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00:38:23,620 --> 00:38:20,749

it doesn't make any sense it's all

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00:38:26,859 --> 00:38:23,630

gobbly [h__h] until you wrestle the

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00:38:29,680 --> 00:38:26,869

consciousness issue to the ground isn't

888

00:38:32,440 --> 00:38:29,690

it it is certainly is to me and

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00:38:33,819 --> 00:38:32,450

obviously to you too but what about

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00:38:35,709 --> 00:38:33,829

people just aren't interested in the

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00:38:38,289 --> 00:38:35,719

consciousness issue and they just want

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00:38:40,479 --> 00:38:38,299

to explore Scientology as an institution

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00:38:42,099 --> 00:38:40,489

maybe you know I was just thinking I was

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00:38:44,589 --> 00:38:42,109

looking at on one of my bookshelves I

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00:38:46,870 --> 00:38:44,599

have a history of European socialism on

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00:38:48,519 --> 00:38:46,880

my bookshelf that I had reviewed for a

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00:38:50,259 --> 00:38:48,529

core I forget it was ether course in

898

00:38:51,880 --> 00:38:50,269

Western civilization or course in moral

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00:38:54,069 --> 00:38:51,890

and political philosophy but I didn't

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00:38:57,640 --> 00:38:54,079

know much about the subject I got this

901
00:39:00,279 --> 00:38:57,650
very dry clinical disinterested history

902
00:39:03,099 --> 00:39:00,289
of European socialism by some guy at

903
00:39:04,719 --> 00:39:03,109
Yale and frankly if that book had been

904
00:39:06,549 --> 00:39:04,729
written because I just wanted to be

905
00:39:09,819 --> 00:39:06,559
informed on the subject if that book had

906
00:39:13,209 --> 00:39:09,829
been written by Joe McCarthy or Karl

907
00:39:14,829 --> 00:39:13,219
Marx or maybe Joseph Stalin I wouldn't

908
00:39:17,559 --> 00:39:14,839
have wanted to read it I don't think

909
00:39:20,109 --> 00:39:17,569
because if I really want to if all I

910
00:39:23,579 --> 00:39:20,119
wanted to get for those purposes was a

911
00:39:27,759 --> 00:39:23,589
was a sort of a quick unbiased

912
00:39:30,519 --> 00:39:27,769
disinterested account of socialism in

913
00:39:32,349 --> 00:39:30,529

the and and and I don't know maybe you

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00:39:34,269 --> 00:39:32,359

don't see the comparison here but again

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00:39:36,279 --> 00:39:34,279

if somebody just wants to read about the

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00:39:38,910 --> 00:39:36,289

history of Scientology what happened I

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00:39:41,140 --> 00:39:38,920

mean how are we gonna get data about

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00:39:43,479 --> 00:39:41,150

things that we can use to make

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00:39:46,170 --> 00:39:43,489

evaluations if everybody who's looking

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00:39:49,860 --> 00:39:46,180

at it has an agenda before

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00:39:53,640 --> 00:39:49,870

right I guess I'd answer your question

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00:39:56,280 --> 00:39:53,650

of why or what's wrong with it kind of

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00:39:58,320 --> 00:39:56,290

from a different perspective and that is

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00:40:01,800 --> 00:39:58,330

from the philosophy and science

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00:40:04,560 --> 00:40:01,810

perspective since you are a professor of

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00:40:08,070 --> 00:40:04,570
philosophy so I have up on the screen

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00:40:11,070 --> 00:40:08,080
the very famous quote from physicist

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00:40:13,890 --> 00:40:11,080
Stephen Hawking who told a Google

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00:40:16,740 --> 00:40:13,900
zeitgeist conference that philosophers

930
00:40:20,460 --> 00:40:16,750
have not kept up with science and their

931
00:40:25,560 --> 00:40:20,470
art is dead which I think probably did

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00:40:27,570 --> 00:40:25,570
more for philosophy in terms of giving

933
00:40:29,430 --> 00:40:27,580
it a good kick in the butt and in

934
00:40:32,550 --> 00:40:29,440
anything that has occurred in the last

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00:40:35,550 --> 00:40:32,560
20 years but I would just oppose that

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00:40:39,080 --> 00:40:35,560
with the interview that you just helped

937
00:40:41,880 --> 00:40:39,090
me on with dr. Donald Hoffman because

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00:40:44,610 --> 00:40:41,890

physicist Donald Hoffman when he comes

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00:40:47,400 --> 00:40:44,620

out and says well look space-time is

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00:40:51,750 --> 00:40:47,410

doomed and every experiment we've done

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00:40:54,660 --> 00:40:51,760

with deep deep physics subatomic physics

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00:40:57,810 --> 00:40:54,670

quantum physics has proven over and over

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00:41:00,300 --> 00:40:57,820

again that consciousness is fundamental

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00:41:02,790 --> 00:41:00,310

and we don't have any contradiction to

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00:41:04,860 --> 00:41:02,800

those experiments then I think this is

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00:41:06,150 --> 00:41:04,870

my conclusion he doesn't say this quite

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00:41:09,810 --> 00:41:06,160

directly but I think it's a natural

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00:41:12,210 --> 00:41:09,820

inference is that materialist scientist

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00:41:14,130 --> 00:41:12,220

and I would add all the social

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00:41:17,640 --> 00:41:14,140

scientists that just follow along in

951
00:41:20,370 --> 00:41:17,650
their wake pretending have not kept up

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00:41:23,640 --> 00:41:20,380
with consciousness research and there

953
00:41:27,630 --> 00:41:23,650
are is dead so that would be my response

954
00:41:30,240 --> 00:41:27,640
to you know what you say so you know if

955
00:41:32,520 --> 00:41:30,250
you are been an Ohio State University

956
00:41:34,080 --> 00:41:32,530
wants to go on and still bilk students

957
00:41:36,330 --> 00:41:34,090
into coming in and paying for those

958
00:41:39,000 --> 00:41:36,340
classes giving them phony-baloney

959
00:41:42,210 --> 00:41:39,010
degrees I don't care I mean it doesn't

960
00:41:45,720 --> 00:41:42,220
really bother me that much but their art

961
00:41:48,950 --> 00:41:45,730
is dead there's nothing to it at the

962
00:41:51,480 --> 00:41:48,960
core because they haven't kept up with

963
00:41:53,870 --> 00:41:51,490

consciousness research they and that's

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00:41:56,520 --> 00:41:53,880

where we got to give Hawking credit he

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00:41:58,470 --> 00:41:56,530

he just put his finger on something you

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00:41:59,650 --> 00:41:58,480

know if you don't keep up with the

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00:42:02,740 --> 00:41:59,660

science

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00:42:05,500 --> 00:42:02,750

then you risk being left behind you risk

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00:42:07,000 --> 00:42:05,510

a deadening of your art so what do you

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00:42:09,370 --> 00:42:07,010

think I guess you can't you certainly

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00:42:10,809 --> 00:42:09,380

can't ignore the science but I mean

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00:42:12,730 --> 00:42:10,819

there's there obviously there's more to

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00:42:15,400 --> 00:42:12,740

reality and more things to consider than

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00:42:17,680 --> 00:42:15,410

just that well hold on because you made

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00:42:21,279 --> 00:42:17,690

a great point when we were talking about

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00:42:23,829 --> 00:42:21,289
Donna Hoffman and I wanna broaden if I

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00:42:26,319 --> 00:42:23,839
can our understanding of what we're

978
00:42:29,680 --> 00:42:26,329
defining as science and I'm talking

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00:42:33,430 --> 00:42:29,690
about science as this process this

980
00:42:35,200 --> 00:42:33,440
method for moving forward with our

981
00:42:36,309 --> 00:42:35,210
knowledge or at least creating the

982
00:42:38,200 --> 00:42:36,319
illusion that we're moving forward

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00:42:39,789 --> 00:42:38,210
because we may not be moving forward at

984
00:42:41,829 --> 00:42:39,799
all and you understand it from a deeper

985
00:42:44,380 --> 00:42:41,839
spiritual perspective but in terms of

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00:42:44,890 --> 00:42:44,390
all the stuff you're talking about bring

987
00:42:50,589 --> 00:42:44,900
data

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00:42:53,079 --> 00:42:50,599

out valid and invalid interpretations of

989

00:42:55,000 --> 00:42:53,089

the data I would call all that science

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00:42:57,250 --> 00:42:55,010

and I would say they're philosophers are

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00:42:59,349 --> 00:42:57,260

doing that kind of science in the same

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00:43:01,809 --> 00:42:59,359

way that physicists are doing that kind

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00:43:03,730 --> 00:43:01,819

of science but the caution is still the

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00:43:08,200 --> 00:43:03,740

same if you don't understand

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00:43:11,799 --> 00:43:08,210

consciousness science then your art is

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00:43:15,339 --> 00:43:11,809

dead and that is my claim with regards

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00:43:17,589 --> 00:43:15,349

to you know all these guys who were

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00:43:20,940 --> 00:43:17,599

talking about it who we're relying on to

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00:43:23,799 --> 00:43:20,950

give us some kind of view of the world I

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00:43:25,930 --> 00:43:23,809

tend to agree with your worldview and

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00:43:28,720 --> 00:43:25,940

the prominent place that you give

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00:43:30,309 --> 00:43:28,730

consciousness studies but then you know

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00:43:32,200 --> 00:43:30,319

it's kind of like that way they kind of

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00:43:34,510 --> 00:43:32,210

felt that way about that the Scientology

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00:43:37,779 --> 00:43:34,520

book I mean so how do you how do we how

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00:43:38,650 --> 00:43:37,789

do we account for people who just don't

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00:43:40,809 --> 00:43:38,660

agree with us

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00:43:42,370 --> 00:43:40,819

I guess so you're willing to just say

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00:43:46,180 --> 00:43:42,380

well they're just wrong they're deluded

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00:43:47,950 --> 00:43:46,190

and I can say that and I guess I do say

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00:43:50,880 --> 00:43:47,960

that but you know if I was gonna put it

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00:43:54,640 --> 00:43:50,890

in more polite terms like you're kind of

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00:43:58,150 --> 00:43:54,650

asking for I would suggest that if

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00:44:01,150 --> 00:43:58,160

you're not engaging with the data in a

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00:44:03,970 --> 00:44:01,160

thoughtful way then the value of your

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00:44:06,700 --> 00:44:03,980

opinion needs to reflect that so it's

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00:44:09,460 --> 00:44:06,710

like you know unfortunately after my

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00:44:11,260 --> 00:44:09,470

interview with Chris Shelton who I was

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00:44:13,160 --> 00:44:11,270

wondering what the way if one team of

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00:44:14,750 --> 00:44:13,170

the exchange

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00:44:16,730 --> 00:44:14,760

and I'll talk more about that but it's

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00:44:18,950 --> 00:44:16,740

the same thing he sends me these books

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00:44:21,110 --> 00:44:18,960

and so we're having this debate about

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00:44:22,880 --> 00:44:21,120

sigh and alls I have to do is go to the

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00:44:28,730 --> 00:44:22,890

books and do a quick look inside on

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00:44:33,620 --> 00:44:28,740

Amazon Rayden know them no Sheldrick

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00:44:37,520 --> 00:44:33,630

know so are the books that he sent me by

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00:44:40,580 --> 00:44:37,530

these trusted academics hmm are they

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00:44:45,920 --> 00:44:40,590

engaging with the data clearly they're

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00:44:47,540 --> 00:44:45,930

not so can I can I kind of make a cut

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00:44:50,270 --> 00:44:47,550

you know I have to cut the team there

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00:44:52,550 --> 00:44:50,280

can I cut them off the roster I can

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00:44:54,380 --> 00:44:52,560

they're just done engaging with the data

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00:44:57,680 --> 00:44:54,390

and I don't mind people who are at least

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00:44:59,240 --> 00:44:57,690

engaging with the data but yeah and that

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00:45:01,820 --> 00:44:59,250

that's that's a big issue for me and

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00:45:04,370 --> 00:45:01,830

I've often wanted to ask you about that

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00:45:07,340 --> 00:45:04,380

do you think that it is possible because

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00:45:09,590 --> 00:45:07,350

I gather you don't for somebody who

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00:45:12,590 --> 00:45:09,600

really takes a complete comprehensive

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00:45:14,630 --> 00:45:12,600

and objective look at the data to come

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00:45:17,780 --> 00:45:14,640

to to come to a conclusion that is

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00:45:19,940 --> 00:45:17,790

different from yours or do you think

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00:45:22,040 --> 00:45:19,950

that any reasonable sane person who

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00:45:25,370 --> 00:45:22,050

looks at that data has to agree with

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00:45:27,860 --> 00:45:25,380

Alec secures it's a real question it's a

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loaded question but I think how we how

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00:45:35,750 --> 00:45:30,890

we all kind of deal with this stuff is

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00:45:39,830 --> 00:45:35,760

we have certain litmus tests mmm that we

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00:45:42,170 --> 00:45:39,840

develop yeah like I shared those with

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00:45:46,190 --> 00:45:42,180
people but I was never into conspiracies

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00:45:48,700 --> 00:45:46,200
at all before doing this show and it was

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00:45:51,710 --> 00:45:48,710
the conspiracy of science and

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00:45:53,750 --> 00:45:51,720
consciousness in particular and this

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00:45:55,400 --> 00:45:53,760
this conspiracy that you are a

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00:45:57,610 --> 00:45:55,410
biological robot and a meaningless

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00:46:00,650 --> 00:45:57,620
universe and how that meme gets

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00:46:02,660 --> 00:46:00,660
perpetuated in the face of all the data

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00:46:05,900 --> 00:46:02,670
against it it just let me said wait

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00:46:08,990 --> 00:46:05,910
there's something more going on here

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00:46:10,550 --> 00:46:09,000
then white edges explanation that

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00:46:13,100 --> 00:46:10,560
they're just really good guys that got

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00:46:16,790 --> 00:46:13,110

something wrong so I started looking at

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00:46:20,210 --> 00:46:16,800

other areas where people saw the same

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00:46:22,580 --> 00:46:20,220

thing and conspiracy research is one of

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00:46:26,150 --> 00:46:22,590

it so I started with a really tame one I

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00:46:28,430 --> 00:46:26,160

started with JFK

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00:46:29,930 --> 00:46:28,440

JFK assassination if people don't know

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00:46:32,000 --> 00:46:29,940

this a lot of people still throw it

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00:46:35,840 --> 00:46:32,010

because I've still people to say no not

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00:46:37,820 --> 00:46:35,850

assassin Lee Harvey Oswald that just so

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00:46:39,280 --> 00:46:37,830

you know folks that is not the official

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00:46:40,640 --> 00:46:39,290

conclusion of the United States

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00:46:44,420 --> 00:46:40,650

government

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00:46:47,150 --> 00:46:44,430

the final subcommittee investigating the

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00:46:48,410 --> 00:46:47,160

assassination came to the conclusion not

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00:46:49,970 --> 00:46:48,420

that they should be the ultimate

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00:46:52,130 --> 00:46:49,980

authority because whether or not in my

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00:46:55,550 --> 00:46:52,140

opinion but even they came to the

1080

00:46:58,340 --> 00:46:55,560

conclusion that it was a conspiracy and

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00:47:01,880 --> 00:46:58,350

that that was that the lone nut'

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00:47:05,120 --> 00:47:01,890

assassin thing didn't hold so I look at

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00:47:08,240 --> 00:47:05,130

my wat so so that is a litmus test for

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00:47:11,750 --> 00:47:08,250

me when I talked to someone and they say

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00:47:13,990 --> 00:47:11,760

oh no I seen it you know no it's nothing

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00:47:16,460 --> 00:47:14,000

to it it's lone nut' assassin I'm like

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00:47:18,380 --> 00:47:16,470

you haven't engaged with the data I'm

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00:47:20,150 --> 00:47:18,390

watched probably more of it than I

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00:47:23,270 --> 00:47:20,160

should have the same thing with like

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00:47:26,480 --> 00:47:23,280

9/11 I hate to say yeah I know that

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00:47:28,070 --> 00:47:26,490

triggers a lot of people but 9/11 you

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00:47:29,630 --> 00:47:28,080

know I just read across the Chi the

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00:47:31,550 --> 00:47:29,640

other day and we're talking we're having

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00:47:33,770 --> 00:47:31,560

a good conversation and he's telling me

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00:47:38,150 --> 00:47:33,780

how he just finished his 700 page book

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00:47:40,760 --> 00:47:38,160

on 9/11 that's uh interesting so what do

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00:47:44,060 --> 00:47:40,770

you think about building seven and he

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00:47:46,160 --> 00:47:44,070

goes what do you mean I go you don't

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00:47:49,310 --> 00:47:46,170

know building seven so you don't know

1100

00:47:51,770 --> 00:47:49,320

the 47-story steel-framed building that

1101
00:47:55,300 --> 00:47:51,780
wasn't hit by any debris and is the only

1102
00:47:58,280 --> 00:47:55,310
building in history to ever fall from

1103
00:47:59,690 --> 00:47:58,290
office furniture fire again I don't care

1104
00:48:01,700 --> 00:47:59,700
what's your conclusion at this point I

1105
00:48:04,280 --> 00:48:01,710
don't care what your conclusion is but

1106
00:48:06,230 --> 00:48:04,290
if you don't know that if you don't

1107
00:48:08,300 --> 00:48:06,240
understand that data you haven't dealt

1108
00:48:11,050 --> 00:48:08,310
with it if you haven't said well I think

1109
00:48:13,910 --> 00:48:11,060
the NIST report which they filed as a

1110
00:48:16,670 --> 00:48:13,920
top secret in terms of their modeling in

1111
00:48:19,190 --> 00:48:16,680
the face of other academics who reported

1112
00:48:21,230 --> 00:48:19,200
it openly their model of it yeah I would

1113
00:48:24,230 --> 00:48:21,240

trust that or if you say well I don't

1114

00:48:27,380 --> 00:48:24,240

explain why the 9/11 Commission makes no

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00:48:30,170 --> 00:48:27,390

mention of it yes if you're not engaged

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00:48:32,330 --> 00:48:30,180

with that data then do we really have

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00:48:35,120 --> 00:48:32,340

anything to talk about here so that's

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00:48:39,110 --> 00:48:35,130

how I feel to a certain extent about

1119

00:48:39,990 --> 00:48:39,120

these guys you know I mean yeah if you

1120

00:48:42,480 --> 00:48:40,000

haven't in

1121

00:48:44,640 --> 00:48:42,490

aged with the data at that point and I

1122

00:48:46,800 --> 00:48:44,650

have to say everyone on this screen I'm

1123

00:48:49,470 --> 00:48:46,810

talking about Jeff rifle gregory shushan

1124

00:48:52,230 --> 00:48:49,480

brian hayden dr. hugh urban they have

1125

00:48:54,990 --> 00:48:52,240

engaged with it in it so in that case

1126

00:48:57,300 --> 00:48:55,000

it's kind of this second point that we

1127

00:48:59,040 --> 00:48:57,310

haven't really dealt with but I'm trying

1128

00:49:01,410 --> 00:48:59,050

to drag you into kind of a conspiracy

1129

00:49:04,710 --> 00:49:01,420

thing is because what I hear I'm saying

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00:49:07,350 --> 00:49:04,720

is you know I've tried to engage with it

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00:49:11,220 --> 00:49:07,360

but I'm not really allowed to have it

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00:49:13,770 --> 00:49:11,230

because my institution in there academia

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00:49:16,730 --> 00:49:13,780

in general really won't let me engage me

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00:49:18,900 --> 00:49:16,740

yeah I thought I wonder though - and

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00:49:21,210 --> 00:49:18,910

this is what one of the one of the

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00:49:25,410 --> 00:49:21,220

things I a bunch of questions I had for

1137

00:49:27,960 --> 00:49:25,420

you I mean one of which was um what if

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00:49:30,420 --> 00:49:27,970

Hugh Urban was to come to a conclusion

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00:49:32,370 --> 00:49:30,430

was to actually have the moral fortitude

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00:49:34,530 --> 00:49:32,380

or whatever to actually commit himself

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00:49:37,680 --> 00:49:34,540

to a conclusion regarding what

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00:49:39,030 --> 00:49:37,690

Scientology and his history of it tells

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00:49:41,520 --> 00:49:39,040

us about the nature of consciousness

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00:49:43,980 --> 00:49:41,530

what would that be and then the other

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00:49:47,160 --> 00:49:43,990

one is a larger point a larger question

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00:49:50,070 --> 00:49:47,170

that I had for you which is what does

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00:49:51,990 --> 00:49:50,080

all of this stuff because the more I

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00:49:53,610 --> 00:49:52,000

listen to skeptic oh and engage with the

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00:49:56,100 --> 00:49:53,620

evidence that's presented on it and the

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00:49:58,200 --> 00:49:56,110

sources that your your people give and

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00:50:00,720 --> 00:49:58,210
that you refer people to I'm starting to

1152
00:50:02,580 --> 00:50:00,730
see these connections myself and I'm

1153
00:50:06,480 --> 00:50:02,590
wondering if there is some larger

1154
00:50:09,750 --> 00:50:06,490
pattern that you can draw a conclusion

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00:50:12,150 --> 00:50:09,760
from I I get what you're saying yeah I

1156
00:50:14,280 --> 00:50:12,160
would I would really take a more

1157
00:50:18,180 --> 00:50:14,290
measured approach much like you did in

1158
00:50:20,880 --> 00:50:18,190
your polygraph testimony which is to say

1159
00:50:23,070 --> 00:50:20,890
that I don't know and I don't have to

1160
00:50:24,960 --> 00:50:23,080
know and in order to falsify or point

1161
00:50:26,910 --> 00:50:24,970
out the weaknesses in someone else's

1162
00:50:29,520 --> 00:50:26,920
argument doesn't mean that I have to

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00:50:32,430 --> 00:50:29,530

present a solid case that I know

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00:50:35,880 --> 00:50:32,440

everything and in terms of what I wanted

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00:50:37,050 --> 00:50:35,890

from Hugh urban and I'm really picking

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00:50:39,180 --> 00:50:37,060

on Hugh ever been and thrown him under

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00:50:42,840 --> 00:50:39,190

well you can come out that way because

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00:50:44,520 --> 00:50:42,850

yeah I respect the guy and and you know

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00:50:47,910 --> 00:50:44,530

I also head up on the screen you know

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00:50:49,290 --> 00:50:47,920

Brian Hayden whom a lot of times I it

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00:50:51,210 --> 00:50:49,300

sounds like I'm being negative on these

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00:50:52,990 --> 00:50:51,220

people I have a ton of respect for Brian

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00:50:54,450 --> 00:50:53,000

Hayden I learned a time from

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00:50:58,120 --> 00:50:54,460

iron Haden who's done this

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00:51:01,300 --> 00:50:58,130

cross-cultural analysis of this kind of

1176
00:51:05,500 --> 00:51:01,310
self aggrandizement thing so he said hey

1177
00:51:08,170 --> 00:51:05,510
when I look at these cultures and I find

1178
00:51:10,150 --> 00:51:08,180
the kind I don't I'm gonna I don't want

1179
00:51:12,220 --> 00:51:10,160
to throw the wrong Native American tribe

1180
00:51:13,990 --> 00:51:12,230
under the bus so I'm not even me to say

1181
00:51:16,420 --> 00:51:14,000
but this one tribe who had a chief who

1182
00:51:18,160 --> 00:51:16,430
said hey pal got a good deal for you

1183
00:51:20,260 --> 00:51:18,170
tell you what let me sleep with your

1184
00:51:23,020 --> 00:51:20,270
wife and you know I'm talking to the

1185
00:51:26,650 --> 00:51:23,030
gods so I could kind of put in a good

1186
00:51:28,840 --> 00:51:26,660
word for you if you let me do that and

1187
00:51:31,900 --> 00:51:28,850
they said that you should really let me

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00:51:34,120 --> 00:51:31,910

do that so he's saying hey does this

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00:51:35,920 --> 00:51:34,130

look legit to you it doesn't look legit

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00:51:40,750 --> 00:51:35,930

to me so therefore we should be

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00:51:43,510 --> 00:51:40,760

skeptical of all the claims that are

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00:51:45,460 --> 00:51:43,520

being made about interactions with the

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00:51:48,370 --> 00:51:45,470

extent in consciousness realm I say

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00:51:49,930 --> 00:51:48,380

right on to that or you know dr. gregory

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00:51:51,520 --> 00:51:49,940

shushan who i have up on the screen who

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00:51:54,370 --> 00:51:51,530

does a cross-cultural analysis of

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00:51:57,550 --> 00:51:54,380

near-death experience and says hey there

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00:52:00,250 --> 00:51:57,560

are these very significant differences

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00:52:03,340 --> 00:52:00,260

in how NDEs are understood across

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00:52:05,560 --> 00:52:03,350

cultures but I'm kind of burying the

1201
00:52:09,910 --> 00:52:05,570
point because what I really wanted Hugh

1202
00:52:13,030 --> 00:52:09,920
Urban to say is that this burden of

1203
00:52:16,240 --> 00:52:13,040
proof thing which I come back to in the

1204
00:52:18,190 --> 00:52:16,250
analogy I always not even analogy the

1205
00:52:21,280 --> 00:52:18,200
comparison I always make is to the

1206
00:52:23,740 --> 00:52:21,290
Catholic Church and I always relate it

1207
00:52:27,490 --> 00:52:23,750
back to the fall of Arthur Anderson

1208
00:52:30,100 --> 00:52:27,500
which it was the largest economy and was

1209
00:52:31,540 --> 00:52:30,110
asked to close its doors or did have to

1210
00:52:35,410 --> 00:52:31,550
close his doors and send everyone home

1211
00:52:37,180 --> 00:52:35,420
and many people lost millions of dollars

1212
00:52:38,830 --> 00:52:37,190
in 401ks and lives were destroyed but

1213
00:52:42,670 --> 00:52:38,840

they said hey you had a responsibility a

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00:52:46,150 --> 00:52:42,680

public fiduciary responsibility to hold

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00:52:47,710 --> 00:52:46,160

this trust you so violated that that

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00:52:48,580 --> 00:52:47,720

Arthur Andersen you shouldn't be in

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00:52:50,380 --> 00:52:48,590

business anymore

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00:52:51,790 --> 00:52:50,390

the same is true of the Catholic Church

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00:52:54,670 --> 00:52:51,800

Catholic Church should just be shut down

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00:52:56,560 --> 00:52:54,680

without making any judgment on whether

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00:52:58,630 --> 00:52:56,570

it's done good things or it's charities

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00:53:01,270 --> 00:52:58,640

around the world you just would say you

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00:53:03,820 --> 00:53:01,280

had a certain responsibility you've

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00:53:05,720 --> 00:53:03,830

failed that responsibility clearly you

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00:53:08,720 --> 00:53:05,730

don't need to exist anymore

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00:53:11,390 --> 00:53:08,730

as new religious movement or an old

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00:53:13,820 --> 00:53:11,400

religious mythology so that's what I

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00:53:18,740 --> 00:53:13,830

want to humor being to say is to say you

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00:53:21,590 --> 00:53:18,750

know based on the evidence at hand the

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00:53:24,710 --> 00:53:21,600

burden of proof would be on Scientology

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00:53:27,560 --> 00:53:24,720

to clearly demonstrate that it is not a

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00:53:32,450 --> 00:53:27,570

destructive cult that destroys people's

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00:53:34,790 --> 00:53:32,460

lives and until they can overcome that

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00:53:38,060 --> 00:53:34,800

burden of proof then we should regard

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00:53:40,010 --> 00:53:38,070

them as a cult because we do understand

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00:53:42,320 --> 00:53:40,020

that cults can be dangerous and they

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00:53:44,180 --> 00:53:42,330

have not met the standard where which

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00:53:46,010 --> 00:53:44,190

but there's evidence that suggests they

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00:53:48,590 --> 00:53:46,020

are dangers called and we don't have

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00:53:52,880 --> 00:53:48,600

enough evidence to overcome that and I

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00:53:54,830 --> 00:53:52,890

as a trusted academic who's sorted

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00:53:57,560 --> 00:53:54,840

through the data I have to take a

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00:53:59,540 --> 00:53:57,570

position and that's the position I take

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00:54:03,860 --> 00:53:59,550

and I think the reason he doesn't take

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00:54:07,510 --> 00:54:03,870

that position is because of the box that

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00:54:12,050 --> 00:54:07,520

he's in and it is that box that humanist

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00:54:14,270 --> 00:54:12,060

atheist academia has created and they

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00:54:17,420 --> 00:54:14,280

shouldn't be allowed to comfortably live

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00:54:20,600 --> 00:54:17,430

inside that box I actually agree with

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00:54:22,790 --> 00:54:20,610

all that except I is that box the

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00:54:26,450 --> 00:54:22,800

results of their humanist atheist

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00:54:27,920 --> 00:54:26,460

materialist assumptions suppose they you

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00:54:31,910 --> 00:54:27,930

know what I mean I mean suppose suppose

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00:54:34,430 --> 00:54:31,920

academia had deeply spiritual deeply

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00:54:37,700 --> 00:54:34,440

spiritual assumptions as opposed to

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00:54:40,520 --> 00:54:37,710

materialistic ones we'll never know but

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00:54:44,480 --> 00:54:40,530

as our friend Stephen Hawking points out

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00:54:47,510 --> 00:54:44,490

it you know there art is dead because

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00:54:49,910 --> 00:54:47,520

they haven't kept up with the science if

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00:54:53,030 --> 00:54:49,920

you will in this broader term so until

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00:54:55,250 --> 00:54:53,040

you tackle that problem and understand

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00:54:57,860 --> 00:54:55,260

that consciousness isn't an illusion

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00:54:59,900 --> 00:54:57,870

until you grapple with that you know we

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00:55:01,970 --> 00:54:59,910

won't know you know so it's not that

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00:55:03,500 --> 00:55:01,980

you're it's not that they're humanists

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00:55:05,630 --> 00:55:03,510

it's not that they're atheist

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00:55:09,670 --> 00:55:05,640

it's the assumptions they're making

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00:55:11,870 --> 00:55:09,680

based on that philosophy yeah yeah I I

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00:55:13,390 --> 00:55:11,880

agree with you - I mean that yeah

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00:55:16,450 --> 00:55:13,400

atheism and

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00:55:18,250 --> 00:55:16,460

and scientism I don't an atheist and per

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00:55:20,080 --> 00:55:18,260

se but I mean I know what you mean that

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00:55:22,420 --> 00:55:20,090

the biological robot in a meaningless

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00:55:24,790 --> 00:55:22,430

universe worldview is sort of the

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00:55:28,780 --> 00:55:24,800

assumption of our intellectual culture I

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00:55:32,470 --> 00:55:28,790

didn't ask though whether every religion

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00:55:34,300 --> 00:55:32,480

then would be a cult every organization

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00:55:36,240 --> 00:55:34,310

I mean as my old thought you know

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00:55:39,910 --> 00:55:36,250

influential philosopher Krishnamurti

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00:55:43,090 --> 00:55:39,920

would note would probably insist every

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00:55:45,490 --> 00:55:43,100

religion or and every institution is is

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00:55:47,440 --> 00:55:45,500

I guess a cult as you would understand

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00:55:50,020 --> 00:55:47,450

it as you would define it government

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00:55:52,450 --> 00:55:50,030

certainly are I suppose and in terms of

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00:55:54,910 --> 00:55:52,460

what they do the secrecy and the harm

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00:55:57,130 --> 00:55:54,920

that they caused so what do we do then I

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00:55:59,320 --> 00:55:57,140

mean you know what I mean if we're gonna

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00:56:00,730 --> 00:55:59,330

hold Scientology accountable but the

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00:56:03,190 --> 00:56:00,740

Catholic Church I mean where do you

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00:56:04,720 --> 00:56:03,200

where do you stop and is it possible is

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00:56:08,200 --> 00:56:04,730

it possible to have an organization

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00:56:10,210 --> 00:56:08,210

without it being all the things

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00:56:12,820 --> 00:56:10,220

eventually that you don't like about

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00:56:14,830 --> 00:56:12,830

Scientology yeah I mean this is now

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00:56:16,660 --> 00:56:14,840

getting to the question at hand where we

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00:56:21,370 --> 00:56:16,670

can kind of pretend that we have this

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00:56:23,500 --> 00:56:21,380

kind of master control of everything

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00:56:25,600 --> 00:56:23,510

which we don't but until somebody kicks

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00:56:28,210 --> 00:56:25,610

off the discussion and no one can kick

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00:56:30,040 --> 00:56:28,220

off the discussion so I I think though

1301
00:56:33,400 --> 00:56:30,050
embedded in that I would phrase it

1302
00:56:38,140 --> 00:56:33,410
slightly differently the the where do we

1303
00:56:40,630 --> 00:56:38,150
stop question we don't stop no you keep

1304
00:56:43,330 --> 00:56:40,640
asking that question over and over again

1305
00:56:46,990 --> 00:56:43,340
do you stop with the Catholic Church no

1306
00:56:49,510 --> 00:56:47,000
do you stop with the LDS Church no do

1307
00:56:52,870 --> 00:56:49,520
you stop with the Baptist Church no you

1308
00:56:54,970 --> 00:56:52,880
keep asking the same question you keep

1309
00:56:58,570 --> 00:56:54,980
saying and that's why I flashed up on

1310
00:57:01,120 --> 00:56:58,580
the screen this little snippet I pulled

1311
00:57:04,360 --> 00:57:01,130
from an interview you did and this was

1312
00:57:07,720 --> 00:57:04,370
your point of moral responsibility and

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00:57:11,890 --> 00:57:07,730

criminal culpability somewhere in there

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00:57:14,620 --> 00:57:11,900

I think are the makings of a new way of

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00:57:19,180 --> 00:57:14,630

trying to understand of trying to look

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00:57:22,810 --> 00:57:19,190

at spirituality as it becomes

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00:57:26,530 --> 00:57:22,820

institutionalized and giving us a real

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00:57:29,770 --> 00:57:26,540

important meaningful look at it rather

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00:57:33,030 --> 00:57:29,780

than just this hmm fairytale meaningless

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00:57:35,110 --> 00:57:33,040

in in in some ways completely

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00:57:37,090 --> 00:57:35,120

conspiratorial you know I mean I don't

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00:57:40,120 --> 00:57:37,100

know what were to make a few urban but

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00:57:44,200 --> 00:57:40,130

is he is he doing incredible disservice

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00:57:47,080 --> 00:57:44,210

to people who have been engaged in a

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00:57:50,650 --> 00:57:47,090

dangerous cult that is Scientology I

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00:57:52,600 --> 00:57:50,660

could make the case that he is and even

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00:57:55,570 --> 00:57:52,610

though you know we could say well gosh

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00:57:58,000 --> 00:57:55,580

who would don't we need someone who's

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00:58:00,370 --> 00:57:58,010

you know writes a nice book out there

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00:58:03,010 --> 00:58:00,380

that gives a balanced perspective well

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00:58:07,500 --> 00:58:03,020

that may be true but we have to weigh

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00:58:10,030 --> 00:58:07,510

that against what that means to

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00:58:12,250 --> 00:58:10,040

respecting the rights of victims who

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00:58:16,090 --> 00:58:12,260

have been victimized by a dangerous cult

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00:58:18,460 --> 00:58:16,100

so I think it this is a question that we

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00:58:20,020 --> 00:58:18,470

have to ask and I would see and I know

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00:58:21,790 --> 00:58:20,030

you're calm playing devil's advocate and

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00:58:24,070 --> 00:58:21,800

that's why I love it because it's it's

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00:58:25,780 --> 00:58:24,080

it's hard for you but I think like where

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00:58:26,380 --> 00:58:25,790

you're coming from with the Krishnamurti

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00:58:29,800 --> 00:58:26,390

stuff

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00:58:31,510 --> 00:58:29,810

yeah he'll yes I mean that's who you are

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00:58:34,840 --> 00:58:31,520

and that's what where you're coming from

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00:58:40,000 --> 00:58:34,850

so don't you do you agree rich don't you

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00:58:42,700 --> 00:58:40,010

agree yeah I guess so I mean oh yeah I

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00:58:45,790 --> 00:58:42,710

mean I on the other hand I mean I don't

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00:58:47,410 --> 00:58:45,800

know I mean um if we shut down the

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00:58:48,400 --> 00:58:47,420

Catholic Church as a criminal

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00:58:50,890 --> 00:58:48,410

organization

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00:58:53,050 --> 00:58:50,900

besides that being you know not just not

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00:58:57,640 --> 00:58:53,060
feasible well maybe it is I mean III

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00:58:59,230 --> 00:58:57,650
suppose um you know or Scientology I

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00:59:01,930 --> 00:58:59,240
mean be you know and the legal

1354
00:59:03,490 --> 00:59:01,940
ramifications of not the separation of

1355
00:59:05,260 --> 00:59:03,500
church and state that I suppose it would

1356
00:59:06,820 --> 00:59:05,270
raise and all that kind of stuff would

1357
00:59:09,580 --> 00:59:06,830
it be a good thing to do I mean what

1358
00:59:13,120 --> 00:59:09,590
would happen to religions what shouldn't

1359
00:59:15,940 --> 00:59:13,130
concern ourselves with whether it's a

1360
00:59:17,800 --> 00:59:15,950
good thing to do we should current CERN

1361
00:59:21,430 --> 00:59:17,810
ourselves with whether it's the right

1362
00:59:23,650 --> 00:59:21,440
thing to do and that's why I you know

1363
00:59:27,190 --> 00:59:23,660

love just your little snippet there of

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00:59:30,810 --> 00:59:27,200

moral responsibility and criminal

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00:59:32,230 --> 00:59:30,820

culpability and I think it's not an

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00:59:36,190 --> 00:59:32,240

either/or thing

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00:59:37,880 --> 00:59:36,200

it's a bold thing so if you put yourself

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00:59:40,340 --> 00:59:37,890

out there

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00:59:42,230 --> 00:59:40,350

as a religious institution then you're

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00:59:45,370 --> 00:59:42,240

putting yourself out there as a

1371

00:59:48,170 --> 00:59:45,380

spiritual institution and then you're

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00:59:50,870 --> 00:59:48,180

claiming to the public that you are

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00:59:53,810 --> 00:59:50,880

upholding a certain more responsibility

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00:59:56,780 --> 00:59:53,820

and certainly but criminal culpability

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01:00:00,320 --> 00:59:56,790

and to the extent that you don't measure

1376
01:00:02,420 --> 01:00:00,330
up I mean we don't have the power and

1377
01:00:04,610 --> 01:00:02,430
hue urban doesn't have the power and

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01:00:07,040 --> 01:00:04,620
Jeff [h__h] doesn't have the power to

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01:00:08,530 --> 01:00:07,050
shut down the Catholic Church but they

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01:00:13,580 --> 01:00:08,540
do have the power to take a

1381
01:00:16,850 --> 01:00:13,590
well-reasoned position and just what

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01:00:19,610 --> 01:00:16,860
that is in the same way that I so you

1383
01:00:22,940 --> 01:00:19,620
know appreciate when Rupert Sheldrake is

1384
01:00:25,880 --> 01:00:22,950
able to say Richard Wiseman was

1385
01:00:28,280 --> 01:00:25,890
intentionally deceptive in the way he

1386
01:00:32,950 --> 01:00:28,290
carried out research with me that

1387
01:00:36,500 --> 01:00:32,960
clarifies things we need that clarity in

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01:00:39,200 --> 01:00:36,510

religious studies comparative religions

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01:00:42,140 --> 01:00:39,210

are those phony-baloney departments in

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01:00:44,750 --> 01:00:42,150

the social sciences I'd yeah I mean I

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01:00:47,030 --> 01:00:44,760

can't put agree you win Melik securest I

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01:00:48,500 --> 01:00:47,040

give up I know I did I didn't want to

1393

01:00:51,260 --> 01:00:48,510

ask you though I mean if it's if it's

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01:00:53,630 --> 01:00:51,270

okay um do you think that the the

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01:00:55,610 --> 01:00:53,640

contemporary and a lot of feminist

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01:00:57,710 --> 01:00:55,620

philosophers and post modernists sort of

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01:01:01,550 --> 01:00:57,720

have made this claim that the sort of

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01:01:04,480 --> 01:01:01,560

this ideal of the clinically detached

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01:01:07,730 --> 01:01:04,490

critically detached objective impartial

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01:01:11,420 --> 01:01:07,740

unbiased observer fly-on-the-wall God's

1401
01:01:13,070 --> 01:01:11,430
eye view of a situation who doesn't make

1402
01:01:15,170 --> 01:01:13,080
value judgments or anything like that

1403
01:01:16,760 --> 01:01:15,180
which is that really and then the

1404
01:01:19,160 --> 01:01:16,770
intellectual world is the scholarly

1405
01:01:21,260 --> 01:01:19,170
ideal right especially in the social

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01:01:24,470 --> 01:01:21,270
sciences and certainly in philosophy do

1407
01:01:28,010 --> 01:01:24,480
you think that that has put those people

1408
01:01:31,760 --> 01:01:28,020
unwittingly in the service of forces

1409
01:01:34,610 --> 01:01:31,770
that are very biased but can hide behind

1410
01:01:37,490 --> 01:01:34,620
that and can able them to hide behind

1411
01:01:41,480 --> 01:01:37,500
that veneer of supposed objectivity to

1412
01:01:43,790 --> 01:01:41,490
actually push an agenda I'm gonna answer

1413
01:01:45,830 --> 01:01:43,800

a question with another question and

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01:01:48,800 --> 01:01:45,840

that is the questions that's that's

1415

01:01:51,380 --> 01:01:48,810

raised by another person that you

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01:01:53,750 --> 01:01:51,390

greatly admire and for good

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01:01:56,420 --> 01:01:53,760

because I admire him as well and that's

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01:01:58,640 --> 01:01:56,430

tick not Han and the quote that I was

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01:02:02,630 --> 01:01:58,650

sharing with folks who are watching it

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01:02:05,630 --> 01:02:02,640

is we run during the daytime we run

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01:02:08,809 --> 01:02:05,640

during our sleep we do not know how to

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01:02:11,599 --> 01:02:08,819

stop when we can look deeply into the

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01:02:16,069 --> 01:02:11,609

present moment we can look deeply into

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01:02:19,549 --> 01:02:16,079

our true nature and we can discover the

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01:02:22,099 --> 01:02:19,559

ultimate dimension and the reason I

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01:02:28,599 --> 01:02:22,109

think that quote is so significant is

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01:02:32,120 --> 01:02:28,609

because it gets at the core question of

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01:02:36,529 --> 01:02:32,130

spirituality that we've so lost in all

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01:02:39,049 --> 01:02:36,539

this nonsense and that is is there an

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01:02:42,079 --> 01:02:39,059

ultimate dimension to be discovered

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01:02:44,839 --> 01:02:42,089

what could we know about that ultimate

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01:02:47,359 --> 01:02:44,849

dimension how would we interact with

1433

01:02:49,670 --> 01:02:47,369

that ultimate dimension so now I'm

1434

01:02:51,650 --> 01:02:49,680

substituting ultimate dimension and the

1435

01:02:54,339 --> 01:02:51,660

way that I normally talk about extended

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01:02:57,559 --> 01:02:54,349

consciousness and I'm suggesting that

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01:03:00,349 --> 01:02:57,569

what the beauty and the power of what

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01:03:03,170 --> 01:03:00,359

tich not Han and so many others that

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01:03:06,079 --> 01:03:03,180

I've talked about on this show the power

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01:03:09,170 --> 01:03:06,089

of what they're doing is they're they're

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01:03:11,109 --> 01:03:09,180

they're misunderstood as being talking

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01:03:13,279 --> 01:03:11,119

about some airy-fairy

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01:03:16,730 --> 01:03:13,289

philosophical [h__h] they're saying no

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01:03:19,490 --> 01:03:16,740

there really is another dimension out

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01:03:22,160 --> 01:03:19,500

there there is another energy out there

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01:03:25,160 --> 01:03:22,170

there is another reality and if we don't

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01:03:27,740 --> 01:03:25,170

approach it or at least ask that as a

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01:03:30,740 --> 01:03:27,750

question we'll never be able to answer

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01:03:33,499 --> 01:03:30,750

the question that that you asked so I

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01:03:37,880 --> 01:03:33,509

think that has to be on the table yeah I

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01:03:39,589 --> 01:03:37,890

agree and and and do you think that some

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01:03:42,370 --> 01:03:39,599

are all this stuff from biological

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01:03:46,039 --> 01:03:42,380

robots on a meaningless universe

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01:03:48,980 --> 01:03:46,049

philosophy to the distractions of our

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01:03:51,200 --> 01:03:48,990

commercial culture and the propaganda is

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01:03:53,390 --> 01:03:51,210

infotainment nature of our media and

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01:03:59,539 --> 01:03:53,400

everything else do you think that those

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01:04:00,890 --> 01:03:59,549

are designed to prevent us from because

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01:04:02,990 --> 01:04:00,900

this really gets the heart of whether

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01:04:04,670 --> 01:04:03,000

this is how much of it how deeply does

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01:04:05,260 --> 01:04:04,680

this sort of conspiracy go do you think

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01:04:07,990 --> 01:04:05,270

these things

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01:04:11,140 --> 01:04:08,000

are deliberately designed to prevent us

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01:04:13,960 --> 01:04:11,150

from engaging that ultimate dimension

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01:04:16,600 --> 01:04:13,970

that thick not on talks about let me

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01:04:19,210 --> 01:04:16,610

turn that around and ask you do you

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01:04:20,110 --> 01:04:19,220

think that is a possibility that we need

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01:04:24,100 --> 01:04:20,120

to consider

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01:04:25,930 --> 01:04:24,110

I'm chief more than if it's even yeah I

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01:04:28,990 --> 01:04:25,940

mean if it's even possible it's the most

1471

01:04:30,700 --> 01:04:29,000

important it seems to me that it is the

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01:04:33,310 --> 01:04:30,710

most important thing we need to consider

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01:04:35,590 --> 01:04:33,320

and what that well besides the nature of

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01:04:37,000 --> 01:04:35,600

this ultimate dimension itself which I

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01:04:39,070 --> 01:04:37,010

guess is the most important thing to

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01:04:41,770 --> 01:04:39,080

consider but but why are we being

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01:04:45,220 --> 01:04:41,780

prevented from from attaining that and

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01:04:48,790 --> 01:04:45,230

even worse are there forces that are

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01:04:51,160 --> 01:04:48,800

deliberately trying to distract us from

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01:04:53,080 --> 01:04:51,170

that because of the way they can benefit

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01:04:55,600 --> 01:04:53,090

from it now I can see where that would

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01:04:57,850 --> 01:04:55,610

be the case in the academic world and in

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01:04:59,470 --> 01:04:57,860

the commercial world just because maybe

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01:05:01,660 --> 01:04:59,480

I don't know if those people have that

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01:05:03,130 --> 01:05:01,670

profound view of reality

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01:05:05,530 --> 01:05:03,140

they just know if you keep them

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01:05:07,840 --> 01:05:05,540

distracted and addicted and and and and

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01:05:08,860 --> 01:05:07,850

superficial go by and that's all we

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01:05:10,360 --> 01:05:08,870

really give it down about we haven't

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01:05:12,250 --> 01:05:10,370

even thought about anything you deeper

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01:05:14,230 --> 01:05:12,260

than that and then the academic world we

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01:05:16,210 --> 01:05:14,240

keep them scared and conformist and

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01:05:18,520 --> 01:05:16,220

afraid to really do any original

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01:05:19,660 --> 01:05:18,530

thinking but just mimic the jargon that

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01:05:21,670 --> 01:05:19,670

we approve of

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01:05:23,110 --> 01:05:21,680

it'll make it'll keep us in power and

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01:05:25,660 --> 01:05:23,120

argue did it contribute to our

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01:05:27,520 --> 01:05:25,670

prestigious dollars but is there

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01:05:32,590 --> 01:05:27,530

something and this is what I mean and

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01:05:35,380 --> 01:05:32,600

truly this is I come to you as a as a

1501

01:05:37,270 --> 01:05:35,390

sage in this dimension of existence

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01:05:39,460 --> 01:05:37,280

because you've really and I really mean

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01:05:41,680 --> 01:05:39,470

that in a serious tone because you've

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01:05:44,890 --> 01:05:41,690

devoted your you know a good part of

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01:05:47,230 --> 01:05:44,900

your life now to really um examining

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01:05:49,840 --> 01:05:47,240

that on a level and in a way that that

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01:05:51,790 --> 01:05:49,850

just said nobody else is doing it so

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01:05:54,250 --> 01:05:51,800

okay what I'm asking is in this

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01:05:55,660 --> 01:05:54,260

long-winded way is what do you think I

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01:05:59,970 --> 01:05:55,670

mean how do you how deep is the

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01:06:02,200 --> 01:05:59,980

conspiracy in your opinion is it beyond

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01:06:07,390 --> 01:06:02,210

serious this is great because I'm really

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01:06:10,480 --> 01:06:07,400

sucking you in now because because this

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01:06:12,400 --> 01:06:10,490

larger project that I wanted to get you

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01:06:16,930 --> 01:06:12,410

to help me with

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01:06:20,890 --> 01:06:16,940

is answering the question of evil and

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01:06:22,900 --> 01:06:20,900

not for the sake of evil but because in

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01:06:25,539 --> 01:06:22,910

the same way that if you get

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01:06:28,839 --> 01:06:25,549

consciousness wrong then you can't get

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01:06:32,680 --> 01:06:28,849

science right now if you get evil wrong

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01:06:36,099 --> 01:06:32,690

then you can't get consciousness right

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01:06:38,380 --> 01:06:36,109

or extended consciousness right so the

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01:06:40,120 --> 01:06:38,390

tricky part that you're alluding to and

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01:06:46,259 --> 01:06:40,130

your phrasing it as a question because

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01:06:50,079 --> 01:06:46,269

you're a smoother dog I don't know I

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01:06:52,299 --> 01:06:50,089

think based on my little bit of

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01:06:53,079 --> 01:06:52,309

investigation into who you are in your

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01:06:55,870 --> 01:06:53,089

philosophy

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01:06:58,779 --> 01:06:55,880

that you have a strong inclination and

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01:07:02,980 --> 01:06:58,789

it that really I think speaks to this

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01:07:05,890 --> 01:07:02,990

broader question of luciferianism and

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01:07:07,599 --> 01:07:05,900

you know do do what thou wilt and is

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01:07:09,849 --> 01:07:07,609

there anything wrong with that and in

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01:07:11,890 --> 01:07:09,859

particular when we look at our larger

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01:07:14,289 --> 01:07:11,900

culture and say that our culture is

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01:07:16,329 --> 01:07:14,299

certainly a reflection of that value

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01:07:18,700 --> 01:07:16,339

system we all embrace that is there

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01:07:22,870 --> 01:07:18,710

anything wrong with that so that's a

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01:07:26,200 --> 01:07:22,880

very I think unclear middle ground but

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01:07:29,289 --> 01:07:26,210

where I've gone and I've again folks

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01:07:31,839 --> 01:07:29,299

I've pumped a lot of interviews Rich's

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01:07:34,299 --> 01:07:31,849

way and he's been so generous with his

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01:07:36,640 --> 01:07:34,309

time to review these and talk to me

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01:07:39,130 --> 01:07:36,650

about it engage in email conversations

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01:07:42,519 --> 01:07:39,140

so well I am trying to pull them into a

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01:07:44,589 --> 01:07:42,529

bigger project on this is that I've kind

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01:07:49,930 --> 01:07:44,599

of gone to the extreme and I've said

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01:07:52,120 --> 01:07:49,940

let's let's kind of clear up the the the

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01:07:54,249 --> 01:07:52,130

smoke and the mirrors because I just had

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01:07:55,509 --> 01:07:54,259

a post from a guy I really like friend

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01:07:57,370 --> 01:07:55,519

of mine Mike Patterson who's on The

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01:07:58,930 --> 01:07:57,380

Skeptical forum we're kind of chatting

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01:08:02,589 --> 01:07:58,940

about good and evil and he goes hey man

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01:08:05,049 --> 01:08:02,599

I think the catch and release of you

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01:08:06,160 --> 01:08:05,059

know brownies in the brook of trout all

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01:08:07,839 --> 01:08:06,170

right you know that's good

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01:08:10,180 --> 01:08:07,849

he well why do you want to traumatize

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01:08:12,670 --> 01:08:10,190

that fish and stuff like that I'm like

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01:08:15,609 --> 01:08:12,680

okay I kind of get that it doesn't

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01:08:20,079 --> 01:08:15,619

really reach my level of evil in the

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01:08:22,269 --> 01:08:20,089

same way it does for hanukkah Lucas and

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01:08:26,090 --> 01:08:22,279

it was sold by her mother at six years

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01:08:28,580 --> 01:08:26,100

old into a sex cult in Belgium who

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01:08:31,040 --> 01:08:28,590

we later find out was engaging in

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01:08:34,660 --> 01:08:31,050

satanic practices whatever you make of

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01:08:38,630 --> 01:08:34,670

that and was just repeatedly unbel

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01:08:40,460 --> 01:08:38,640

unthinkably abused and raped and just

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01:08:42,140 --> 01:08:40,470

tortured to the point where they were

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01:08:45,140 --> 01:08:42,150

going to kill her and she was on this

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01:08:47,720 --> 01:08:45,150

chopping block that was soaked in the

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01:08:52,520 --> 01:08:47,730

blood of hundreds of kids they had

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01:08:54,980 --> 01:08:52,530

already murdered and only by luck if you

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01:08:57,200 --> 01:08:54,990

want to call it that she spared by one

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01:09:00,020 --> 01:08:57,210

of the people in the call to actually

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01:09:02,720 --> 01:09:00,030

gets her out and that person later pays

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01:09:05,480 --> 01:09:02,730

for it with their life so you think

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01:09:06,530 --> 01:09:05,490

folks if there's still our doubters I

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01:09:07,490 --> 01:09:06,540

haven't heard from people who've

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01:09:09,500 --> 01:09:07,500

listened to that interview because I

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01:09:11,960 --> 01:09:09,510

haven't published it yet but if you

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01:09:14,140 --> 01:09:11,970

think there's any doubt to her story if

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01:09:17,450 --> 01:09:14,150

you think she's making all this up I

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01:09:19,910 --> 01:09:17,460

really encourage you to investigate that

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01:09:22,550 --> 01:09:19,920

fully and see if you can maintain that

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01:09:25,520 --> 01:09:22,560

belief but my point before I get way way

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01:09:28,880 --> 01:09:25,530

too far our field is that's a little bit

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01:09:30,320 --> 01:09:28,890

easier to hone in on and say yeah that

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01:09:34,570 --> 01:09:30,330

sounds pretty evil to me

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01:09:38,870 --> 01:09:34,580

and it also sounds to me like they were

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01:09:41,720 --> 01:09:38,880

intentionally trying to connect with a

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01:09:43,610 --> 01:09:41,730

monovalent force in the extended

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01:09:46,640 --> 01:09:43,620

consciousness realm that's what they

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01:09:50,810 --> 01:09:46,650

were doing and Thomas Parsons and them

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01:09:52,790 --> 01:09:50,820

and no no now I'm talking about the

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01:09:55,850 --> 01:09:52,800

people that abused Annika Luke as a kid

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01:09:57,260 --> 01:09:55,860

or satanic hmm yeah I don't know what

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01:09:59,090 --> 01:09:57,270

that means I want to explore what that

1598

01:10:01,040 --> 01:09:59,100

means because I don't accept a strict

1599

01:10:04,310 --> 01:10:01,050

Christian understanding of that and

1600

01:10:06,290 --> 01:10:04,320

we're gonna expand on that too but when

1601
01:10:08,870 --> 01:10:06,300
they're talking about satanic ritual

1602
01:10:12,200 --> 01:10:08,880
abuse they're not doing those rituals to

1603
01:10:14,990 --> 01:10:12,210
get anything more like physically it's

1604
01:10:18,260 --> 01:10:15,000
they are making an intentional effort to

1605
01:10:20,960 --> 01:10:18,270
connect with an extended realm in the

1606
01:10:24,260 --> 01:10:20,970
same way paralleling what Jack Parsons

1607
01:10:27,710 --> 01:10:24,270
and Elrond harbored is doing so we need

1608
01:10:31,850 --> 01:10:27,720
to understand that we don't need to

1609
01:10:34,100 --> 01:10:31,860
gloss over it with a hue urban well they

1610
01:10:35,660 --> 01:10:34,110
certainly think it did which by the way

1611
01:10:37,940 --> 01:10:35,670
is the same thing that Chris Shelton

1612
01:10:40,010 --> 01:10:37,950
winds up saying because he's locked into

1613
01:10:42,470 --> 01:10:40,020

an atheist

1614

01:10:45,350 --> 01:10:42,480

critical thinker pseudo skeptic kind of

1615

01:10:47,810 --> 01:10:45,360

thing you can't get there from here if

1616

01:10:52,100 --> 01:10:47,820

you don't understand that and the point

1617

01:10:55,370 --> 01:10:52,110

is evil clarifies it that level of evil

1618

01:10:58,760 --> 01:10:55,380

clarifies it says okay something is

1619

01:11:01,610 --> 01:10:58,770

going on there that I need to talk about

1620

01:11:03,740 --> 01:11:01,620

and then I need to understand I need to

1621

01:11:08,150 --> 01:11:03,750

incorporate it into my worldview and

1622

01:11:11,390 --> 01:11:08,160

then I guess I'd ask you rich where how

1623

01:11:13,550 --> 01:11:11,400

does that fit with and this is narrowly

1624

01:11:16,090 --> 01:11:13,560

how does that fit with the question that

1625

01:11:19,790 --> 01:11:16,100

you've asked me if that is a reality

1626

01:11:22,610 --> 01:11:19,800

then you know what's the big deal if a

1627

01:11:26,000 --> 01:11:22,620

guy is you know trying to sell a few

1628

01:11:28,160 --> 01:11:26,010

more widgets and whatever way he can do

1629

01:11:30,700 --> 01:11:28,170

it does it really matter you know

1630

01:11:33,230 --> 01:11:30,710

playing fast and loose with the kind of

1631

01:11:35,690 --> 01:11:33,240

Luciferian do what thou wilt yeah I

1632

01:11:38,480 --> 01:11:35,700

don't know what do you think yeah I I

1633

01:11:41,660 --> 01:11:38,490

don't know I really I bet that's where I

1634

01:11:45,130 --> 01:11:41,670

I have I'm intrigued and I think it's

1635

01:11:47,330 --> 01:11:45,140

very important to draw the connections

1636

01:11:50,750 --> 01:11:47,340

again it's certainly in a lot of

1637

01:11:54,640 --> 01:11:50,760

people's interest to push you know the

1638

01:11:57,080 --> 01:11:54,650

materialist world view and to and

1639

01:12:01,940 --> 01:11:57,090

certainly you know and a lot of people's

1640

01:12:04,310 --> 01:12:01,950

interests I suppose to push the you know

1641

01:12:05,480 --> 01:12:04,320

the whatever it is and again but but

1642

01:12:08,900 --> 01:12:05,490

again I don't know what it is that

1643

01:12:11,420 --> 01:12:08,910

motivates people and satanic cults

1644

01:12:13,610 --> 01:12:11,430

really you know what I mean I don't um

1645

01:12:15,500 --> 01:12:13,620

know what it is that's motivating those

1646

01:12:18,380 --> 01:12:15,510

people are and who's directing it and

1647

01:12:20,690 --> 01:12:18,390

and and is it is it beyond you know is

1648

01:12:22,520 --> 01:12:20,700

it is it something that goes as deep or

1649

01:12:24,950 --> 01:12:22,530

high as the government that's

1650

01:12:27,560 --> 01:12:24,960

deliberately trying to promulgate this

1651

01:12:29,300 --> 01:12:27,570

kind of stuff and promote it or is it

1652

01:12:31,040 --> 01:12:29,310

deeper than that do the Gnostics have it

1653

01:12:35,660 --> 01:12:31,050

right I mean that that's really the kind

1654

01:12:38,000 --> 01:12:35,670

of thing that I assume you've started to

1655

01:12:41,960 --> 01:12:38,010

develop a worldview about but that's why

1656

01:12:43,940 --> 01:12:41,970

I have a tremendous affinity with what

1657

01:12:46,250 --> 01:12:43,950

you're kind of bringing forth with this

1658

01:12:49,160 --> 01:12:46,260

moral responsibility criminal

1659

01:12:51,130 --> 01:12:49,170

culpability and as grandiose as it might

1660

01:12:55,000 --> 01:12:51,140

seem this idea that

1661

01:12:58,900 --> 01:12:55,010

we can kind of suggest a new paradigm

1662

01:13:00,790 --> 01:12:58,910

with which to understand extended

1663

01:13:03,790 --> 01:13:00,800

consciousness realm and understand it

1664

01:13:08,500 --> 01:13:03,800

from a serious intellectual standpoint

1665

01:13:11,140 --> 01:13:08,510

and I think it requires a reboot it

1666

01:13:13,000 --> 01:13:11,150

requires a real reboot and and in that I

1667

01:13:14,440 --> 01:13:13,010

think we would want to be really careful

1668

01:13:15,730 --> 01:13:14,450

in a way that you're talking about in

1669

01:13:17,530 --> 01:13:15,740

some of your stories as a criminal

1670

01:13:19,660 --> 01:13:17,540

investigator we want to be really

1671

01:13:22,540 --> 01:13:19,670

careful about rushing to a lot of

1672

01:13:25,060 --> 01:13:22,550

conclusions but we would want to be

1673

01:13:28,600 --> 01:13:25,070

really aggressive in pointing out the

1674

01:13:31,090 --> 01:13:28,610

huge failings of what we have currently

1675

01:13:35,500 --> 01:13:31,100

so that's kind of where I'm coming from

1676

01:13:38,470 --> 01:13:35,510

gotcha yeah I certainly agree I can't

1677

01:13:40,210 --> 01:13:38,480

disagree with that all right I don't

1678

01:13:42,250 --> 01:13:40,220

know what you just signed up for as we

1679

01:13:46,330 --> 01:13:42,260

wrap things up here did you want to tell

1680

01:13:48,820 --> 01:13:46,340

folks what else is going on in in your

1681

01:13:51,250 --> 01:13:48,830

world and what else you do when you're

1682

01:13:53,740 --> 01:13:51,260

not being hurrying by I'm doing I'm

1683

01:13:56,470 --> 01:13:53,750

doing some research and and publishing

1684

01:13:59,020 --> 01:13:56,480

on a book chapter that's coming out

1685

01:14:01,690 --> 01:13:59,030

bloomsbury I think you can pre-order it

1686

01:14:04,720 --> 01:14:01,700

now in a book about the philosophy of

1687

01:14:07,660 --> 01:14:04,730

stre or a Bindo and my my contribution

1688

01:14:10,420 --> 01:14:07,670

is in respect to his philosophy of mind

1689

01:14:13,300 --> 01:14:10,430

and metaphysics with um and how it maps

1690

01:14:15,190 --> 01:14:13,310

on to traditional Western philosophies

1691

01:14:17,640 --> 01:14:15,200

of mind so it certainly speaks to the

1692

01:14:21,100 --> 01:14:17,650

the skeptical constituency and then

1693

01:14:23,710 --> 01:14:21,110

doing an article that you you were kind

1694

01:14:26,490 --> 01:14:23,720

enough to to subject yourself to on a

1695

01:14:29,080 --> 01:14:26,500

scientism in Western culture and

1696

01:14:32,740 --> 01:14:29,090

Maslow's Abe Maslow's loom own book of

1697

01:14:34,330 --> 01:14:32,750

psychology of science and a couple of

1698

01:14:36,100 --> 01:14:34,340

other projects along those lines with

1699

01:14:40,270 --> 01:14:36,110

I'm collaborating with what scholarly

1700

01:14:43,660 --> 01:14:40,280

peers as as valueless as the such

1701

01:14:53,500 --> 01:14:43,670

scholarship might be and superficial but

1702

01:14:56,410 --> 01:14:53,510

I don't we have to reform we have to try

1703

01:14:58,420 --> 01:14:56,420

and perform it and I agree with you know

1704

01:14:59,590 --> 01:14:58,430

I I completely agree with you again

1705

01:15:02,620 --> 01:14:59,600

that's why I went on that rant about

1706

01:15:04,370 --> 01:15:02,630

about the academic culture being you

1707

01:15:07,090 --> 01:15:04,380

know because they sell themselves

1708

01:15:09,439 --> 01:15:07,100

the Paragons of intellectual freedom and

1709

01:15:11,479 --> 01:15:09,449

imagination and creative thought and you

1710

01:15:15,110 --> 01:15:11,489

know liberating your mind and when they

1711

01:15:18,169 --> 01:15:15,120

adjust the opposite right like what I

1712

01:15:21,890 --> 01:15:18,179

always say about like in the broader

1713

01:15:25,340 --> 01:15:21,900

conspiracy world about like kind of 9/11

1714

01:15:28,000 --> 01:15:25,350

or like all hope is lost really in this

1715

01:15:30,350 --> 01:15:28,010

post constitutional age that we live in

1716

01:15:33,410 --> 01:15:30,360

interview with Richard Dolan and stomach

1717

01:15:38,510 --> 01:15:33,420

yeah it's like hey the Navy commercials

1718

01:15:42,620 --> 01:15:38,520

are our best hope right good good

1719

01:15:45,290 --> 01:15:42,630

boys we should aspire to that so in the

1720

01:15:47,810 --> 01:15:45,300

same way great you go ahead you keep you

1721

01:15:51,709 --> 01:15:47,820

keep talking about freedom and trees and

1722

01:15:54,680 --> 01:15:51,719

all that stuff you academic tower that's

1723

01:15:58,149 --> 01:15:54,690

what we want you on that tower we need

1724

01:16:01,399 --> 01:15:58,159

[Laughter]

1725

01:16:03,500 --> 01:16:01,409

yeah absolutely absolutely there is one

1726

01:16:05,510 --> 01:16:03,510

reason why I've never been particularly

1727

01:16:07,970 --> 01:16:05,520

I've been I've been a very half-hearted

1728

01:16:09,950 --> 01:16:07,980

scholar under um you know I've just

1729

01:16:13,040 --> 01:16:09,960

never been you know it's a game you

1730

01:16:14,810 --> 01:16:13,050

really have to play seriously and abide

1731

01:16:16,459 --> 01:16:14,820

by really rigid rules and devote

1732

01:16:19,010 --> 01:16:16,469

yourself to it in a very disciplined

1733

01:16:20,840 --> 01:16:19,020

kind of way to make uh to make a name

1734

01:16:23,629 --> 01:16:20,850

for yourself in it like it like a Heuer

1735

01:16:26,570 --> 01:16:23,639

band so I respect him you know what he's

1736

01:16:29,149 --> 01:16:26,580

had to do in order to do that but again

1737

01:16:31,430 --> 01:16:29,159

he's limited by the constraints of the

1738

01:16:33,830 --> 01:16:31,440

sack of the you know the monastic order

1739

01:16:36,470 --> 01:16:33,840

that he's joined you know so that is a

1740

01:16:38,390 --> 01:16:36,480

very personal question that I guess I

1741

01:16:44,330 --> 01:16:38,400

wasn't going to ask but since you

1742

01:16:48,640 --> 01:16:44,340

brought it up yeah and that is do you

1743

01:16:51,979 --> 01:16:48,650

think your particular academic journey

1744

01:16:53,600 --> 01:16:51,989

has given you more freedom because a lot

1745

01:16:56,840 --> 01:16:53,610

of people would look at it and say god

1746

01:16:59,629 --> 01:16:56,850

this guy teaches online classes he also

1747

01:17:01,209 --> 01:16:59,639

teaches at Florida State College and you

1748

01:17:05,450 --> 01:17:01,219

know that's not an Ivy League school

1749

01:17:09,379 --> 01:17:05,460

right oh you know but I get the sense

1750

01:17:11,840 --> 01:17:09,389

that in a lot of ways you've you've

1751

01:17:13,430 --> 01:17:11,850

managed to use that to your benefit when

1752

01:17:16,040 --> 01:17:13,440

I talked to these other folks like I'm

1753

01:17:17,290 --> 01:17:16,050

talking about there is a weight on their

1754

01:17:20,860 --> 01:17:17,300

friggin shoulder

1755

01:17:24,490 --> 01:17:20,870

that they can't they can't escape mm-hmm

1756

01:17:27,700 --> 01:17:24,500

yeah yes uh yeah that's it really that

1757

01:17:32,160 --> 01:17:27,710

was that's very observant um I would say

1758

01:17:34,690 --> 01:17:32,170

yeah I've somehow managed to carve an

1759

01:17:39,910 --> 01:17:34,700

unconventional enough path for myself

1760

01:17:41,890 --> 01:17:39,920

within that community that I have pretty

1761

01:17:44,760 --> 01:17:41,900

good access to a lot of the interesting

1762

01:17:48,070 --> 01:17:44,770

and and valuable I don't know the

1763

01:17:52,290 --> 01:17:48,080

resources that and and and opportunities

1764

01:17:57,160 --> 01:17:52,300

that academic has while not having to

1765

01:17:58,540 --> 01:17:57,170

endure the the really again Ill don't

1766

01:18:00,340 --> 01:17:58,550

think they'd they'd think it they

1767

01:18:03,760 --> 01:18:00,350

wouldn't consider it they don't think

1768

01:18:09,130 --> 01:18:03,770

it's it's a it's a rigid you know

1769

01:18:12,340 --> 01:18:09,140

hidebound ordeal I think I think really

1770

01:18:15,010 --> 01:18:12,350

you do huh maybe I think I think Hugh

1771

01:18:17,500 --> 01:18:15,020

Urban has has I mean Frick

1772

01:18:19,870 --> 01:18:17,510

I hate didn't says no you know Brian

1773

01:18:21,760 --> 01:18:19,880

Hayden you know as soon as you make the

1774

01:18:24,640 --> 01:18:21,770

Royal Society will pick on Brian Hayden

1775

01:18:28,300 --> 01:18:24,650

for a while the Royal Society of

1776

01:18:33,000 --> 01:18:28,310

anthropology yeah you don't want to not

1777

01:18:46,270 --> 01:18:33,010

be invited next year mmm yeah so the pre

1778

01:18:48,670 --> 01:18:46,280

cocktail hour where they have for you

1779

01:18:54,220 --> 01:18:48,680

when you said you know I wasn't invited

1780

01:18:56,470 --> 01:18:54,230

last year but they can go you you can

1781

01:18:57,850 --> 01:18:56,480

say I can't go you know [h__h] down a

1782

01:18:59,980 --> 01:18:57,860

couple hundred bucks and go to the

1783

01:19:03,040 --> 01:18:59,990

parapsychology Association meeting and I

1784

01:19:07,540 --> 01:19:03,050

can get and I can talk to people on a

1785

01:19:09,790 --> 01:19:07,550

you know and I can be ya know I guess

1786

01:19:12,880 --> 01:19:09,800

yeah it's liberating in some ways but in

1787

01:19:15,130 --> 01:19:12,890

other ways um you know Donald Hoffman as

1788

01:19:17,410 --> 01:19:15,140

a has a huge constituency that cares

1789

01:19:18,970 --> 01:19:17,420

about what Donald Hoffman says or same

1790

01:19:22,570 --> 01:19:18,980

thing with Hugh Urban whereas you know

1791

01:19:24,100 --> 01:19:22,580

nobody you know I published a paper once

1792

01:19:25,390 --> 01:19:24,110

in a while or a book chapter and I'll

1793

01:19:27,400 --> 01:19:25,400

give a paper at a conference or

1794

01:19:29,320 --> 01:19:27,410

something but nobody cares what you know

1795

01:19:29,820 --> 01:19:29,330

I really don't if you're not open you

1796

01:19:34,510 --> 01:19:29,830

play

1797

01:19:36,790 --> 01:19:34,520

you know that it's not as you're not as

1798

01:19:39,370 --> 01:19:36,800

famous as guys we're all in the minor

1799

01:19:41,470 --> 01:19:39,380

leagues we're all in the minor leagues

1800

01:19:43,420 --> 01:19:41,480

and I mean that for with all respect to

1801

01:19:51,940 --> 01:19:43,430

you know Donnell Hoffman

1802

01:19:53,470 --> 01:19:51,950

go talk to my kids you know yeah you

1803

01:19:55,120 --> 01:19:53,480

know I just I just had an interview with

1804

01:19:56,530 --> 01:19:55,130

Richard don't know I said this the three

1805

01:19:58,960 --> 01:19:56,540

people any of you with Richard Dolan

1806

01:20:01,990 --> 01:19:58,970

which I was so delighted about because I

1807

01:20:04,630 --> 01:20:02,000

so respected me so highly regarded in

1808

01:20:07,480 --> 01:20:04,640

the UFO community um doesn't move the

1809

01:20:10,060 --> 01:20:07,490

meter an inch Beauty pop that's who

1810

01:20:12,250 --> 01:20:10,070

we're all chasing right yeah I is the

1811

01:20:14,590 --> 01:20:12,260

most respected I like PewDiePie by the

1812

01:20:17,140 --> 01:20:14,600

way but it's like are you kidding this

1813

01:20:19,810 --> 01:20:17,150

is all just you know mmm if we're gonna

1814

01:20:21,550 --> 01:20:19,820

measure it by by that I think the only

1815

01:20:23,680 --> 01:20:21,560

way to measure it is we just have to try

1816

01:20:26,590 --> 01:20:23,690

and advance the ball and not be too

1817

01:20:28,900 --> 01:20:26,600

attached to the results which yeah your

1818

01:20:31,420 --> 01:20:28,910

mentors and my mentors would would kind

1819

01:20:33,280 --> 01:20:31,430

of agree with oh yeah absolutely

1820

01:20:34,780 --> 01:20:33,290

I agree with you and and I again I think

1821

01:20:37,750 --> 01:20:34,790

that's what you've managed to do you've

1822

01:20:41,170 --> 01:20:37,760

managed to create this this forum in

1823

01:20:43,900 --> 01:20:41,180

which you can engage these grand access

1824

01:20:45,880 --> 01:20:43,910

really these great minds I mean people

1825

01:20:48,520 --> 01:20:45,890

who are you know playing in the major

1826

01:20:52,150 --> 01:20:48,530

leagues of the of the academic fields

1827

01:20:53,740 --> 01:20:52,160

arm and really and really push them but

1828

01:20:55,420 --> 01:20:53,750

you can also do it in ways that their

1829

01:20:56,980 --> 01:20:55,430

colleagues can cuz they're not free to

1830

01:20:58,720 --> 01:20:56,990

do that they're not free to go there I

1831

01:21:01,300 --> 01:20:58,730

think you've done the same thing with

1832

01:21:02,920 --> 01:21:01,310

this show so well that's nice of you to

1833

01:21:04,510 --> 01:21:02,930

say you know I remember a long time ago

1834

01:21:07,210 --> 01:21:04,520

I mean I didn't do it kind of

1835

01:21:09,250 --> 01:21:07,220

intentionally I just did it because the

1836

01:21:10,690 --> 01:21:09,260

way I was coming from it my expectations

1837

01:21:13,620 --> 01:21:10,700

and the fact the big thing was that I

1838

01:21:16,630 --> 01:21:13,630

didn't have any financial expectations

1839

01:21:17,800 --> 01:21:16,640

and I had never designed the show to do

1840

01:21:21,820 --> 01:21:17,810

that but I remember a long time ago

1841

01:21:23,320 --> 01:21:21,830

talking to Dean Radin and I talked to

1842

01:21:25,090 --> 01:21:23,330

him really early on and then I talked to

1843

01:21:26,590 --> 01:21:25,100

him a few minutes later he goes you know

1844

01:21:28,650 --> 01:21:26,600

you've really kind of done something

1845

01:21:32,760 --> 01:21:28,660

here because you're truly independent

1846

01:21:35,680 --> 01:21:32,770

yeah and it didn't quite strike me until

1847

01:21:38,650 --> 01:21:35,690

later I go oh I see what he means I

1848

01:21:41,299 --> 01:21:38,660

really get to just because I don't have

1849

01:21:43,700 --> 01:21:41,309

that financial

1850

01:21:46,490 --> 01:21:43,710

component baked in and because I'm not

1851

01:21:49,459 --> 01:21:46,500

interested in giving keynote speeches at

1852

01:21:51,770 --> 01:21:49,469

anyone's conferences and I've turned

1853

01:21:54,410 --> 01:21:51,780

them down when I've gotten them it does

1854

01:21:57,169 --> 01:21:54,420

give me an ability to kind of just do my

1855

01:21:58,970 --> 01:21:57,179

own thing in a way that I certainly like

1856

01:22:02,390 --> 01:21:58,980

and in the longer lens I think has

1857

01:22:05,629 --> 01:22:02,400

served a purpose in terms of a certain

1858

01:22:06,950 --> 01:22:05,639

yeah we dependent yeah even though it's

1859

01:22:09,260 --> 01:22:06,960

opinionated you know it's highly

1860

01:22:11,950 --> 01:22:09,270

opinionated by me but it's like it's

1861

01:22:14,990 --> 01:22:11,960

just my opinion it's not somebody else's

1862

01:22:16,189 --> 01:22:15,000

button again and your children pointed

1863

01:22:18,649 --> 01:22:16,199

that out that you think your guy you

1864

01:22:20,120 --> 01:22:18,659

said several times how that your show is

1865

01:22:23,510 --> 01:22:20,130

you know it does important work for

1866

01:22:27,319 --> 01:22:23,520

those reasons but you know I think to

1867

01:22:29,120 --> 01:22:27,329

you you tend to be such a you're sort of

1868

01:22:31,520 --> 01:22:29,130

like I know why your political leanings

1869

01:22:33,859 --> 01:22:31,530

are you certain intellectual libertarian

1870

01:22:35,390 --> 01:22:33,869

anyway as far as ideas go you're sort of

1871

01:22:37,310 --> 01:22:35,400

a libertarian you're like throw them out

1872

01:22:39,260 --> 01:22:37,320

there in the free market and and you

1873

01:22:41,209 --> 01:22:39,270

know and see how they fly and let

1874

01:22:44,029 --> 01:22:41,219

everybody hash it out and see who's you

1875

01:22:46,330 --> 01:22:44,039

know who let everybody come to their own

1876

01:22:48,529 --> 01:22:46,340

conclusions you tend to be an

1877

01:22:50,450 --> 01:22:48,539

iconoclastic sort of I at least I sense

1878

01:22:54,140 --> 01:22:50,460

that in you and an individualistic kind

1879

01:22:57,020 --> 01:22:54,150

of thinker that's that's a luxury that I

1880

01:22:59,120 --> 01:22:57,030

mean that you just don't have and and as

1881

01:23:00,799 --> 01:22:59,130

you suggest maybe that's the point that

1882

01:23:03,140 --> 01:23:00,809

that's it's on purpose that you don't

1883

01:23:05,350 --> 01:23:03,150

have that luxury in the established

1884

01:23:08,450 --> 01:23:05,360

institutions that's what worries me

1885

01:23:10,250 --> 01:23:08,460

well I'm getting a paranoid that's a

1886

01:23:13,129 --> 01:23:10,260

great that's a great point they're so

1887

01:23:15,319 --> 01:23:13,139

rich it's been just awesome again having

1888

01:23:18,500 --> 01:23:15,329

you on our guest has been dr. Richard

1889

01:23:20,180 --> 01:23:18,510

Grieco you'll find his past interviews

1890

01:23:21,290 --> 01:23:20,190

I'll try to include those in the show

1891

01:23:23,240 --> 01:23:21,300

notes because they're really good you

1892

01:23:25,250 --> 01:23:23,250

want to check those out and I'll have a

1893

01:23:27,260 --> 01:23:25,260

link to his website where you can check