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**CONSPIRACY
THEORIES IN
ACADEMIA**

#525-SCOTT-SHAY



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00:00:06,070 --> 00:00:03,830
my deepest sorrows about your government

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00:00:08,470 --> 00:00:06,080
ran the camps together she was through

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00:00:11,589 --> 00:00:08,480
all that just to be shot in the living

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00:00:17,590 --> 00:00:13,669
nazis jonah

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00:00:20,230 --> 00:00:17,600
god damn nazis

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00:00:22,870 --> 00:00:20,240
that's al pacino from the amazon series

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00:00:23,950 --> 00:00:22,880
hunters about a group of modern day nazi

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00:00:28,070 --> 00:00:23,960
hunters

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00:00:30,710 --> 00:00:28,080
spoiler alert al pacino isn't quite what

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00:00:33,670 --> 00:00:30,720
he seems to be in that little clip there

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00:00:35,590 --> 00:00:33,680
although isn't that a perfect theme set

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00:00:36,709 --> 00:00:35,600
up for this show in general and for this

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00:00:39,190 --> 00:00:36,719

episode

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things aren't always what they see

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take for example today's guest the very

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excellent and well spoken scott shea

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00:00:48,869 --> 00:00:46,640

who's written a book called conspiracy u

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00:00:50,790 --> 00:00:48,879

now you know or you might know from

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00:00:53,189 --> 00:00:50,800

listening to this show that i have a

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00:00:55,430 --> 00:00:53,199

special affinity for successful business

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00:00:59,029 --> 00:00:55,440

people who then venture into these kind

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00:01:01,910 --> 00:00:59,039

of intellectual pursuits like scott does

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00:01:03,029 --> 00:01:01,920

this guy is sharp and he's worldly in a

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00:01:05,590 --> 00:01:03,039

lot of ways

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00:01:07,990 --> 00:01:05,600

and as you'll see in this dialogue he's

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00:01:09,990 --> 00:01:08,000

able to quickly kind of cut through a

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00:01:11,910 --> 00:01:10,000

lot of the chaff and get down to talking

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00:01:15,109 --> 00:01:11,920

about real stuff

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00:01:17,910 --> 00:01:15,119

and we talk about plenty of real stuff

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00:01:20,550 --> 00:01:17,920

in this interview here are some clips

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00:01:23,190 --> 00:01:20,560

i do run across people now and then who

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00:01:24,870 --> 00:01:23,200

have the whole hoax thing and it pops up

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00:01:27,030 --> 00:01:24,880

in sometimes the strangest way i'll talk

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00:01:29,030 --> 00:01:27,040

to people and i'll think we're having a

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00:01:31,030 --> 00:01:29,040

good conversation and then i find out

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00:01:33,910 --> 00:01:31,040

this part i've talked to folks just like

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00:01:35,350 --> 00:01:33,920

that too who are and i talk about folks

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00:01:37,670 --> 00:01:35,360

in the book who are

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have phds in something

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00:01:43,190 --> 00:01:40,960

they're not dummies and yet when it

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00:01:45,190 --> 00:01:43,200

comes to believing in a conspiracy

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theory about the jew arthur butts who's

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00:01:49,030 --> 00:01:46,479

a professor of engineering at

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00:01:50,149 --> 00:01:49,040

northwestern university as tenure

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00:01:51,990 --> 00:01:50,159

claims

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that everything that happened to my

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00:01:54,870 --> 00:01:53,920

father and everybody else was just a

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00:01:57,350 --> 00:01:54,880

myth

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00:02:00,149 --> 00:01:57,360

designed by zionists with political

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motivation and that these jews were so

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00:02:05,510 --> 00:02:02,640
smart that they were able to place

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00:02:07,910 --> 00:02:05,520
thousands of false documents

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00:02:09,749 --> 00:02:07,920
sadly what happens on campus no longer

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00:02:10,790 --> 00:02:09,759
stays on campus

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00:02:13,430 --> 00:02:10,800
these

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00:02:15,190 --> 00:02:13,440
theories are becoming much more

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00:02:16,949 --> 00:02:15,200
ubiquitous

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00:02:19,030 --> 00:02:16,959
they are infiltrating in some areas into

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00:02:20,070 --> 00:02:19,040
the investment world this whole bds

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00:02:23,110 --> 00:02:20,080
movement

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00:02:24,550 --> 00:02:23,120
a boycott this divest and sanction is a

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00:02:26,150 --> 00:02:24,560
direct

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00:02:27,830 --> 00:02:26,160

heir to

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what happened on campus

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00:02:31,830 --> 00:02:28,959

let's go to something a little bit

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harder because the other i guess concern

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i had with the book

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00:02:37,430 --> 00:02:34,720

is that

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00:02:40,309 --> 00:02:37,440

you know when i think of anti-zionist

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00:02:42,229 --> 00:02:40,319

conspiracy theories i think of this

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00:02:44,869 --> 00:02:42,239

gislane maxwell and her pedophile lover

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jeffrey upstein were both israeli spies

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who took pictures of powerful men having

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00:02:52,710 --> 00:02:50,080

sex with underage girls to blackmail

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00:02:55,110 --> 00:02:52,720

them their alleged mossad handler has

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00:02:58,229 --> 00:02:55,120
sensationally claimed now i would just

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00:02:59,910 --> 00:02:58,239
add that that alleged mossad handler

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00:03:02,070 --> 00:02:59,920
kind of stands up to scrutiny pretty

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00:03:03,750 --> 00:03:02,080
well he was tried in court and was

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00:03:06,550 --> 00:03:03,760
actually acquitted because he showed

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00:03:09,350 --> 00:03:06,560
that he was an agent of israel in his

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00:03:11,589 --> 00:03:09,360
arms dealing well look first of all i'd

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00:03:12,949 --> 00:03:11,599
like to say this

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00:03:14,869 --> 00:03:12,959
what happened

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00:03:17,830 --> 00:03:14,879
with the anti-zionists

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00:03:19,990 --> 00:03:17,840
say is something separate i mean there

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00:03:21,509 --> 00:03:20,000
by the way i have no idea if that's

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00:03:23,110 --> 00:03:21,519

right wrong or different i've never

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00:03:24,550 --> 00:03:23,120

heard that or seen that before you put

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00:03:27,030 --> 00:03:24,560

it up on the screen

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00:03:28,869 --> 00:03:27,040

so i don't i don't express any opinion

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but i will say this

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the united states has done despicable

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things a lot of countries do despicable

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things

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so i think this is a really good

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interview from a really terrific guest

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who's willing to go there and engage on

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00:03:46,869 --> 00:03:44,319

stuff and talk in a very unscripted way

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00:03:48,390 --> 00:03:46,879

like this hats off to scott shea for

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00:03:50,869 --> 00:03:48,400
doing that so

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00:03:53,830 --> 00:03:50,879
here's the thing if you like this

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00:03:56,070 --> 00:03:53,840
interview if you agree with me that this

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00:03:58,309 --> 00:03:56,080
is unique you're not going to find

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00:04:01,110 --> 00:03:58,319
another interview like this well

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00:04:02,550 --> 00:04:01,120
anywhere i listen to a ton of podcasts i

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00:04:04,949 --> 00:04:02,560
don't hear

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00:04:07,750 --> 00:04:04,959
very many interviews like this

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00:04:10,149 --> 00:04:07,760
share this interview with other people

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00:04:12,309 --> 00:04:10,159
let's let other people know that these

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00:04:15,750 --> 00:04:12,319
kind of dialogues these kind of

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00:04:18,069 --> 00:04:15,760
challenging dialogues are happening on

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00:04:20,789 --> 00:04:18,079

the internet that's my mission to make

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00:04:22,870 --> 00:04:20,799

that happen and to make it happen i need

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00:04:25,430 --> 00:04:22,880

your help you know in the last episode i

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00:04:27,430 --> 00:04:25,440

asked people to reach out a little bit

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00:04:30,150 --> 00:04:27,440

to share the skeptical thing with other

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00:04:32,230 --> 00:04:30,160

people and you did i'm really really

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00:04:35,909 --> 00:04:32,240

grateful that you did so i'm going to

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00:04:38,950 --> 00:04:35,919

ask you to do it again take a moment

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and do what you can to let people know

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that we're out there we're holding down

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00:04:46,390 --> 00:04:43,040

the fort in terms of these

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00:04:50,070 --> 00:04:46,400

next level intelligent dialogues slash

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00:04:52,310 --> 00:04:50,080

debates about real important stuff

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00:04:53,830 --> 00:04:52,320
okay that's my pitch remember there's no

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00:04:55,350 --> 00:04:53,840
strings attached there's no money

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00:04:57,189 --> 00:04:55,360
changing hands there's no firewall

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00:04:59,110 --> 00:04:57,199
there's no advertising there's no

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00:05:00,710 --> 00:04:59,120
nothing go buy scott's book if you want

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00:05:03,110 --> 00:05:00,720
to spend anybody do that but you don't

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00:05:04,230 --> 00:05:03,120
have to give me anything just share the

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00:05:06,790 --> 00:05:04,240
ideas

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00:05:08,629 --> 00:05:06,800
okay here's the interview

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00:05:10,950 --> 00:05:08,639
welcome to skeptico where we explore

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00:05:13,350 --> 00:05:10,960
controversial science and spirituality

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00:05:15,749 --> 00:05:13,360
with leading researchers thinkers and

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00:05:17,510 --> 00:05:15,759

their critics i'm your host alex akaris

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and well today

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we have a good one

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super successful business leader banker

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and author scott shea is here to talk

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about his new book

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conspiracy u

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scott is the co-founder and chairman of

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signature bank in new york a very very

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00:05:36,710 --> 00:05:34,720

substantial bank

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he has an undergraduate and mba from

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northwestern i mention that particularly

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because it is relevant to this story as

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00:05:46,870 --> 00:05:44,880
we go on scott welcome to skeptico thank

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00:05:48,230 --> 00:05:46,880
you so much for joining me

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00:05:50,550 --> 00:05:48,240
alex thank you for having me on your

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00:05:51,350 --> 00:05:50,560
show it's great

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00:05:53,909 --> 00:05:51,360
so

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00:05:57,110 --> 00:05:53,919
scott when we start just tell people the

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basic premise of the book

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00:06:07,590 --> 00:06:04,479
conspiracy theories from both the far

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00:06:08,950 --> 00:06:07,600
left and far right are masquerading as

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00:06:11,189 --> 00:06:08,960
scholarship

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00:06:13,749 --> 00:06:11,199
at universities including my own

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00:06:16,950 --> 00:06:13,759
northwestern university

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00:06:18,629 --> 00:06:16,960

and these conspiracy theories

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00:06:21,430 --> 00:06:18,639

are not just about jews but there are

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00:06:27,909 --> 00:06:21,440

plenty of them about jews and zionism

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things that make no sense are passed off

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as academic research at fancy

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universities

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great i'll tell you what can you tell us

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a little bit about your father i think

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it's

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actually there's some important history

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there that i learned that i didn't know

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before and it certainly plays into one

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of the

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most important conspiracy theories that

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we might talk about a little bit

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yep

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well my father grew up in spectrum

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lithuania

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and

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he was when the nazis came in in 1941 he

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was it was just before he was going to

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turn 14.

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his father was murdered

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practically before his eyes his

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brothers his aunts his uncles and almost

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all of his cousins were murdered my

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closest relative on his side is a second

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00:07:19,909 --> 00:07:17,440

cousin once removed

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the bad news was and the really really

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bad news is that decades of conspiracy

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theories and of boycotts of jews and

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sphexner

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led everybody to think that these jews

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no matter how nice these local jews are

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they're part of some evil cabal and once

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the nazis came in every last jew was

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handed over in svexner nobody escaped

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so that's the little bit that i guess

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i've heard about but

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your story and i don't know if it was in

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the book or i read in another interview

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did kind of added to that you know

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i mean tragically

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this was an enabling

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kind of thing that was going on in

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lithuania that really propelled that and

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then you know

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i do run across people now and then who

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have the hula hoax thing and it pops up

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in sometimes the strangest way i'll talk

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to people and i'll think we're having a

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good conversation about something that

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we both

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00:08:17,430 --> 00:08:15,599

believe in or think we believe in or

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want to explore and then i find out this

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00:08:21,990 --> 00:08:19,440

part and i always

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kind of am surprised but then

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the actual history

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not of your father but that same period

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is what i refer people to because

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because what what happens to your dad

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so here's a thing to that i

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and and unfortunately in this process

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i've talked to folks just like that too

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who are and i talk about folks in the

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book who are

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have phds in something

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they're not dummies

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and yet when it comes to believing in a

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conspiracy theory about the jew arthur

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butts who's a professor of engineering

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at northwestern university as tenure

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claims

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that everything that happened to my

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father and everybody else was just a

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designed by zionists with political

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motivation and that these jews were so

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smart that they were able to place

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thousands of false documents

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they were able to in his words

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bamboozled germans to confess to

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committing crimes against humanity just

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because the jews were so good at

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gaslighting

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they were able to um and another it's a

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it's a word of his bamboozle or hoodwink

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the judges at nuremberg who there were a

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few jews on the margins who convinced

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these

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otherwise smart jurists

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that

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tragedy among the jews when at most at

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most you would say and this is a tenured

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professor at northwestern university at

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most it was a

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a typhoid break a typhoid outbreak

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bought brought by some russians who were

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also

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prisoners of war and he states that the

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only reason the jews were put into camps

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was for their own protection hitler

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wanted to make sure that no one would

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bother the jews

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when you think about it you have to

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dismiss all the evidence

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in order to believe what he's saying and

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strangely

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about 11 percent of millennials think

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that that's the case

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so in the case of your dad if i have the

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story right he's in dachau horrible

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horrible concentration camp he's

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liberated in april of 1945 he weighs 60

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pounds but the facts that we know is

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like hey one of the only reasons doc how

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is what it is and it's shown for what it

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is to the world is because patton's kind

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00:10:46,630 --> 00:10:43,680

of charging through with his tanks

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00:10:49,350 --> 00:10:46,640

famously not not to rescue necessarily

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00:10:51,509 --> 00:10:49,360

dachau but that was the strategy of the

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00:10:52,550 --> 00:10:51,519

americans at this point but then you

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00:10:55,030 --> 00:10:52,560

know like

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00:10:57,430 --> 00:10:55,040

i tell people who you know you can go

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00:10:59,829 --> 00:10:57,440

online and find like a guy who's still

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00:11:02,870 --> 00:10:59,839

alive was 19 at the time was just a u.s

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00:11:04,870 --> 00:11:02,880

soldier serving with patton and he says

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00:11:06,310 --> 00:11:04,880

yeah i was there it was horrible and

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00:11:07,910 --> 00:11:06,320

patton just like you hear this story

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00:11:10,069 --> 00:11:07,920

patton went into town and grabbed the

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00:11:12,069 --> 00:11:10,079

mayor and grabbed the people in town and

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00:11:14,550 --> 00:11:12,079

made a march through the camp he says

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00:11:17,509 --> 00:11:14,560

this is a real story i was there i saw

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00:11:19,350 --> 00:11:17,519

it and then eisenhower dwight our became

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00:11:20,630 --> 00:11:19,360

our future president came to the camp

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00:11:22,630 --> 00:11:20,640

and was

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00:11:24,389 --> 00:11:22,640

a guy who was seasoned in war was just

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00:11:26,550 --> 00:11:24,399

so horrified that he was literally

301
00:11:29,190 --> 00:11:26,560
throwing up you know this guy had seen a

302
00:11:31,269 --> 00:11:29,200
lot of stuff and he was throwing up at

303
00:11:33,350 --> 00:11:31,279
the site of it so

304
00:11:35,110 --> 00:11:33,360
i think it just i don't want to hammer

305
00:11:37,509 --> 00:11:35,120
that too much because i got some other

306
00:11:39,670 --> 00:11:37,519
stuff for you that might not jive with

307
00:11:42,150 --> 00:11:39,680
all of your stuff but number away on

308
00:11:43,590 --> 00:11:42,160
that i mean my father if he if he hadn't

309
00:11:46,470 --> 00:11:43,600
been liberated

310
00:11:48,550 --> 00:11:46,480
in those days or at most a few weeks

311
00:11:50,550 --> 00:11:48,560
he'd have been dead and he the only

312
00:11:51,829 --> 00:11:50,560
reason he's alive today i'm alive today

313
00:11:53,990 --> 00:11:51,839

is because

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00:11:56,389 --> 00:11:54,000

american soldiers

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00:11:59,509 --> 00:11:56,399

brought him to a field hospital

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00:12:01,670 --> 00:11:59,519

otherwise he'd be dead i mean my father

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00:12:03,990 --> 00:12:01,680

was a great patriot because

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00:12:05,190 --> 00:12:04,000

the americans saved them and they did it

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00:12:08,470 --> 00:12:05,200

out of the goodness of their heart it

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00:12:10,790 --> 00:12:08,480

took him a year to be fully recovered

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00:12:13,430 --> 00:12:10,800

oh i can i can only imagine

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00:12:15,670 --> 00:12:13,440

okay so that's an important

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00:12:17,750 --> 00:12:15,680

history because it's your personal

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00:12:19,430 --> 00:12:17,760

history but it's also just as it ties

325

00:12:21,750 --> 00:12:19,440

into the book it's just an important

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00:12:23,430 --> 00:12:21,760

history to know because there are people

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00:12:25,269 --> 00:12:23,440

i wasn't aware that figure that you

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00:12:28,389 --> 00:12:25,279

threw out but it's stunning to think

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00:12:30,710 --> 00:12:28,399

that 11 of millennials would believe the

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00:12:32,710 --> 00:12:30,720

hula hoax thing because it's just a

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00:12:34,870 --> 00:12:32,720

silly conspiracy theory and that's what

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00:12:37,430 --> 00:12:34,880

i want to talk about next because

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00:12:39,269 --> 00:12:37,440

this book of yours conspiracy u

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00:12:41,030 --> 00:12:39,279

talks about maybe you want to before we

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00:12:43,750 --> 00:12:41,040

get there

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00:12:45,910 --> 00:12:43,760

you know tell us about the main

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00:12:48,069 --> 00:12:45,920

conspiracy that you're driving at

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00:12:49,590 --> 00:12:48,079

because it's it the one that you detail

339

00:12:50,710 --> 00:12:49,600

in the book and talk about i found

340

00:12:53,670 --> 00:12:50,720

rather

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00:12:55,590 --> 00:12:53,680

obscure within the realm of conspiracy

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00:12:58,629 --> 00:12:55,600

theory but obviously it's one that you

343

00:12:59,910 --> 00:12:58,639

think is important is it the one that

344

00:13:01,350 --> 00:12:59,920

you mentioned there's other ones you

345

00:13:02,710 --> 00:13:01,360

mentioned in the book which ones do you

346

00:13:04,790 --> 00:13:02,720

really want to highlight

347

00:13:07,590 --> 00:13:04,800

well i you know it's the anti-zionism

348

00:13:10,550 --> 00:13:07,600

one is a conspiracy theory now you can

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00:13:13,509 --> 00:13:10,560

be for the jewish state you can think

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00:13:15,829 --> 00:13:13,519

israel's good israel's not so good but

351
00:13:16,949 --> 00:13:15,839
conspiracy theories and you you really

352
00:13:20,389 --> 00:13:16,959
get this

353
00:13:22,389 --> 00:13:20,399
is that it's not just about unwarranted

354
00:13:23,910 --> 00:13:22,399
or harsh criticism

355
00:13:25,509 --> 00:13:23,920
that's bad

356
00:13:27,030 --> 00:13:25,519
but

357
00:13:28,949 --> 00:13:27,040
academics

358
00:13:31,430 --> 00:13:28,959
publishing books

359
00:13:33,110 --> 00:13:31,440
at major presses duke university press

360
00:13:34,710 --> 00:13:33,120
stand for university press that have

361
00:13:37,350 --> 00:13:34,720
tenure are

362
00:13:39,990 --> 00:13:37,360
writing stuff that's made up about

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00:13:41,269 --> 00:13:40,000

zionists jews

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00:13:43,829 --> 00:13:41,279

naming

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00:13:46,150 --> 00:13:43,839

palestinians so that they can they can

366

00:13:49,509 --> 00:13:46,160

harvest their organs

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00:13:51,189 --> 00:13:49,519

that somehow zionists slash jews are in

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00:13:53,910 --> 00:13:51,199

cahoots with

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00:13:56,949 --> 00:13:53,920

people all around the earth

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00:14:01,189 --> 00:13:56,959

to teach police to

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00:14:04,150 --> 00:14:01,199

um harm people of color

372

00:14:08,150 --> 00:14:04,160

these are so silly in terms of when you

373

00:14:09,110 --> 00:14:08,160

start to try to analyze any facts but

374

00:14:11,269 --> 00:14:09,120

when you

375

00:14:12,550 --> 00:14:11,279

talk to folks who are propagating these

376
00:14:14,550 --> 00:14:12,560
theories

377
00:14:15,670 --> 00:14:14,560
the jasper poors of the world some of

378
00:14:17,350 --> 00:14:15,680
them recognize that they're just

379
00:14:18,949 --> 00:14:17,360
politically motivated

380
00:14:20,870 --> 00:14:18,959
but others

381
00:14:23,750 --> 00:14:20,880
they just continue to create a larger

382
00:14:25,670 --> 00:14:23,760
and larger false non-falsifiable theory

383
00:14:28,629 --> 00:14:25,680
so not unlike what butts does with the

384
00:14:36,949 --> 00:14:29,430
the

385
00:14:39,430 --> 00:14:36,959
amazingly effective conspiracy of jews

386
00:14:43,030 --> 00:14:39,440
to cover up all the bad stuff that

387
00:14:46,150 --> 00:14:45,189
from organ harvesting

388
00:14:47,189 --> 00:14:46,160

to

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00:14:48,710 --> 00:14:47,199

um

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00:14:49,750 --> 00:14:48,720

to to

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00:14:52,389 --> 00:14:49,760

uh

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00:14:54,870 --> 00:14:52,399

colluding with the minneapolis police

393

00:14:57,189 --> 00:14:54,880

in the murder of george floyd i mean

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00:14:58,949 --> 00:14:57,199

this stuff is amazing and then

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00:15:02,550 --> 00:14:58,959

300

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00:15:03,670 --> 00:15:02,560

california university organizations

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00:15:09,269 --> 00:15:03,680

create

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00:15:10,790 --> 00:15:09,279

censure israel for their involvement

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00:15:12,949 --> 00:15:10,800

with

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00:15:15,509 --> 00:15:12,959

the george floyd

401
00:15:19,110 --> 00:15:15,519
and other

402
00:15:21,030 --> 00:15:19,120
murders harassments of people of color

403
00:15:23,910 --> 00:15:21,040
there's no sense to this i mean let's

404
00:15:26,069 --> 00:15:23,920
not forget there's 6.7 million jews in

405
00:15:27,110 --> 00:15:26,079
israel we have 8 billion people in the

406
00:15:29,590 --> 00:15:27,120
world

407
00:15:31,749 --> 00:15:29,600
and yet somehow the jews are

408
00:15:32,870 --> 00:15:31,759
the massive focus

409
00:15:36,790 --> 00:15:32,880
of

410
00:15:39,910 --> 00:15:36,800
and by the way i talk a little bit about

411
00:15:42,550 --> 00:15:39,920
the boycott issue i mean there is one

412
00:15:44,550 --> 00:15:42,560
boycott movement in the world

413
00:15:46,230 --> 00:15:44,560

the one bds movement in the world and

414

00:15:47,829 --> 00:15:46,240

strangely enough it's against the one

415

00:15:50,629 --> 00:15:47,839

jewish nation in the world like every

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00:15:52,310 --> 00:15:50,639

other country is perfect

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00:15:54,389 --> 00:15:52,320

okay

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00:15:55,670 --> 00:15:54,399

let me kind of pull this apart a little

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00:15:58,389 --> 00:15:55,680

bit i think there's a lot of common

420

00:16:00,949 --> 00:15:58,399

ground between us i think for someone

421

00:16:02,310 --> 00:16:00,959

who's investigated conspiracy theories a

422

00:16:05,110 --> 00:16:02,320

lot and has some of the same

423

00:16:07,030 --> 00:16:05,120

frustrations that you do about the silly

424

00:16:09,749 --> 00:16:07,040

conspiracy theories

425

00:16:12,310 --> 00:16:09,759

flat earth conspiracy theory there is no

426

00:16:14,550 --> 00:16:12,320

covet 19 con there is no covet virus

427

00:16:16,550 --> 00:16:14,560

there's no viruses at all this is alive

428

00:16:19,749 --> 00:16:16,560

and paul is dead

429

00:16:21,350 --> 00:16:19,759

well there's also conspiracy theories

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00:16:24,550 --> 00:16:21,360

that i think

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00:16:27,590 --> 00:16:24,560

justify our examination and i wanted to

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00:16:30,069 --> 00:16:27,600

bring up are you aware of the origin

433

00:16:31,269 --> 00:16:30,079

of the modern term conspiracy theory and

434

00:16:33,829 --> 00:16:31,279

where it came from because i looked in

435

00:16:36,790 --> 00:16:33,839

your book you have a chapter conspiracy

436

00:16:38,389 --> 00:16:36,800

theories what they are and why they are

437

00:16:40,470 --> 00:16:38,399

bad and we'll talk about that in a

438

00:16:45,110 --> 00:16:40,480

minute but are you aware of the modern

439

00:16:48,389 --> 00:16:45,120

origin of the term conspiracy theory

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00:16:49,430 --> 00:16:48,399

no i read jordan jovan bryford and

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00:16:51,430 --> 00:16:49,440

kwasam

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00:16:53,350 --> 00:16:51,440

who wrote about conspiracy theories yeah

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00:16:55,350 --> 00:16:53,360

they don't they don't talk about it it's

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00:16:57,590 --> 00:16:55,360

directly from a document that was

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00:16:59,269 --> 00:16:57,600

released through a foia request i think

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00:17:02,310 --> 00:16:59,279

the new york times initiated the fourier

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00:17:04,630 --> 00:17:02,320

request in 76 or something like that the

448

00:17:07,270 --> 00:17:04,640

title of the document this is cia

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00:17:09,750 --> 00:17:07,280

concerning criticism of the warren

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00:17:11,669 --> 00:17:09,760

report and was drafted in 67 it was

451
00:17:14,390 --> 00:17:11,679
about jfk

452
00:17:16,789 --> 00:17:14,400
and it was to all the media outlets back

453
00:17:18,230 --> 00:17:16,799
then you remember the day media outlets

454
00:17:20,710 --> 00:17:18,240
you could kind of count the ones that

455
00:17:22,230 --> 00:17:20,720
really mattered all of them were told do

456
00:17:27,829 --> 00:17:22,240
not

457
00:17:30,150 --> 00:17:27,839
oswald known lone nut assassin and then

458
00:17:32,789 --> 00:17:30,160
they introduced this term conspiracy

459
00:17:34,789 --> 00:17:32,799
theorists as a pejorative term and use

460
00:17:35,590 --> 00:17:34,799
that to kind of characterize all these

461
00:17:37,110 --> 00:17:35,600
people

462
00:17:38,870 --> 00:17:37,120
now the upside of that i don't know if

463
00:17:41,029 --> 00:17:38,880

you're totally aware of this but again

464

00:17:43,909 --> 00:17:41,039

i'm not picking that up that's a fire

465

00:17:45,669 --> 00:17:43,919

release document from the cia

466

00:17:47,430 --> 00:17:45,679

but the the upshot of that that i guess

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a lot of people and in the same way that

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00:17:51,350 --> 00:17:48,799

you're talking about a lot of people

469

00:17:52,870 --> 00:17:51,360

don't realize that in 1978

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00:17:54,549 --> 00:17:52,880

the house select committee on

471

00:17:57,590 --> 00:17:54,559

assassinations

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00:17:59,990 --> 00:17:57,600

concluded that jfk was probably a

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conspiracy and they're using that softly

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00:18:04,870 --> 00:18:02,400

they proved pretty conclusively from the

475

00:18:06,870 --> 00:18:04,880

evidence that it was a conspiracy so the

476

00:18:08,950 --> 00:18:06,880

official position

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00:18:11,270 --> 00:18:08,960

of the united states government is that

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00:18:13,029 --> 00:18:11,280

jfk was a conspiracy

479

00:18:15,590 --> 00:18:13,039

the real question is why does dan rather

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00:18:17,590 --> 00:18:15,600

go on why does dan rather go on tv and

481

00:18:19,750 --> 00:18:17,600

say hey i can't show you the zabruder

482

00:18:23,350 --> 00:18:19,760

film because it's too gory but you can

483

00:18:25,110 --> 00:18:23,360

clearly see that his head falls forward

484

00:18:28,549 --> 00:18:25,120

when we all know now that we've seen it

485

00:18:32,310 --> 00:18:28,559

that that's a lie here's my point

486

00:18:34,230 --> 00:18:32,320

not all conspiracy theories are bad

487

00:18:35,830 --> 00:18:34,240

and i'm a little bit concerned the way

488

00:18:38,070 --> 00:18:35,840

you kind of

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00:18:41,750 --> 00:18:38,080

are you falling for

490

00:18:44,230 --> 00:18:41,760

part of the game that is in conspiracy

491

00:18:46,549 --> 00:18:44,240

theories by only focusing on the silly

492

00:18:48,950 --> 00:18:46,559

ones whether they're silly ones directed

493

00:18:52,310 --> 00:18:48,960

at the group that you care about or the

494

00:18:54,390 --> 00:18:52,320

silly ones you know in general

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00:18:56,870 --> 00:18:54,400

so i i think that's a great question so

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00:18:58,710 --> 00:18:56,880

the nomenclature that i use

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00:19:00,789 --> 00:18:58,720

to describe what you're talking about is

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00:19:03,190 --> 00:19:00,799

a little different i say there are two

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things there's conspiracy theories which

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00:19:08,390 --> 00:19:05,360

i use in a pejorative way and then there

501
00:19:10,630 --> 00:19:08,400
are theories about conspiracies

502
00:19:13,669 --> 00:19:10,640
so if you have a theory that there was a

503
00:19:15,510 --> 00:19:13,679
conspiracy the way i would use the terms

504
00:19:16,630 --> 00:19:15,520
like jfk

505
00:19:18,150 --> 00:19:16,640
or

506
00:19:24,470 --> 00:19:18,160
um

507
00:19:27,590 --> 00:19:24,480
not sure were falsely vaccinated falsely

508
00:19:30,070 --> 00:19:27,600
treated in tuskegee then you have a a

509
00:19:31,669 --> 00:19:30,080
theory about a conspiracy and you should

510
00:19:33,430 --> 00:19:31,679
investigate it

511
00:19:36,470 --> 00:19:33,440
you should try to investigate that you

512
00:19:39,669 --> 00:19:36,480
should investigate whether the cia gave

513
00:19:41,909 --> 00:19:39,679

Isd to unwitting victims

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00:19:43,669 --> 00:19:41,919

because those are

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00:19:45,669 --> 00:19:43,679

theories about conspiracy so you've got

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00:19:47,909 --> 00:19:45,679

to fact now you're going to investigate

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00:19:50,230 --> 00:19:47,919

it it may not be that you

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00:19:53,029 --> 00:19:50,240

can get all the evidence you need

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00:19:55,270 --> 00:19:53,039

it may be that it's being hidden

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00:19:58,470 --> 00:19:55,280

but it's a theory about a conspiracy and

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00:20:00,630 --> 00:19:58,480

you have to say i think based upon this

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00:20:03,990 --> 00:20:00,640

that this may have happened

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00:20:08,230 --> 00:20:04,000

conspiracy theories such as

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00:20:11,190 --> 00:20:08,240

arthur butts or such as um that is some

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00:20:13,190 --> 00:20:11,200

academics jasper pooh or others

526
00:20:15,590 --> 00:20:13,200
claim about

527
00:20:17,510 --> 00:20:15,600
zionists about jews is that there is a

528
00:20:19,990 --> 00:20:17,520
cabal that

529
00:20:21,430 --> 00:20:20,000
are doing all of these evil things with

530
00:20:24,310 --> 00:20:21,440
no proof

531
00:20:26,230 --> 00:20:24,320
i mean i've read whole books with no

532
00:20:28,710 --> 00:20:26,240
actual facts

533
00:20:30,470 --> 00:20:28,720
other than maybe some demographic table

534
00:20:32,470 --> 00:20:30,480
doesn't foot

535
00:20:35,110 --> 00:20:32,480
i'm with you on that but you realize

536
00:20:37,350 --> 00:20:35,120
that a lot of people view their quote

537
00:20:39,430 --> 00:20:37,360
unquote evidence as factual and

538
00:20:41,430 --> 00:20:39,440

important so it's kind of an eye of the

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00:20:43,590 --> 00:20:41,440

beholder thing i'm totally with you it

540

00:20:45,990 --> 00:20:43,600

seems completely ridiculous to me as

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00:20:48,390 --> 00:20:46,000

does flat earth but they hold

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00:20:50,710 --> 00:20:48,400

conferences they have you know

543

00:20:53,590 --> 00:20:50,720

quote-unquote scholarly discussions so

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00:20:55,990 --> 00:20:53,600

it's not so easy is it to really make

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00:20:57,590 --> 00:20:56,000

that distinction you're talking about

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00:21:00,830 --> 00:20:57,600

no but that's what we we're supposed to

547

00:21:03,590 --> 00:21:00,840

be thinking people so one book that i

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00:21:06,230 --> 00:21:03,600

i indicate that it was written by

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00:21:08,549 --> 00:21:06,240

jessica winegar and laura d both full

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00:21:10,789 --> 00:21:08,559

professors at universities

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00:21:14,070 --> 00:21:10,799

um and it's about they have this

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00:21:16,789 --> 00:21:14,080

conspiracy theory that

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00:21:19,029 --> 00:21:16,799

anthropology departments across

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00:21:22,149 --> 00:21:19,039

the country are subject to compulsory

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00:21:24,710 --> 00:21:22,159

zionism and that you can't get promoted

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00:21:28,950 --> 00:21:24,720

unless you subscribe to the compulsory

557

00:21:32,070 --> 00:21:28,960

zionism okay that is a allegation

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00:21:34,789 --> 00:21:32,080

got it now they're going to write a book

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00:21:36,710 --> 00:21:34,799

got it okay that so far where everybody

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00:21:38,470 --> 00:21:36,720

should be on the same page they write

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00:21:39,909 --> 00:21:38,480

this whole book

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00:21:43,190 --> 00:21:39,919

that

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00:21:45,909 --> 00:21:43,200

finds two instances of professors who

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00:21:47,830 --> 00:21:45,919

didn't get tenure who had

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00:21:50,230 --> 00:21:47,840

anti-israel views one of which

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00:21:51,350 --> 00:21:50,240

ultimately got tenure i believe

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00:21:53,830 --> 00:21:51,360

and

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00:21:55,510 --> 00:21:53,840

don't compare their scholarship to any

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00:21:58,310 --> 00:21:55,520

other scholar but assume that it's

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00:22:00,710 --> 00:21:58,320

because of their anti-zionist views not

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00:22:01,990 --> 00:22:00,720

mentioning as you would in a normal

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00:22:03,430 --> 00:22:02,000

study

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00:22:06,149 --> 00:22:03,440

any other professor who didn't get

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00:22:07,909 --> 00:22:06,159

tenure and comparing that i'm sure there

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00:22:10,230 --> 00:22:07,919

were scores of people who didn't get

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00:22:12,230 --> 00:22:10,240

tenure in anthropology departments

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00:22:14,149 --> 00:22:12,240

and the question is evaluate their

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00:22:15,750 --> 00:22:14,159

scholarship but no that wasn't done it

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00:22:17,230 --> 00:22:15,760

was just assumed

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00:22:19,909 --> 00:22:17,240

that that was that that their

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00:22:21,110 --> 00:22:19,919

anti-zionism was the sole reason

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00:22:24,070 --> 00:22:21,120

and b

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00:22:26,789 --> 00:22:24,080

the rest of the book

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00:22:29,270 --> 00:22:26,799

it's hard to exaggerate they have they

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00:22:30,950 --> 00:22:29,280

interview person after person who feels

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00:22:32,789 --> 00:22:30,960

that this has happened

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00:22:34,789 --> 00:22:32,799

they feel that this is happening they go

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00:22:36,149 --> 00:22:34,799

on for and talk about how evil it is

589

00:22:39,270 --> 00:22:36,159

that this is happening and how all of

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00:22:44,149 --> 00:22:39,280

these zionists are moles and they use

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00:22:47,510 --> 00:22:45,750

but there's no facts

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00:22:49,830 --> 00:22:47,520

the only fact in the book is that a

593

00:22:50,789 --> 00:22:49,840

person did one person didn't get tenure

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00:22:52,630 --> 00:22:50,799

and

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00:22:54,789 --> 00:22:52,640

okay

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00:22:56,950 --> 00:22:54,799

so they still may have and they could

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00:22:58,950 --> 00:22:56,960

still say they have a theory about a

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00:23:00,710 --> 00:22:58,960

conspiracy i think they haven't

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00:23:03,830 --> 00:23:00,720

presented the slightest evidence but

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00:23:06,470 --> 00:23:03,840

okay but to say that they proved it

601
00:23:08,390 --> 00:23:06,480
at the end of the book and that anybody

602
00:23:11,270 --> 00:23:08,400
who disagrees with them

603
00:23:16,070 --> 00:23:13,590
not a good person

604
00:23:19,029 --> 00:23:16,080
doesn't make any sense to me and it's

605
00:23:21,270 --> 00:23:19,039
not scholarship it's me it's

606
00:23:23,590 --> 00:23:21,280
great agreed but two points on that

607
00:23:25,669 --> 00:23:23,600
scott first aren't you kind of punching

608
00:23:27,990 --> 00:23:25,679
a little bit below your weight class i

609
00:23:31,669 --> 00:23:28,000
mean no one takes the the whole

610
00:23:34,149 --> 00:23:31,679
post-modern humanitarian uh academic i

611
00:23:36,070 --> 00:23:34,159
mean that's like cliché now it's just so

612
00:23:38,070 --> 00:23:36,080
discredited they have peer-reviewed

613
00:23:41,190 --> 00:23:38,080

papers that are machine generated that

614

00:23:42,070 --> 00:23:41,200

get it's like no one do we really need

615

00:23:44,230 --> 00:23:42,080

to

616

00:23:45,750 --> 00:23:44,240

punch down those people anymore i guess

617

00:23:47,430 --> 00:23:45,760

that's question one and i'll wrap

618

00:23:49,269 --> 00:23:47,440

question two right into it because i

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00:23:51,669 --> 00:23:49,279

think it's related because one of the

620

00:23:55,029 --> 00:23:51,679

concerns i have is

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00:23:58,149 --> 00:23:55,039

the cancel culture kind of thing

622

00:23:59,830 --> 00:23:58,159

is enabling the censorship of people

623

00:24:01,430 --> 00:23:59,840

like i don't care how stupid those

624

00:24:03,510 --> 00:24:01,440

people are and they're obviously not

625

00:24:05,510 --> 00:24:03,520

very bright i don't want to see them

626
00:24:07,510 --> 00:24:05,520
removed from the public dialogue i don't

627
00:24:09,590 --> 00:24:07,520
want to see their youtube channel taken

628
00:24:11,430 --> 00:24:09,600
down which is happening so frequently

629
00:24:14,070 --> 00:24:11,440
now i don't want to see them out of

630
00:24:16,870 --> 00:24:14,080
facebook twitter let the conversation go

631
00:24:19,430 --> 00:24:16,880
on i even say with the holo hoaxers i

632
00:24:22,470 --> 00:24:19,440
invite them on the show i'm like hey you

633
00:24:25,750 --> 00:24:22,480
know maybe i missed something it took me

634
00:24:27,590 --> 00:24:25,760
30 seconds to refute your stuff but

635
00:24:29,510 --> 00:24:27,600
maybe you have some other stuff come on

636
00:24:30,710 --> 00:24:29,520
on isn't that the kind of dialogue we

637
00:24:32,789 --> 00:24:30,720
want

638
00:24:36,310 --> 00:24:32,799

so i have two points i'll answer the

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00:24:38,789 --> 00:24:36,320

questions in in order first

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00:24:40,630 --> 00:24:38,799

sadly what happens on campus no longer

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00:24:41,590 --> 00:24:40,640

stays on campus

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00:24:44,830 --> 00:24:41,600

these

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00:24:47,269 --> 00:24:44,840

theories are becoming much more

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00:24:48,950 --> 00:24:47,279

ubiquitous they are infiltrating in some

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00:24:50,870 --> 00:24:48,960

areas into the investment world this

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00:24:53,669 --> 00:24:50,880

whole bds movement

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00:24:55,350 --> 00:24:53,679

a boycott this divest and sanction

648

00:24:56,950 --> 00:24:55,360

is a direct

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00:24:59,830 --> 00:24:56,960

heir to

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00:25:02,710 --> 00:24:59,840

what happened on campus bds started in

651
00:25:04,710 --> 00:25:02,720
well actually and we can go off in this

652
00:25:06,789 --> 00:25:04,720
i want to answer your question but bds

653
00:25:08,390 --> 00:25:06,799
actually started on the far right bds

654
00:25:10,230 --> 00:25:08,400
has been around since they were painting

655
00:25:12,549 --> 00:25:10,240
black smears

656
00:25:13,830 --> 00:25:12,559
on jewish shopkeepers in spectrum

657
00:25:15,510 --> 00:25:13,840
lithuania

658
00:25:18,149 --> 00:25:15,520
to tell people not to shop because this

659
00:25:20,549 --> 00:25:18,159
was a jewish shopkeeper and that was

660
00:25:23,110 --> 00:25:20,559
part of what prepared people for

661
00:25:24,710 --> 00:25:23,120
you know hand over the jews to say

662
00:25:25,590 --> 00:25:24,720
they're so evil

663
00:25:27,830 --> 00:25:25,600

so

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00:25:29,990 --> 00:25:27,840

the first modern bds was actually again

665

00:25:32,149 --> 00:25:30,000

on the far right william luther pierce

666

00:25:33,990 --> 00:25:32,159

who was a neo-nazi a famous american

667

00:25:35,750 --> 00:25:34,000

neo-nazi who set up i think the national

668

00:25:37,669 --> 00:25:35,760

alliance party tried to get mcdonald

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00:25:38,950 --> 00:25:37,679

douglas not to send

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00:25:40,789 --> 00:25:38,960

they he sponsored a shareholder

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00:25:43,830 --> 00:25:40,799

resolution not to

672

00:25:45,990 --> 00:25:43,840

have them resupply israel so

673

00:25:47,990 --> 00:25:46,000

bds started on the right but it was

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00:25:50,710 --> 00:25:48,000

adopted on campus

675

00:25:51,669 --> 00:25:50,720

and it's being used today

676

00:25:53,669 --> 00:25:51,679

and

677

00:25:56,710 --> 00:25:53,679

the general dialogue

678

00:25:58,950 --> 00:25:56,720

on in in other areas look at the new

679

00:26:01,269 --> 00:25:58,960

york times the new york times

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00:26:03,029 --> 00:26:01,279

published an article

681

00:26:04,710 --> 00:26:03,039

in which uh there was an interview

682

00:26:06,470 --> 00:26:04,720

endorsing

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00:26:07,430 --> 00:26:06,480

david icke's book which you've probably

684

00:26:08,950 --> 00:26:07,440

heard of

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00:26:11,190 --> 00:26:08,960

um

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00:26:13,750 --> 00:26:11,200

set you free well this says that the

687

00:26:15,830 --> 00:26:13,760

jews both started the holocaust that

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00:26:17,669 --> 00:26:15,840

hitler was a nazi that i'm sorry hitler

689

00:26:19,990 --> 00:26:17,679

was jewish they both started the

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00:26:21,830 --> 00:26:20,000

holocaust and funded the holocaust they

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00:26:23,830 --> 00:26:21,840

i mean it's the most garbled thing that

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00:26:25,190 --> 00:26:23,840

the talmud is the most vilest book in

693

00:26:26,549 --> 00:26:25,200

the world

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00:26:27,990 --> 00:26:26,559

and

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00:26:30,630 --> 00:26:28,000

this is now out there in the new york

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00:26:33,669 --> 00:26:30,640

times reported on this uncritically

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00:26:36,310 --> 00:26:33,679

because if you go to campus now this

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00:26:40,390 --> 00:26:36,320

criticism of jews and only jews

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00:26:42,950 --> 00:26:40,400

in print is acceptable somehow so i

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00:26:45,350 --> 00:26:42,960

don't go with your premise that what

701
00:26:48,149 --> 00:26:45,360
happens on campus stays on campus

702
00:26:51,669 --> 00:26:48,159
um and a lot of these folks also are big

703
00:26:53,590 --> 00:26:51,679
tweeters and interviewers and are part

704
00:26:55,669 --> 00:26:53,600
of that now

705
00:26:57,909 --> 00:26:55,679
the tougher question that you ask i

706
00:26:59,110 --> 00:26:57,919
think so i don't think i'm punching down

707
00:27:01,269 --> 00:26:59,120
actually i think i'm punching up and

708
00:27:03,590 --> 00:27:01,279
they probably are ignoring it

709
00:27:05,750 --> 00:27:03,600
the bigger question is

710
00:27:08,070 --> 00:27:05,760
cancel culture and how do we deal with

711
00:27:09,990 --> 00:27:08,080
people who have

712
00:27:13,029 --> 00:27:10,000
strange ideas about certain things but

713
00:27:16,230 --> 00:27:13,039

in other areas may be brilliant kant for

714

00:27:18,870 --> 00:27:16,240

example i mean we think of him as the

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00:27:21,029 --> 00:27:18,880

founder of modern reasoned morality well

716

00:27:22,230 --> 00:27:21,039

he hated blacks

717

00:27:24,389 --> 00:27:22,240

he was a

718

00:27:25,909 --> 00:27:24,399

amazing racist

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00:27:27,590 --> 00:27:25,919

confucius

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00:27:29,350 --> 00:27:27,600

who we again

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00:27:32,470 --> 00:27:29,360

wise person

722

00:27:34,230 --> 00:27:32,480

we he was a chinese supremacist

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00:27:36,549 --> 00:27:34,240

and the list goes on and on there you

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00:27:37,430 --> 00:27:36,559

know in africa you know i mean there

725

00:27:45,350 --> 00:27:37,440

were

726

00:27:47,110 --> 00:27:45,360

goes on and on you have in the modern

727

00:27:49,590 --> 00:27:47,120

day heidegger

728

00:27:51,830 --> 00:27:49,600

he was a nazi we didn't know it for sure

729

00:27:54,070 --> 00:27:51,840

at the time you know until the mod until

730

00:27:55,830 --> 00:27:54,080

his those notebooks the so-called black

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00:27:57,029 --> 00:27:55,840

notebooks were released but he was a

732

00:27:59,190 --> 00:27:57,039

nazi

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00:28:01,750 --> 00:27:59,200

should we stop reading

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00:28:04,149 --> 00:28:01,760

his all of what he wrote some of it was

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00:28:07,350 --> 00:28:04,159

absolutely brilliant i think we have to

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00:28:09,830 --> 00:28:07,360

recognize that within some folks

737

00:28:12,470 --> 00:28:09,840

both on the far right and the far left

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00:28:13,990 --> 00:28:12,480

that we can't excuse

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00:28:17,110 --> 00:28:14,000

their

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00:28:19,510 --> 00:28:17,120

strange ideas we can't excuse them but

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00:28:21,110 --> 00:28:19,520

nor can we excise them

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00:28:22,950 --> 00:28:21,120

so

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00:28:25,430 --> 00:28:22,960

we have to look at them both you know

744

00:28:27,669 --> 00:28:25,440

watson fred with watson who

745

00:28:29,669 --> 00:28:27,679

co-discovered dna

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00:28:32,230 --> 00:28:29,679

also has said racist things but should

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00:28:34,630 --> 00:28:32,240

we get rid of dna research

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00:28:35,750 --> 00:28:34,640

should we not take what he wrote of

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00:28:37,590 --> 00:28:35,760

course not

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00:28:39,110 --> 00:28:37,600

that means it's harder for us as

751
00:28:41,110 --> 00:28:39,120
thinking people

752
00:28:42,149 --> 00:28:41,120
to to do this but we shouldn't cancel

753
00:28:44,230 --> 00:28:42,159
people

754
00:28:47,029 --> 00:28:44,240
so i just interviewed i just interviewed

755
00:28:49,269 --> 00:28:47,039
a guy from google pretty high level guy

756
00:28:51,029 --> 00:28:49,279
mainly in the ai department i mean

757
00:28:54,389 --> 00:28:51,039
google is

758
00:28:55,990 --> 00:28:54,399
manipulating and canceling demonetizing

759
00:28:57,909 --> 00:28:56,000
all that stuff

760
00:28:59,750 --> 00:28:57,919
how do you just so how do you come down

761
00:29:02,149 --> 00:28:59,760
on that don't cancel anyone there's no

762
00:29:03,669 --> 00:29:02,159
such thing as hate speech everything is

763
00:29:05,990 --> 00:29:03,679

kind of okay where do you draw the line

764

00:29:08,470 --> 00:29:06,000

we all have the line to draw i draw

765

00:29:10,350 --> 00:29:08,480

pretty i draw it pretty much like

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00:29:13,110 --> 00:29:10,360

free speech is

767

00:29:15,909 --> 00:29:13,120

foundational to this whole experiment

768

00:29:17,590 --> 00:29:15,919

we're in so i'm very very uncomfortable

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00:29:19,590 --> 00:29:17,600

with the

770

00:29:21,110 --> 00:29:19,600

hidden demonetization they don't even

771

00:29:22,710 --> 00:29:21,120

have any rules or guidelines and they've

772

00:29:24,789 --> 00:29:22,720

done it for years and not told anyone

773

00:29:26,470 --> 00:29:24,799

and now they're finally exposed but i

774

00:29:28,789 --> 00:29:26,480

think that's that's just

775

00:29:31,750 --> 00:29:28,799

very dangerous

776

00:29:33,990 --> 00:29:31,760

yeah i would say i would say

777

00:29:35,990 --> 00:29:34,000

the problem is today the line is drawn

778

00:29:38,389 --> 00:29:36,000

very close to whatever that person

779

00:29:40,549 --> 00:29:38,399

organization happens to believe

780

00:29:44,549 --> 00:29:40,559

this is our modern press why do we

781

00:29:46,950 --> 00:29:44,559

accept that they can control censor and

782

00:29:49,750 --> 00:29:46,960

politicize their narrative look

783

00:29:51,510 --> 00:29:49,760

generally i agree i think free speech is

784

00:29:52,630 --> 00:29:51,520

the foundation

785

00:29:53,510 --> 00:29:52,640

of

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00:29:56,870 --> 00:29:53,520

the

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00:29:58,389 --> 00:29:56,880

of civil society of civic society of

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00:30:00,230 --> 00:29:58,399

the united states

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00:30:02,710 --> 00:30:00,240

and i'm in favor of free speech even

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00:30:05,909 --> 00:30:02,720

when i totally disagree with it i'm not

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00:30:07,350 --> 00:30:05,919

in favor i would not say to cancel butts

792

00:30:09,830 --> 00:30:07,360

book i think

793

00:30:11,269 --> 00:30:09,840

rather it has to be carefully read as i

794

00:30:14,470 --> 00:30:11,279

did

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00:30:15,830 --> 00:30:14,480

and recognize that it's a pack of lies

796

00:30:18,470 --> 00:30:15,840

but

797

00:30:20,870 --> 00:30:18,480

it's out there and to try to squash it i

798

00:30:23,430 --> 00:30:20,880

think is actually going to make it more

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00:30:24,470 --> 00:30:23,440

attractive i agree

800

00:30:27,269 --> 00:30:24,480

let's go to something a little bit

801
00:30:29,669 --> 00:30:27,279
harder because the other

802
00:30:30,950 --> 00:30:29,679
i guess concern i had with the book

803
00:30:34,389 --> 00:30:30,960
is that

804
00:30:35,190 --> 00:30:34,399
you know when i think about anti-zionist

805
00:30:37,590 --> 00:30:35,200
or

806
00:30:39,510 --> 00:30:37,600
anti-semitic anti-jewish and i'm not

807
00:30:40,950 --> 00:30:39,520
even sure that we can

808
00:30:42,310 --> 00:30:40,960
that sometimes when you combine all

809
00:30:44,310 --> 00:30:42,320
those together i'm a little bit

810
00:30:46,070 --> 00:30:44,320
uncomfortable but you you definitely at

811
00:30:47,990 --> 00:30:46,080
the beginning of this interview

812
00:30:50,310 --> 00:30:48,000
spelled out kind of my point that you

813
00:30:52,070 --> 00:30:50,320

know there's all sorts of people of the

814

00:30:53,750 --> 00:30:52,080

this is you you know this the jewish

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00:30:55,669 --> 00:30:53,760

tradition who might not agree with you

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00:30:57,590 --> 00:30:55,679

politically might not agree with the

817

00:31:00,950 --> 00:30:57,600

politics of

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00:31:03,029 --> 00:31:00,960

israel or even the zionist agenda as it

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00:31:04,950 --> 00:31:03,039

is the religious state for the jewish

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00:31:06,630 --> 00:31:04,960

people all sorts of different opinions

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00:31:08,310 --> 00:31:06,640

out there of people that have a jewish

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00:31:10,310 --> 00:31:08,320

tradition as well as other people like

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00:31:12,789 --> 00:31:10,320

they have a voice in this too but here

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00:31:15,269 --> 00:31:12,799

are the anti you know when i think scott

825

00:31:18,310 --> 00:31:15,279

when i think of anti-zionist

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00:31:19,990 --> 00:31:18,320

conspiracy theories i think of this i'll

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00:31:22,470 --> 00:31:20,000

pop it up on the screen here and show

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00:31:24,389 --> 00:31:22,480

you i'll read it so people can hear it

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00:31:27,110 --> 00:31:24,399

gaslane maxwell and her pedophile lover

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00:31:29,430 --> 00:31:27,120

jeffrey upstein were both israeli spies

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00:31:32,230 --> 00:31:29,440

who took pictures of powerful men having

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00:31:34,950 --> 00:31:32,240

sex with underage girls to blackmail

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00:31:37,269 --> 00:31:34,960

them their alleged mossad handler has

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00:31:40,470 --> 00:31:37,279

sensationally claimed now i would just

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00:31:42,070 --> 00:31:40,480

add that that alleged mossad handler

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00:31:44,310 --> 00:31:42,080

kind of stands up to scrutiny pretty

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00:31:45,990 --> 00:31:44,320

well he was tried in court and was

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00:31:48,789 --> 00:31:46,000

actually acquitted because he showed

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00:31:51,990 --> 00:31:48,799

that he was an agent of israel in his

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00:31:55,750 --> 00:31:52,000

arms dealing i'm not here to

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00:31:58,230 --> 00:31:55,760

hammer out you know to flesh out what

842

00:32:00,389 --> 00:31:58,240

but there's some factual evidence here

843

00:32:02,950 --> 00:32:00,399

you know maxwell's father

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00:32:06,149 --> 00:32:02,960

is is definitely massage he gets a state

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00:32:07,990 --> 00:32:06,159

funeral in in israel where the prime

846

00:32:10,149 --> 00:32:08,000

several prime ministers are there and

847

00:32:12,870 --> 00:32:10,159

all the top intelligence guys are there

848

00:32:15,470 --> 00:32:12,880

so there's fact behind this this is the

849

00:32:17,909 --> 00:32:15,480

kind of stuff that when i think of

850

00:32:21,990 --> 00:32:17,919

anti-zionist and i wouldn't go so far as

851
00:32:24,710 --> 00:32:22,000
to say that with this but that to me is

852
00:32:27,269 --> 00:32:24,720
what we need to talk about not some

853
00:32:29,350 --> 00:32:27,279
wacky you know professor with the whole

854
00:32:31,750 --> 00:32:29,360
hoax idea

855
00:32:33,430 --> 00:32:31,760
well look first of all i'd like to say

856
00:32:34,789 --> 00:32:33,440
this

857
00:32:36,710 --> 00:32:34,799
what happened

858
00:32:39,590 --> 00:32:36,720
with the anti-zionists

859
00:32:41,830 --> 00:32:39,600
say is something separate i mean they're

860
00:32:43,350 --> 00:32:41,840
by the way i have no idea if that's

861
00:32:44,950 --> 00:32:43,360
right wrong or indifferent i've never

862
00:32:47,269 --> 00:32:44,960
heard that or seen that before you put

863
00:32:50,630 --> 00:32:47,279

it up on the screen so i don't i don't

864

00:32:52,389 --> 00:32:50,640

express any opinion but i will say this

865

00:32:55,029 --> 00:32:52,399

the united states has done despicable

866

00:32:57,750 --> 00:32:55,039

things a lot of countries do despicable

867

00:32:59,269 --> 00:32:57,760

things um

868

00:33:02,470 --> 00:32:59,279

recently

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00:33:05,830 --> 00:33:02,480

iran massacred 1500 protesters you know

870

00:33:09,430 --> 00:33:05,840

not so nice to kill 1500 euros citizens

871

00:33:11,669 --> 00:33:09,440

nobody says let's abolish iraq

872

00:33:14,230 --> 00:33:11,679

i haven't heard people say

873

00:33:16,950 --> 00:33:14,240

you know from border to border let's

874

00:33:20,630 --> 00:33:16,960

exterminate or expel

875

00:33:22,310 --> 00:33:20,640

all iranians and end their state

876

00:33:26,470 --> 00:33:22,320

that is what they that is what the

877

00:33:29,990 --> 00:33:26,480

anti-zionists say hamas says that openly

878

00:33:31,509 --> 00:33:30,000

bds says openly the founder says no

879

00:33:33,750 --> 00:33:31,519

jewish state

880

00:33:35,350 --> 00:33:33,760

period so there's a difference and this

881

00:33:37,430 --> 00:33:35,360

is what i was starting

882

00:33:39,190 --> 00:33:37,440

what i sort of was i wanted

883

00:33:41,590 --> 00:33:39,200

it was hinting at a little bit you can

884

00:33:44,149 --> 00:33:41,600

have harsh criticism you can say you

885

00:33:45,830 --> 00:33:44,159

want to vote this government out you can

886

00:33:47,909 --> 00:33:45,840

say a lot of things

887

00:33:49,590 --> 00:33:47,919

but that's very different than saying

888

00:33:51,430 --> 00:33:49,600

and what the anti-zionists are doing

889

00:33:53,909 --> 00:33:51,440

which is saying that the jews don't have

890

00:33:55,430 --> 00:33:53,919

a right to self-determination

891

00:33:58,470 --> 00:33:55,440

you could say

892

00:34:00,310 --> 00:33:58,480

cia is bad you can say a lot of spy

893

00:34:04,149 --> 00:34:00,320

organizations are bad again i'm not

894

00:34:07,750 --> 00:34:04,159

opining on that but that's the criticism

895

00:34:10,389 --> 00:34:07,760

of israel is different

896

00:34:11,109 --> 00:34:10,399

by an order of magnitude from criticisms

897

00:34:13,990 --> 00:34:11,119

of

898

00:34:17,109 --> 00:34:14,000

every other country on this earth

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00:34:19,510 --> 00:34:17,119

i get that and i think you

900

00:34:22,230 --> 00:34:19,520

your book does an excellent job of

901
00:34:23,510 --> 00:34:22,240
bringing that into focus and reminding

902
00:34:25,430 --> 00:34:23,520
us

903
00:34:27,909 --> 00:34:25,440
that that's still out there and it's not

904
00:34:30,230 --> 00:34:27,919
something we can just kind of blow past

905
00:34:33,990 --> 00:34:30,240
i do wonder and i'm going to throw one

906
00:34:36,470 --> 00:34:34,000
more out there which is another kind of

907
00:34:39,270 --> 00:34:36,480
i guess fuel for

908
00:34:40,950 --> 00:34:39,280
the extreme anti-zionist conspiracies

909
00:34:42,710 --> 00:34:40,960
that you're talking about

910
00:34:45,270 --> 00:34:42,720
is the more serious

911
00:34:47,430 --> 00:34:45,280
kind of anti-zionist conspiracies that

912
00:34:48,790 --> 00:34:47,440
we would need to kind of consider or

913
00:34:50,950 --> 00:34:48,800

throw on the table so i'm going to throw

914

00:34:52,629 --> 00:34:50,960

one out another one and

915

00:34:54,470 --> 00:34:52,639

again i'm doing nothing other than

916

00:34:57,750 --> 00:34:54,480

reading a mainstream newspaper this

917

00:35:00,150 --> 00:34:57,760

one's in scotland this has been debunked

918

00:35:02,069 --> 00:35:00,160

look i know that you know this one

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00:35:04,150 --> 00:35:02,079

actually makes me angry because there's

920

00:35:05,349 --> 00:35:04,160

so many jews who were murdered in that

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00:35:08,390 --> 00:35:05,359

tower

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00:35:10,150 --> 00:35:08,400

i mean i find this reprehensible and

923

00:35:12,710 --> 00:35:10,160

there were supposedly photos of people

924

00:35:14,150 --> 00:35:12,720

dancing who were muslims around a mosque

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00:35:15,910 --> 00:35:14,160

everybody's got their own freaking

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00:35:18,950 --> 00:35:15,920

conspiracy theory about this this is

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00:35:23,990 --> 00:35:22,310

i mean it's it's it's it's it's

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00:35:25,750 --> 00:35:24,000

i anybody can write anything about

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00:35:27,030 --> 00:35:25,760

anything well let me just make sure

930

00:35:29,190 --> 00:35:27,040

we're talking about the same thing

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00:35:32,630 --> 00:35:29,200

because there's a lot of conspiracy

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00:35:34,790 --> 00:35:32,640

theories around 9 11 that tie into

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00:35:36,470 --> 00:35:34,800

israeli mossad

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00:35:38,630 --> 00:35:36,480

this one again

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00:35:40,150 --> 00:35:38,640

maybe you have data to the contrary and

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00:35:41,430 --> 00:35:40,160

that's okay i just want to make sure

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00:35:42,230 --> 00:35:41,440

that people know what we're talking

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00:35:45,670 --> 00:35:42,240

about

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00:35:48,550 --> 00:35:45,680

here is again from the harold scotland

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00:35:50,390 --> 00:35:48,560

longest-standing newspaper in scotland

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00:35:51,910 --> 00:35:50,400

there was rune and terror in manhattan

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00:35:54,310 --> 00:35:51,920

but over on the hudson river in new

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00:35:55,670 --> 00:35:54,320

jersey a handful of men were dancing as

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00:35:57,829 --> 00:35:55,680

the world trainer center burned and

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00:36:00,150 --> 00:35:57,839

crumbled five men celebrated and filmed

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00:36:03,030 --> 00:36:00,160

the worst trust atrocity ever committed

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00:36:04,470 --> 00:36:03,040

on us on american soil as it played out

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00:36:06,710 --> 00:36:04,480

before their eyes

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00:36:09,190 --> 00:36:06,720

they were israelis and at least two of

950

00:36:14,069 --> 00:36:09,200

them were israel israeli intelligence

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00:36:16,630 --> 00:36:14,079
agents working for massad so

952
00:36:18,230 --> 00:36:16,640
i've looked in once

953
00:36:21,030 --> 00:36:18,240
this is made up

954
00:36:23,109 --> 00:36:21,040
this is this concept and i i really find

955
00:36:25,109 --> 00:36:23,119
this frankly repugnant because there are

956
00:36:27,750 --> 00:36:25,119
again also photos if you want to go to

957
00:36:29,829 --> 00:36:27,760
jersey city their photos are supposedly

958
00:36:32,470 --> 00:36:29,839
muslims dancing and handing out candy

959
00:36:35,030 --> 00:36:32,480
and beeping horns you know

960
00:36:38,390 --> 00:36:35,040
this is not sourced

961
00:36:39,589 --> 00:36:38,400
um and it's it is sourced there's f

962
00:36:44,390 --> 00:36:39,599
there's fbi

963
00:36:46,950 --> 00:36:44,400

were released in the foia and these guys

964

00:36:49,109 --> 00:36:46,960

were sent back to israel two months

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00:36:50,630 --> 00:36:49,119

after without any

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00:36:52,470 --> 00:36:50,640

investigation and they appeared on

967

00:36:53,829 --> 00:36:52,480

israeli tv but i don't want to get into

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00:36:55,430 --> 00:36:53,839

hashing out those details but i'm

969

00:36:56,550 --> 00:36:55,440

telling you scott i'm not coming in at

970

00:36:59,190 --> 00:36:56,560

this

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00:37:02,069 --> 00:36:59,200

it's a as some wild wacky kind of

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00:37:03,829 --> 00:37:02,079

conspiracy nut thing anyone who goes

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00:37:06,150 --> 00:37:03,839

investigated there's there's plenty of

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00:37:09,349 --> 00:37:06,160

evidence who knows how edging

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00:37:11,750 --> 00:37:09,359

that the 19 hijackers

976
00:37:15,510 --> 00:37:11,760
from saudi arabia and elsewhere didn't

977
00:37:17,270 --> 00:37:15,520
plot this with isis to destroy

978
00:37:20,950 --> 00:37:17,280
the world trade centers and effectively

979
00:37:25,750 --> 00:37:23,829
zionist plot i mean i i'm definitely not

980
00:37:28,230 --> 00:37:25,760
i'm definitely not saying that it's a

981
00:37:30,470 --> 00:37:28,240
zionist plot and the way i'm trying to

982
00:37:32,150 --> 00:37:30,480
bring it back into focus with

983
00:37:33,829 --> 00:37:32,160
your book again

984
00:37:35,270 --> 00:37:33,839
conspiracy u

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00:37:38,150 --> 00:37:35,280
is that

986
00:37:40,150 --> 00:37:38,160
i think we have to look at the role

987
00:37:42,630 --> 00:37:40,160
conspiracy theories

988
00:37:45,109 --> 00:37:42,640

are playing in our culture in both a

989

00:37:47,589 --> 00:37:45,119

positive and a negative way so i don't

990

00:37:49,190 --> 00:37:47,599

think we're too far apart on this and i

991

00:37:51,270 --> 00:37:49,200

think there's going to be conspiracy

992

00:37:52,390 --> 00:37:51,280

theories that are going to gaslight

993

00:37:56,710 --> 00:37:52,400

all of us

994

00:37:59,510 --> 00:37:56,720

and i think we have to find a way to

995

00:38:01,430 --> 00:37:59,520

i guess embrace them in the same way

996

00:38:03,829 --> 00:38:01,440

that you're exposing

997

00:38:05,750 --> 00:38:03,839

a couple of very important you've

998

00:38:08,150 --> 00:38:05,760

convinced me in the book and in this

999

00:38:10,630 --> 00:38:08,160

interview very important conspiracy

1000

00:38:12,950 --> 00:38:10,640

theories in academia

1001
00:38:15,910 --> 00:38:12,960
i'm just saying i think we have to have

1002
00:38:17,030 --> 00:38:15,920
a different attitude about conspiracies

1003
00:38:19,270 --> 00:38:17,040
theories

1004
00:38:21,589 --> 00:38:19,280
that i didn't exactly get

1005
00:38:23,349 --> 00:38:21,599
from your book even though i think it it

1006
00:38:25,030 --> 00:38:23,359
was very convincing about some of the

1007
00:38:27,270 --> 00:38:25,040
ones that you met so that that's my

1008
00:38:29,750 --> 00:38:27,280
point and then i've i definitely i'm

1009
00:38:30,790 --> 00:38:29,760
open to you know your your feedback on

1010
00:38:33,430 --> 00:38:30,800
that

1011
00:38:35,349 --> 00:38:33,440
well again i think you have to you have

1012
00:38:37,829 --> 00:38:35,359
you have a you can have theories about

1013
00:38:39,510 --> 00:38:37,839

conspiracies i'm not using the warn or

1014

00:38:42,310 --> 00:38:39,520

the cia language you can have theories

1015

00:38:43,910 --> 00:38:42,320

about conspiracies and then you have to

1016

00:38:46,230 --> 00:38:43,920

evaluate them

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00:38:48,710 --> 00:38:46,240

um there was a ton of research done the

1018

00:38:51,430 --> 00:38:48,720

911 commission and others both what's

1019

00:38:53,109 --> 00:38:51,440

been classified and declassified and

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00:38:55,030 --> 00:38:53,119

even more has been declassified during

1021

00:38:58,710 --> 00:38:55,040

the biden administration

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00:39:00,390 --> 00:38:58,720

um and it's pretty clear what happened

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00:39:01,190 --> 00:39:00,400

um but

1024

00:39:05,270 --> 00:39:01,200

i'm

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00:39:08,069 --> 00:39:05,280

again what the thing that concerns me is

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00:39:09,750 --> 00:39:08,079

that anytime something bad happens

1027

00:39:11,990 --> 00:39:09,760

in the united states or elsewhere there

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00:39:15,349 --> 00:39:12,000

is a reflex to somehow blame it on the

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00:39:18,069 --> 00:39:15,359

jews climate change now is being blamed

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00:39:19,750 --> 00:39:18,079

on jewish oppression of gaza it doesn't

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00:39:22,310 --> 00:39:19,760

matter that there are you know

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00:39:24,069 --> 00:39:22,320

smokestacks in china or elsewhere

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00:39:27,670 --> 00:39:24,079

um with burning coal that's somehow

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00:39:29,270 --> 00:39:27,680

blamed on the jews george floyd

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00:39:31,910 --> 00:39:29,280

300

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00:39:32,870 --> 00:39:31,920

university organizations

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00:39:34,950 --> 00:39:32,880

said

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00:39:37,349 --> 00:39:34,960

this is somehow the zionist jews fault i

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00:39:39,829 --> 00:39:37,359

mean there's a impulse that when

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00:39:42,470 --> 00:39:39,839

something bad happens

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00:39:44,230 --> 00:39:42,480

now knowing people that died in that

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00:39:46,550 --> 00:39:44,240

tower

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00:39:49,030 --> 00:39:46,560

i i have to say i can't hold back an

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00:39:51,910 --> 00:39:49,040

emotional reaction

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00:39:53,589 --> 00:39:51,920

knowing jews who died in that tower

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00:39:56,470 --> 00:39:53,599

i just can't hold back an emotional

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00:39:59,109 --> 00:39:56,480

reaction to seeing that what you put up

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00:40:02,710 --> 00:39:59,119

i'm sorry if i sounded a little loud but

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00:40:05,910 --> 00:40:02,720

i i you know it it definitely

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00:40:08,309 --> 00:40:05,920

hits a raw nerve because uh

1051
00:40:11,430 --> 00:40:08,319
they were involved jews and they were

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00:40:13,670 --> 00:40:11,440
good people and they were murdered

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00:40:15,190 --> 00:40:13,680
and so that's tough for me totally i

1054
00:40:17,270 --> 00:40:15,200
totally get that i'll tell you what in

1055
00:40:20,230 --> 00:40:17,280
the time that's left

1056
00:40:23,349 --> 00:40:20,240
tell folks about some of your other

1057
00:40:25,030 --> 00:40:23,359
books and your work in general because

1058
00:40:26,790 --> 00:40:25,040
and the reason i want you to do that and

1059
00:40:29,430 --> 00:40:26,800
we can't possibly get to that in this

1060
00:40:31,349 --> 00:40:29,440
interview i think it starts to get back

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00:40:34,390 --> 00:40:31,359
to the root core of this which is

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00:40:36,550 --> 00:40:34,400
spirituality which is atheism i think

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00:40:40,390 --> 00:40:36,560

atheism is the root cause of what you

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00:40:43,109 --> 00:40:40,400

see in academia if we're able to advance

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00:40:45,349 --> 00:40:43,119

without criticism this idea that we're

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00:40:47,430 --> 00:40:45,359

meaningless biological robots in a

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00:40:49,910 --> 00:40:47,440

meaningless universe i think it is the

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00:40:52,309 --> 00:40:49,920

first conspiracy that opens up this door

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00:40:54,550 --> 00:40:52,319

i'm not a religious person but i think

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00:40:56,630 --> 00:40:54,560

that you're onto something

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00:40:58,309 --> 00:40:56,640

when you're putting your finger on it in

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00:41:00,790 --> 00:40:58,319

those other books so tell us about that

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00:41:03,190 --> 00:41:00,800

as we wrap this up so thank you first of

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00:41:05,510 --> 00:41:03,200

all my previous book i this my third

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00:41:07,990 --> 00:41:05,520

book conspiracy you a case study but my

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00:41:10,870 --> 00:41:08,000

previous book in good faith

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00:41:13,190 --> 00:41:10,880

um talked about spirituality was in good

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00:41:14,870 --> 00:41:13,200

faith questioning religion and atheism

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00:41:16,790 --> 00:41:14,880

and i will give you the punchline since

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00:41:18,710 --> 00:41:16,800

we don't have a lot of time

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00:41:21,030 --> 00:41:18,720

the one thing that i came that is the

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00:41:23,670 --> 00:41:21,040

common cause that is what i think the

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00:41:25,430 --> 00:41:23,680

most basic moral value

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00:41:28,950 --> 00:41:25,440

is the golden rule

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00:41:30,230 --> 00:41:28,960

expressed negatively the way hillel did

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00:41:33,349 --> 00:41:30,240

don't do

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00:41:35,270 --> 00:41:33,359

unto someone else what would be hateful

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00:41:37,109 --> 00:41:35,280

if it were done to you in other words

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00:41:39,030 --> 00:41:37,119

treat don't treat anybody else the way

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00:41:41,030 --> 00:41:39,040

you wouldn't want to be treated don't

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00:41:43,510 --> 00:41:41,040

think about it groups don't think about

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00:41:46,390 --> 00:41:43,520

identities think about that individual

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00:41:47,190 --> 00:41:46,400

person because we all share in hillel's

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00:41:48,550 --> 00:41:47,200

view

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00:41:51,030 --> 00:41:48,560

a common

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00:41:54,550 --> 00:41:51,040

spark of the divine or if you're an

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00:41:56,550 --> 00:41:54,560

atheist a common spark of humanity

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00:42:00,630 --> 00:41:56,560

and my whole book the whole in good

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00:42:02,550 --> 00:42:00,640

faith is about finding the common ground

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00:42:05,589 --> 00:42:02,560

between religion

1101
00:42:08,470 --> 00:42:05,599
and between ethical atheism

1102
00:42:09,990 --> 00:42:08,480
and what i find is the biggest problem

1103
00:42:20,870 --> 00:42:10,000
is

1104
00:42:22,870 --> 00:42:20,880
and what they really aren't too many

1105
00:42:24,950 --> 00:42:22,880
religious quote unquote religious people

1106
00:42:27,430 --> 00:42:24,960
are they're really idolaters

1107
00:42:30,230 --> 00:42:27,440
and here's the problem we talk about

1108
00:42:32,790 --> 00:42:30,240
idolatry like it's some quaint bowing

1109
00:42:34,470 --> 00:42:32,800
down to idols but in reality and if your

1110
00:42:36,150 --> 00:42:34,480
listeners just remember one thing from

1111
00:42:38,069 --> 00:42:36,160
this interview that i hope they they

1112
00:42:41,589 --> 00:42:38,079
list they remember the following

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00:42:44,390 --> 00:42:41,599

idolatry is actually a set about lies

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00:42:48,230 --> 00:42:44,400

is a set of lies about power it's about

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00:42:51,510 --> 00:42:48,240

ascribing super authority or superpowers

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00:42:53,270 --> 00:42:51,520

or some mysterious forces to finite

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beings like

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kings like fair or ideologies like

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communism and otherisms and so we may

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have thought we licked idolatry

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33 years ago but in reality hitler

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stalin the assad family the kim family

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and i can go on and on use the same

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tropes of ancient pharaoh

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power

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pageantry myth theater all backed up

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with

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secret army secret informers and and and

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strong police and armies

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and it's at both the macro level and the

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micro level at the micro level

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i think idolatry explains how people

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like charlie rose and harvey weinstein

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and matt lauer got away with what they

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got away with because they were

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considered idols

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they had super authority in their in

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their arenas

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so they were unquestioned and

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unquestionable until there was enough

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weight of evidence against them

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and that

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too could be called in a sense

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conspiracy theories i mean we could get

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that would be a whole other broadcast

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how they got away with what they got

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away with

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00:44:06,950 --> 00:44:04,560

so i really am passionate about that and

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00:44:08,790 --> 00:44:06,960

and so i'm really passionate my writing

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in good faith was a five-year project

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for me

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and uh

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00:44:15,510 --> 00:44:13,839
and i think it's a you know i really do

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00:44:18,309 --> 00:44:15,520
think it's an important book

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00:44:19,589 --> 00:44:18,319
fantastic our guest again has been scott

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00:44:22,309 --> 00:44:19,599
shea the book you're going to want to

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00:44:23,670 --> 00:44:22,319
check out the latest one conspiracy u a

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00:44:25,990 --> 00:44:23,680
case study

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00:44:28,630 --> 00:44:26,000
but that other one sounds like a perfect

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00:44:30,390 --> 00:44:28,640
skeptico pairing with that scott it's

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00:44:32,390 --> 00:44:30,400
been terrific having on the show thank

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00:44:34,309 --> 00:44:32,400

you so much for joining me

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00:44:35,190 --> 00:44:34,319

alex it's really been a pleasure thank

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you

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thanks again to scotch a for joining me

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today on skeptico the one question i t

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up from this interview is kind of the

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big one what do you make of anti-zionist

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conspiracy theories scott makes a really

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strong case about a couple of them that

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weren't on my radar that we might want

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to pay attention to

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on the other hand there's a couple that

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don't seem to pop up on his radar so

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what are your thoughts about that let me

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know join me over in the skeptical forum

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which i would really invite you to join

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me on the skeptical forum particularly

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if you want to have a next level

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dialogue it's not a place just for

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venting you have to have some thinking

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behind your opinion maybe some

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references links that kind of stuff but

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that's all in the spirit that i talked

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about at the beginning of let's grow

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this community and let's grow it the way

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we want with people who want to engage

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in intelligent dialogues

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tough dialogues but intelligent dialogue

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so i will leave you with a reminder of

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that if you can

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help me out in that way

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i would greatly appreciate it

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that's going to do it for this interview

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i have several more coming up i don't

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know how many more but i have more until

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next time take care and bye for now