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science & spirituality

ROMANS IN AMERICA

#493 DAVID BRODY



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00:00:05,670 --> 00:00:03,510
we're running on water supplies

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00:00:07,110 --> 00:00:05,680
remember tired we can't beat this bunch

3
00:00:09,990 --> 00:00:07,120
we might as well give up

4
00:00:11,990 --> 00:00:10,000
it's been 47 days now damn it that's how

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00:00:13,990 --> 00:00:12,000
long the general said it wouldn't last

6
00:00:15,589 --> 00:00:14,000
i got it from one of the prisoners i

7
00:00:18,630 --> 00:00:15,599
heard

8
00:00:19,109 --> 00:00:18,640
don't you just love the romans i know i

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00:00:21,670 --> 00:00:19,119
do

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00:00:22,870 --> 00:00:21,680
that's a short clip from a bbc

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00:00:25,910 --> 00:00:22,880
documentary on

12
00:00:28,710 --> 00:00:25,920
ancient rome and that's vespasian

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00:00:30,310 --> 00:00:28,720

talking about those pesky jews that he's

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00:00:31,269 --> 00:00:30,320

trying to put down in the first revolt

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00:00:34,470 --> 00:00:31,279

in 66

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00:00:37,270 --> 00:00:34,480

a.d and most importantly he's talking

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00:00:40,630 --> 00:00:37,280

about that strange prisoner general

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00:00:42,150 --> 00:00:40,640

josephus who makes all these amazing

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00:00:44,069 --> 00:00:42,160

predictions

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00:00:45,990 --> 00:00:44,079

boy oh boy i don't know where to begin

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00:00:49,590 --> 00:00:46,000

folks you're gonna hear a lot

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00:00:53,430 --> 00:00:49,600

on this history of josephus

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00:00:55,510 --> 00:00:53,440

the spazian the fake fake history

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00:00:56,549 --> 00:00:55,520

that's told to us that can be

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00:01:00,950 --> 00:00:56,559

demonstrated

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00:01:04,070 --> 00:01:00,960

deep deep

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00:01:07,910 --> 00:01:04,080

implications for what the real

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00:01:11,030 --> 00:01:07,920

history probably was it would take

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00:01:13,190 --> 00:01:11,040

a long time to fill in all the gaps

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00:01:15,510 --> 00:01:13,200

and i can't really do it here you're

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00:01:17,350 --> 00:01:15,520

gonna get bits and pieces like you

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00:01:20,550 --> 00:01:17,360

normally do in this show

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00:01:22,950 --> 00:01:20,560

and maybe you can help guide me towards

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00:01:23,990 --> 00:01:22,960

how we can compile this into something

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00:01:26,469 --> 00:01:24,000

meaningful

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00:01:28,630 --> 00:01:26,479

maybe you can even help maybe you know

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00:01:30,789 --> 00:01:28,640

more about these topics than i do

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00:01:33,109 --> 00:01:30,799

there are many of you out there that i

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00:01:34,149 --> 00:01:33,119

know have some very specialized

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00:01:37,910 --> 00:01:34,159

knowledge

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00:01:40,870 --> 00:01:37,920

but i have a terrific interview

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00:01:41,510 --> 00:01:40,880

to kick off this series it's with a

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00:01:44,069 --> 00:01:41,520

gentleman

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00:01:45,590 --> 00:01:44,079

i really like and respect and i think

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00:01:46,550 --> 00:01:45,600

he's written a great book that you'll

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00:01:49,990 --> 00:01:46,560

enjoy

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00:01:51,109 --> 00:01:50,000

and he certainly has a fascinating story

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00:01:54,149 --> 00:01:51,119

to tell

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00:01:58,389 --> 00:01:54,159

about the romans in america

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00:02:01,429 --> 00:01:58,399

in the second century and he has

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00:02:02,149 --> 00:02:01,439
i would say overwhelming archaeological

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00:02:04,230 --> 00:02:02,159
evidence

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00:02:06,149 --> 00:02:04,240
at least compared to the mainstream

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00:02:07,350 --> 00:02:06,159
historical narrative which i i got to

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00:02:09,270 --> 00:02:07,360
tell you we need to get into this with

56
00:02:10,229 --> 00:02:09,280
dave but like one little story he tells

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00:02:13,430 --> 00:02:10,239
is

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00:02:16,790 --> 00:02:13,440
he's done

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00:02:19,430 --> 00:02:16,800
coins that he's found forts that he's

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00:02:21,270 --> 00:02:19,440
uncovered or the army corps of engineers

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00:02:24,390 --> 00:02:21,280
have uncovered which

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00:02:25,589 --> 00:02:24,400
date back to the second century date

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00:02:27,910 --> 00:02:25,599

back to

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00:02:30,309 --> 00:02:27,920

being in the hands of the romans and

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00:02:33,509 --> 00:02:30,319

date back to having connections with

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00:02:36,949 --> 00:02:33,519

jewish people and what he faces

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00:02:40,309 --> 00:02:36,959

in opposition to that research from

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00:02:42,790 --> 00:02:40,319

the mainstream the ordained history

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00:02:43,990 --> 00:02:42,800

is unbelievably ridiculous like again i

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00:02:46,470 --> 00:02:44,000

was gonna tell you this little story

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00:02:48,470 --> 00:02:46,480

like one of the explanations for

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00:02:50,710 --> 00:02:48,480

mainstream history

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00:02:51,830 --> 00:02:50,720

in terms of how these coins from the

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00:02:55,270 --> 00:02:51,840

second century

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00:02:57,030 --> 00:02:55,280

wind up in the ohio valley is well maybe

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00:02:58,550 --> 00:02:57,040

a bird flew over you know it had the

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00:03:01,910 --> 00:02:58,560

coin in his beak

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00:03:06,309 --> 00:03:04,070

how stupid is that you know maybe there

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00:03:09,270 --> 00:03:06,319

was a flock of birds

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00:03:09,589 --> 00:03:09,280

and they all had coins and they dropped

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00:03:12,070 --> 00:03:09,599

them

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00:03:12,949 --> 00:03:12,080

in and around the same place another

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00:03:14,790 --> 00:03:12,959

explanation

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00:03:16,790 --> 00:03:14,800

this is from mainstream history in order

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00:03:18,790 --> 00:03:16,800

to prop up the ridiculous

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00:03:20,710 --> 00:03:18,800

narrative that they need to promote on

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00:03:25,990 --> 00:03:20,720

this is

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00:03:29,350 --> 00:03:26,000

maybe a coin collector went to the beach

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00:03:31,750 --> 00:03:29,360

i couldn't and lost his coins

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00:03:33,190 --> 00:03:31,760

on the beach and then they got washed up

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00:03:36,229 --> 00:03:33,200

and they got found

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00:03:37,030 --> 00:03:36,239

like yeah you know hey we're going to

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00:03:39,830 --> 00:03:37,040

the beach uh

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00:03:41,430 --> 00:03:39,840

let me swing by my uh safe deposit box

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00:03:44,390 --> 00:03:41,440

at the bank

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00:03:46,710 --> 00:03:44,400

and pick up my collection of golden

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00:03:50,630 --> 00:03:46,720

roman coins

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00:03:53,910 --> 00:03:50,640

what's you know it's funny except that

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00:03:57,110 --> 00:03:53,920

this really is kind of

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00:03:58,390 --> 00:03:57,120

what we sometimes square up against when

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00:04:00,949 --> 00:03:58,400
we're dealing with

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00:04:02,550 --> 00:04:00,959
mainstream history and religious history

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00:04:05,670 --> 00:04:02,560
which we'll get later

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00:04:06,550 --> 00:04:05,680
into on this topic and i think we have

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00:04:08,949 --> 00:04:06,560
to really

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00:04:10,789 --> 00:04:08,959
uh check ourselves and avoid even

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00:04:12,550 --> 00:04:10,799
engaging in that discussion because it

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00:04:15,589 --> 00:04:12,560
really is so stupid

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00:04:16,710 --> 00:04:15,599
and when you engage with that kind of

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00:04:19,110 --> 00:04:16,720
stupidity

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00:04:21,670 --> 00:04:19,120
you can't look anything other than a

112
00:04:23,350 --> 00:04:21,680
little bit stupid yourself

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00:04:25,110 --> 00:04:23,360

as i said there's a lot more to come on

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00:04:28,469 --> 00:04:25,120

this topic but

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00:04:31,590 --> 00:04:28,479

i hope you enjoy this one

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00:04:33,510 --> 00:04:31,600

with dave brody so there's there's a

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00:04:35,270 --> 00:04:33,520

human element involved in this as well

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00:04:36,710 --> 00:04:35,280

but for whatever reason i think the

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00:04:38,070 --> 00:04:36,720

pieces fell together that day it

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00:04:38,950 --> 00:04:38,080

happened to be the right people making

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00:04:42,150 --> 00:04:38,960

the right deal

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00:04:42,870 --> 00:04:42,160

there was enough treasure to grease the

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00:04:44,469 --> 00:04:42,880

skids

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00:04:46,150 --> 00:04:44,479

they somehow knew where to go don't

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00:04:49,270 --> 00:04:46,160

forget the roman legions

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00:04:52,469 --> 00:04:49,280
were comprised of the conquered

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00:04:54,469 --> 00:04:52,479
phoenician and carthaginian

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00:04:55,909 --> 00:04:54,479
groups so they they they you know

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00:04:56,629 --> 00:04:55,919
they're like the borg and star track

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00:04:58,230 --> 00:04:56,639
they basically

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00:05:00,550 --> 00:04:58,240
they they just take everybody in and

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00:05:02,469 --> 00:05:00,560
that becomes who they are and so

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00:05:04,230 --> 00:05:02,479
to the extent they would have the ninth

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00:05:05,670 --> 00:05:04,240
legion by the way was based in the

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00:05:06,550 --> 00:05:05,680
iberian peninsula so they would have had

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00:05:08,950 --> 00:05:06,560
plenty of

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00:05:10,070 --> 00:05:08,960
members who have family experience as

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00:05:12,150 --> 00:05:10,080

part of the

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00:05:13,110 --> 00:05:12,160

the punic wars and the carthaginians and

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00:05:15,670 --> 00:05:13,120

the phoenicians and

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00:05:16,469 --> 00:05:15,680

history of crossing the atlantic and

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00:05:18,070 --> 00:05:16,479

navigating

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00:05:20,550 --> 00:05:18,080

all that all those skills have been part

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00:05:22,310 --> 00:05:20,560

of the ninth legion

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welcome to skeptica where we explore

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00:05:27,430 --> 00:05:25,120

controversial science and spirituality

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00:05:29,909 --> 00:05:27,440

with leading researchers thinkers and

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00:05:32,870 --> 00:05:29,919

their critics i'm your host alex sacaris

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00:05:34,230 --> 00:05:32,880

and today we welcome david brody to

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00:05:37,830 --> 00:05:34,240

skeptico

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00:05:39,430 --> 00:05:37,840
dave is an attorney turned historical

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00:05:42,710 --> 00:05:39,440
fiction writer

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00:05:45,670 --> 00:05:42,720
author of multiple amazon best sellers

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00:05:46,629 --> 00:05:45,680
and boston globe bestsellers including

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00:05:49,749 --> 00:05:46,639
his latest

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00:05:51,670 --> 00:05:49,759
which is probably headed in that

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00:05:55,510 --> 00:05:51,680
direction i think

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00:05:58,629 --> 00:05:55,520
america roman artifacts in america

159
00:06:01,830 --> 00:05:58,639
which is a great fiction story

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00:06:03,749 --> 00:06:01,840
but also is kind of wrapped around this

161
00:06:07,110 --> 00:06:03,759
history or this you know kind of

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00:06:09,110 --> 00:06:07,120
forbidden history kind of thing that

163
00:06:11,830 --> 00:06:09,120

there's a lot of evidence archaeological

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00:06:15,189 --> 00:06:11,840

findings and other historical evidence

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00:06:16,390 --> 00:06:15,199

highly suggestive of romans being in

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00:06:19,590 --> 00:06:16,400

america

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00:06:22,710 --> 00:06:19,600

in second century so this

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00:06:26,309 --> 00:06:22,720

is kind of right up my

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00:06:28,950 --> 00:06:26,319

recent interest in this ancient history

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00:06:30,790 --> 00:06:28,960

i'm of course interested in where that

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00:06:31,909 --> 00:06:30,800

takes us in terms of consciousness and

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00:06:33,990 --> 00:06:31,919

spirituality

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00:06:35,510 --> 00:06:34,000

and some of these other things but i was

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00:06:38,469 --> 00:06:35,520

really really impressed

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00:06:39,749 --> 00:06:38,479

with uh with dave's work particularly

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00:06:44,390 --> 00:06:39,759

what he brings

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00:06:47,110 --> 00:06:44,400

as an an attorney someone who's used to

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00:06:49,589 --> 00:06:47,120

kind of sorting through evidence

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00:06:52,870 --> 00:06:49,599

translate as sorting through

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00:06:54,550 --> 00:06:52,880

to get to the truth so i just thought it

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00:06:56,150 --> 00:06:54,560

was a great opportunity and i really

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00:06:58,070 --> 00:06:56,160

enjoyed the book which the book

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00:07:00,230 --> 00:06:58,080

by the way you know i just pulled it up

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00:07:02,790 --> 00:07:00,240

this is another one of those

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00:07:03,589 --> 00:07:02,800

free read if you're on kindle unlimited

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00:07:06,230 --> 00:07:03,599

now buy it

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00:07:07,909 --> 00:07:06,240

of course buy dave's book but if you

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00:07:10,550 --> 00:07:07,919

want to read it for free and if you have

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00:07:13,830 --> 00:07:10,560

kindle unlimited you can do that too so

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00:07:15,990 --> 00:07:13,840

uh without any further

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00:07:17,990 --> 00:07:16,000

david brody welcome to skeptico thanks

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00:07:19,990 --> 00:07:18,000

so much for joining me

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00:07:21,270 --> 00:07:20,000

yeah thanks axel thank you for the kind

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00:07:22,710 --> 00:07:21,280

words thank you for having me i

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00:07:26,390 --> 00:07:22,720

appreciate it

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00:07:28,710 --> 00:07:26,400

so tell us more about your background

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00:07:30,309 --> 00:07:28,720

who you are right so i'm one of those

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00:07:32,629 --> 00:07:30,319

you know law school graduates one of

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00:07:34,469 --> 00:07:32,639

those lawyers who always wanted to be a

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00:07:37,110 --> 00:07:34,479

fiction writer there's a bunch of us who

201
00:07:37,749 --> 00:07:37,120
got as we graduated college so they got

202
00:07:39,830 --> 00:07:37,759
pushed off

203
00:07:41,510 --> 00:07:39,840
into either law school or you go get

204
00:07:42,870 --> 00:07:41,520
your master's degree in writing or you

205
00:07:44,309 --> 00:07:42,880
go to journalism school

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00:07:46,309 --> 00:07:44,319
those are sort of the three options for

207
00:07:48,309 --> 00:07:46,319
english majors and i went to law school

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00:07:50,230 --> 00:07:48,319
but i'd always wanted to be a writer and

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00:07:51,990 --> 00:07:50,240
over the years i would sit down on a

210
00:07:54,710 --> 00:07:52,000
weekend try to do something and

211
00:07:56,550 --> 00:07:54,720
finally um when my wife and i settled in

212
00:07:58,710 --> 00:07:56,560
we had children i started writing

213
00:08:00,309 --> 00:07:58,720

legal thrillers and i'd written three of

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00:08:02,869 --> 00:08:00,319

those legal thrillers and was looking

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00:08:06,629 --> 00:08:02,879

around for an idea for a fourth one

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00:08:09,589 --> 00:08:06,639

this was a 2005-2006

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00:08:11,270 --> 00:08:09,599

time period living in a suburb of boston

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00:08:12,629 --> 00:08:11,280

westward massachusetts

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00:08:14,390 --> 00:08:12,639

looking for an idea for what i thought

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00:08:15,670 --> 00:08:14,400

was going to be a fourth legal thriller

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00:08:17,430 --> 00:08:15,680

and my daughter came home from school

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00:08:18,790 --> 00:08:17,440

one day in the fourth grade and said you

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00:08:19,830 --> 00:08:18,800

know i said what would you do today of

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00:08:21,029 --> 00:08:19,840

course and there

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00:08:22,710 --> 00:08:21,039

she was young enough to actually give me

226

00:08:24,469 --> 00:08:22,720

an answer at that point instead of

227

00:08:26,550 --> 00:08:24,479

nothing you know she gave me the answer

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00:08:28,550 --> 00:08:26,560

and she said we learned about the legend

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00:08:29,510 --> 00:08:28,560

of prince henry sinclair coming to

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00:08:31,029 --> 00:08:29,520

america

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00:08:33,509 --> 00:08:31,039

a hundred years before columbus and

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00:08:35,430 --> 00:08:33,519

coming to westford the town we lived in

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00:08:37,190 --> 00:08:35,440

and i was like i never heard of that but

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00:08:37,909 --> 00:08:37,200

it turns out there's a legend in our

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00:08:40,949 --> 00:08:37,919

town

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00:08:42,310 --> 00:08:40,959

of scottish explorers basically island

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00:08:45,269 --> 00:08:42,320

hopping their way across the north

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00:08:48,310 --> 00:08:45,279

atlantic much as the norse had done

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00:08:50,790 --> 00:08:48,320

in the early 11th century coming

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00:08:51,829 --> 00:08:50,800

down the coast from nova scotia down

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00:08:53,590 --> 00:08:51,839

past maine and

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00:08:54,870 --> 00:08:53,600

up the merrimack river and into the

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00:08:56,870 --> 00:08:54,880

merrimack valley

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00:08:59,190 --> 00:08:56,880

and as the legend went one of the guys

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00:09:03,269 --> 00:08:59,200

in this group his name was gunn

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00:09:04,470 --> 00:09:03,279

james gunn uh died and to memorialize

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00:09:07,509 --> 00:09:04,480

the death of this night

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00:09:10,230 --> 00:09:07,519

the group carved an effigy of a knight

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00:09:11,110 --> 00:09:10,240

into the rock ledge top the highest hill

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00:09:13,509 --> 00:09:11,120

in the area

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00:09:15,030 --> 00:09:13,519

and that effigy still exists today and

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there's a you know taurus

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00:09:18,949 --> 00:09:17,120

marker and people come and visit and

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00:09:20,470 --> 00:09:18,959

basically carved into the ledge you can

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faintly make out a

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00:09:24,550 --> 00:09:23,120

knight you can very clearly make out his

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00:09:26,150 --> 00:09:24,560

sword his battle sword

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00:09:28,630 --> 00:09:26,160

and that's the westford knight legend

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and i started looking at other

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00:09:32,470 --> 00:09:31,040

sites and artifacts that might be

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00:09:34,070 --> 00:09:32,480

consistent with that legend

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00:09:35,829 --> 00:09:34,080

this is where the lawyer in me comes out

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00:09:37,110 --> 00:09:35,839

you talked about it earlier to me it's

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00:09:38,550 --> 00:09:37,120

all about evidence

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00:09:40,389 --> 00:09:38,560

and if we're gonna have a legend like

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00:09:41,910 --> 00:09:40,399

that okay legends are fun but if we're

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00:09:43,910 --> 00:09:41,920

gonna try to rewrite history

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00:09:46,230 --> 00:09:43,920

and talk about columbus being a hundred

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00:09:47,590 --> 00:09:46,240

years late to the party

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00:09:49,430 --> 00:09:47,600

then we should have other evidence it's

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00:09:50,790 --> 00:09:49,440

like trying to convince a jury of your

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00:09:52,550 --> 00:09:50,800

case you're not going to be able to win

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00:09:53,750 --> 00:09:52,560

the case with one piece of evidence

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00:09:55,269 --> 00:09:53,760

but if you have six or seven really

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00:09:56,230 --> 00:09:55,279

compelling pieces you can you can win

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00:09:57,990 --> 00:09:56,240

that case

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and so i said if if they really were

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00:10:00,630 --> 00:09:59,920

here there should be other evidence for

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00:10:03,670 --> 00:10:00,640

that

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00:10:05,350 --> 00:10:03,680

and quickly

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00:10:07,430 --> 00:10:05,360

what i thought was going to be my fourth

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00:10:10,389 --> 00:10:07,440

legal thriller turned into

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00:10:11,269 --> 00:10:10,399

a series of 11 fixed historical fiction

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00:10:14,150 --> 00:10:11,279

novels

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00:10:16,389 --> 00:10:14,160

entitled the templars in america series

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00:10:17,590 --> 00:10:16,399

and romerica is the 11th in that series

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00:10:18,310 --> 00:10:17,600

really not having much to do with the

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00:10:19,829 --> 00:10:18,320

templars

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00:10:21,350 --> 00:10:19,839

but all of them relate to this whole

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00:10:23,030 --> 00:10:21,360

concept of

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00:10:25,670 --> 00:10:23,040

groups of european and mediterranean

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00:10:27,829 --> 00:10:25,680

explorers coming across the atlantic

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00:10:29,829 --> 00:10:27,839

prior to columbus the idea that the

294

00:10:32,790 --> 00:10:29,839

atlantic ocean was a highway

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00:10:34,550 --> 00:10:32,800

and not a barrier but as you said it's

296

00:10:35,990 --> 00:10:34,560

all evidence-based you've got these

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00:10:37,350 --> 00:10:36,000

sites you've got these artifacts you've

298

00:10:39,750 --> 00:10:37,360

got these ancient maps

299

00:10:40,550 --> 00:10:39,760

you've got pieces of evidence and either

300

00:10:44,230 --> 00:10:40,560

we

301
00:10:46,230 --> 00:10:44,240
of ignore it and

302
00:10:47,990 --> 00:10:46,240
put our head in the sand and and wonder

303
00:10:50,150 --> 00:10:48,000
why we can't see

304
00:10:51,670 --> 00:10:50,160
and that's why i'm here today talking to

305
00:10:52,790 --> 00:10:51,680
you about this stuff i'm very passionate

306
00:10:54,389 --> 00:10:52,800
about it

307
00:10:55,910 --> 00:10:54,399
well you know that's awesome and one of

308
00:10:56,949 --> 00:10:55,920
the things i really enjoyed about the

309
00:11:00,069 --> 00:10:56,959
book and i think

310
00:11:00,470 --> 00:11:00,079
other people will too is you know you

311
00:11:03,350 --> 00:11:00,480
have

312
00:11:04,310 --> 00:11:03,360
all these links at the end i don't know

313
00:11:07,750 --> 00:11:04,320

how many pages

314

00:11:10,069 --> 00:11:07,760

in america this latest book but

315

00:11:11,030 --> 00:11:10,079

50 60 depends if you're reading it on

316

00:11:13,110 --> 00:11:11,040

kindle i don't know

317

00:11:14,949 --> 00:11:13,120

but with all these links you know so

318

00:11:18,069 --> 00:11:14,959

here uh

319

00:11:20,550 --> 00:11:18,079

good historical links of ships around

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00:11:21,590 --> 00:11:20,560

plum island at boom you can link to it

321

00:11:26,710 --> 00:11:21,600

and here those

322

00:11:28,470 --> 00:11:26,720

are so what you've really done here is

323

00:11:29,990 --> 00:11:28,480

combining sifting through the

324

00:11:31,990 --> 00:11:30,000

archaeological work

325

00:11:33,750 --> 00:11:32,000

the good historical work is out that

326

00:11:34,310 --> 00:11:33,760

it's out there but you're also pointing

327

00:11:36,870 --> 00:11:34,320

out

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00:11:37,509 --> 00:11:36,880

some of the kind of shoddy historical

329

00:11:40,310 --> 00:11:37,519

work

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00:11:42,150 --> 00:11:40,320

that's out there and particularly i love

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00:11:47,030 --> 00:11:42,160

the whole pre-columbia

332

00:11:50,069 --> 00:11:47,040

idea because even the term pre-columbian

333

00:11:50,949 --> 00:11:50,079

already kind of pigeonholes you as some

334

00:11:53,350 --> 00:11:50,959

kind of uh

335

00:11:54,629 --> 00:11:53,360

conspiracy guy you know going against

336

00:11:56,949 --> 00:11:54,639

the grain kind of thing

337

00:11:58,949 --> 00:11:56,959

rather than just hey what is the

338

00:12:02,230 --> 00:11:58,959

evidence about the earliest

339

00:12:03,590 --> 00:12:02,240

visitors to the americas yeah you make a

340

00:12:04,949 --> 00:12:03,600

good point so when i started doing this

341

00:12:07,590 --> 00:12:04,959

i started lecturing probably

342

00:12:08,470 --> 00:12:07,600

12 years ago on this subject and at that

343

00:12:09,910 --> 00:12:08,480

time

344

00:12:11,990 --> 00:12:09,920

most people were skeptical to the

345

00:12:13,750 --> 00:12:12,000

possibility of anyone here before

346

00:12:16,629 --> 00:12:13,760

columbus we all grew up with

347

00:12:17,350 --> 00:12:16,639

in 1492 columbus sailed the ocean blue

348

00:12:20,230 --> 00:12:17,360

and you know we

349

00:12:21,030 --> 00:12:20,240

celebrate columbus day in october but

350

00:12:23,990 --> 00:12:21,040

over the past

351

00:12:26,069 --> 00:12:24,000

dozen years that ocean liner really has

352

00:12:28,069 --> 00:12:26,079

redirected itself and now

353

00:12:29,110 --> 00:12:28,079

people like you say things like what you

354

00:12:30,470 --> 00:12:29,120

just said which is

355

00:12:32,790 --> 00:12:30,480

why are we even propping up that whole

356

00:12:33,910 --> 00:12:32,800

columbus thing anymore so in half a

357

00:12:35,509 --> 00:12:33,920

generation

358

00:12:37,030 --> 00:12:35,519

we've actually made a lot of headway and

359

00:12:39,110 --> 00:12:37,040

now people realize

360

00:12:40,389 --> 00:12:39,120

yeah the norse were definitely here to

361

00:12:42,389 --> 00:12:40,399

me i always say to people look

362

00:12:44,230 --> 00:12:42,399

we know for a fact the norse were here

363

00:12:47,030 --> 00:12:44,240

in the early parts of the 11th century

364

00:12:48,949 --> 00:12:47,040

leif eriksen all those icelandic sagas

365

00:12:51,030 --> 00:12:48,959

the north sagas we know they were here

366

00:12:52,710 --> 00:12:51,040

we know they came down at least as far

367

00:12:53,590 --> 00:12:52,720

as northern new finland and now most

368

00:12:55,350 --> 00:12:53,600

experts say

369

00:12:57,110 --> 00:12:55,360

that lonzo meadow site was just a

370

00:12:59,750 --> 00:12:57,120

stopover point they came down

371

00:13:01,590 --> 00:12:59,760

probably as far as maine new brunswick

372

00:13:03,030 --> 00:13:01,600

but we're sure of at least new brunswick

373

00:13:05,190 --> 00:13:03,040

so they're right on the right on the

374

00:13:07,269 --> 00:13:05,200

doorstep of new england already

375

00:13:09,110 --> 00:13:07,279

to me it would be more surprising if

376

00:13:11,430 --> 00:13:09,120

over the next 500 years

377

00:13:12,470 --> 00:13:11,440

after the Norse were here that nobody

378

00:13:14,629 --> 00:13:12,480

came back

379

00:13:16,470 --> 00:13:14,639

that's way more surprising than the idea

380

00:13:18,870 --> 00:13:16,480

that people did

381

00:13:20,150 --> 00:13:18,880

like to me it's 500 years it's great

382

00:13:23,670 --> 00:13:20,160

reasons to come over here

383

00:13:26,550 --> 00:13:23,680

trading uh mining copper whatever it was

384

00:13:27,269 --> 00:13:26,560

economic advantage lots of all the land

385

00:13:30,150 --> 00:13:27,279

you know

386

00:13:31,750 --> 00:13:30,160

the land of plenty there's plenty of

387

00:13:33,990 --> 00:13:31,760

great reasons for coming over here

388

00:13:36,069 --> 00:13:34,000

and it's part of the human condition to

389

00:13:37,430 --> 00:13:36,079

to seek out new life a new civilization

390

00:13:40,150 --> 00:13:37,440

as star trek says

391

00:13:41,990 --> 00:13:40,160

and and so again the idea that the

392

00:13:44,470 --> 00:13:42,000

atlantic ocean was a barrier

393

00:13:45,750 --> 00:13:44,480

during medieval times and before that's

394

00:13:47,750 --> 00:13:45,760

that's a fiction that you know the

395

00:13:49,269 --> 00:13:47,760

church wanted people to be afraid

396

00:13:50,949 --> 00:13:49,279

of falling off the edge of the earth if

397

00:13:52,710 --> 00:13:50,959

they crossed the atlantic but that was

398

00:13:54,550 --> 00:13:52,720

because they wanted to maintain control

399

00:13:56,389 --> 00:13:54,560

they wanted they didn't want people

400

00:13:58,550 --> 00:13:56,399

exploring and being scientific

401
00:13:59,430 --> 00:13:58,560
but most educated people understood that

402
00:14:03,030 --> 00:13:59,440
there were

403
00:14:04,629 --> 00:14:03,040
lands across the atlantic and

404
00:14:06,069 --> 00:14:04,639
this goes back to ancient atlantis and

405
00:14:08,710 --> 00:14:06,079
whatever but goes way back but

406
00:14:09,829 --> 00:14:08,720
again to me the takeaway the surprising

407
00:14:12,790 --> 00:14:09,839
thing would have been

408
00:14:15,590 --> 00:14:12,800
if nobody came back between the nose

409
00:14:18,150 --> 00:14:15,600
and 1492 that's almost 500 years

410
00:14:19,110 --> 00:14:18,160
that would be surprising to me well what

411
00:14:20,470 --> 00:14:19,120
i think is

412
00:14:22,710 --> 00:14:20,480
kind of really interesting where you

413
00:14:26,230 --> 00:14:22,720

went there a couple of ways dave is

414

00:14:28,150 --> 00:14:26,240

one you're pushing it way back at least

415

00:14:29,590 --> 00:14:28,160

it seems to us you're pushing it way

416

00:14:31,110 --> 00:14:29,600

back and we'll dive into that in a

417

00:14:32,870 --> 00:14:31,120

minute because you're pushing it back to

418

00:14:35,030 --> 00:14:32,880

the second century

419

00:14:36,470 --> 00:14:35,040

and you're pushing it back to rome but

420

00:14:38,389 --> 00:14:36,480

let me just throw in a couple of things

421

00:14:40,389 --> 00:14:38,399

that i picked up from uh

422

00:14:42,069 --> 00:14:40,399

another interview that i heard you do

423

00:14:43,509 --> 00:14:42,079

because you have a kind of broad

424

00:14:46,629 --> 00:14:43,519

knowledge of all this

425

00:14:50,069 --> 00:14:46,639

stuff that i want to kind of tap into

426

00:14:53,189 --> 00:14:50,079

and that's that we've kind of moved from

427

00:14:55,110 --> 00:14:53,199

one kind of wacky paradigm that we

428

00:14:57,910 --> 00:14:55,120

shouldn't look before

429

00:14:59,269 --> 00:14:57,920

columbus and we've moved off of that and

430

00:15:02,069 --> 00:14:59,279

now we move to the

431

00:15:04,069 --> 00:15:02,079

oh okay we can look to kind of the

432

00:15:05,590 --> 00:15:04,079

medieval period like you're saying and

433

00:15:07,670 --> 00:15:05,600

the Norse did it and you know

434

00:15:09,189 --> 00:15:07,680

but we want to stop there when really we

435

00:15:11,030 --> 00:15:09,199

have no reason to stop there

436

00:15:12,310 --> 00:15:11,040

like you point out the Phoenicians who

437

00:15:14,389 --> 00:15:12,320

are the

438

00:15:16,230 --> 00:15:14,399

people in lebanon right and they were

439

00:15:17,990 --> 00:15:16,240

great seafarers and they

440

00:15:19,350 --> 00:15:18,000

kind of sailed all around in boats

441

00:15:21,430 --> 00:15:19,360

bigger than columbus

442

00:15:23,110 --> 00:15:21,440

you could also point out that you know

443

00:15:24,710 --> 00:15:23,120

the whole easter island thing i mean

444

00:15:26,310 --> 00:15:24,720

that's a harder ocean to cross

445

00:15:28,470 --> 00:15:26,320

and you got all that and then you got

446

00:15:29,829 --> 00:15:28,480

all the connections in south america

447

00:15:31,269 --> 00:15:29,839

you also got all this other

448

00:15:33,030 --> 00:15:31,279

archaeological evidence and

449

00:15:33,590 --> 00:15:33,040

pharmacological evidence that's popped

450

00:15:37,350 --> 00:15:33,600

up

451
00:15:40,790 --> 00:15:37,360
with you know pompeii

452
00:15:44,069 --> 00:15:40,800
is showing up with cannabis and uh with

453
00:15:47,430 --> 00:15:44,079
uh cocaine and with other products that

454
00:15:48,470 --> 00:15:47,440
only come from the americas as are even

455
00:15:50,230 --> 00:15:48,480
you go back to the

456
00:15:51,670 --> 00:15:50,240
to the egyptians and the mummies they're

457
00:15:54,629 --> 00:15:51,680
they're finding cannabis

458
00:15:56,550 --> 00:15:54,639
and cocaine so really the the fact that

459
00:16:00,389 --> 00:15:56,560
they've even been able to

460
00:16:03,670 --> 00:16:00,399
you know perpetuate this kind of slow

461
00:16:05,189 --> 00:16:03,680
roll it back begrudgingly give the norse

462
00:16:07,269 --> 00:16:05,199
you know their little piece

463
00:16:08,949 --> 00:16:07,279

is kind of a more of the kind of

464

00:16:10,790 --> 00:16:08,959

controlled narrative and

465

00:16:13,030 --> 00:16:10,800

so you kind of bust through that in kind

466

00:16:16,389 --> 00:16:13,040

of a really direct way and just say

467

00:16:18,790 --> 00:16:16,399

well clearly that's all out the window

468

00:16:20,790 --> 00:16:18,800

i'm going to focus on

469

00:16:22,550 --> 00:16:20,800

second century and the reason you focus

470

00:16:23,749 --> 00:16:22,560

on it is because

471

00:16:25,350 --> 00:16:23,759

you know i didn't really bust through

472

00:16:25,990 --> 00:16:25,360

the door like you just said i really i

473

00:16:27,990 --> 00:16:26,000

sort of went

474

00:16:29,030 --> 00:16:28,000

through it very slowly as when it gets

475

00:16:30,710 --> 00:16:29,040

to the second century

476
00:16:33,189 --> 00:16:30,720
so as i've been doing the research over

477
00:16:34,150 --> 00:16:33,199
the past 14 years about the medieval

478
00:16:35,990 --> 00:16:34,160
stuff

479
00:16:38,710 --> 00:16:36,000
periodically i would find sites and

480
00:16:40,629 --> 00:16:38,720
artifacts that were older than that

481
00:16:42,069 --> 00:16:40,639
um we'll talk about a lot of them as we

482
00:16:43,590 --> 00:16:42,079
go along today and i would set them

483
00:16:46,230 --> 00:16:43,600
aside and say that's

484
00:16:47,110 --> 00:16:46,240
an interesting curiosity it's a an

485
00:16:50,069 --> 00:16:47,120
outlier

486
00:16:50,389 --> 00:16:50,079
or a one-off or whatever it might be and

487
00:16:53,269 --> 00:16:50,399
at

488
00:16:54,230 --> 00:16:53,279

a certain point um about a year ago i

489

00:16:58,069 --> 00:16:54,240

started looking at

490

00:17:00,389 --> 00:16:58,079

my my pile of outliers

491

00:17:02,710 --> 00:17:00,399

and started realizing that an awful lot

492

00:17:04,870 --> 00:17:02,720

of them are second century roman

493

00:17:05,829 --> 00:17:04,880

like more than you would expect to just

494

00:17:07,829 --> 00:17:05,839

have random

495

00:17:09,110 --> 00:17:07,839

and i started saying huh and and it was

496

00:17:10,630 --> 00:17:09,120

about the same time my wife and i

497

00:17:12,230 --> 00:17:10,640

relocated to the north shore of

498

00:17:13,110 --> 00:17:12,240

massachusetts and i started learning

499

00:17:15,909 --> 00:17:13,120

about

500

00:17:17,189 --> 00:17:15,919

uh all the all the roman era coins that

501
00:17:20,230 --> 00:17:17,199
had been found

502
00:17:22,309 --> 00:17:20,240
after major storms in the area uh people

503
00:17:23,829 --> 00:17:22,319
who go out metal detect out on a barrier

504
00:17:26,150 --> 00:17:23,839
island in plum island

505
00:17:27,750 --> 00:17:26,160
and and um as you showed earlier a link

506
00:17:29,270 --> 00:17:27,760
to eight shipwrecks there's so many

507
00:17:30,950 --> 00:17:29,280
shipwrecks off of plum island

508
00:17:32,390 --> 00:17:30,960
and i said jeez all these roman coins

509
00:17:34,390 --> 00:17:32,400
where are they coming from i mean they

510
00:17:37,510 --> 00:17:34,400
probably weren't in a colonial ship

511
00:17:40,230 --> 00:17:37,520
maybe there's a roman era ship out there

512
00:17:40,789 --> 00:17:40,240
that got disturbed during a storm and

513
00:17:42,789 --> 00:17:40,799

and and

514

00:17:44,310 --> 00:17:42,799

and coins that were sort of nestled in

515

00:17:46,150 --> 00:17:44,320

them got freed up

516

00:17:48,070 --> 00:17:46,160

and washed ashore and that would explain

517

00:17:50,390 --> 00:17:48,080

why six or seven

518

00:17:52,710 --> 00:17:50,400

different places along the north shore

519

00:17:54,710 --> 00:17:52,720

have have people have found these

520

00:17:56,230 --> 00:17:54,720

roman era coins around the second

521

00:17:59,110 --> 00:17:56,240

century so again

522

00:17:59,990 --> 00:17:59,120

there's evidence and if we have evidence

523

00:18:02,310 --> 00:18:00,000

we either have to throw

524

00:18:04,230 --> 00:18:02,320

it away and say it's it's not credible

525

00:18:05,830 --> 00:18:04,240

but if we do think it's credible

526

00:18:08,150 --> 00:18:05,840

and in this case i i did think it was

527

00:18:10,390 --> 00:18:08,160

credible there has to be a story

528

00:18:12,470 --> 00:18:10,400

behind it how did it get here and why

529

00:18:15,110 --> 00:18:12,480

and again to go back to your question

530

00:18:16,070 --> 00:18:15,120

it i i i took me a while but i suddenly

531

00:18:18,230 --> 00:18:16,080

realized that there's

532

00:18:20,150 --> 00:18:18,240

a lot of it that is second century that

533

00:18:22,070 --> 00:18:20,160

i haven't been able to explain

534

00:18:23,830 --> 00:18:22,080

and so now looking at it sort of freshly

535

00:18:24,870 --> 00:18:23,840

and saying okay maybe all the second

536

00:18:26,789 --> 00:18:24,880

century evidence

537

00:18:28,950 --> 00:18:26,799

tells the story and that's how i ended

538

00:18:31,270 --> 00:18:28,960

up with with the book romerica

539

00:18:32,630 --> 00:18:31,280

and again i might have the details of

540

00:18:33,270 --> 00:18:32,640

that story wrong i might have the story

541

00:18:35,669 --> 00:18:33,280

wrong

542

00:18:36,390 --> 00:18:35,679

but there is a story to be told here

543

00:18:38,630 --> 00:18:36,400

there is

544

00:18:40,390 --> 00:18:38,640

real evidence real artifacts that have

545

00:18:41,350 --> 00:18:40,400

been scientifically proven to date back

546

00:18:42,870 --> 00:18:41,360

to the roman era

547

00:18:45,350 --> 00:18:42,880

there has to be an explanation for how

548

00:18:47,029 --> 00:18:45,360

they got here they didn't swim across

549

00:18:50,070 --> 00:18:47,039

themselves

550

00:18:51,190 --> 00:18:50,080

well it's a it's a fun story if you will

551

00:18:54,230 --> 00:18:51,200

it's a fun

552

00:18:55,590 --> 00:18:54,240

book put in a a narrative and it's

553

00:18:57,190 --> 00:18:55,600

storytelling and

554

00:18:58,870 --> 00:18:57,200

you kind of bounce back and forth

555

00:19:00,789 --> 00:18:58,880

between saying you know

556

00:19:02,630 --> 00:19:00,799

stay with me for the story it'll be fun

557

00:19:05,669 --> 00:19:02,640

but what i'm really trying to do

558

00:19:07,750 --> 00:19:05,679

is sprinkle in all this important

559

00:19:09,750 --> 00:19:07,760

new history and archaeological stuff so

560

00:19:11,830 --> 00:19:09,760

talk a little bit about the story

561

00:19:13,590 --> 00:19:11,840

it is part of a series but it's not like

562

00:19:14,230 --> 00:19:13,600

somebody has had to read a bunch of the

563

00:19:16,470 --> 00:19:14,240

other

564

00:19:18,070 --> 00:19:16,480

books in the series talk about the book

565

00:19:19,029 --> 00:19:18,080

itself right you you read this one first

566

00:19:19,990 --> 00:19:19,039

i've been guessing you didn't read the

567

00:19:22,310 --> 00:19:20,000

other ones i assumed we

568

00:19:23,190 --> 00:19:22,320

didn't have time yeah so it's they're

569

00:19:25,990 --> 00:19:23,200

designed to be

570

00:19:26,789 --> 00:19:26,000

alone and basically the story um i was

571

00:19:29,110 --> 00:19:26,799

told

572

00:19:30,310 --> 00:19:29,120

as a young author that the best way to

573

00:19:32,789 --> 00:19:30,320

be successful

574

00:19:34,070 --> 00:19:32,799

as a writer is to write in the genre

575

00:19:36,390 --> 00:19:34,080

that you like to read in

576

00:19:37,990 --> 00:19:36,400
and i love to read historical fiction

577

00:19:40,870 --> 00:19:38,000
you know clive kessler the

578

00:19:41,350 --> 00:19:40,880
thrillers based on historical artifacts

579

00:19:43,830 --> 00:19:41,360
uh

580

00:19:45,270 --> 00:19:43,840
da vinci code type things so i try to

581

00:19:46,470 --> 00:19:45,280
write in that genre too so

582

00:19:48,310 --> 00:19:46,480
people say why don't you write

583

00:19:49,029 --> 00:19:48,320
non-fiction all these artifacts all this

584

00:19:50,710 --> 00:19:49,039
history

585

00:19:52,549 --> 00:19:50,720
and my response is i think it's more fun

586

00:19:53,750 --> 00:19:52,559
to have a little spoonful of sugar

587

00:19:55,830 --> 00:19:53,760
as you're taking your historical

588

00:19:57,270 --> 00:19:55,840

medicine and history can be fun but can

589

00:19:58,310 --> 00:19:57,280

also be exciting it can be a roller

590

00:20:00,630 --> 00:19:58,320

coaster ride you can

591

00:20:02,230 --> 00:20:00,640

you can have really fun a fun time with

592

00:20:05,270 --> 00:20:02,240

it and that's what i try to do with this

593

00:20:07,190 --> 00:20:05,280

you'll get plenty of history you earlier

594

00:20:08,630 --> 00:20:07,200

alex showed that all the footnotes at

595

00:20:09,909 --> 00:20:08,640

the end you know my law professors are

596

00:20:11,830 --> 00:20:09,919

really happy with me for putting

597

00:20:13,750 --> 00:20:11,840

footnotes at the end and my sources and

598

00:20:15,190 --> 00:20:13,760

stuff most fiction writers don't do that

599

00:20:16,310 --> 00:20:15,200

but i want the readers to understand

600

00:20:17,830 --> 00:20:16,320

that the history

601
00:20:19,830 --> 00:20:17,840
and the sites and the artifacts that i'm

602
00:20:22,070 --> 00:20:19,840
writing about they're real and they're

603
00:20:23,750 --> 00:20:22,080
authentic even though the story that

604
00:20:25,750 --> 00:20:23,760
carries a reader through

605
00:20:27,669 --> 00:20:25,760
the journey the story itself is

606
00:20:28,870 --> 00:20:27,679
fictional but but the history that we're

607
00:20:31,270 --> 00:20:28,880
learning about

608
00:20:31,990 --> 00:20:31,280
is real and so that's one of the reasons

609
00:20:34,310 --> 00:20:32,000
why i put the

610
00:20:35,510 --> 00:20:34,320
artifacts the footnotes at the end and i

611
00:20:37,590 --> 00:20:35,520
also put as you mentioned

612
00:20:39,110 --> 00:20:37,600
pictures of all the sites and pictures

613
00:20:40,630 --> 00:20:39,120

of all the artifacts and because i want

614

00:20:42,710 --> 00:20:40,640

the readers to understand

615

00:20:43,909 --> 00:20:42,720

these are real we're looking at the the

616

00:20:47,430 --> 00:20:43,919

terra cotta

617

00:20:49,029 --> 00:20:47,440

from mexico i want the readers to see

618

00:20:51,750 --> 00:20:49,039

that i'm not making that up

619

00:20:53,350 --> 00:20:51,760

and when i say it dates back to a

620

00:20:54,950 --> 00:20:53,360

certain date

621

00:20:57,029 --> 00:20:54,960

luminescence testing tells us it's

622

00:20:58,390 --> 00:20:57,039

second century i'm not making that up

623

00:20:59,430 --> 00:20:58,400

and that's why i put those footnotes in

624

00:21:00,950 --> 00:20:59,440

there because

625

00:21:02,870 --> 00:21:00,960

again even though the story itself is

626
00:21:04,710 --> 00:21:02,880
fictional the the

627
00:21:06,470 --> 00:21:04,720
historical parts of the story are

628
00:21:08,070 --> 00:21:06,480
authentic and real

629
00:21:09,830 --> 00:21:08,080
yeah i was just popping up on the screen

630
00:21:12,470 --> 00:21:09,840
and maybe you want to talk through

631
00:21:13,510 --> 00:21:12,480
uh you have a number of uh interesting

632
00:21:15,830 --> 00:21:13,520
photographs

633
00:21:17,029 --> 00:21:15,840
in the book and then you also sent me to

634
00:21:20,149 --> 00:21:17,039
some additional ones

635
00:21:21,190 --> 00:21:20,159
you know coins that have been found and

636
00:21:25,909 --> 00:21:21,200
uh

637
00:21:29,430 --> 00:21:25,919
fort

638
00:21:31,110 --> 00:21:29,440

shaped like uh medora

639

00:21:32,950 --> 00:21:31,120

got right menorah and an oil lamp that's

640

00:21:33,909 --> 00:21:32,960

a fort that was and this is a drawing

641

00:21:36,390 --> 00:21:33,919

from the

642

00:21:37,590 --> 00:21:36,400

army corps of engineers from 1823 this

643

00:21:40,390 --> 00:21:37,600

is a fort

644

00:21:40,789 --> 00:21:40,400

uh they call it fort works basically you

645

00:21:42,230 --> 00:21:40,799

know

646

00:21:43,990 --> 00:21:42,240

the fort itself is no longer there but

647

00:21:46,630 --> 00:21:44,000

you can see that where the outline

648

00:21:47,669 --> 00:21:46,640

of the of the palisades would have been

649

00:21:51,190 --> 00:21:47,679

what not the the

650

00:21:54,390 --> 00:21:51,200

the the outline of the old fort

651
00:21:55,110 --> 00:21:54,400
this is 1823 in ohio and for folks just

652
00:21:56,950 --> 00:21:55,120
let me just

653
00:21:58,710 --> 00:21:56,960
interject for folks who can't see it

654
00:21:59,909 --> 00:21:58,720
because most people listen to this show

655
00:22:03,350 --> 00:21:59,919
and don't watch it

656
00:22:06,870 --> 00:22:03,360
but right uh the the menorah is

657
00:22:11,430 --> 00:22:06,880
clearly clearly can't be anything else

658
00:22:14,470 --> 00:22:11,440
in this drawing and even the lamp uh

659
00:22:15,510 --> 00:22:14,480
can't be anything else so uh this is

660
00:22:17,750 --> 00:22:15,520
going to kind of launch us

661
00:22:19,350 --> 00:22:17,760
into a really interesting discussion but

662
00:22:21,830 --> 00:22:19,360
again i just wanted to emphasize

663
00:22:25,029 --> 00:22:21,840

1824 army corps of engineers where did

664

00:22:28,149 --> 00:22:25,039

you find this document

665

00:22:30,230 --> 00:22:28,159

the internet is a great thing i mean a

666

00:22:31,510 --> 00:22:30,240

a generation ago alex you know i

667

00:22:32,870 --> 00:22:31,520

couldn't have done this research it

668

00:22:34,470 --> 00:22:32,880

would have been impossible just

669

00:22:35,909 --> 00:22:34,480

you would have to go down to washington

670

00:22:37,830 --> 00:22:35,919

dc and and

671

00:22:39,110 --> 00:22:37,840

and crawl your way through the through

672

00:22:41,110 --> 00:22:39,120

the stacks and

673

00:22:42,870 --> 00:22:41,120

microfiche and whatnot but everything's

674

00:22:43,510 --> 00:22:42,880

been digitized now and so if you want to

675

00:22:45,430 --> 00:22:43,520

look at

676
00:22:46,710 --> 00:22:45,440
army corps of engineer drawings you can

677
00:22:48,870 --> 00:22:46,720
go find them and it's

678
00:22:50,230 --> 00:22:48,880
it really has made i get the question

679
00:22:51,350 --> 00:22:50,240
all the time how come we're just

680
00:22:54,310 --> 00:22:51,360
learning about

681
00:22:55,669 --> 00:22:54,320
uh second century roman occupation or

682
00:22:57,909 --> 00:22:55,679
exploration of america

683
00:22:59,270 --> 00:22:57,919
i think the answer is the the clues have

684
00:23:02,789 --> 00:22:59,280
always been out there

685
00:23:04,470 --> 00:23:02,799
but no individual researcher has been

686
00:23:05,669 --> 00:23:04,480
able to put their hands around more than

687
00:23:08,630 --> 00:23:05,679
one or two pieces

688
00:23:09,510 --> 00:23:08,640

of it because it was also scattered and

689

00:23:10,950 --> 00:23:09,520

spread out

690

00:23:13,430 --> 00:23:10,960

now with the internet someone like

691

00:23:16,549 --> 00:23:13,440

myself can come along and and i can find

692

00:23:17,590 --> 00:23:16,559

15 or 20 artifacts and sites in a matter

693

00:23:20,470 --> 00:23:17,600

of a few weeks

694

00:23:22,070 --> 00:23:20,480

on the internet whereas you know 30

695

00:23:23,909 --> 00:23:22,080

years ago it would have taken me decades

696

00:23:26,710 --> 00:23:23,919

to do that

697

00:23:27,270 --> 00:23:26,720

yeah that's that's cool i mean totally i

698

00:23:34,310 --> 00:23:27,280

i

699

00:23:37,430 --> 00:23:34,320

that

700

00:23:38,310 --> 00:23:37,440

people are following and uh you know if

701
00:23:40,310 --> 00:23:38,320
i want to switch

702
00:23:41,350 --> 00:23:40,320
a little bit from talking about this

703
00:23:43,909 --> 00:23:41,360
excellent book

704
00:23:45,269 --> 00:23:43,919
that i really do want people to uh check

705
00:23:46,950 --> 00:23:45,279
out america

706
00:23:48,390 --> 00:23:46,960
because the research i think you'll find

707
00:23:50,630 --> 00:23:48,400
if you're at all intrigued

708
00:23:52,230 --> 00:23:50,640
by this point half an hour into this

709
00:23:53,430 --> 00:23:52,240
interview then you got to read the book

710
00:23:54,789 --> 00:23:53,440
because it's all there

711
00:23:56,549 --> 00:23:54,799
all the links are there all the

712
00:23:58,549 --> 00:23:56,559
information's there but

713
00:24:00,470 --> 00:23:58,559

i want to try and pull dave in a little

714

00:24:02,630 --> 00:24:00,480

bit of a different direction

715

00:24:03,990 --> 00:24:02,640

for selfish reasons for this project

716

00:24:06,789 --> 00:24:04,000

that i'm doing because

717

00:24:07,510 --> 00:24:06,799

what intrigued me about america was

718

00:24:11,269 --> 00:24:07,520

second

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00:24:14,310 --> 00:24:11,279

century rome and this strange

720

00:24:16,310 --> 00:24:14,320

relationship that it reveals about the

721

00:24:19,269 --> 00:24:16,320

relationship between

722

00:24:20,390 --> 00:24:19,279

the roman military and a kind of a

723

00:24:23,830 --> 00:24:20,400

breakout

724

00:24:26,549 --> 00:24:23,840

of that the relationship between judea

725

00:24:27,909 --> 00:24:26,559

and rome but also before we even get

726

00:24:31,029 --> 00:24:27,919

there

727

00:24:34,470 --> 00:24:31,039

i want to go back to what you just said

728

00:24:37,669 --> 00:24:34,480

i i'm really uh suspicious because

729

00:24:39,909 --> 00:24:37,679

of my investigation science is that

730

00:24:41,909 --> 00:24:39,919

to the extent to which this narrative is

731

00:24:42,549 --> 00:24:41,919

intentionally being controlled which is

732

00:24:44,230 --> 00:24:42,559

really kind of

733

00:24:46,789 --> 00:24:44,240

obvious we talk about the pre-columbian

734

00:24:47,750 --> 00:24:46,799

thing but even controlled in the sense

735

00:24:49,669 --> 00:24:47,760

that

736

00:24:51,510 --> 00:24:49,679

you couldn't have written this i'm not

737

00:24:52,789 --> 00:24:51,520

so sure you could have written this as a

738

00:24:55,590 --> 00:24:52,799

non-fiction book

739

00:24:57,590 --> 00:24:55,600

but you certainly if you were an

740

00:25:00,470 --> 00:24:57,600

academic historian you couldn't have

741

00:25:07,510 --> 00:25:03,590

what does that say about just the state

742

00:25:09,029 --> 00:25:07,520

of academia in general i've been more on

743

00:25:10,630 --> 00:25:09,039

the hard sciences but in the soft

744

00:25:11,269 --> 00:25:10,640

sciences it's even worse i mean it's

745

00:25:14,230 --> 00:25:11,279

just

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00:25:17,110 --> 00:25:14,240

it really kind of controlled completely

747

00:25:18,789 --> 00:25:17,120

controlling the narrative

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00:25:20,390 --> 00:25:18,799

you're you're 100 right about that i

749

00:25:21,590 --> 00:25:20,400

could not have written this as an

750

00:25:24,870 --> 00:25:21,600

academic type

751
00:25:27,590 --> 00:25:24,880
unless i wanted to basically commit uh

752
00:25:28,710 --> 00:25:27,600
um professional suicide i would have

753
00:25:31,350 --> 00:25:28,720
been laughed

754
00:25:32,549 --> 00:25:31,360
out of the the faculty lounge at

755
00:25:34,630 --> 00:25:32,559
whatever university i

756
00:25:36,149 --> 00:25:34,640
happen to be working on at the time and

757
00:25:37,590 --> 00:25:36,159
what's really telling i belong to an

758
00:25:39,830 --> 00:25:37,600
organization called new england

759
00:25:42,070 --> 00:25:39,840
antiquities research association

760
00:25:43,269 --> 00:25:42,080
and what we do we go out in the woods

761
00:25:45,669 --> 00:25:43,279
and and and do

762
00:25:47,350 --> 00:25:45,679
and do this research we look for these

763
00:25:48,950 --> 00:25:47,360

ancient sites and artifacts

764

00:25:51,269 --> 00:25:48,960

and there's a few hundred people at

765

00:25:53,350 --> 00:25:51,279

least in our organization or 500 people

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00:25:55,269 --> 00:25:53,360

and very very very very few of them

767

00:25:57,190 --> 00:25:55,279

probably a minuscule number of them

768

00:25:58,390 --> 00:25:57,200

are actual historians or archaeologists

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00:26:00,549 --> 00:25:58,400

most of them are

770

00:26:02,230 --> 00:26:00,559

people like myself or like yourself who

771

00:26:03,510 --> 00:26:02,240

who do this as a hobby because we're

772

00:26:05,669 --> 00:26:03,520

passionate about it

773

00:26:07,430 --> 00:26:05,679

but the but the people trained in

774

00:26:08,470 --> 00:26:07,440

history and archaeology want nothing to

775

00:26:10,549 --> 00:26:08,480

do with this

776

00:26:11,590 --> 00:26:10,559

and this goes back to what you said is

777

00:26:14,230 --> 00:26:11,600

is is

778

00:26:15,669 --> 00:26:14,240

is there sort of uh indoctrinated into

779

00:26:18,549 --> 00:26:15,679

these ideas

780

00:26:19,269 --> 00:26:18,559

uh they learn them going through college

781

00:26:21,510 --> 00:26:19,279

they are

782

00:26:23,110 --> 00:26:21,520

are punished for thinking outside of

783

00:26:24,710 --> 00:26:23,120

that box when they say punish

784

00:26:26,470 --> 00:26:24,720

they're they're not allowed to do a

785

00:26:27,990 --> 00:26:26,480

thesis on that subject if they do

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00:26:28,789 --> 00:26:28,000

they're not going to be hired or get

787

00:26:30,950 --> 00:26:28,799

tenure

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00:26:33,590 --> 00:26:30,960

they're basically herded along in a

789

00:26:37,029 --> 00:26:33,600

certain way to think the way

790

00:26:39,190 --> 00:26:37,039

uh their professors are thinking

791

00:26:41,510 --> 00:26:39,200

and it's hard to break out of that and i

792

00:26:44,549 --> 00:26:41,520

don't think it's necessarily because

793

00:26:46,230 --> 00:26:44,559

there's a conspiracy to keep the reality

794

00:26:47,350 --> 00:26:46,240

and the truth away from us i don't think

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00:26:49,350 --> 00:26:47,360

that's what's happening

796

00:26:50,390 --> 00:26:49,360

i think instead it's just basic human

797

00:26:51,990 --> 00:26:50,400

nature that

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00:26:53,909 --> 00:26:52,000

people have staked out a position and

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00:26:55,909 --> 00:26:53,919

academics have taken out a position

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00:26:57,430 --> 00:26:55,919

that certain things are the truth and

801

00:26:58,870 --> 00:26:57,440

certain things are reality

802

00:26:59,990 --> 00:26:58,880

and they don't want to be proven wrong

803

00:27:00,950 --> 00:27:00,000

because they don't want to have egg on

804

00:27:03,430 --> 00:27:00,960

their face

805

00:27:04,950 --> 00:27:03,440

and so they they dig in their heels

806

00:27:07,110 --> 00:27:04,960

again just human nature they dig in

807

00:27:09,510 --> 00:27:07,120

their heels and they basically

808

00:27:10,870 --> 00:27:09,520

put their hands over their ears and

809

00:27:11,269 --> 00:27:10,880

close their eyes and say i don't wanna

810

00:27:13,110 --> 00:27:11,279

you know

811

00:27:15,269 --> 00:27:13,120

sergeant schultz i see nothing i hear

812

00:27:16,950 --> 00:27:15,279

nothing um

813

00:27:19,510 --> 00:27:16,960

again it's not because there's a great

814

00:27:21,830 --> 00:27:19,520

conspiracy but mostly just because

815

00:27:22,710 --> 00:27:21,840

people are selfish and don't want to

816

00:27:26,549 --> 00:27:22,720

have

817

00:27:27,990 --> 00:27:26,559

see i

818

00:27:29,669 --> 00:27:28,000

we don't have to spend a lot of time on

819

00:27:30,710 --> 00:27:29,679

this but to me the evidence of the

820

00:27:34,630 --> 00:27:30,720

conspiracy

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00:27:37,510 --> 00:27:34,640

is evident in what you just said in that

822

00:27:38,870 --> 00:27:37,520

at the at the middle management level

823

00:27:41,669 --> 00:27:38,880

that you're talking about

824

00:27:43,029 --> 00:27:41,679

yeah there's no conspiracy i i control

825

00:27:45,590 --> 00:27:43,039

your job dude

826

00:27:48,389 --> 00:27:45,600

i control your tenure i control what

827

00:27:49,990 --> 00:27:48,399

conferences you go to or don't go to

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00:27:51,669 --> 00:27:50,000

it doesn't look it doesn't have to look

829

00:27:54,470 --> 00:27:51,679

like a conspiracy to you

830

00:27:56,230 --> 00:27:54,480

it just looks like you you know being

831

00:27:57,190 --> 00:27:56,240

able to go home and face your wife and

832

00:27:58,630 --> 00:27:57,200

say yeah

833

00:28:01,029 --> 00:27:58,640

we're going to still be able to make

834

00:28:02,070 --> 00:28:01,039

mortgage payments but at a level above

835

00:28:03,510 --> 00:28:02,080

that which you just

836

00:28:05,510 --> 00:28:03,520

as you just talked about you said the

837

00:28:06,870 --> 00:28:05,520

church wanted to control the narrative

838

00:28:08,710 --> 00:28:06,880

because they wanted to be in control

839

00:28:11,990 --> 00:28:08,720

well that's conspiratorial and it

840

00:28:13,750 --> 00:28:12,000

clearly is right now as more and more

841

00:28:15,830 --> 00:28:13,760

gets revealed today about

842

00:28:17,990 --> 00:28:15,840

how completely corrupt the church is but

843

00:28:19,510 --> 00:28:18,000

we don't ever want to call the church on

844

00:28:22,070 --> 00:28:19,520

that you know we still have to

845

00:28:23,190 --> 00:28:22,080

walk carefully in science you know my

846

00:28:24,870 --> 00:28:23,200

thing has been

847

00:28:26,389 --> 00:28:24,880

this idea of controlling the narrative

848

00:28:27,990 --> 00:28:26,399

about consciousness

849

00:28:29,990 --> 00:28:28,000

that there can be no extended

850

00:28:31,830 --> 00:28:30,000

consciousness that any kind of

851

00:28:34,710 --> 00:28:31,840

spiritual experience that people are

852

00:28:36,950 --> 00:28:34,720

having is completely

853

00:28:38,389 --> 00:28:36,960

a delusion it doesn't happen and the

854

00:28:39,669 --> 00:28:38,399

holding to that in the face of all

855

00:28:42,470 --> 00:28:39,679

evidence to contrary

856

00:28:44,149 --> 00:28:42,480

is conspiratorial it's a way to control

857

00:28:44,630 --> 00:28:44,159

and social engineer people so i think

858

00:28:48,389 --> 00:28:44,640

this

859

00:28:52,549 --> 00:28:48,399

stuff from the social engineering

860

00:28:54,389 --> 00:28:52,559

lens and and start accepting that

861

00:28:56,149 --> 00:28:54,399

and this is rome this is what i love

862

00:28:58,549 --> 00:28:56,159

about roe is that

863

00:28:59,590 --> 00:28:58,559

you know the romans knew this 2000 years

864

00:29:02,149 --> 00:28:59,600

ago that

865

00:29:03,350 --> 00:29:02,159

when you about social engineering about

866

00:29:06,310 --> 00:29:03,360

controlling the people

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00:29:07,350 --> 00:29:06,320

as an alternative to dominating the

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00:29:09,190 --> 00:29:07,360

people through war

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00:29:12,149 --> 00:29:09,200

we can dominate the people through

870

00:29:13,909 --> 00:29:12,159

beliefs and ideas and stuff like that so

871

00:29:15,430 --> 00:29:13,919

we don't have to kind of agree on that

872

00:29:16,070 --> 00:29:15,440

or don't have to hash that out any

873

00:29:18,549 --> 00:29:16,080

further

874

00:29:19,590 --> 00:29:18,559

because let's get back to kind of the

875

00:29:22,710 --> 00:29:19,600

book a little bit

876

00:29:27,110 --> 00:29:22,720

indirectly and that's that this story

877

00:29:31,510 --> 00:29:27,120

about second century rome and judea

878

00:29:34,549 --> 00:29:31,520

is just it's a phenomenal

879

00:29:37,510 --> 00:29:34,559

phenomenally important to our history

880

00:29:38,710 --> 00:29:37,520

to our present day history because it's

881

00:29:41,190 --> 00:29:38,720

all about

882

00:29:41,909 --> 00:29:41,200

the forming of christianity it's all

883

00:29:45,350 --> 00:29:41,919

about

884

00:29:48,549 --> 00:29:45,360

the control of uh the jewish tradition

885

00:29:50,710 --> 00:29:48,559

and the jewish religion and why it gets

886

00:29:51,909 --> 00:29:50,720

pulled along in the whole thing and and

887

00:29:54,389 --> 00:29:51,919

it also points to

888

00:29:55,909 --> 00:29:54,399

a different way that the romans thought

889

00:29:58,870 --> 00:29:55,919

about these different

890

00:29:59,590 --> 00:29:58,880

evolving religious ideas and religious

891

00:30:02,789 --> 00:29:59,600

traditions

892

00:30:06,310 --> 00:30:02,799

so enough of me going on what did you

893

00:30:06,830 --> 00:30:06,320

find out that is so stunning about this

894

00:30:11,269 --> 00:30:06,840

second

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00:30:15,269 --> 00:30:13,269

right so i mentioned earlier in the

896

00:30:17,350 --> 00:30:15,279

interview that there was a number of

897

00:30:18,870 --> 00:30:17,360

sort of pieces of evidence that i found

898

00:30:19,909 --> 00:30:18,880

that were clustered around the second

899

00:30:23,029 --> 00:30:19,919

century

900

00:30:24,630 --> 00:30:23,039

that i put aside over the years and and

901
00:30:26,789 --> 00:30:24,640
and eventually came back to when in

902
00:30:28,470 --> 00:30:26,799
writing this book and one of them was

903
00:30:30,789 --> 00:30:28,480
a researcher in indiana by the name of

904
00:30:32,070 --> 00:30:30,799
rick osmond about 10 years ago wrote a

905
00:30:34,789 --> 00:30:32,080
book about how

906
00:30:35,750 --> 00:30:34,799
uh he had come across and documented a

907
00:30:39,269 --> 00:30:35,760
bunch of

908
00:30:40,230 --> 00:30:39,279
roman era fortifications in the ohio

909
00:30:42,710 --> 00:30:40,240
river valley

910
00:30:43,830 --> 00:30:42,720
and he came up with a theory that in the

911
00:30:45,590 --> 00:30:43,840
second century

912
00:30:46,950 --> 00:30:45,600
and this is true historians you can this

913
00:30:49,350 --> 00:30:46,960

is mainstream historians

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00:30:50,070 --> 00:30:49,360

uh the the ninth roman legion which was

915

00:30:52,070 --> 00:30:50,080

stationed

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00:30:53,269 --> 00:30:52,080

at hadrian's wall between england and

917

00:30:55,430 --> 00:30:53,279

scotland

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00:30:57,190 --> 00:30:55,440

in the second century for some reason

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00:30:59,509 --> 00:30:57,200

that that legion which is

920

00:31:00,549 --> 00:30:59,519

probably 10 000 people essentially

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00:31:02,070 --> 00:31:00,559

disappeared

922

00:31:04,310 --> 00:31:02,080

no one's quite sure what happened to

923

00:31:07,269 --> 00:31:04,320

that legion and rick osmond

924

00:31:09,350 --> 00:31:07,279

speculated that perhaps that the these

925

00:31:10,310 --> 00:31:09,360

ports in the ohio river valley were

926

00:31:13,509 --> 00:31:10,320

related

927

00:31:15,190 --> 00:31:13,519

reason

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00:31:16,950 --> 00:31:15,200

he didn't really put a finger on it the

929

00:31:18,310 --> 00:31:16,960

legion decided to cross the atlantic

930

00:31:19,509 --> 00:31:18,320

either they were blown off course they

931

00:31:22,710 --> 00:31:19,519

came over here for a reason

932

00:31:24,950 --> 00:31:22,720

and ended up being the the reason why

933

00:31:27,350 --> 00:31:24,960

there's so many roman era artifacts and

934

00:31:28,950 --> 00:31:27,360

fortifications and coins in the ohio

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00:31:30,310 --> 00:31:28,960

river valley

936

00:31:32,070 --> 00:31:30,320

well i took a little further i did a

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00:31:35,830 --> 00:31:32,080

little more research and i found that

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00:31:37,750 --> 00:31:35,840

um after leaving hadrian's wall

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00:31:39,269 --> 00:31:37,760

uh in the early parts of the second

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00:31:40,389 --> 00:31:39,279

century the ninth legion actually was

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00:31:43,350 --> 00:31:40,399

redeployed

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00:31:45,029 --> 00:31:43,360

to jerusalem and then disappeared what

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00:31:46,950 --> 00:31:45,039

they were doing in jerusalem was

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00:31:49,430 --> 00:31:46,960

putting down something called the

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00:31:51,350 --> 00:31:49,440

barkaka uprising markovka revolt this is

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00:31:52,789 --> 00:31:51,360

about 132 a.d

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00:31:54,710 --> 00:31:52,799

your listeners may remember that in

948

00:31:56,149 --> 00:31:54,720

about 70 a.d we had something called

949

00:31:58,870 --> 00:31:56,159

king herod's war

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00:32:00,950 --> 00:31:58,880

where herod put down the rebelling jews

951
00:32:02,389 --> 00:32:00,960
and the temple was of solomon was

952
00:32:03,430 --> 00:32:02,399
destroyed the rebuilt temple was

953
00:32:05,669 --> 00:32:03,440
destroyed

954
00:32:06,549 --> 00:32:05,679
about 70 years later the jews rose up

955
00:32:09,669 --> 00:32:06,559
again

956
00:32:13,110 --> 00:32:09,679
and this time led by simon barcaka

957
00:32:16,389 --> 00:32:13,120
freedom fighter barkhopka being

958
00:32:18,470 --> 00:32:16,399
hebrew for uh son of the star

959
00:32:20,230 --> 00:32:18,480
or also known as the comet which is

960
00:32:22,149 --> 00:32:20,240
another word for son of the star

961
00:32:23,350 --> 00:32:22,159
and the slogan for this this uprising

962
00:32:25,509 --> 00:32:23,360
was a comet

963
00:32:27,190 --> 00:32:25,519

for the jews barkhoff got a comet for

964

00:32:29,430 --> 00:32:27,200

the jews that was a slogan

965

00:32:30,870 --> 00:32:29,440

um so one of the possibilities and we

966

00:32:31,669 --> 00:32:30,880

also know by the way that during this

967

00:32:33,750 --> 00:32:31,679

uprising

968

00:32:34,950 --> 00:32:33,760

we know this from uh one of the dead sea

969

00:32:38,070 --> 00:32:34,960

scrolls called

970

00:32:38,549 --> 00:32:38,080

the copper scroll of qumran uh which is

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00:32:40,310 --> 00:32:38,559

actually

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00:32:42,149 --> 00:32:40,320

not most of the scrolls are partial this

973

00:32:45,669 --> 00:32:42,159

is on copper and this scroll

974

00:32:48,389 --> 00:32:45,679

lists 70 or so locations of

975

00:32:50,630 --> 00:32:48,399

hidden temple treasure basically as the

976
00:32:52,470 --> 00:32:50,640
romans came in to put down the rebellion

977
00:32:54,789 --> 00:32:52,480
the priestly families who were in charge

978
00:32:56,630 --> 00:32:54,799
of the temple said we better hide our

979
00:32:58,070 --> 00:32:56,640
treasures and our and our gold

980
00:32:58,950 --> 00:32:58,080
furnishings and whatever before the

981
00:33:00,470 --> 00:32:58,960
romans come

982
00:33:02,230 --> 00:33:00,480
and we'll retrieve them later and so

983
00:33:04,070 --> 00:33:02,240
they they made this list um

984
00:33:05,590 --> 00:33:04,080
carved into the copper as to where these

985
00:33:06,950 --> 00:33:05,600
things were in case

986
00:33:09,110 --> 00:33:06,960
in case they weren't around to tell the

987
00:33:11,190 --> 00:33:09,120
survivors where to find all this stuff

988
00:33:12,389 --> 00:33:11,200

um so one of the possibilities is i'm

989

00:33:14,549 --> 00:33:12,399

kicked through this whole scene

990

00:33:15,750 --> 00:33:14,559

the ninth legion goes to jerusalem puts

991

00:33:18,389 --> 00:33:15,760

down the revolt

992

00:33:18,950 --> 00:33:18,399

at some point all the jews are being

993

00:33:21,110 --> 00:33:18,960

either

994

00:33:22,789 --> 00:33:21,120

murdered or sold into slavery and the

995

00:33:25,029 --> 00:33:22,799

priestly families say time out

996

00:33:26,230 --> 00:33:25,039

hold on ninth legion hold on guys we got

997

00:33:29,110 --> 00:33:26,240

a deal for you

998

00:33:30,710 --> 00:33:29,120

we've got about 1.5 billion dollars

999

00:33:34,470 --> 00:33:30,720

that's in today's money

1000

00:33:36,310 --> 00:33:34,480

worth of temple treasure and we want

1001
00:33:38,070 --> 00:33:36,320
to get out of here we need our lives

1002
00:33:39,669 --> 00:33:38,080
saved if you take us with

1003
00:33:41,110 --> 00:33:39,679
you out of europe out of the

1004
00:33:43,350 --> 00:33:41,120
mediterranean away from

1005
00:33:44,149 --> 00:33:43,360
the emperor we'll give you the 1.5

1006
00:33:46,310 --> 00:33:44,159
billion

1007
00:33:48,710 --> 00:33:46,320
and that i thought may explain how they

1008
00:33:49,110 --> 00:33:48,720
ended up collectively the romans and the

1009
00:33:50,789 --> 00:33:49,120
jews

1010
00:33:52,630 --> 00:33:50,799
we have roman artifacts and we have

1011
00:33:54,149 --> 00:33:52,640
jewish artifacts again the hanukkah for

1012
00:33:55,430 --> 00:33:54,159
it there's no reason for the romans to

1013
00:33:56,389 --> 00:33:55,440

build something like that well you have

1014

00:33:58,149 --> 00:33:56,399

other artifacts

1015

00:34:00,389 --> 00:33:58,159

we can look at also but that would

1016

00:34:03,509 --> 00:34:00,399

collectively explain how we have

1017

00:34:05,430 --> 00:34:03,519

roman and jewish artifacts in

1018

00:34:07,110 --> 00:34:05,440

the ohio river valley in the second

1019

00:34:09,270 --> 00:34:07,120

century so that's

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00:34:10,629 --> 00:34:09,280

again that's the fiction writer in me

1021

00:34:11,510 --> 00:34:10,639

putting pieces together and that's

1022

00:34:13,430 --> 00:34:11,520

speculative i

1023

00:34:15,030 --> 00:34:13,440

i can't say for certain that happened

1024

00:34:16,790 --> 00:34:15,040

and that's why i say you know something

1025

00:34:18,629 --> 00:34:16,800

happened i'm not sure if i have it right

1026

00:34:20,790 --> 00:34:18,639

but that's definitely a possibility the

1027

00:34:22,310 --> 00:34:20,800

pieces of evidence support that

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00:34:24,149 --> 00:34:22,320

possibility

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00:34:26,470 --> 00:34:24,159

dave what have you found out about the

1030

00:34:29,589 --> 00:34:26,480

relationship between

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00:34:33,109 --> 00:34:29,599

uh the romans and

1032

00:34:34,790 --> 00:34:33,119

the the various jewish groups

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00:34:36,710 --> 00:34:34,800

the groups in judea because a lot of

1034

00:34:40,710 --> 00:34:36,720

people don't understand this but

1035

00:34:44,869 --> 00:34:40,720

uh judea like all these client states

1036

00:34:48,710 --> 00:34:44,879

in in the roman empire

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00:34:50,550 --> 00:34:48,720

there's a lot of uh kind of vichy france

1038

00:34:52,550 --> 00:34:50,560

thing going along you know like

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00:34:53,829 --> 00:34:52,560

hey the romans aren't so bad and look at

1040

00:34:55,589 --> 00:34:53,839

all the good things and

1041

00:34:56,950 --> 00:34:55,599

hey let's give unto caesar what is

1042

00:34:59,910 --> 00:34:56,960

caesar's kind of thing

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00:35:00,950 --> 00:34:59,920

so it's not like so they have their

1044

00:35:03,589 --> 00:35:00,960

rebellion

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00:35:04,630 --> 00:35:03,599

flank and then they have their herod you

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00:35:08,069 --> 00:35:04,640

know give them to see

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00:35:09,670 --> 00:35:08,079

so what is in this time period at this

1048

00:35:11,510 --> 00:35:09,680

second revolt

1049

00:35:13,430 --> 00:35:11,520

what do you do did you dig up anything

1050

00:35:15,829 --> 00:35:13,440

interesting about the relationship

1051
00:35:17,430 --> 00:35:15,839
there because what you're speculating

1052
00:35:20,069 --> 00:35:17,440
about

1053
00:35:22,950 --> 00:35:20,079
is to me doesn't even sound like a

1054
00:35:25,589 --> 00:35:22,960
time-out timeout it sounds like uh

1055
00:35:27,670 --> 00:35:25,599
hey guys here's an idea kind of thing

1056
00:35:29,910 --> 00:35:27,680
you know

1057
00:35:30,710 --> 00:35:29,920
well so the relationship with the romans

1058
00:35:32,790 --> 00:35:30,720
and and

1059
00:35:33,990 --> 00:35:32,800
and the roman empire and the jewish

1060
00:35:37,190 --> 00:35:34,000
groups this is

1061
00:35:39,750 --> 00:35:37,200
all during a time period where uh and

1062
00:35:41,270 --> 00:35:39,760
and the reason why jesus was able to

1063
00:35:42,870 --> 00:35:41,280

start preaching and be welcomed as a

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00:35:46,150 --> 00:35:42,880

potential messiah

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00:35:47,270 --> 00:35:46,160

the the prophecies were this was a time

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00:35:49,430 --> 00:35:47,280

period where

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00:35:50,710 --> 00:35:49,440

where a messiah would be coming and so

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00:35:52,390 --> 00:35:50,720

it's a lot of upheaval

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00:35:54,310 --> 00:35:52,400

in it right around this time period and

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00:35:56,790 --> 00:35:54,320

so there were different

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00:35:59,349 --> 00:35:56,800

factions of jewish groups all looking

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00:36:01,030 --> 00:35:59,359

for different things the romans come in

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00:36:02,630 --> 00:36:01,040

and they either stir the pot or they

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00:36:04,790 --> 00:36:02,640

play one side off the other and

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00:36:06,069 --> 00:36:04,800

you know it's it's a mess right now it's

1076

00:36:09,670 --> 00:36:06,079

a time of upheaval

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00:36:12,150 --> 00:36:09,680

and so we have we see these constant uh

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00:36:13,589 --> 00:36:12,160

uprisings again herod's uprising and

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00:36:15,349 --> 00:36:13,599

then barcock is uprising and

1080

00:36:17,589 --> 00:36:15,359

by the time barack hopkins uprising is

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00:36:20,630 --> 00:36:17,599

over basically there are no jews left

1082

00:36:23,510 --> 00:36:20,640

in jerusalem that's the end of it but

1083

00:36:24,790 --> 00:36:23,520

but at the same time we we lose all the

1084

00:36:26,230 --> 00:36:24,800

temple treasures like

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00:36:28,870 --> 00:36:26,240

the stuff that was supposed to be in

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00:36:30,230 --> 00:36:28,880

jerusalem the golden menorah the ark of

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00:36:33,190 --> 00:36:30,240

the covenant the

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00:36:35,349 --> 00:36:33,200

table of shrew bread the uh aaron's rod

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00:36:37,109 --> 00:36:35,359

the the pot of manna

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00:36:39,430 --> 00:36:37,119

if you go if you want to go to the

1091

00:36:40,310 --> 00:36:39,440

christian side of things the holy grail

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00:36:42,870 --> 00:36:40,320

the cross

1093

00:36:44,069 --> 00:36:42,880

of jesus was buried was crucified on you

1094

00:36:44,870 --> 00:36:44,079

know none of those things ever been

1095

00:36:47,910 --> 00:36:44,880

found again

1096

00:36:48,870 --> 00:36:47,920

so the jews leave at around this time

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00:36:50,550 --> 00:36:48,880

period but so do

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00:36:53,109 --> 00:36:50,560

all the artifacts the religious

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00:36:55,109 --> 00:36:53,119

artifacts from judaism and christianity

1100

00:36:58,230 --> 00:36:55,119

and some of them ended up back in rome

1101

00:37:00,550 --> 00:36:58,240

can i interject a question there um

1102

00:37:01,910 --> 00:37:00,560

and i just don't know this what do we

1103

00:37:05,270 --> 00:37:01,920

think happened

1104

00:37:08,550 --> 00:37:05,280

to all those super valuable

1105

00:37:11,510 --> 00:37:08,560

jewish artifacts during

1106

00:37:12,470 --> 00:37:11,520

you know titus's sacking of jerusalem

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00:37:14,390 --> 00:37:12,480

some of it

1108

00:37:15,750 --> 00:37:14,400

gets bring back and brought back to rome

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00:37:17,589 --> 00:37:15,760

and they parade down

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00:37:19,190 --> 00:37:17,599

we've got the arch of titus which shows

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00:37:20,950 --> 00:37:19,200

the carving i think you just said that

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00:37:23,109 --> 00:37:20,960

of some of the artifacts and but even

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00:37:24,870 --> 00:37:23,119

those ones seem to have disappeared but

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00:37:26,710 --> 00:37:24,880

that's not all of them that was the main

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00:37:28,550 --> 00:37:26,720

one being the templar shrew bread

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00:37:31,109 --> 00:37:28,560

and the golden menorah and i use the

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00:37:33,750 --> 00:37:31,119

gold menorah as a as sort of a

1118

00:37:34,630 --> 00:37:33,760

plot device in my story because that's

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00:37:38,310 --> 00:37:34,640

never been found

1120

00:37:40,470 --> 00:37:38,320

no one knows where that is um but others

1121

00:37:41,430 --> 00:37:40,480

of them the rumors have it that the ark

1122

00:37:43,670 --> 00:37:41,440

of the covenant

1123

00:37:45,109 --> 00:37:43,680

uh is in ethiopia there was a story a

1124

00:37:47,910 --> 00:37:45,119

couple weeks ago about a

1125

00:37:50,150 --> 00:37:47,920

uh militia group attacking the church in

1126

00:37:51,829 --> 00:37:50,160

rural ethiopia trying to capture the

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00:37:53,910 --> 00:37:51,839

the ark and i've always laughed at that

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00:37:55,910 --> 00:37:53,920

because if you if you know the world war

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00:37:57,670 --> 00:37:55,920

ii history and you know how obsessed

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00:37:59,190 --> 00:37:57,680

hitler was with finding the ark of the

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00:38:00,470 --> 00:37:59,200

covenant i mean we all saw

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00:38:01,829 --> 00:38:00,480

raiders of the lost ark and that's

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00:38:03,109 --> 00:38:01,839

basically the nazis trying to find the

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00:38:05,670 --> 00:38:03,119

ark of the covenant

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00:38:07,270 --> 00:38:05,680

um mussolini controlled ethiopia during

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00:38:07,829 --> 00:38:07,280

world war ii if the ark of the covenant

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00:38:10,069 --> 00:38:07,839

was in

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00:38:10,870 --> 00:38:10,079

ethiopia in world war ii mussolini's

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00:38:12,310 --> 00:38:10,880

forces would have

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00:38:14,230 --> 00:38:12,320

found it and given it to hitler i mean

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00:38:17,030 --> 00:38:14,240

that was there's no doubt about that

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00:38:18,790 --> 00:38:17,040

so i don't believe that the ark is in

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00:38:20,630 --> 00:38:18,800

ethiopia being guarded by

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00:38:22,150 --> 00:38:20,640

you know a handful of priests that just

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00:38:25,430 --> 00:38:22,160

doesn't make any sense to me

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00:38:26,150 --> 00:38:25,440

um if it's not there you know where is

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00:38:28,310 --> 00:38:26,160

it there's

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00:38:30,230 --> 00:38:28,320

evidence that the portuguese and

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00:38:32,630 --> 00:38:30,240

medieval times went down to

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00:38:34,390 --> 00:38:32,640

ethiopia may have taken it and but then

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00:38:36,790 --> 00:38:34,400

again where did it go after that so

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00:38:37,829 --> 00:38:36,800

so part of what makes writing fiction so

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00:38:40,069 --> 00:38:37,839

much fun

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00:38:41,589 --> 00:38:40,079

is because there's all these treasures

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00:38:43,190 --> 00:38:41,599

that have never been found

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00:38:44,870 --> 00:38:43,200

and and and everyone loves a good

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00:38:46,710 --> 00:38:44,880

treasure hunt everyone you know

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00:38:48,310 --> 00:38:46,720

the curse of oak island on on history

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00:38:50,150 --> 00:38:48,320

channel everyone watches that

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00:38:51,670 --> 00:38:50,160

because everyone wants to find the

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00:38:53,349 --> 00:38:51,680

treasure and so

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00:38:55,510 --> 00:38:53,359

one of the fun things i do in my books

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00:38:56,550 --> 00:38:55,520

is you know i weave these in it's the

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00:38:58,550 --> 00:38:56,560

golden menorah

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00:38:59,990 --> 00:38:58,560

is it in play is the ark of the covenant

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00:39:01,910 --> 00:39:00,000

in play you know are we gonna find

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00:39:03,510 --> 00:39:01,920

those things the holy grail whatever it

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00:39:05,270 --> 00:39:03,520

might be um

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00:39:06,630 --> 00:39:05,280

because i think that's you you need if

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00:39:09,349 --> 00:39:06,640

you're gonna have characters

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00:39:11,430 --> 00:39:09,359

motivated to do you know really

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00:39:13,670 --> 00:39:11,440

extraordinary things

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00:39:15,270 --> 00:39:13,680

uh you need to have extraordinary high

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00:39:16,470 --> 00:39:15,280

stakes you need to have high stakes

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00:39:17,030 --> 00:39:16,480

people aren't going to do extraordinary

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00:39:19,190 --> 00:39:17,040

things

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00:39:20,470 --> 00:39:19,200

over you know 20 bucks but if you get

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00:39:22,790 --> 00:39:20,480

the ark of the covenant

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00:39:24,710 --> 00:39:22,800

now you're going to do some crazy things

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00:39:26,230 --> 00:39:24,720

well that's certainly the line that

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00:39:28,150 --> 00:39:26,240

you're going down

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00:39:29,990 --> 00:39:28,160

uh let me just kind of bounce a couple

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00:39:30,390 --> 00:39:30,000

of things off you that i've been working

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00:39:32,550 --> 00:39:30,400

on

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00:39:33,829 --> 00:39:32,560

and and kind of or investigating at the

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00:39:35,430 --> 00:39:33,839

very early stages

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00:39:37,349 --> 00:39:35,440

and i don't have nearly the depth of

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00:39:38,950 --> 00:39:37,359

knowledge that you do so i'm just kind

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00:39:40,150 --> 00:39:38,960

of stumbling through this but i'm kind

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00:39:41,829 --> 00:39:40,160

of intrigued by

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00:39:43,589 --> 00:39:41,839

what you said because i think sometimes

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00:39:47,430 --> 00:39:43,599

we misunderstand

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00:39:47,990 --> 00:39:47,440

the roman agenda as it's being disclosed

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00:39:50,230 --> 00:39:48,000

to us

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00:39:51,829 --> 00:39:50,240

like uh josephus i think is a super

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00:39:54,550 --> 00:39:51,839

interesting character

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00:39:55,109 --> 00:39:54,560

obviously in that first uprising right

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00:39:59,430 --> 00:39:55,119

and

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00:40:01,670 --> 00:39:59,440

this

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00:40:02,790 --> 00:40:01,680

jewish general who fights bravely

1201
00:40:05,829 --> 00:40:02,800
against the

1202
00:40:07,190 --> 00:40:05,839
vespasian who comes in and he stands him

1203
00:40:09,430 --> 00:40:07,200
off at a siege and then

1204
00:40:11,349 --> 00:40:09,440
he goes in to commit suicide and the

1205
00:40:14,230 --> 00:40:11,359
story always gets

1206
00:40:16,710 --> 00:40:14,240
really flaky at this point and

1207
00:40:18,390 --> 00:40:16,720
invariably historians leave the most

1208
00:40:19,109 --> 00:40:18,400
important part of the story out and

1209
00:40:21,190 --> 00:40:19,119
that's that

1210
00:40:22,630 --> 00:40:21,200
josephus goes into the cave they all

1211
00:40:25,750 --> 00:40:22,640
commit suicide and then

1212
00:40:27,510 --> 00:40:25,760
josephus says hey you know what i just

1213
00:40:29,670 --> 00:40:27,520

had a revelation

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00:40:32,150 --> 00:40:29,680

we should come out and then he says

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00:40:34,150 --> 00:40:32,160

vespasian you're going to be the emperor

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00:40:35,910 --> 00:40:34,160

and then vespasian takes him under his

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00:40:38,069 --> 00:40:35,920

wing and says you're a good kid

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00:40:39,109 --> 00:40:38,079

come along and write this history down

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00:40:40,710 --> 00:40:39,119

for us because

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00:40:42,550 --> 00:40:40,720

we don't know how to write it you're the

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00:40:45,030 --> 00:40:42,560

only guy who can write it i mean this

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00:40:46,390 --> 00:40:45,040

whole thing is just preposterous

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00:40:48,309 --> 00:40:46,400

go ahead this is a really good book

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00:40:49,990 --> 00:40:48,319

talking about this if you get a chance

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00:40:50,550 --> 00:40:50,000

it's called the secret society of mooses

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00:40:53,190 --> 00:40:50,560

by

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00:40:53,990 --> 00:40:53,200

barbaro but yeah exactly what you were

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00:40:56,870 --> 00:40:54,000

saying there were

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00:40:57,270 --> 00:40:56,880

how convenient is it to for josephus

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00:40:59,270 --> 00:40:57,280

that they

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00:41:00,550 --> 00:40:59,280

they draw lots and he everyone's got to

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00:41:01,109 --> 00:41:00,560

kill themselves in the order of their

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00:41:03,349 --> 00:41:01,119

lot and

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00:41:05,030 --> 00:41:03,359

he's the last guy standing and like he's

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00:41:06,069 --> 00:41:05,040

the last one he's not instead of killing

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00:41:08,470 --> 00:41:06,079

myself maybe i'll go talk

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00:41:09,829 --> 00:41:08,480

and i'll cut a deal and essentially what

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00:41:11,430 --> 00:41:09,839

i think happened in this book talks

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00:41:13,750 --> 00:41:11,440
about it and what you hinted at

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00:41:15,910 --> 00:41:13,760
he basically cuts a deal this is back to

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00:41:16,870 --> 00:41:15,920
again josephus is part of the priestly

1242

00:41:18,710 --> 00:41:16,880
family

1243

00:41:20,069 --> 00:41:18,720
and they're the guardians of the temple

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00:41:21,829 --> 00:41:20,079
treasure and

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00:41:24,069 --> 00:41:21,839
you can ransom yourself out of a lot of

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00:41:26,470 --> 00:41:24,079
predicaments if you've got enough money

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00:41:28,710 --> 00:41:26,480
and i think what happened is josephus

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00:41:29,910 --> 00:41:28,720
said to vesuvius uh us to bespecially

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00:41:31,109 --> 00:41:29,920
i'm sorry that um

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00:41:33,270 --> 00:41:31,119
you know what i've got this temple

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00:41:34,630 --> 00:41:33,280
treasure and you need it if you want to

1252
00:41:37,270 --> 00:41:34,640
become emperor

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00:41:38,230 --> 00:41:37,280
here it is let me come back to rome with

1254
00:41:40,790 --> 00:41:38,240
you and eventually

1255
00:41:41,349 --> 00:41:40,800
he was adopted into the royal family

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00:41:42,870 --> 00:41:41,359
right

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00:41:44,390 --> 00:41:42,880
josephus was even though he was supposed

1258
00:41:47,430 --> 00:41:44,400
to be a jewish freedom fighter all of a

1259
00:41:50,230 --> 00:41:47,440
sudden he's adopted into the family

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00:41:51,670 --> 00:41:50,240
and and and the treasure is used to

1261
00:41:53,910 --> 00:41:51,680
bring about the next emperor

1262
00:41:55,750 --> 00:41:53,920
and so the deal is made that's a great

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00:41:57,750 --> 00:41:55,760

point david you just added something

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00:41:59,750 --> 00:41:57,760

really cool to that about the treasure

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00:42:01,030 --> 00:41:59,760

so i'm so glad you did that but here's

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00:42:01,990 --> 00:42:01,040

the here's the other thing i want to

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00:42:03,190 --> 00:42:02,000

kind of throw on the table

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00:42:07,589 --> 00:42:03,200

and see what you think because everyone

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00:42:09,030 --> 00:42:07,599

leaves this out josephus not only says

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00:42:11,430 --> 00:42:09,040

espaizi and you're going to be the next

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00:42:13,510 --> 00:42:11,440

emperor which is supposedly prophecy

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00:42:15,349 --> 00:42:13,520

but he also says the most important

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00:42:16,150 --> 00:42:15,359

thing in terms of a social engineering

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00:42:18,150 --> 00:42:16,160

conspiracy

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00:42:19,829 --> 00:42:18,160

kind of thing which it just clearly is

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00:42:22,470 --> 00:42:19,839

because in his autobiography

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00:42:23,030 --> 00:42:22,480

josephus says hey i am super jew you

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00:42:26,390 --> 00:42:23,040

know

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00:42:28,950 --> 00:42:26,400

at 14 years old i was in the temple

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00:42:30,630 --> 00:42:28,960

kind of talking down to the priest

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00:42:32,470 --> 00:42:30,640

telling him what it is because i knew

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00:42:34,309 --> 00:42:32,480

the jewish law so completely

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00:42:35,750 --> 00:42:34,319

which he kind of contradicts himself

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00:42:37,430 --> 00:42:35,760

later in his works because he doesn't

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00:42:38,230 --> 00:42:37,440

really even know the jewish laws he's

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00:42:40,230 --> 00:42:38,240

talking about it

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00:42:42,870 --> 00:42:40,240

but he wants his readers to think that

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00:42:44,790 --> 00:42:42,880

he's this kind of super jew from a very

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00:42:46,069 --> 00:42:44,800

exclusive family and he's seen all the

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00:42:47,670 --> 00:42:46,079

different tribes of

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00:42:49,430 --> 00:42:47,680

of israel and he knows there's the

1292

00:42:49,990 --> 00:42:49,440

zealots and he gets along with all of

1293

00:42:52,790 --> 00:42:50,000

them

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00:42:54,390 --> 00:42:52,800

it all builds up because what he says

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00:42:58,309 --> 00:42:54,400

and more of the jews

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00:43:01,670 --> 00:42:58,319

is that i now understand

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00:43:04,870 --> 00:43:01,680

that our tradition all our prophecies

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00:43:07,910 --> 00:43:04,880

point to vespasian as

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00:43:10,230 --> 00:43:07,920

the messiah and this is super

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00:43:11,430 --> 00:43:10,240

important and it's buried because again

1301
00:43:12,790 --> 00:43:11,440
it's one of these things that doesn't

1302
00:43:16,790 --> 00:43:12,800
fit in the story

1303
00:43:19,510 --> 00:43:16,800
because like you gave a very kind of uh

1304
00:43:21,190 --> 00:43:19,520
worldly explanation for the negotiation

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00:43:22,870 --> 00:43:21,200
he might have done which is awesome

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00:43:24,390 --> 00:43:22,880
about going to get the treasure but we

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00:43:25,510 --> 00:43:24,400
also have to look at from a spiritual

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00:43:28,550 --> 00:43:25,520
standpoint right

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00:43:29,270 --> 00:43:28,560
this is after all a spiritual guy who's

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00:43:31,910 --> 00:43:29,280
speaking to

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00:43:32,790 --> 00:43:31,920
a spiritual religious group and he's

1312
00:43:35,430 --> 00:43:32,800
saying

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00:43:36,109 --> 00:43:35,440

and he never backs down from this he's

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00:43:42,710 --> 00:43:36,119

saying

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00:43:43,670 --> 00:43:42,720

all of our jewish traditions should be

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00:43:47,349 --> 00:43:43,680

rewritten

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00:43:50,550 --> 00:43:47,359

so that vespasian and the emperor

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00:43:51,910 --> 00:43:50,560

and and this i think is really uh

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00:43:54,470 --> 00:43:51,920

a turning point for the whole thing

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00:43:56,710 --> 00:43:54,480

because it points to me clearly

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00:43:58,069 --> 00:43:56,720

an attempt to socially engineer to kind

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00:44:00,630 --> 00:43:58,079

of quell the masses

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00:44:01,990 --> 00:44:00,640

to re-engineer their religion as a way

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00:44:05,030 --> 00:44:02,000

of controlling that

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00:44:06,790 --> 00:44:05,040

do you remember coming across that in

1326
00:44:08,710 --> 00:44:06,800
josephus because i can send you

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00:44:10,790 --> 00:44:08,720
obviously the exact clip

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00:44:12,390 --> 00:44:10,800
so i'm more cynical about it than you

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00:44:14,069 --> 00:44:12,400
are because i think i think joseph was

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00:44:16,230 --> 00:44:14,079
basically

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00:44:17,750 --> 00:44:16,240
he got religion or spirituality because

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00:44:18,870 --> 00:44:17,760
he was on the verge of having commit

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00:44:20,390 --> 00:44:18,880
suicide

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00:44:21,990 --> 00:44:20,400
the rest of that story not only did he

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00:44:25,109 --> 00:44:22,000
save himself but he was able

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00:44:26,790 --> 00:44:25,119
to convince the romans to free about 200

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00:44:29,190 --> 00:44:26,800
of his friends and family

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00:44:31,270 --> 00:44:29,200

again you know these people were all

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00:44:32,790 --> 00:44:31,280

ready to be executed they were in

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00:44:34,790 --> 00:44:32,800

prison camps or whatever and he walks in

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00:44:36,230 --> 00:44:34,800

basically says you you you

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00:44:38,309 --> 00:44:36,240

and they're all free and they all get to

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00:44:39,589 --> 00:44:38,319

go back to rome with him so i think what

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00:44:41,910 --> 00:44:39,599

happened was

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00:44:43,910 --> 00:44:41,920

you know he sold his soul in that

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00:44:45,990 --> 00:44:43,920

situation it wasn't it wasn't a

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00:44:47,829 --> 00:44:46,000

spiritual transformation it was

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00:44:49,349 --> 00:44:47,839

basically self-preservation he said

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00:44:51,750 --> 00:44:49,359

my only chance to get out of this

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00:44:52,630 --> 00:44:51,760

predicament with my friends and family

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00:44:54,069 --> 00:44:52,640

by the way

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00:44:55,990 --> 00:44:54,079

we can all go back to rome and start

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00:44:57,349 --> 00:44:56,000

over again is i got to sell this guy

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00:45:00,710 --> 00:44:57,359

vespasian on the on

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00:45:03,990 --> 00:45:00,720

the belief that i think he's the next

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00:45:06,470 --> 00:45:04,000

the prophesied one whatever and and and

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00:45:07,910 --> 00:45:06,480

and how and make it happen and once i do

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00:45:09,910 --> 00:45:07,920

make it happen

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00:45:11,910 --> 00:45:09,920

now all of a sudden i'm the favorite son

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00:45:13,510 --> 00:45:11,920

and it turns out he was he was adopted

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00:45:15,670 --> 00:45:13,520

into the family he was given a

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00:45:16,710 --> 00:45:15,680

his own chalet he gets to write his

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00:45:18,309 --> 00:45:16,720

histories and

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00:45:19,589 --> 00:45:18,319

you know things are great but i guess

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00:45:21,430 --> 00:45:19,599

i'm more cynical about it i don't think

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00:45:23,750 --> 00:45:21,440

it was spiritual as much as it was

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00:45:24,470 --> 00:45:23,760

self-preservation we're kind of saying

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00:45:26,230 --> 00:45:24,480

the same thing

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00:45:27,990 --> 00:45:26,240

kind of a different way but not maybe

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00:45:30,870 --> 00:45:28,000

not exactly because

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00:45:32,150 --> 00:45:30,880

if you take the cynical approach and say

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00:45:34,790 --> 00:45:32,160

that it wasn't a genuine

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00:45:36,150 --> 00:45:34,800

spiritual transformation which i i would

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00:45:39,510 --> 00:45:36,160

agree with you

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00:45:40,309 --> 00:45:39,520

then i think it's hard to uh not say

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00:45:42,470 --> 00:45:40,319

that it was

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00:45:43,670 --> 00:45:42,480

engineered by the romans because this is

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00:45:46,230 --> 00:45:43,680

what the romans did

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00:45:48,069 --> 00:45:46,240

right with every territory they'd go in

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00:45:49,990 --> 00:45:48,079

and they'd co-opt the people's religion

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00:45:51,109 --> 00:45:50,000

they'd go in and say hey you know what

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00:45:53,750 --> 00:45:51,119

turns out

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00:45:55,750 --> 00:45:53,760

you have these gods we have kind of the

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00:45:56,470 --> 00:45:55,760

same god so you know we're really not

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00:46:00,309 --> 00:45:56,480

that different

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00:46:03,109 --> 00:46:00,319

after all so the idea of uh

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00:46:04,069 --> 00:46:03,119

this co-opting of your most sacred

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00:46:07,190 --> 00:46:04,079

beliefs

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00:46:09,910 --> 00:46:07,200

as a way of controlling you is kind of

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00:46:10,710 --> 00:46:09,920

well established so i think that that

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00:46:13,750 --> 00:46:10,720

becomes the

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00:46:15,910 --> 00:46:13,760

only way to understand josephus

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00:46:18,309 --> 00:46:15,920

is that he's writing on behalf of the

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00:46:21,589 --> 00:46:18,319

romans because otherwise he has no

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00:46:23,750 --> 00:46:21,599

he really has no uh reason to do this or

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00:46:24,950 --> 00:46:23,760

maybe put it a different way the

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00:46:28,150 --> 00:46:24,960

benefits

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00:46:30,390 --> 00:46:28,160

for rome for the potential of doing this

1399

00:46:31,990 --> 00:46:30,400

are just fantastic i think one of the

1400

00:46:34,309 --> 00:46:32,000

reasons that we don't

1401

00:46:36,230 --> 00:46:34,319

quite grab on to it so much is it's a

1402

00:46:38,550 --> 00:46:36,240

failed proposition right

1403

00:46:40,390 --> 00:46:38,560

even though they bring over he brings

1404

00:46:42,630 --> 00:46:40,400

over his 200 and they probably bring

1405

00:46:45,750 --> 00:46:42,640

over 50 000 slaves

1406

00:46:49,190 --> 00:46:45,760

there isn't this mass conversion to this

1407

00:46:51,510 --> 00:46:49,200

new idea that this bayesian is

1408

00:46:52,630 --> 00:46:51,520

is the messiah the jews don't leave

1409

00:46:55,750 --> 00:46:52,640

their religion

1410

00:46:58,630 --> 00:46:55,760

in masses as the second revolt says

1411

00:46:59,270 --> 00:46:58,640

but i think to to understand it as

1412

00:47:02,309 --> 00:46:59,280

anything

1413

00:47:06,390 --> 00:47:02,319

less than an attempt to

1414

00:47:09,109 --> 00:47:06,400

engineer the religion to re to co-opt it

1415

00:47:10,230 --> 00:47:09,119

i i to me that's kind of self-evident

1416

00:47:12,230 --> 00:47:10,240

what do you think

1417

00:47:13,589 --> 00:47:12,240

yeah yeah no i agree i i don't think you

1418

00:47:14,550 --> 00:47:13,599

and i disagree very much on this at all

1419

00:47:15,910 --> 00:47:14,560

i think we're

1420

00:47:17,589 --> 00:47:15,920

basically on the same page in the end it

1421

00:47:18,870 --> 00:47:17,599

didn't it didn't work i think partly

1422

00:47:22,150 --> 00:47:18,880

because espazian

1423

00:47:23,589 --> 00:47:22,160

died so quickly after that and and

1424

00:47:25,190 --> 00:47:23,599

you know partly because it's hard it's

1425

00:47:27,190 --> 00:47:25,200

hard to convince people

1426

00:47:28,390 --> 00:47:27,200

that there's a new it's one thing to

1427

00:47:29,910 --> 00:47:28,400

convince somebody that

1428

00:47:31,910 --> 00:47:29,920

that there's a prophecy that that he's

1429

00:47:33,430 --> 00:47:31,920

supposed to be the next emperor

1430

00:47:36,150 --> 00:47:33,440

it's another thing when you take the

1431

00:47:38,549 --> 00:47:36,160

next leap into the messiah and i know

1432

00:47:40,549 --> 00:47:38,559

that other

1433

00:47:43,030 --> 00:47:40,559

other other roman leaders tried to do

1434

00:47:46,870 --> 00:47:43,040

that but but that's a that's a tougher

1435

00:47:48,630 --> 00:47:46,880

leap and i you know it it worked like if

1436

00:47:49,910 --> 00:47:48,640

jesus was able to accomplish it so

1437

00:47:51,589 --> 00:47:49,920

it was the time period for this kind of

1438

00:47:52,950 --> 00:47:51,599

thing to have happened i don't think you

1439

00:47:55,430 --> 00:47:52,960

and i are too part of it

1440

00:47:56,309 --> 00:47:55,440

yeah and you know the whole thing about

1441

00:47:57,510 --> 00:47:56,319

jesus which

1442

00:48:00,309 --> 00:47:57,520

i don't want to get into because it kind

1443

00:48:03,670 --> 00:48:00,319

of distracts from the whole conversation

1444

00:48:04,069 --> 00:48:03,680

but i i think this part does cause us to

1445

00:48:07,750 --> 00:48:04,079

look

1446

00:48:10,630 --> 00:48:07,760

at uh the jesus narrative differently

1447

00:48:11,589 --> 00:48:10,640

as well because now they've tried it

1448

00:48:15,030 --> 00:48:11,599

they've tried

1449

00:48:17,030 --> 00:48:15,040

engineering the religion it doesn't work

1450

00:48:18,470 --> 00:48:17,040

in the new testament in the gospels we

1451

00:48:20,549 --> 00:48:18,480

wind up with a lot

1452

00:48:23,030 --> 00:48:20,559

josephus is all over the place right

1453

00:48:24,390 --> 00:48:23,040

josephus's historical accounts now show

1454

00:48:27,670 --> 00:48:24,400

up as prophecy

1455

00:48:29,589 --> 00:48:27,680

jesus is saying line for line almost

1456

00:48:31,750 --> 00:48:29,599

right out of the war of the jews only

1457

00:48:36,230 --> 00:48:31,760

now it's coming out as prophecy

1458

00:48:39,910 --> 00:48:36,240

rather than an historical account

1459

00:48:41,829 --> 00:48:39,920

so the the what the scholars will say

1460

00:48:44,630 --> 00:48:41,839

the biblical scholars will say is

1461

00:48:45,430 --> 00:48:44,640

the gospels are dependent on josephus it

1462

00:48:48,630 --> 00:48:45,440

looks like

1463

00:48:50,710 --> 00:48:48,640

they had access to josephus at least

1464

00:48:53,750 --> 00:48:50,720

during some rewrites of them that

1465

00:48:56,950 --> 00:48:53,760

because it's so closely tied to josephus

1466

00:48:59,109 --> 00:48:56,960

but in order to kind of shift it back to

1467

00:49:01,430 --> 00:48:59,119

your book america and what you're

1468

00:49:05,829 --> 00:49:01,440

speculating about in terms of the second

1469

00:49:10,390 --> 00:49:09,510

what do we think is how big of an

1470

00:49:12,470 --> 00:49:10,400

uprising

1471

00:49:13,589 --> 00:49:12,480

is it because the other thing i'm kind

1472

00:49:16,549 --> 00:49:13,599

of stumbling across

1473

00:49:17,349 --> 00:49:16,559

is that like josephus when he writes

1474

00:49:21,030 --> 00:49:17,359

that

1475

00:49:23,750 --> 00:49:21,040

i think he has a tendency to exaggerate

1476

00:49:25,190 --> 00:49:23,760

how big of a deal it was i mean the

1477

00:49:27,430 --> 00:49:25,200

romans are all about

1478

00:49:28,710 --> 00:49:27,440

going into foreign lands and then you

1479

00:49:30,069 --> 00:49:28,720

know they'll get their ass kicked for a

1480

00:49:31,910 --> 00:49:30,079

little while and then they'll just come

1481

00:49:32,309 --> 00:49:31,920

back and they'll seize the thing and you

1482

00:49:33,589 --> 00:49:32,319

know

1483

00:49:35,910 --> 00:49:33,599

they'll send in a couple hundred

1484

00:49:38,950 --> 00:49:35,920

thousand troops and it'll be over

1485

00:49:39,750 --> 00:49:38,960

i mean how many so first of all hard

1486

00:49:42,790 --> 00:49:39,760

numbers

1487

00:49:43,190 --> 00:49:42,800

do you know how many roman legions they

1488

00:49:46,230 --> 00:49:43,200

sent

1489

00:49:48,950 --> 00:49:46,240

into jerusalem to put down the second

1490

00:49:50,790 --> 00:49:48,960

rebellion i think there were eight or

1491

00:49:52,309 --> 00:49:50,800

nine so that would be 80 or 90 000

1492

00:49:53,190 --> 00:49:52,319

troops the ninth legion being one of

1493

00:49:54,870 --> 00:49:53,200

them so

1494

00:49:56,950 --> 00:49:54,880

what you said is is totally correct i

1495

00:49:57,270 --> 00:49:56,960

mean eventually the romans are just

1496

00:50:02,470 --> 00:49:57,280

gonna

1497

00:50:04,309 --> 00:50:02,480

we saw that in the first rebellion with

1498

00:50:07,270 --> 00:50:04,319

the uh with the assault on

1499

00:50:08,309 --> 00:50:07,280

mossad the the desert fortress and the

1500

00:50:10,630 --> 00:50:08,319

you know the high

1501
00:50:11,349 --> 00:50:10,640
eventually you just they just built a

1502
00:50:13,670 --> 00:50:11,359
ramp

1503
00:50:15,030 --> 00:50:13,680
and mowed them over but it takes time

1504
00:50:16,950 --> 00:50:15,040
and so and again that's what happened

1505
00:50:19,270 --> 00:50:16,960
during the varkapa uprising

1506
00:50:20,950 --> 00:50:19,280
is is that eventually you just you just

1507
00:50:21,510 --> 00:50:20,960
can't fight them off any longer they're

1508
00:50:25,750 --> 00:50:21,520
too

1509
00:50:26,069 --> 00:50:25,760
i do want to just circle back for a

1510
00:50:29,430 --> 00:50:26,079
second

1511
00:50:31,990 --> 00:50:29,440
back to to some of the evidence about um

1512
00:50:33,910 --> 00:50:32,000
we talked about the the hanukkah fort

1513
00:50:35,510 --> 00:50:33,920

but there's also a fascinating artifact

1514

00:50:36,630 --> 00:50:35,520

in tennessee which ties us all together

1515

00:50:37,030 --> 00:50:36,640

i don't want to get off before we're

1516

00:50:38,390 --> 00:50:37,040

done

1517

00:50:40,549 --> 00:50:38,400

and that's something called the bat

1518

00:50:41,030 --> 00:50:40,559

creek stone if you remember i said that

1519

00:50:50,309 --> 00:50:41,040

the

1520

00:50:51,990 --> 00:50:50,319

stone carving that was found by a

1521

00:50:53,109 --> 00:50:52,000

smithsonian archaeologist in the late

1522

00:50:55,589 --> 00:50:53,119

1800s

1523

00:50:56,950 --> 00:50:55,599

that was displayed at the smithsonian uh

1524

00:50:58,549 --> 00:50:56,960

upside down for

1525

00:51:00,230 --> 00:50:58,559

for a number of decades because i

1526

00:51:01,829 --> 00:51:00,240

thought it was cherokee script

1527

00:51:03,349 --> 00:51:01,839

it was found in a burial mound and it

1528

00:51:04,870 --> 00:51:03,359

was carbon dated

1529

00:51:07,190 --> 00:51:04,880

artifacts with it there we go where

1530

00:51:09,829 --> 00:51:07,200

carbon dated back to the second century

1531

00:51:11,270 --> 00:51:09,839

um in the 1950s a jewish scholar went in

1532

00:51:12,390 --> 00:51:11,280

and sort of turned her head upside down

1533

00:51:14,630 --> 00:51:12,400

and said wait a second

1534

00:51:15,910 --> 00:51:14,640

that's upside down that's paleo hebrew

1535

00:51:19,349 --> 00:51:15,920

second century hebrew

1536

00:51:21,510 --> 00:51:19,359

and that says a comet for the jews

1537

00:51:22,870 --> 00:51:21,520

and so this was like a huge thing

1538

00:51:24,309 --> 00:51:22,880

because i had known about this

1539

00:51:25,910 --> 00:51:24,319

artifact for quite a while and it's

1540

00:51:29,030 --> 00:51:25,920

always been one of those outliers

1541

00:51:32,150 --> 00:51:29,040

but now we've got the actual barkhopka

1542

00:51:33,270 --> 00:51:32,160

uprising battle cry carved on an

1543

00:51:35,510 --> 00:51:33,280

artifact

1544

00:51:37,750 --> 00:51:35,520

in the ohio river valley that we know

1545

00:51:40,309 --> 00:51:37,760

dates back to the second century

1546

00:51:41,670 --> 00:51:40,319

we've also got coins in the ohio river

1547

00:51:45,190 --> 00:51:41,680

valley that are roman

1548

00:51:47,670 --> 00:51:45,200

including in particular a barkhopka

1549

00:51:49,030 --> 00:51:47,680

uprising coin those are the ones from

1550

00:51:49,990 --> 00:51:49,040

the north shore of massachusetts i'm not

1551

00:51:53,430 --> 00:51:50,000

sure if i gave you a picture

1552

00:51:56,549 --> 00:51:53,440

of the uh those are also north shore but

1553

00:51:59,030 --> 00:51:56,559

the there's an actual barcode coin so

1554

00:52:00,309 --> 00:51:59,040

we have not just roman artifacts in the

1555

00:52:01,030 --> 00:52:00,319

ohio river valley but we have very

1556

00:52:03,109 --> 00:52:01,040

specific

1557

00:52:04,549 --> 00:52:03,119

artifacts that tie exactly to the

1558

00:52:05,829 --> 00:52:04,559

barkhopka uprising

1559

00:52:07,750 --> 00:52:05,839

and to me that's what that's what sort

1560

00:52:09,670 --> 00:52:07,760

of pushes over the edge it's like wow we

1561

00:52:12,790 --> 00:52:09,680

don't only have roman stuff but we have

1562

00:52:14,710 --> 00:52:12,800

second century judaica stuff but also

1563

00:52:15,910 --> 00:52:14,720

the the the the decalogue so the ten

1564

00:52:17,990 --> 00:52:15,920

commandments stone again

1565

00:52:18,950 --> 00:52:18,000

the ten commandments written around this

1566

00:52:20,710 --> 00:52:18,960

it's almost like a

1567

00:52:22,549 --> 00:52:20,720

channel clicker-like thing it says the

1568

00:52:23,990 --> 00:52:22,559

ten commands and moses in it

1569

00:52:26,470 --> 00:52:24,000

but again there's no reason for the

1570

00:52:28,150 --> 00:52:26,480

romans to have

1571

00:52:29,510 --> 00:52:28,160

fashioned these artifacts there had to

1572

00:52:32,230 --> 00:52:29,520

have been jews

1573

00:52:33,430 --> 00:52:32,240

with them and so we have these jewish

1574

00:52:37,109 --> 00:52:33,440

artifacts

1575

00:52:38,870 --> 00:52:37,119

again carbon dating the stand

1576
00:52:40,309 --> 00:52:38,880
to the second century tells us exactly

1577
00:52:42,309 --> 00:52:40,319
when that was carved

1578
00:52:44,069 --> 00:52:42,319
okay so dave let's start pulling

1579
00:52:46,069 --> 00:52:44,079
together some of the pieces this is fun

1580
00:52:47,430 --> 00:52:46,079
and it's kind of on the fly

1581
00:52:49,349 --> 00:52:47,440
i'm just picking your brain because you

1582
00:52:50,790 --> 00:52:49,359
know this stuff i feel like any anywhere

1583
00:52:55,190 --> 00:52:50,800
i go you're gonna have like

1584
00:52:57,270 --> 00:52:55,200
10 new ideas so the ninth legion

1585
00:52:58,870 --> 00:52:57,280
shows up and i even want to say like one

1586
00:53:00,790 --> 00:52:58,880
of the things that's interesting in that

1587
00:53:03,030 --> 00:53:00,800
and that when you start studying it

1588
00:53:04,390 --> 00:53:03,040

you immediately it ties back into this

1589

00:53:06,870 --> 00:53:04,400

uh

1590

00:53:08,470 --> 00:53:06,880

atlantic barrier right these guys are

1591

00:53:10,069 --> 00:53:08,480

floating all around you know

1592

00:53:11,990 --> 00:53:10,079

one day they're up in scotland the next

1593

00:53:15,190 --> 00:53:12,000

thing up redeploy

1594

00:53:17,349 --> 00:53:15,200

over to jerusalem okay no problem

1595

00:53:18,710 --> 00:53:17,359

i mean yeah that that's a tough trip

1596

00:53:20,549 --> 00:53:18,720

yeah yeah i mean

1597

00:53:22,309 --> 00:53:20,559

it's like no it's not crossing the

1598

00:53:25,670 --> 00:53:22,319

atlantic but you know it's like

1599

00:53:27,589 --> 00:53:25,680

just to just to have kind of a routine

1600

00:53:29,750 --> 00:53:27,599

redeployment it's not like the end of

1601
00:53:31,510 --> 00:53:29,760
the world to move the ninth legion down

1602
00:53:32,870 --> 00:53:31,520
there but what i really want to ask

1603
00:53:34,710 --> 00:53:32,880
and that that's why it took the romans

1604
00:53:35,349 --> 00:53:34,720
so long to put these rebellions down it

1605
00:53:37,030 --> 00:53:35,359
took

1606
00:53:38,630 --> 00:53:37,040
you know months and months or even years

1607
00:53:39,510 --> 00:53:38,640
to get your troops deployed eventually

1608
00:53:42,230 --> 00:53:39,520
you're going to win

1609
00:53:43,670 --> 00:53:42,240
but it just takes it takes a while to to

1610
00:53:44,230 --> 00:53:43,680
get everything together so yeah go ahead

1611
00:53:47,510 --> 00:53:44,240
sorry

1612
00:53:50,069 --> 00:53:47,520
no no exactly because this

1613
00:53:51,109 --> 00:53:50,079

this time thing is super important as

1614

00:53:53,430 --> 00:53:51,119

you point out

1615

00:53:54,150 --> 00:53:53,440

the other thing about that like you said

1616

00:53:56,710 --> 00:53:54,160

is that

1617

00:53:58,790 --> 00:53:56,720

you know the people in the know the

1618

00:54:00,950 --> 00:53:58,800

upper class the ruling class

1619

00:54:02,309 --> 00:54:00,960

the give unto rome what is rome playing

1620

00:54:03,990 --> 00:54:02,319

the smart moves

1621

00:54:05,990 --> 00:54:04,000

like you said they're looking this and

1622

00:54:09,030 --> 00:54:06,000

okay they're gonna mow us

1623

00:54:11,349 --> 00:54:09,040

down right so that's gonna happen

1624

00:54:13,829 --> 00:54:11,359

how do you think it works out if there

1625

00:54:15,910 --> 00:54:13,839

are eight or nine legions there

1626
00:54:17,670 --> 00:54:15,920
number one do you really do you think

1627
00:54:20,390 --> 00:54:17,680
that might be

1628
00:54:23,430 --> 00:54:20,400
a bit of an exaggeration do you think

1629
00:54:25,990 --> 00:54:23,440
there's any chance that the ninth legion

1630
00:54:27,190 --> 00:54:26,000
either gets there first and kind of

1631
00:54:30,549 --> 00:54:27,200
makes a deal

1632
00:54:33,030 --> 00:54:30,559
or because how would they make a deal

1633
00:54:33,589 --> 00:54:33,040
with all the other legions being there

1634
00:54:35,829 --> 00:54:33,599
is there

1635
00:54:38,630 --> 00:54:35,839
another part of that story maybe that

1636
00:54:39,910 --> 00:54:38,640
we're not getting

1637
00:54:41,349 --> 00:54:39,920
you know i don't i don't know we're

1638
00:54:42,870 --> 00:54:41,359

speculating here but i think it's you

1639

00:54:44,470 --> 00:54:42,880

know somebody's got to be the legion

1640

00:54:47,750 --> 00:54:44,480

that happens to take

1641

00:54:49,430 --> 00:54:47,760

the temple while other legions are doing

1642

00:54:50,309 --> 00:54:49,440

mop-up duty in the suburbs and other

1643

00:54:52,789 --> 00:54:50,319

legions are out

1644

00:54:53,990 --> 00:54:52,799

at masada or where you know it's just

1645

00:54:55,349 --> 00:54:54,000

somebody's got to be the legion that

1646

00:54:58,069 --> 00:54:55,359

happens to be

1647

00:54:59,670 --> 00:54:58,079

there that day and and and and the

1648

00:55:00,630 --> 00:54:59,680

priestly families are cowering in the

1649

00:55:02,470 --> 00:55:00,640

corner

1650

00:55:03,670 --> 00:55:02,480

saying time out we've got a waving our

1651
00:55:05,349 --> 00:55:03,680
wedge

1652
00:55:07,510 --> 00:55:05,359
waving our white flag saying we

1653
00:55:10,390 --> 00:55:07,520
surrender we want to make a deal

1654
00:55:11,030 --> 00:55:10,400
and now the deal is okay let us live and

1655
00:55:13,910 --> 00:55:11,040
we've got

1656
00:55:14,710 --> 00:55:13,920
access to all this gold and silver and

1657
00:55:16,710 --> 00:55:14,720
treasure

1658
00:55:17,910 --> 00:55:16,720
and we want to buy our freedom you got

1659
00:55:19,510 --> 00:55:17,920
to take us with you

1660
00:55:20,950 --> 00:55:19,520
and then it requires somebody in that

1661
00:55:23,270 --> 00:55:20,960
ninth legion to say

1662
00:55:24,470 --> 00:55:23,280
deal as opposed to no way we're bringing

1663
00:55:25,829 --> 00:55:24,480

it back to the emperor

1664

00:55:27,670 --> 00:55:25,839

so there's there's a human element

1665

00:55:28,470 --> 00:55:27,680

involved in this as well but for

1666

00:55:30,150 --> 00:55:28,480

whatever reason

1667

00:55:31,510 --> 00:55:30,160

i think the pieces fell together that

1668

00:55:32,630 --> 00:55:31,520

day it happened to be the right people

1669

00:55:35,829 --> 00:55:32,640

making the right deal

1670

00:55:36,630 --> 00:55:35,839

there was enough treasure to grease the

1671

00:55:38,630 --> 00:55:36,640

skids

1672

00:55:40,950 --> 00:55:38,640

they somehow knew where to go they had

1673

00:55:41,829 --> 00:55:40,960

either had blown off courts earlier or

1674

00:55:44,549 --> 00:55:41,839

somehow knew

1675

00:55:46,710 --> 00:55:44,559

about this land across the atlantic

1676
00:55:48,789 --> 00:55:46,720
somebody had maybe had been there maybe

1677
00:55:51,589 --> 00:55:48,799
don't forget the roman legions were

1678
00:55:54,789 --> 00:55:51,599
comprised of the conquered

1679
00:55:56,870 --> 00:55:54,799
phoenician and carthaginian

1680
00:55:58,230 --> 00:55:56,880
groups so they they they you know

1681
00:55:59,349 --> 00:55:58,240
they're like the borg and star track

1682
00:56:00,789 --> 00:55:59,359
they basically

1683
00:56:02,950 --> 00:56:00,799
they just take everybody in and that

1684
00:56:04,870 --> 00:56:02,960
becomes who they are and so

1685
00:56:06,549 --> 00:56:04,880
to the extent they would have the ninth

1686
00:56:08,069 --> 00:56:06,559
legion by the way was based in the

1687
00:56:08,870 --> 00:56:08,079
iberian peninsula so they would have had

1688
00:56:11,349 --> 00:56:08,880

plenty of

1689

00:56:12,470 --> 00:56:11,359

members who have family experience as

1690

00:56:14,470 --> 00:56:12,480

part of the

1691

00:56:15,990 --> 00:56:14,480

the punic wars and the carthaginians and

1692

00:56:18,789 --> 00:56:16,000

the phoenicians and history

1693

00:56:20,390 --> 00:56:18,799

of crossing the atlantic and navigating

1694

00:56:21,670 --> 00:56:20,400

all that all those skills have been part

1695

00:56:24,630 --> 00:56:21,680

of the ninth legion

1696

00:56:25,670 --> 00:56:24,640

so yeah again it's a speculative the

1697

00:56:29,030 --> 00:56:25,680

pieces

1698

00:56:32,309 --> 00:56:29,040

it's great can you speak to uh

1699

00:56:34,390 --> 00:56:32,319

the independence of of the

1700

00:56:36,230 --> 00:56:34,400

of the different legions you know again

1701

00:56:37,910 --> 00:56:36,240

this is kind of an interesting time

1702

00:56:40,950 --> 00:56:37,920

period

1703

00:56:43,190 --> 00:56:40,960

so vespasian follows nero and not

1704

00:56:43,990 --> 00:56:43,200

directly because in between vespasian

1705

00:56:46,789 --> 00:56:44,000

and nero is

1706

00:56:47,750 --> 00:56:46,799

this famous the four emperors in a year

1707

00:56:49,829 --> 00:56:47,760

kind of thing

1708

00:56:51,349 --> 00:56:49,839

which we all kind of gloss over and we

1709

00:56:53,990 --> 00:56:51,359

talk about these eras

1710

00:56:54,710 --> 00:56:54,000

like you were talking about the you know

1711

00:56:58,150 --> 00:56:54,720

obama

1712

00:56:59,829 --> 00:56:58,160

trump biden era you know you know like

1713

00:57:01,430 --> 00:56:59,839

these are completely different people

1714

00:57:03,750 --> 00:57:01,440

and all this but we kind of it

1715

00:57:05,109 --> 00:57:03,760

with our lens we kind of just put them

1716

00:57:08,150 --> 00:57:05,119

all down as one thing

1717

00:57:11,270 --> 00:57:08,160

but imagine four different emperors

1718

00:57:12,710 --> 00:57:11,280

in a year and when vespasian takes over

1719

00:57:14,470 --> 00:57:12,720

i know i'm going back a little bit but

1720

00:57:17,190 --> 00:57:14,480

this is the part that i know

1721

00:57:18,230 --> 00:57:17,200

it's it's a military thing right his

1722

00:57:20,390 --> 00:57:18,240

soldiers

1723

00:57:21,589 --> 00:57:20,400

kind of promote him because in the

1724

00:57:23,190 --> 00:57:21,599

streets of rome

1725

00:57:25,190 --> 00:57:23,200

there's basically these different

1726

00:57:27,270 --> 00:57:25,200

legions fighting over

1727

00:57:28,309 --> 00:57:27,280

who is gonna control and who is gonna

1728

00:57:30,710 --> 00:57:28,319

take power

1729

00:57:32,150 --> 00:57:30,720

so what have you learned about

1730

00:57:34,549 --> 00:57:32,160

particularly

1731

00:57:36,309 --> 00:57:34,559

you know the ninth legion are there are

1732

00:57:38,549 --> 00:57:36,319

they these kind of

1733

00:57:40,309 --> 00:57:38,559

breakaway kind of do it our own way kind

1734

00:57:43,030 --> 00:57:40,319

of guys does it fit does

1735

00:57:45,270 --> 00:57:43,040

what you're suggesting fit their

1736

00:57:46,789 --> 00:57:45,280

personality

1737

00:57:48,230 --> 00:57:46,799

one point on the space and the reason

1738

00:57:49,829 --> 00:57:48,240

his soldiers are so loyal to him is

1739

00:57:51,190 --> 00:57:49,839

because he was able to pay them

1740

00:57:52,789 --> 00:57:51,200

you know a lot of times these guys don't

1741

00:57:53,750 --> 00:57:52,799

get paid all of a sudden he's got the

1742

00:57:55,510 --> 00:57:53,760

temple treasures

1743

00:57:57,190 --> 00:57:55,520

he can start handing out bonuses and

1744

00:57:57,589 --> 00:57:57,200

everyone's like yeah yeah he's basing

1745

00:57:59,430 --> 00:57:57,599

okay

1746

00:58:01,670 --> 00:57:59,440

so that makes sense right you follow the

1747

00:58:02,789 --> 00:58:01,680

money okay as far as the ninth legion

1748

00:58:04,549 --> 00:58:02,799

goes

1749

00:58:05,829 --> 00:58:04,559

uh the ninth legion had been stationed

1750

00:58:08,230 --> 00:58:05,839

in

1751

00:58:09,349 --> 00:58:08,240

england for a couple of generations i

1752

00:58:12,150 --> 00:58:09,359

don't know the number of decades

1753

00:58:13,589 --> 00:58:12,160

many decades and so many of them were

1754

00:58:14,309 --> 00:58:13,599

were english in the sense that they

1755

00:58:17,349 --> 00:58:14,319

spoke

1756

00:58:19,829 --> 00:58:17,359

welsh they they they had uh

1757

00:58:21,510 --> 00:58:19,839

english cultural attributes and whatnot

1758

00:58:21,990 --> 00:58:21,520

and so when they go off to the middle

1759

00:58:24,549 --> 00:58:22,000

east

1760

00:58:25,990 --> 00:58:24,559

to put down the rebellion they have no

1761

00:58:26,390 --> 00:58:26,000

interest in staying there they probably

1762

00:58:28,549 --> 00:58:26,400

have

1763

00:58:29,430 --> 00:58:28,559

no real ties to rome at that point

1764

00:58:30,710 --> 00:58:29,440

they've been

1765

00:58:32,549 --> 00:58:30,720

generations worth of them they've

1766

00:58:33,670 --> 00:58:32,559

married local women in england they've

1767

00:58:35,510 --> 00:58:33,680

their kids have been raised in england

1768

00:58:37,030 --> 00:58:35,520

maybe they've been raised in england so

1769

00:58:39,829 --> 00:58:37,040

they're already inclined to go

1770

00:58:41,750 --> 00:58:39,839

back and not stay in the mediterranean

1771

00:58:43,990 --> 00:58:41,760

area because they're basically english

1772

00:58:44,950 --> 00:58:44,000

and what we find when we get to america

1773

00:58:47,829 --> 00:58:44,960

uh the

1774

00:58:49,349 --> 00:58:47,839

in in the ohio river valley not just

1775

00:58:52,870 --> 00:58:49,359

roman stuff we find

1776

00:58:55,990 --> 00:58:52,880

uh artifacts with welsh writing on it so

1777

00:58:57,349 --> 00:58:56,000

and welsh armor welsh skeletons so we

1778

00:58:59,430 --> 00:58:57,359

find a lot of stuff that

1779

00:59:01,190 --> 00:58:59,440

ties back to england because that's

1780

00:59:03,109 --> 00:59:01,200

where the ninth legion was based

1781

00:59:05,190 --> 00:59:03,119

and a lot of their cultural attributes

1782

00:59:07,109 --> 00:59:05,200

were english or welsh and so

1783

00:59:08,630 --> 00:59:07,119

that again that part of the story ties

1784

00:59:09,349 --> 00:59:08,640

together but it goes back to your

1785

00:59:10,870 --> 00:59:09,359

question which is

1786

00:59:13,030 --> 00:59:10,880

the ninth legion even though they're

1787

00:59:15,589 --> 00:59:13,040

quote-unquote roman doesn't mean they're

1788

00:59:16,549 --> 00:59:15,599

italian it just means they're part of

1789

00:59:18,230 --> 00:59:16,559

this umbrella

1790

00:59:20,309 --> 00:59:18,240

that was the roman empire which

1791

00:59:21,349 --> 00:59:20,319

essentially encompassed most for all of

1792

00:59:23,190 --> 00:59:21,359

europe and

1793

00:59:25,589 --> 00:59:23,200

middle east and africa northern africa i

1794

00:59:26,630 --> 00:59:25,599

mean it's huge so to be roman back then

1795

00:59:28,870 --> 00:59:26,640

really just meant

1796

00:59:31,990 --> 00:59:28,880

part of an empire but that wasn't your

1797

00:59:34,390 --> 00:59:32,000

ethnicity ethnicity necessarily

1798

00:59:35,349 --> 00:59:34,400

so dave we could we could go on and on

1799

00:59:37,430 --> 00:59:35,359

and i could

1800

00:59:38,789 --> 00:59:37,440

try and pepper you with questions and

1801
00:59:42,150 --> 00:59:38,799
learn more and more

1802
00:59:44,789 --> 00:59:42,160
but as far as the book america

1803
00:59:45,349 --> 00:59:44,799
roman facts in america which again is a

1804
00:59:47,589 --> 00:59:45,359
great

1805
00:59:49,030 --> 00:59:47,599
read and you can get the kindle version

1806
00:59:51,430 --> 00:59:49,040
for five bucks

1807
00:59:54,069 --> 00:59:51,440
or unlimited if you're kindle unlimited

1808
00:59:56,069 --> 00:59:54,079
you can actually read it for free

1809
00:59:58,950 --> 00:59:56,079
you can check out by the way i'm not

1810
01:00:00,710 --> 00:59:58,960
sure authors authors make a nice

1811
01:00:01,910 --> 01:00:00,720
royalty even when readers do it from

1812
01:00:03,349 --> 01:00:01,920
kindle unlimited i don't know if you

1813
01:00:05,829 --> 01:00:03,359

knew that or not but

1814

01:00:07,030 --> 01:00:05,839

um yeah yeah different as to whether

1815

01:00:08,870 --> 01:00:07,040

people buy the kindle or

1816

01:00:10,309 --> 01:00:08,880

read it on kindle unlimited i you know i

1817

01:00:11,670 --> 01:00:10,319

basically make the same so

1818

01:00:12,870 --> 01:00:11,680

not that i do this necessarily for the

1819

01:00:14,630 --> 01:00:12,880

money i try to make these books

1820

01:00:16,230 --> 01:00:14,640

affordable but you're not taking

1821

01:00:18,150 --> 01:00:16,240

anything out of an author's pocket if

1822

01:00:20,309 --> 01:00:18,160

you read it on kindle unlimited

1823

01:00:21,510 --> 01:00:20,319

great great to know i thought it was a

1824

01:00:23,910 --> 01:00:21,520

little bit less

1825

01:00:25,109 --> 01:00:23,920

uh especially marginally it's not it's

1826

01:00:27,670 --> 01:00:25,119

not a big difference

1827

01:00:28,309 --> 01:00:27,680

okay great so you know please do check

1828

01:00:30,630 --> 01:00:28,319

out uh

1829

01:00:32,470 --> 01:00:30,640

dave's work all those other great books

1830

01:00:34,230 --> 01:00:32,480

uh what what else do we want to tell

1831

01:00:36,870 --> 01:00:34,240

people do we want to leave them with

1832

01:00:38,309 --> 01:00:36,880

in terms of america i i realize we

1833

01:00:39,750 --> 01:00:38,319

haven't talked about it

1834

01:00:41,990 --> 01:00:39,760

i think we talked about it a lot but

1835

01:00:44,710 --> 01:00:42,000

what else do we do

1836

01:00:46,150 --> 01:00:44,720

sure yeah so um as you said kindle or

1837

01:00:48,630 --> 01:00:46,160

paperback version

1838

01:00:50,549 --> 01:00:48,640

uh i try to keep them affordable as you

1839

01:00:52,230 --> 01:00:50,559

said 15 bucks for the paperback and less

1840

01:00:53,829 --> 01:00:52,240

than five bucks for the kindle

1841

01:00:55,270 --> 01:00:53,839

i could make a lot more money practicing

1842

01:00:55,990 --> 01:00:55,280

off that's what i was doing it for you

1843

01:00:58,549 --> 01:00:56,000

know that's not my

1844

01:01:00,069 --> 01:00:58,559

agenda but my i i am passionate about

1845

01:01:02,710 --> 01:01:00,079

this and i do

1846

01:01:04,150 --> 01:01:02,720

want other people to start focusing in

1847

01:01:05,750 --> 01:01:04,160

on the idea that

1848

01:01:07,829 --> 01:01:05,760

the history that we've been taught

1849

01:01:08,470 --> 01:01:07,839

really isn't as accurate as it could be

1850

01:01:10,870 --> 01:01:08,480

and that

1851
01:01:12,069 --> 01:01:10,880
there are waves of explorers who've been

1852
01:01:13,589 --> 01:01:12,079
crossing the atlantic

1853
01:01:15,589 --> 01:01:13,599
long before columbus i think that's an

1854
01:01:17,270 --> 01:01:15,599
important part of understanding who we

1855
01:01:17,829 --> 01:01:17,280
are and what the what the world history

1856
01:01:20,230 --> 01:01:17,839
is

1857
01:01:22,069 --> 01:01:20,240
um so you know i always want to sort of

1858
01:01:24,549 --> 01:01:22,079
make that

1859
01:01:25,829 --> 01:01:24,559
commentary at the end but um i'd love to

1860
01:01:27,670 --> 01:01:25,839
hear from readers if you have any

1861
01:01:29,190 --> 01:01:27,680
feedback if you have questions if you

1862
01:01:30,470 --> 01:01:29,200
if you have artifacts i think one of the

1863
01:01:31,270 --> 01:01:30,480

things we didn't talk about today i'll

1864

01:01:33,589 --> 01:01:31,280

talk real quickly

1865

01:01:34,870 --> 01:01:33,599

is just two days ago i got an email from

1866

01:01:37,109 --> 01:01:34,880

a guy down in

1867

01:01:37,910 --> 01:01:37,119

the shenandoah valley in virginia who

1868

01:01:41,349 --> 01:01:37,920

found

1869

01:01:44,789 --> 01:01:41,359

an ancient uh ironworks

1870

01:01:45,910 --> 01:01:44,799

uh facility there and he carbonated the

1871

01:01:48,309 --> 01:01:45,920

bricks

1872

01:01:49,190 --> 01:01:48,319

he caught he did uh luminescence testing

1873

01:01:51,589 --> 01:01:49,200

on the bricks

1874

01:01:52,870 --> 01:01:51,599

second century and he was always already

1875

01:01:54,309 --> 01:01:52,880

convinced that they were roman and this

1876

01:01:55,670 --> 01:01:54,319

guy came back second century

1877

01:01:57,349 --> 01:01:55,680

and he was all excited because my

1878

01:01:59,270 --> 01:01:57,359

research book ends his and i'm all

1879

01:02:00,230 --> 01:01:59,280

excited because there's another artifact

1880

01:02:01,750 --> 01:02:00,240

and so

1881

01:02:03,349 --> 01:02:01,760

you know readers if you read my stuff

1882

01:02:05,270 --> 01:02:03,359

and you've got stuff in your backyard

1883

01:02:06,710 --> 01:02:05,280

give me a call let me know because it

1884

01:02:07,430 --> 01:02:06,720

might all fit together another puzzle

1885

01:02:10,069 --> 01:02:07,440

piece

1886

01:02:11,910 --> 01:02:10,079

added to the gestalt there yeah

1887

01:02:16,309 --> 01:02:11,920

absolutely i'd go so far as to say

1888

01:02:18,230 --> 01:02:16,319

this is the the future of

1889

01:02:20,470 --> 01:02:18,240

really the the breakthrough work in this

1890

01:02:21,430 --> 01:02:20,480

area and we have to kind of recondition

1891

01:02:23,270 --> 01:02:21,440

ourselves

1892

01:02:24,870 --> 01:02:23,280

and say goodbye to academia because

1893

01:02:25,829 --> 01:02:24,880

every once in a while they'll stumble on

1894

01:02:28,710 --> 01:02:25,839

something and it'll

1895

01:02:29,190 --> 01:02:28,720

trickle out of their corrupt machine but

1896

01:02:30,950 --> 01:02:29,200

really

1897

01:02:32,470 --> 01:02:30,960

this is the way that information is

1898

01:02:33,910 --> 01:02:32,480

going to go is going to come out

1899

01:02:36,789 --> 01:02:33,920

and i think we just need to change our

1900

01:02:39,990 --> 01:02:36,799

focus and not be so surprised

1901

01:02:41,670 --> 01:02:40,000

you know oh my god you know dave brody

1902

01:02:42,390 --> 01:02:41,680

an attorney has written this we have to

1903

01:02:44,390 --> 01:02:42,400

go

1904

01:02:46,789 --> 01:02:44,400

now the other system is completely

1905

01:02:50,069 --> 01:02:46,799

corrupt and completely

1906

01:02:51,829 --> 01:02:50,079

rigged to project a certain narrative so

1907

01:02:53,510 --> 01:02:51,839

yeah that's where you would expect it to

1908

01:02:55,349 --> 01:02:53,520

come out

1909

01:02:56,630 --> 01:02:55,359

yeah you know the lon salmetto site in

1910

01:02:58,630 --> 01:02:56,640

northern new finland

1911

01:02:59,829 --> 01:02:58,640

they were amateur archaeologists he was

1912

01:03:01,750 --> 01:02:59,839

an attorney

1913

01:03:02,950 --> 01:03:01,760

that you know they had to drag the

1914

01:03:04,789 --> 01:03:02,960

mainstream

1915

01:03:06,150 --> 01:03:04,799

archaeology community kicking and

1916

01:03:07,109 --> 01:03:06,160

screaming up there

1917

01:03:09,750 --> 01:03:07,119

you know they wouldn't didn't want to

1918

01:03:11,510 --> 01:03:09,760

come look at it but it's it seems to be

1919

01:03:12,789 --> 01:03:11,520

like you said it seems to always be the

1920

01:03:15,910 --> 01:03:12,799

amateurs

1921

01:03:16,549 --> 01:03:15,920

who are pushing the pushing the envelope

1922

01:03:18,789 --> 01:03:16,559

on this and

1923

01:03:20,309 --> 01:03:18,799

and and and and the professionals who

1924

01:03:23,510 --> 01:03:20,319

get dragged along

1925

01:03:24,630 --> 01:03:23,520

you know has it hesitantly but yeah i

1926

01:03:26,069 --> 01:03:24,640

think you're right about that alex i

1927

01:03:28,549 --> 01:03:26,079

think i think this is the wave this kind

1928

01:03:31,029 --> 01:03:28,559

of research is the wave of the future

1929

01:03:32,470 --> 01:03:31,039

dave great work and thanks again so much

1930

01:03:33,670 --> 01:03:32,480

for joining me on skeptical it's been

1931

01:03:35,029 --> 01:03:33,680

great my pleasure you're

1932

01:03:37,270 --> 01:03:35,039

a great host thank you for having me i

1933

01:03:39,270 --> 01:03:37,280

appreciate it thanks again to dave brody

1934

01:03:40,950 --> 01:03:39,280

for joining me on skeptico

1935

01:03:42,870 --> 01:03:40,960

check out his book america i think you

1936

01:03:46,390 --> 01:03:42,880

really enjoy it it's a great read

1937

01:03:49,430 --> 01:03:46,400

and as i mentioned a lot of great

1938

01:03:50,630 --> 01:03:49,440

historical references and links if you

1939

01:03:52,470 --> 01:03:50,640

have the kindle version

1940

01:03:53,750 --> 01:03:52,480

you just tap and you can write over to

1941

01:03:56,390 --> 01:03:53,760

the real

1942

01:03:58,630 --> 01:03:56,400

archaeological finds and other

1943

01:04:00,150 --> 01:03:58,640

information that he has in there so do

1944

01:04:03,829 --> 01:04:00,160

check that out

1945

01:04:07,430 --> 01:04:03,839

question to tee up from this interview

1946

01:04:10,549 --> 01:04:07,440

oh boy i don't even know where to begin

1947

01:04:12,789 --> 01:04:10,559

maybe this one a simple one how fake do

1948

01:04:16,870 --> 01:04:12,799

you think this history is

1949

01:04:20,710 --> 01:04:16,880

and part two skeptico

1950

01:04:23,750 --> 01:04:20,720

second level is why is it fake

1951

01:04:26,470 --> 01:04:23,760

why is this history so fake

1952

01:04:27,190 --> 01:04:26,480

why do they care about keeping this

1953

01:04:29,589 --> 01:04:27,200

history

1954

01:04:31,990 --> 01:04:29,599

fake oh boy i'm tipping my hand and

1955

01:04:34,549 --> 01:04:32,000

where i intend to go on this stuff

1956

01:04:36,069 --> 01:04:34,559

let me know your thoughts talk to me

1957

01:04:38,470 --> 01:04:36,079

talk to me out there

1958

01:04:39,750 --> 01:04:38,480

skeptical form or wherever you reach me