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Chris Jordan 00:17

Coming from the city of the we're exploring topics from the esoteric and unexplored, two dimensions are known. Shining a light of truth from the darkest corners of our reality. Welcome to the curious realms. Well, hello everybody and welcome to episode 37 of the curious realm Chris Jordan here coming at you from Austin, Texas. I hold in my hand, this month's edition of the MUFON journal. Is Bigfoot an alien race? We'll be talking about Bigfoot. Actually, in the second part of this episode. Our good friend Craig will heater is our pre recorded guest for tonight after a commercial break, our great and good friend of many, many years. Billy Joe Kane from radical empathy Education Foundation, as well as PB and J learning is on the show tonight, in the first part live here in the studio, to talk about human trafficking that scourge of humanity that we hear so much about, but I think a lot of people misunderstand, we tend to get it confused with other things. So we're going to talk about human trafficking, what it is what you can do to help educate your family. help educate your friends, help educate your teachers, at the beginning of this school year, if you or your school or your child's school, is not doing a human trafficking workshop this year, we're going to tell you where you can get a hold of Billy Joe Kane and the radical empathy Education Foundation as well as PB and J learning so that you can come by and have that done and make sure that everybody understands because it's, I travel a lot for work over the last decade of my life. And over the last five years, oddly enough, since I started having Billy Joe Kane on, I have started to actively see human trafficking signs up signs in Vegas casinos, things like that, like in the bathroom stalls in the elevators, about human trafficking in hotel lobbies. So the word is out. Things are out there. As a matter of fact, let's go ahead and bring up our news of the week. Real quick news of the week is of course, always brought to you by the Facebook stop on by joining the curious realm group on Facebook. That is how you can join the conversation and get all of these great articles. I tend to news bomb Facebook about every few hours, which is articles upon articles. So oddly enough, the whole reason I have not refreshed my Facebook is because of this article right here at a CBS News FBI rescues more than 200 trafficking victims including 84 Children in Operation Cross Country out of the drive rushes rocket toting robot dog is Chinese and for sale on Alibaba so if you want one of those crazy robot dogs, I love the fact that it's got like the the the ninja mask on you know so yeah, if you want to if you want to remote control robot dog with the RPG cannon on it, imagine stop on by there it is at a vise as well folks. So yeah, out of the Houston Chronicle giant invasive crockery species has been discovered in Texas for the first time. Those

are actually pretty dangerous to wildlife. Out of q 1065. Out of the main area. The trip is generally safe in a motorized boat, but not recommended for canoes or kayaks. One of the world's largest whirlpools, churns off the coast of Maine, been churning for years and years. It's one of those kind of like Natural Bridge Caverns like go by and check it out. But like it said, do not go near it in a kayak man, you are not going to fight that and out of free things.com lithium mining just became a water sport a team of scientists have claimed that they've created a fordable method for extracting lithium from seawater that is just some of the news that is fit to print And believe it or not right there on the curious realm Facebook group folks while you're online checking that out, make sure to stop on by curious realm.com We have a brand new page, as well as a widget down here. The widget will show you our phone number that is our experience or hotline if you're an experimenter. Folks, if you are a targeted individual, if you have had a UFO experience, that's what Sasquatch said, or cryptid sighting. If you have evidence or visions of ancient civilizations, stop on by and check it out. Five one to 298 3913 is where you can leave a voicemail for us. We'll use it here on the show and pose your experience to professionals, authors, researchers, things like that. As well, you can stop on by share, curious roam.com forward slash share and there is an onboarding form right there where you can share your name. You can even click whether or not you want to remain anonymous. You can tell us what kind of event you have had or experienced. And you can also upload pictures upload audio upload video, upload PDF files if you have a mafia government whistleblower and once again there's that phone number 512-298-3913 is our new experience or hotline stop on by share your experiences with us so that we can share them with the world. While you're online checking that out make sure to stop by secret to everything. Secret everything.com is the website of our good friend Dr. Kimberly McGeorge she is your number one source source for alternative health frequency healing and consciousness expansion exercises while you're online checking that out, make sure to stop by true him science true him science.com Is your home for the best AR and CBD products that you can find. I am here to tell you folks, I have used true hem science for almost the last five years. They became a sponsor about a year ago. And they are the best CBD I've found I traveled the country. I'm not afraid of my lifestyle. I visit dispensaries regularly. But I'm here to tell you this one of the only CBD products I've ever found that has terpene profiles. Stop on by check it out through him. science.com is the website. Curious seven is the code that you want to use to save 7% of your entire order of \$50 or more. And of course, while you're online checking all that out, make sure to stop on by radical empathy Education Foundation make a donation Human Trafficking Awareness and Prevention Training is what they are all about. As well as PB and J learning. Those are the two websites and endeavors from our good friend and human trafficking advocate Billy Joe Kane, welcome back to the studio. How are you my friend?



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Wow. I'm doing great, actually. Thank you so much for asking. Thank you for having me. Man. I really do appreciate it.



Chris Jordan 08:09

I always love having you on man I and you know, we haven't just had you on about human trafficking, like we've had you on just to come in and talk about technology. You're actually a video game developer and not many people realize I'm we always typically talk about the VR a little bit. But we'll be getting into that some more, because you just put out a whole new

walkthrough, and you're looking at making trapped VR a detective story into an app that people can play and access. So before we get into the technology, before we get into trapped a VR detective story, let's get into human trafficking real quick, and what it's all about? What is human trafficking? And how can people spot it?

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Wow. Well, first of all, thank you so much for the introduction and for understanding exactly, you know why this is so important. So human trafficking is essentially someone taking advantage of someone else on an extreme level. So there are there's a definition essentially, that has been put together by three different components, which is actions, means and purpose. And so those three things are important. Because inaction is actually providing somebody or getting access to somebody means is doing it through force fraud or coercion, and then a purpose as far as for it to be a commercial act. So basically, if you're forcing someone to do something against their will, where you are, you are benefiting from. So that is that is the essential issue that's out there. Now, if you're under 18, you do not have to prove means you just have to prove that someone was provided for an exchange of value. And this can either be for labor trafficking, or sex trafficking in the case of domestic minor sex trafficking without the means required, such as action and purpose. So it's exchanging somebody's efforts for your benefit. And so there's

 Chris Jordan 10:15

Yeah, and it's horrifying to know that human trafficking goes into so many different aspects of our lives that we really don't think about. Most people are aware of, you know, massage parlors, and the possibility of human trafficking, you know, human trafficking of children, for pedophile rings, things like that. But when you're talking about labor, trafficking as well, and people, even right here in the neighborhood that I live in, in Austin, that have been brought in, and because they've been brought in now, oh, a means by which to do that. Now, granted, that's human smuggling, not human trafficking, because it wasn't done by means of coercion. And I think that's, that's something that we need to talk about real quick, just to clear it up for the audience.

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Really great point, right. So the difference that you're describing is basically human smuggling versus human trafficking. So smuggling is actually someone being brought across a border or a transnational border. So that person could be doing that on their own volition, like, they may have paid somebody to do this. And so there's their own decision, or they could have been kidnapped across the border, for example. But those things are separate than if you're actually going to be earning money from that person yourself, or if you're going to be benefiting from that. So I'm not exactly sure if I'm doing a great job of describing this. But if there is a I probably should start over on that one. So I want to make

 Chris Jordan 11:57

Yes. Okay. We're live. So I'm not going to edit anything. Oh, it's all

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it's all good. It's, it's, it's kind of confusing, but I mean, it is it



Chris Jordan 12:05

is because it depends on who benefits. Yes. And even the fact is, we've discussed with Kim Jong before or Chung Kim, who's been on with us before, the fact that frequently human trafficking victims can be found guilty and core of, of other crimes, things like that, despite the fact that they have been a full on victim. Yeah, they can be found guilty of human trafficking themselves, even though they are the victim of the human trafficking.



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Yes, that is that is a huge problem with is that people do not understand the core issues that are involved in this, which are people that can be victimized or people that are actually super vulnerable to these types of behaviors. So they get tricked into this, or they get coerced into this, they get blackmailed into this. And this can happen between kids that send a nude to somebody else. And that gets used against them. I mean, this stuff can happen so innocently like that, and turns into a huge problem all the way up to like multinational corporations that are taking advantage of people through the HDA and HTB visa programs.



Chris Jordan 13:14

Wow. Yeah. Yeah, I hadn't even thought about that. Because having people come over in exchange for a visa, same same thing, especially if you are taking advantage of them, if you are working them against any kind of OSHA regulation or anything like that.



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It happened it is a constant problem. This is this is nothing new. The problem is there's just not enough being done to to actually arrest the people that need to be arrested. And I'm you can look at the numbers, you can see just how bad this issue is. Yes. How many people that need to be arrested for this because of the numbers that people know that are out there. And if you look at the actual prosecutions, it's pathetic. You know what's wrong? So my question is just what's wrong?



Chris Jordan 14:02

Yeah. Yeah. And granted that I don't want to get political. I'm not going to get political. However, I will bring up the fact that we we brought in a long time ago some some really hard legislation that was supposed to help stop minorities and people who were smuggled across

borders, things like that illegal immigrants from being taken advantage of in kitchens and other workplaces, things like that. And once again, it's one of those every once in a while, you'll hear about a raid or something like that. But you never hear about the jail sentence. You never hear about you never hear about the teeth being applied. You know, you hear about this situation being handled with kid gloves because it's a it's a political topic. I mean, Things like that. But

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let's get honest here. Yeah, yeah. Because it's go well, you're indignant how many people? How many people knew that the people at the bottom were being enslaved? How many people all the way up to the top of corporate knew? You know where that Coco came from? Where those diamonds come from? Where that lithium, I was just about to say exactly that the cobalt comes from? Yeah. You know, and, and in the case of China, there's a whole mixture of where the cotton comes

 Chris Jordan 15:30

from, where the human organs come from, well,

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I don't even want to touch that. Just thinking about just cotton, for example. Yeah, what they've done is they've managed to take the, the places that they believe are, are created by slavery. But the prices that are created by slavery are mixed in with a bunch of other different groups. So you can't tell what supplier you got it from. So there's this enormous complexity of everything that goes all the way to the top and I don't care what side you're on. The truth is that somebody needs to go you know, what, maybe we should actually take a look at this shouldn't

 Chris Jordan 16:07

be aside, this should not shouldn't be assessed. This is

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pretty obvious if you just sit down and look. Yeah, is any has anything we've done so far worked? What are we doing wrong? Yeah, it seems like it's just getting worse and worse. And I don't see anything getting any better, honestly, and I hate to say it that way. But I know there's so many people that care about this. But the reaction is just not it's not working out. And we haven't found the right thing that scales.

 Chris Jordan 16:36

Well, it no grant is this



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is education base. It is it is an education issue. And no guilt, no anything. It's just like, look, there's some common things that we need to understand



Chris Jordan 16:48

since a public information campaign the size of Mothers Against Drunk Driving. Yeah, that's it or or lobbying the way that you know, just say no to drugs was done until it is lobbied on that level, Billy. It's a headline that pops up every once in a while. And then the sad thing is, go and get anybody listens to this show knows that I am a news. I mean, I've got a news and politics award sitting over my shoulder from the previous incarnation of this show. Because of topics like this, and the thing is smooth, I will post at least three human trafficking articles a month, a month, and those are from within these borders. Those aren't like children from Armenia were smuggled across borders of us No, stop.



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No, Arizona. Yes, the Arizona prisoners that are that are horrifying. Oh my god. Horrible. Okay, whoever is listening right now, whatever time it is right now type in Arizona prison labor. Okay. Yes, this should embarrass you as a human being okay. Period, much less somebody from the United States who believes in America, give me a break. What are you talking about here? And this is just one tiny microcosm that has actually been looked at how to mean edit, I mean, lightly looked at um, this is this whole system that we are working under right now is unbelievably corrupt. And so your your eyes are just open as much as they can as soon as they can. But just pay attention eat as soon as we can. Hour like we want to be treated. Are we since an



Chris Jordan 18:41

hour now and we granted a treat I once again 50 cents, I do not want to get political, I do not want to get political Napoli. It is not this is humanist, and that's just it. It's it's one of those. I mean, without getting political, it's the fact of I don't care what landed somebody in prison, that does not mean that they have to be treated in that way. Especially if they are providing a an actual service, one, one that is being profited on by the people putting them in the position.



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That's right, because that's paid for by the tax dollar. Now,



Chris Jordan 19:23

granted, these these folks in order to get into this program have to earn their way into that program, and they gotta they got to keep their nose clean to be part of the program. Just just

program, and they gotta they got to keep their nose clean to be part of the program. Just just like being a firefighter in prison. Like they use they use prisoners to put out the forest fires in California, stuff like that. Yes, absolutely. And they have finally gotten to the point of saying like, yes, we need to pay them more. But at the same token, those guys when they get out, actively have the opportunity to go join a fire. They do now they do now they earn they do now that took almost 20 years. yours if that happened

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did. So I mean, there's there's two ways I guess, to look at this one is that really that this is an insurmountable issue that is so deep that is going to take decades of concentrated effort to try to exercise from our culture? Or, hey, let's make a little difference today. You know, let's go instead of buying a, you know, a brand new Starbucks, let's get one that's fair trade once a month. You know, let's, let's wait a little while before we get a new pair of sandals or a new sneakers or Sure, buy us, you know, one more used pair of pants or something one year or whatever, you know, wait longer before you get new electronics. Just do some thing.

 Chris Jordan 20:45

Okay, hold on, man, there's a there's a limit tire. There's a limit, Billy,

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you know, think about it. It's either going to be done slowly. Or you're gonna actually wake up and see that we got a lot of fucking to do?

 Chris Jordan 20:58

Well, well, yeah, there is a lot of there is a lot of effort going on out there. Let's just say that. And we, as a people, as a humanity have to be willing to accept that this exists, that it happens. Yeah. It's like saying that lynchings don't happen to this day. They do. And it's horrifying. And until and until you admit that you have a problem, you can't fix the problem until you admit like, you know, I probably shouldn't drink anymore. You may have a problem stopping drinking, like you, you have to be committed to the solution. And I guess, moving forward here, Billy. Because you, you had your own experience with human trafficking, you weren't traffic yourself, but you you actively had your children groomed at one point by somebody that you know, which is what caused you to become the visceral activist in the world that you are now and start using the talents that you had in the world of programming things like that to marry the, the experience with education.

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Yeah, yeah, thanks, I appreciate you giving me the opportunity to talk about that. So Jackie, and I, my wife and I, we went to a big conference in Dallas A while back, and it was for the Texas Department of protective Family Services. DFPS. And we were honored to be asked

there, because it was invited an invite only conference. So we got the chance to speak to so many people that were out there. And they would tell us why they were involved, you know, in this fight. You know, they were with the, you know, they're with Child Protective Services, or they were volunteers or nurses or whatever. And they told us some stories about the people that they were working with, and the kids that we're working with, and adults who were working with, that were just absolutely horrendous. And, as we were, you know, kind of sharing our stories. You know, the thread that just kept coming through to me was that everybody has been dealing with vulnerable populations, you know, kids, adults, people that are in circumstances that they're, they're out of their control. And that that really is like the commonality to all of this. And so you know, one of the things that I've always worked for is trying to, to educate people about this, so that they can, they can avoid this so they can actually have it, prevent and happen to somebody else. We're trying to at least radical empathy. What we're trying to do with our stuff is we're trying to educate people so that we can prevent this from happening to them, so they can actually understand the kind of vulnerability that they might have. So I got started in this because I found out that when I was working on a project with a longtime friend of mine, who was my boss, he and I would be talking on the phone sometimes, and sometimes he'd call the house and talk to me or talk to my kids, and then they'd hand the phone to me or, you know, my wife, etc. He'd known the kids forever. But it turned out that, you know, one day my son came to me and said, hey, you know, why is he talking to me about what porn sites I'm supposed to visit? And I'm like, What are you talking about? Your daughter comes to us and said, you know, why is this guy talking to us about you know how I'm supposed to, you know, clean my vagina. And I was like, that is so messed up. incredibly long story short. I never got paid what I was owed. You know, I got fired. The kids said that he didn't cross some lines. So he totally got away with you and the whole thing. And we were told that that was called grooming. So apparently, he was talking to them about, you know, their body parts and trying to normalize talking about sex and promising them to go. It's really expensive places and take them on, you know, on, you know, excursions and things like this. And the police explained to us that that was called grooming. And I didn't, I couldn't find any resources that made any sense to me that I felt would really educate me about the situation. Most of the stuff that I found was like a PDF, or you could, you know, watch a video of somebody reading a PowerPoint to you. And so, years later, I got into using virtual reality. And I found out that it actually could make people care if you created a situation that could connect you with the person that you were having that experience with. So I decided I was going to build an experience that would actually teach you how anyone could become a victim of human trafficking through psychological manipulation. So I built that experience in virtual reality, so you can actually meet this young girl named Lisa, and you would become, you know, accustomed to knowing that her life was normal and regular. But this actually happened to her because she got manipulated by a boy that she met online. It's an extremely common situation right now. This is not a you grab somebody out of a parking lot at a target is more of somebody gets to understand that you have some vulnerabilities. And they promised to make those vulnerabilities kind of go away. So it's like, if you're lonely, they'll come in and offer you, you know, attention and affection. Or if you're poor, they might offer you money and things like that. And so by fulfilling those little objectives for you that you don't realize there's so much vulnerabilities that can put you at risk of being taken advantage of, and that really is kind of the the core nugget of what we're trying to teach people is you have to actually be paying attention to these type of things so that your vulnerabilities don't become ultimately something that can harm you long term.



Chris Jordan 27:14



Yeah, absolutely. Yeah. It's, it's, it's hard because there, there is a level of experience that is hard to translate through something virtual or through a game or even through a narration when it when it comes to somebody being so emotionally manipulated, because it really is, once again, that is the difference between smuggling and trafficking is the coercion. That's true, the fact that he has, you can have the exact same things done to somebody who has been quoted over to America and is living three streets over for me right now. And has to go do this forest work every day, for 1213 hours a day with maybe one water break, and maybe a lunch. And then they go back and keep working, keep working, keep working while they make no money. But they're living in a house for free. It doesn't



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even seem real to have this conversation and believe that's actually happening. And yeah, we know it's happening to millions of people. Yeah, across America. Oh, absolutely. I mean, this is not like some manufactured, you know, alarm things like going, No, we all know it's happening. Why does that not bother us? Do you see what I'm saying?



Chris Jordan 28:38

Well, well, and that's just it. Even right here on the game mind is one unique story out of millions, each unique in their own way. My story yesterday was a really bad day. And it goes on from there. And it really is the idea of being able to just as the name of your business being radical empathy. Being able to help build that concept of empathy through a modern technology and a you've had great result. Great response to the to the tune of University of Texas working with you to the get to being allotted by even FBI agents at conferences. Police I know I just sent you a link to a to a virtual medical conference because yeah, doctors offices are another place that you're starting to see those human trafficking sites pop up.



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We are we are really seeing interest from from psychiatrists. We're seeing interest from churches. We're seeing interest from universities right now. That's awesome, dude. It's really exciting. We just had a real successful conference earlier this year called the greater Rockies interactive training conference where uprising actually had oh wow, you They debuted trapped VR detective story up there for for their week of conference, which was absolutely fantastic. From there, we've met with people from inside out in Montana, and we have also met with God, excuse me, with the lifeguard group out of Montana, and they are absolutely fantastic. Both those groups are great. And we are really looking forward to seeing things explode with them, they've been taking ourselves out to



Chris Jordan 30:32

write that is awesome to hear me because I quite literally remember running into you at classic game fest here in Austin. And seeing your demonstrate and just sitting back and watching for like, 30 minutes as people came up and experienced it, because I came up, and I talked with you stuff like that. Then I went back and did my AV thing. And while a band played, I came back

and just kind of like sat and watched him watch people's reactions. And this was like, six years ago now. Yeah, it doesn't it doesn't seem like that long ago. But yeah, that was back in the days of us being dudes and beer. Before we relabeled That was smooth within season one. And I remember you coming into the studio, bringing it for Steven to try things like that. And really seeing the literal first generation of this technology where it was a rigmarole to set up you had to go through things. And now the fact that you have this side loaded on to goggles, the fact that you have a system set up for people to be able to donate used VR goggles, yeah, stuff like that. Absolutely fantastic.

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We want to find any way we can connect with as many possible people as possible. So that might mean if you happen to have a set of Oculus quest or quest two headset that you want to get rid of and think that it has a new place needs to go to send us or if you're looking to help us reach other people we love if you would send us one of those. Send us one of those as well. Yeah, but the The truth is that what we're really trying to do is get people to try this virtual reality experience. So if you have a quest, or a quest to headset, contact me, and I will give you a copy of our VR experience. May maybe it will make you want to help us get this out to more people. Oh, yeah.

 Chris Jordan 32:49

And if there is a copy that is available out there, actually, I'm bringing up the website right now because I linked it. I love it. in it. I ran across it the other day in my episode prep. I was like, Whoa, I didn't know this existed. He didn't even let me know it was there. So hold on just a second. Here it comes. Let's see. There we go trapped a VR detective store that is up on SlideShare old so you can you can download the software there.

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Right? That is the one that works on Google. Google Cardboard.


 Chris Jordan 33:27

Okay, so yeah, even if you're a Google Cardboard user, so see, see, the thing is that I dig up. Like I did it for a living or something. But yeah, yeah, you can you can go right there, Google Cardboard, all kinds of things. Check it out. And once again, contact Billy, he will he will gladly send you a copy.

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I I want this to be seen by everybody.

 Chris Jordan 33:56

 Chris Jordan 33:30

I think it's one of those that should be seen by everybody. I think it's one of those and we've had numerous private conversations, Billy about the idea of taking this to high schools, junior High's, things like that. And you have actively gone that far. You went out to California and did some testbed stuff. We things like that, because Because human trafficking curricula is an embedded part of education in California.

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Yep, it is. I wish we were more embedded in California. But what I was what I was gonna say is, yeah, the groups that we just just gotten gotten to start working with. So the lifeguard group, for example. They actually go and do live presentations for giant auditoriums. So it's the lifeguard group Gu ARD group. Okay. And they have they have already done presentations for like over 10,000 students, and they go all over rural America. So So they act, they're actually doing the hard work of reaching, you know, kids a small group at a time. And that's so absolutely important to be able to bring experts on site. Oh, yeah. And if you think about what they can do with our VR program, what they're doing is they're bringing an expert along with them. Yeah, multiplied by however many headsets they have. You know, and that person gets a one on one conversation with a victim, and they can understand from their point of view, wow, what their life was like, wow. Wow, it's a super powerful experience.

 Chris Jordan 35:36

That is That is incredible, because he is as opposed to just a speaker. Right, as opposed to just somebody coming and giving a presentation. Like, don't get me wrong belly, your riveting conversation, right. However, you've been in those, I've been in those, we're pretty close to the same age. Were kids in the 80s.

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Well, you know, another thing I have to say is, I feel I feel bad. Because it seems like to really get a lot of money. So to speak out of people, you have to have some money, go up there and tell a horrendous story. We do selves, and they do it's awful to have to have somebody do that. Yeah. And so the benefit of using our software, for example, is that that person is, is already interacting with you on an instant by instant moment, like, yeah, you're interacting with them. And you're talking with them, essentially, getting to learn more about them. Yeah, it's, and it's not going to injure someone. Well, and that's the thing that that really disturbs me is the concern that I have about somebody being injured over and over and over and over and over. Yeah, convince somebody of something that should be obvious. Absolutely.

 Chris Jordan 36:53

Absolutely. And that, that is one of the things that we have rabbit hold on on this show for the last couple few months, Billy, right, is the injury of experience, and the trauma of experience. And typically, you know, esoteric experience, like, okay, so you had a near death experience, but you didn't come back with a message or a mission. Ya know, like, there are people who

have come back and anytime you see something or read something about near death experience, it's like, oh, there was a beautiful light. And I came back and I had this whole new purpose in life, and maybe not Jimmy. You know, like, Jimmy, Jimmy may have had my yo, like, I died. And I saw myself and there was like, no light, and there was no voice like, given me a new mission or a new purpose. And I came back and I'm more lost than ever.

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You know, like Jimmy already. Um, and it's

 Chris Jordan 37:59

the same thing with human trafficking. You know, it's one of those like, yeah, come on to the meeting, share your story. Okay. But you have to remember that something like that much like any any rape or or prisoner of war, anybody who would suffer from, sadly enough Stockholm Syndrome, which is what most people involved with human trafficking are suffering from, like to the point that they love their captor? Yep. They only love the person who has convinced them to be in this horrendous reality. And, and to do so and to recover from that is hard. And every time you retell that story, you are putting yourself back in those shoes. Imagine I know, I know, I know what it is for me to even recount my spiritual experiences and, and not get goosebumps or not be moved.

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How can I mean? How could How can you provide that learning at scale? Yeah, you can't. You have to just impossible to do and I mean, you'd have to have how many people crossing the entire universe all the time that were never injured, and then they would be perfectly healthy every single time?

 Chris Jordan 39:18

Well, well, and once again, even even to use this as a means by which to give people the experience without putting somebody through that trauma. That's what I'm on a stage in front of 1000s of people are in front of a camera for 1000s of people to watch, which may have happened to them during their captivity, you know, like a VA. It literally is something that can cause someone to relive traumas. So even the fact of creating this to subtract that from presentation is is a beautiful thing.

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You know, I I might have told you this once. In the in the VR experience, the girls room. She's She's modeled, it's modeled to the 13 year old girls room. Yep. The guy that did the modeling of the room and then placed all the objects and stuff like that he had a 14 year old girl. He said it was very difficult to work on this. Wow. He only work on it for a couple of hours a week.



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Wow. Wow.



Chris Jordan 40:28

Yeah, I bet that would be hard. You know, because you're you're literally trying to put the same like, yeah, mirror image that situation over the life that you live, you know?



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Yeah. I did not realize that. While he was working well, he told me he was like, it was a couple of weeks in he was like going, Hey, I just need to let you know stay a little longer than I expected. And I'm sort of freaking out.



Chris Jordan 40:55

Well, well, granted, like you're, you're a game designer, cuz a few of our listeners are game designers. Couple of our guests have been game designers. I myself am a music designer and you know, sound designer, things like that. So, yeah, like I definitely use my own realm of experience and my own world as a springboard to my art and to what I'm creating into what I'm making happen, you know? So it was one of those Oh, wait, wait, wait. turn on Bluetooth. Turn turn on Turn on your Bluetooth. We have David deeds from PB and J learning coming on. Hilarious turn on Bluetooth and look for road caster Pro.



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Okay. So excited. That is hilarious. Colin, thank you so much.



Chris Jordan 42:09

Okay. Look, look for both Kestrel throw on your stuff.



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Can I get a test? Dave? I'm here.



Chris Jordan 42:21

Look at that blast. And welcome to the show David deeds from PB and J learning Chris Jordan, how you been? But



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I am doing just wonderful. Thank you so much. I was just calling in to say hello. And then look at me. I'm on. I'm on air.



Chris Jordan 42:38

You're on air. Just that easy. Man. I make dreams happen.



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This is more than a dream is a dream come true. What do you guys in the midst of right now? I'm sure it's human trafficking related to find nobili?



Chris Jordan 42:54

Well, we are talking human trafficking right now. We were just talking about the VR work that has gone into the latest version of radical empathy trap to VR detective story. And we were getting ready to oddly enough transition into PB and J learning and and the things that you guys have done in the realm of activity getting things out in a in a certification fashion.



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Yeah. Dave, can I can I get to brag on you for two seconds. I mean,



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absolutely go and make dreams happen.



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That's what we're talking to explain once and for all, what it was that you brought to life as your capstone project for to get your doctorate to explain that in enough detail that anybody can understand.



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Okay, so to get my value out of the doctorate, and to sound like I have a doctorate, I will tell you that I investigated the criminal justice instructor pedagogy in the classroom. For criminal justice instructors, right. So that's a fancy title. In reality, what I did is I just wanted to find out how cruel justice instructors were teaching about human trafficking, if at all, and to understand that I needed to under I needed to know where they got their knowledge about the topic from

or and also, what it is that they knew and how they were sharing that the classroom. So at the end of the day, what I ended up with after doing different interviews and asking some open ended questions, I ended up finding out that essentially, for the most part, criminal justice instructors, like a majority of other instructors are not sharing hardly anything about human trafficking. And it didn't surprise me because I had a doing this study, I actually read more than 5000 pages in 11 Different Criminal Justice textbooks and found that less than 1% Were actually I think it was exactly 1% of the pages covered anything with human trafficking. Wow. And that was really, yeah. So you talked about students getting introduced to 5000 pages of tech.

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Can you just one more one more time? Yeah. What was the what is the general? You know, major, these people are talking about criminal justice? Is that correct? Criminal

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Justice? Yes. And the reason why

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percentage, can you just shorten that again, for just for a second? Sure.

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So in the criminal justice textbooks, when I learned it was intro to Criminal Justice, and criminology courses, which are the courses throughout all of academia throughout all higher ed, those are the courses where human trafficking would be taught the most, because criminal justice is the division where human trafficking is taught the most. And in that division, where you will get the most news, where you get the most the books that were being used for those courses. Only 1% of the pages had any content to do with human trafficking. And that doesn't mean that the entire page was covered with content. It just means that it mentioned it and mentioning could be any. Yeah, I could go off on a tangent. I think I

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made that simple enough. Come on day, if you you have it simpler,


 Chris Jordan 46:17

and you have full right to go off once again, as as we've talked about how much more

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it's not being pretty what are the what point 00000. It's

 Chris Jordan 46:31

much like the fact that we have no law to prevent the government from experimenting on the populace. We have no like law against human trafficking in and of itself in that way. We have a definition of human trafficking. But it's not like we have it's not like we have for illegal immigration. It's not like we have for like we were talking about smuggling of people to come work in a kitchen. or something,

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I would actually, I would actually challenge that a little, a little bit just because of this. So in 2000, there actually was a lot defining what human trafficking was. And it is fairly simple. If you if you if you know, it's just that there's as to be an action, a means and a purpose. And we actually, we break that down in tvj. In our sense, of course, because it is a thing that's so commonly confused, because so many people, when they think about human trafficking, they think about just what you were saying, the most lenient kidnapping, and they forget these things like coercion, and the things like vulnerabilities and risk factors. So that that's why the PBJ course is really so important. Because you could spend \$100,000, getting yourself a four year degree and say, I know everything there is to know about criminal justice. And you would have been taught maybe one page about human trafficking. And then when I told you that there was a law on human trafficking, you'd say, I don't believe so. And many people would say that, and even if they said that there was a law, most people like like their instructors, I talked to focus on sex trafficking, they might know that labor trafficking is a thing, but they can't give you that definition. So you know, 15 minutes into the tvj course, you already know that definition. We hammered home, we could do an activity, we show you examples. We have big things flashing on the screen. So it really is, it was really pretty alarming to me that in 15 minutes, we could have a course that could teach you that there is a definition of human trafficking, whereas there's these different these different college level courses. And they were doing nothing to make sure that you knew about human trafficking. Well, I guess I just gave him more credit.

 Chris Jordan 48:46

Well, well, and granted, you know what, what I'm getting at is the fact of we have laws in place that it was, as Billy and I were talking about earlier, before you join the conversation. You should have teeth and should count when it comes to human smuggling when it comes to you know, what, what's called the wet kitchen or that kind of situation where you are literally profiting off the back of illegal immigration. You know, those were passed like Good god, I was in high school man, it was like 1992 91 Those laws were passed. All right, don't need anymore with sterile so it know what you need to do enforcement of the laws. Now, however, when it comes to that, and we have we have the obvious location of a topic that was finally Yes, as you said, David, defined as different, however, still so obvious skated that the victim of the human trafficking can be found guilty of human trafficking. That is definitely spot on trafficking themselves.





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Right. Well, and I'll say this as well, the criminal justice system itself works again, actually helping victims and here's the reason why. If I'm a prosecutor, and I only have a limited amount of resources, and the case is I want, and let's say that you have some political you know, aspiration, if I'm a prosecutor, I want to go to people in 1015 20 years and say, Hey, as a prosecutor, I had a 95% conviction rate. The last thing I want to do is narrow myself into something like a human trafficking case, which I haven't prosecuted that much. And the law is gonna be fuzzy to me. And I know that if I'm doing a sex trafficking case, it's going to be contingent upon the victim's testimony, who's not going to be a very credible witness for me, because society's already skewed their name by the fact that there have been a victim. Yeah, you know, we miss you them as being prostitutes.



Chris Jordan 50:42

Porn. Oh, they took money. They took money for sex. No, somebody was paid money for them having sex? Yeah. Right. Like, yeah, yeah, precisely. And the stigmatization to begin with, per cludes things. And it really, and I have loved seeing you guys work together. From a distance seeing seeing bellies, verve, since you guys have connected David and seeing your verb for this topic, because once again, it might be something that if you have been through like a hotel managers training, human trafficking, sexual trafficking may have been mentioned, it may have come up, like 10 minutes, that eight hour conversation, but was it a whole module of training? It should be? What is it a whole module of training for principals at a high school and junior high and elementary school level? No, but it should be? Yeah, that's where the grooming takes place. Not necessarily that that's where a child that's being trafficked is going to school. That's where the grooming starts taking place.



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When grooming can take place. I for me, I have a belief that is the earliest that you can do it and obviously in a palatable and correct way. Absolutely. The earliest you can start teaching it is the best. And I know people who have written kids books on human trafficking. And rather than saying human trafficking, you know, to a six year old, they talked about things about being free, which I thought was very clever. So it's about I need to have my freedom and you know, certain things that you shouldn't be doing. Yeah. And then at the next level, you can start, you can start progressing. And Bill and I have got it where all the way down to about a sixth or seventh grader, you know, from a sixth grader up because we say for junior high. Anybody can take our Essentials course. And then after that we have our hotel course, which was a target towards the hotel industry. And a law enforcement course is what we have coming up. And I'll tell you why that law enforcement for



Chris Jordan 52:55

nine for the essentials online certificate 999, folks, and I'm just I'm just here to tell you, David, just just just to top on top of what you're talking about there. I just got an email from my son's school about a week ago, my son's in kindergarten, talking about sexual education that he

would be getting at his elementary school. So if they are willing to go through sex ed, interesting. Yeah, with a kindergartner. Why are we not talking about this topic?

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Yeah, there should be some, some level of introduction, because I said this all the time to my students, there has to be a foundation to build on. So I mean, when you're doing a 16 week course, you start off by building a foundation about talking about, you know, if you're talking about intro to Criminal Justice, you start talking about the courts and the police all together. But before you start jumping in specifically talked about what is criminal justice mean, what are the different components, you know, federalism, you know, separation, sovereignty, things like that. And I think for human trafficking, it would do a great service to the people who are going to be targeted, which is individuals who have vulnerabilities, there is no, there's no such thing as somebody who is destined to human trafficking victims, there are people who have certain vulnerabilities that makes them more at risk to it. So you might have 10 vulnerabilities and never become a victim. You might be somebody who has two vulnerabilities, and then you become a victim. So it's not like we can pick and choose and say, well, let's target all the poor people, and then we're going to be doing just fine. No, everybody,

 Chris Jordan 54:36

it's whether or not you're much much like any self defense education or anything like that. Yes, it is something that has to be given equally across the board. Because otherwise you get big. You're just counting the fact that somebody though, though they may not be a target may be a target of opportunity.

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Yeah, yeah.

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Right now, it The way it feels is that the people that actually seem to care about it are the ones that are that are the oddballs. You see what I'm saying? It's like, yeah.

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Right. And I'll say this to the importance of it is, the emphasis has to be on parents to try to keep their kids safe. And it has to be on young adults, you know, to take the course for 10 bucks, or do whatever they can to try to make themselves aware of what this really looks like. Because there are people running around on social media, telling you to be careful when you see black zip ties on your windshield wiper. And what you really need to be careful about is the information you're putting on your Facebook profile, somebody's gonna use against you, because they can tell that you're all melancholy and depressed. And they're gonna come in and try to be that person that you can, that you're clearly saying that you need in your life, and

they're gonna fill that gap for you. And then they're gonna ask you to do a favor, and they're gonna keep moving that line in the sand. And you're gonna find yourself course into a situation that you thought you were going to be Liam Neeson forced into Yeah, yeah. Yeah,



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no matter.



Chris Jordan 56:05

That's just it, David, you know, you bring you bring up a point that drives a nail home for me. And I just got goosebumps thinking about it. Because many years ago, when I first moved to Austin, probably close to a decade ago, my niece was going through something, she had a couple really, really tough years, where she had a couple of friends commit suicide, one or two die in car accidents, from drunk driving, just things like that. And I guess, being a self employed individual and the social media guy that I am, I was on social media one day, and I saw her profile, and she was talking about how she was down, you know, staying home from school. She just had a personal incident, a few months before. And there was this guy, who just something about it. David, just did not sit right with me. As someone who worked with kids, as someone who taught high school in junior high students. It was like, Yo, man, like, that gives me the willies. He was basically like, oh, yeah, you know, I'm so sorry to hear this. This is horrible. If you need somebody to talk to don't hesitate to give me a call things like, you know, I'll take you out to lunch, we can talk, whatever. And it was, it was one of those things that even in my experience as a youth minister, stuff like that, David, that went beyond what a normal parent would do for a kid knew the kid, you know, like what you would do on social media? Maybe you maybe you'd give them a text if you saw it. But you wouldn't be shouting that out on social media. So I texted my brother. And I was like, Hey, man, I know you're busy. You're selling tires and stuff. But you may want to check your daughter's profile on Facebook. Like, there's this. There's this dude. Greenwood just popped up? And he seems Yeah, I believe it is seems like he's kind of creeping. And my brother started digging. And sure enough, this dude was like, 39 years old. And like, only, like 18% of his friends were his age. And the rest of them were all high school, high school girls, and stuff like that. And younger guys. And he was like, Yo, man, I see you right now. You need to get off my daughter's profile. My next call will be to the police. Yeah, but but that was me just randomly being there, man. And randomly seeing it Lord knows how far it could have gone. And I you know



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what, Chris? That's why we mentioned that. And of course, to not to, you know, infomercial, right, of course, but we say that. And of course, we're like, hey, not only





Chris Jordan 59:09


plug your stuff all day, dude.


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Well, I'll let you


 Chris Jordan 59:16  
know I will make a commercial for my commercial break, dude. Not even joking.

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Well, we will take all the promotions because I have permeability at the end of the day. It's just about reaching people that that's the main mission is to keep people safe. You know, I wrote down on a post it note years ago, like it probably like six years ago at this point. And I just wrote down like all the things that I wanted, and I wrote it on a post it note because it was like an affirmation thing. And one of the things was that I wrote what I wrote, like 10 things. But one thing was that I wanted to free a million people who were either enslaved or human trafficking victims. And I don't know how to do that, you know, but maybe the way it's through prevention before they even get there. That's not familiar to you. What happened? And you know, and so, but we mentioned on there, and I've mentioned even on my Tiktok on social media, where since the pandemic started, it has the amount of people that have been trafficked through social media has gone up over 100%. And it's the most amount of generating revenue. Yeah, it's over 100%

 Chris Jordan 1:00:22  
people people forget. And we talk about it on the show all the time that like, there were live murders. On Facebook, live streams, there were live rapes. There were people being kidnapped.

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Like, all right, go ahead. Okay. One of the

 Chris Jordan 1:00:38  
kids. I know, I just took it somewhere horrible, but you know, Billy's gonna take it like,

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okay, yeah, I

 Chris Jordan 1:00:43  
mean, feet down the rabbit hole. David

mean, feel down the rabbit hole, David.

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Now that you mentioned,

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it is worse. Okay. So this horrible, really is. Go ahead, eat this. Okay, so. So one of my friends worked at Facebook as a moderator. And they had to look at the stream, no human should ever see. And they saw into hell. Wow.

 Chris Jordan 1:01:13

I can't imagine I can imagine. Because the Yeah. Amy's had a friend that was alive moderator. And they exist, folks. So you think it's all algorithm? There are some live moderators out

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there? His mind got really messed up? I'll bet and he currently is in the hospital. In the emergency room, dealing with potential liver damage. Wow, some of the medication has been taken to try to help him get past all as well.

 Chris Jordan 1:01:45

Many careers for him because

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he's like going Oh, my God. Yes. That yes, horribly right on point. And that is what's happening. Yeah, this what's happening with people.

 Chris Jordan 1:01:54

Yeah. And once again, it is a, I will put a challenge out there for my audience. For you guys, if you have a child that I'm gonna give it. freshman year in high school, if your kids started freshman year of high school or freshman year of college this year, go by them this course. Go by them this course, if you can't afford to buy them this course, you contact me. All right. This is uh, this is probably some of the hands down most important information. You can arm somebody with going out into the world of education today.

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Okay, so I'm gonna throw in here. There is nothing like this course online. There's nothing like it. I have taken hundreds of courses, I have tried everything I can to look at a basic what is trafficking all the way to this is the stuff that I need to really, really understand. I know they've if you're still here, when we started, we wanted to have a short course. And then the reality was that it just wasn't gonna fit.

C Chris Jordan 1:03:07

There's no short course for this there. There are numerous hours and levels of courses that should be available for this the the rank said Because yeah, there has to be like the the general glaze over introduction, this is what it is. Look out for these signs, kids. Here's, here's a 30 minute video that we show it all. College initiation,

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I'm at a point, that kind of thing. The courses that I would really like to be talking about is like structural inequity and things like that. But I'm really at this point where I'm trying to just paint the picture that trafficking is actually happening. Yeah, we're we're really starting at it's just trying to get it to even like, for example, just law enforcement professionals or local level. They're supposed to understand this. And they're supposed to be arresting people and prosecuting people that are doing this, but they got they got to a level.

C Chris Jordan 1:04:02

But at the same token, like I said, You got to you got to like everybody has to be this is this is a hairy and squirrely law. And how do you arrest a person without arresting the individual being trafficked as well by the law. And that's what's horrible by the law, the person being trafficked is guilty of trafficking.

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You can't get them without without the person you can. But the problem is that you have to allocate the resources for it. Yeah. So that we can do a proper investigation on it. Yeah. And like I was saying earlier, our the structure of our criminal justice system doesn't really lend itself towards that, because we're not really, us as a citizen citizenry. We're not really concerned so much about justice as we are about numbers. So when we see the numbers that make sense, it's like 11% of people are satisfied with Congress, but like 95% of people who are in Congress are incumbents. So we keep on voting people back in But we're unsatisfied with everybody else.

C Chris Jordan 1:05:02

And you know, expecting change. Oh, my God, man.

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Exactly, exactly. So far police system is her criminal justice system, you have the prosecutors who have a vested interest in getting a high conviction rate, which means that they're getting plea bargains. So that's why 95% of our cases, are plea bargains. And then when you look at human trafficking cases, you see the same thing, they get bled out, because the system isn't built to manage all of the cases that we have. It's meant to cut bargains. So you when you look at when you break down the numbers as I have, because I am, who I am and what I do for fun. I've looked at

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that blog for me, they please go ahead. Oh,

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and one of the counties was in, was in Texas, they looked at Cook County in Chicago, in San Diego, they looked at in Texas. And what they found in these different counties was that the prosecutors were were cutting deals like they do with all cases, for human trafficking cases, you would think, well, these are the most egregious what they shouldn't get that. And

 Chris Jordan 1:06:03

it's great to have a law, but you got to make it have teeth, man, you gotta make it out teeth.

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At the end of the day, here's the thing that I would leave people with, instead of all that, blah, blah, blah, that I just said, at the end of the day, when you keep the human trafficking case, and you get your conviction on that they serve 18 months longer than they do for the one that you let them slide on. So if you let them if you cut them free of that human trafficking charge, and gave him a kidnapping or something else, they served 18 months left. And you translate that across the country where you've got something like just in Chicago alone, there's an estimated 20,000 women and girls that are trafficked every single year.

 Chris Jordan 1:06:43

That's horrifying. I'm just talking about the 18 months is horrifying. That's it? That's it?

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Right? It's 18 months. Yeah, but

 Chris Jordan 1:06:52

even at 18 months more, dude, you're still getting out of parole at the same time. You're still having a parole hearing or a release hearing the same. The same mark? Oh my god. Traffic. It's not like if you're talking about a 10 year, seven year sentence, 18 months is Jack. That's nothing. Yeah.

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It I mean, at the end of the day, I could go super deep into a talk about how there's like organ trafficking cases happening in hospitals from people who have organs transferred across the border, or individuals who are smuggled across. And that might be sex here. But at the end of the day, it really is vulnerable teenage girls that are being targeted for sex trafficking and vulnerable migrants that are being targeted for labor trafficking.

 Chris Jordan 1:07:37

Exactly. Now.

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He is what is overgeneralizing? There. There are details everywhere. Sure, everyone is everyone exactly right. To the point that everything he said was 100%. Right. Absolutely. But it's in context. Now.

 Chris Jordan 1:07:49

Now, with that being said, in the last little part here while I have both of you on air before we go to commercial before we go to break you yourself work at a university David?

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Yeah. Good Doctor. What? What?


 Chris Jordan 1:08:06


Right, it is doctor now. That's right. I'm sorry, doctor. No, no. We first had you on it was just David. Now it's doctor you are absolutely.


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Now I'm in debt with initial That is correct. Now, not just in debt.





 Chris Jordan 1:08:22  
There's three quarters in common zeros.


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Exactly. Exactly. So

 Chris Jordan 1:08:29  
my question is someone who works at a university is this. How does it concern parents someone such as myself, someone such as Billy or our good friend JL Carpenter, whose son is going to college right up the road? How does somebody like that? Approach the college body approach the college or the university and say, I would like to sponsor a two hour long seminar on human trafficking, I would like to sponsor and provide the PB and J learning the PBJ learning human trafficking essentials course for every incoming freshman. Because Because once again, like I went to a private Catholic University in North Texas University to Dallas, go groundhog. I guess I guess really? The Crusaders, but a

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Crusaders. Hey, yeah, yeah,

 Chris Jordan 1:09:31  
there you go. That's good. That's what the mascot one wanted.

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I knew that was better than the Chaparral that you paid. I teach at a community college.

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On this one, because my my hometown mascot was the exporter, huh? What all right, it was that we had it listed as a

 Chris Jordan 1:09:55  
ship. That's because we were the Greek vine fighting farmers



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was like I like the borders one, but but in all sincerity,



Chris Jordan 1:10:03

even even for a, I want to say maybe at the time that I went in the 90s, there were maybe 4000 students at University of Dallas. But there was, there was a course that all the ladies went and took. And they got a whistle. And they heard about aggression on campus, then rapes and things like that. Yeah, but the thing is, there should be one about human trafficking. Okay, so



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let me lay this on you. And I love because I love that I'm totally hijacking this



Chris Jordan 1:10:42

was to David, how does somebody apparent I'll let them get a hold of the school or even student legislature to promote something like this and just say, like, I would like to promote this and put this out there and provide this for incoming, let me



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just, let me just say, really, really quick, that I went, for two years, I advocated to one of the schools that I teach at, then they should let me teach a special topic course on human trafficking. I gave them all the parameters, I designed the course from the ground up. And they pushed against it, because they said that it widened the scope of what they wanted to what they thought the criminal justice should be why he wanted to focus on the fundamental. So what I'm saying there is that sometimes you might be running your head up against the wall, going to the bureaucracy, well, if you.



Chris Jordan 1:11:32

And that's why I'm saying not necessarily doing it as a course. But doing it as like a, hey, like Darren had, during freshman initiation, we're going to spend an hour and talk about human trafficking. And be careful for this, folks,



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if they were really, if they were really about it, I would say reach out to one student life, to see if student life would get in the door. And then the other thing I would do is read, I would look for the chair, or the division coordinator who's assigning the courses, but the chair is the one that would deal to help us the most, but at the end of the day, the individual instructors have a lot of academic freedom to put in what they want to. So it would even be a good idea to reach out

to each individual instructor and say, hey, look, I have a student who's going to be entering your class, this fall, or spring. And I'm a big advocate against human trafficking. And I know that there's this course that exists. And they designed it specifically for individuals for junior high up and it can be used as an add on to your course. And they'd be happy to partner with you. Here's your information. That would be one way of doing it. And they can, you know, come and take a look. They can always share our contact info with somebody. Really, at the end of the day, we're open to anything that's going to help move the needle on giving people information and keeping them safer. So anything that they can think of I would say, you know, I would I would more champion people to go and try something than to tell them that specific because they might have a great idea. I'd be like, well, this is what you know, Dave said to do it this way. My thing is, I know that it's hard to get human trafficking introduced. It's a scary topic to people. They don't know that much about it. So they shy away from it. When I looked at a fundraiser, I had a credit union tell me they didn't want to sponsor the they're gonna put it out there. We're gonna pay \$25 per program for an event and they said they didn't want to do it, because they felt like it was going to be political. And I'm like, I know this is against human trafficking.

 Chris Jordan 1:13:30

Literally no less than three times tonight. I am not trying to be political. When you're talking about once again, when you're talking about human trafficking, it can be hard not to blur lines in people's minds and most people do not understand that it co yo t is not human trafficking, paying to bring you across from Nogales is not human trafficking.

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It's it really is a bipartisan issue. Anybody who could I mean, across the aisle, you see a lot of support for it. I mean, blue, red, pretty much most people are going along with it. So if there is if there is one party that's championing for more items, and point in case, they've been on social media, I did did a post or video about labor trafficking. And somebody felt inclined to jump on it and go, it's because the Republicans aren't seeing it. And I'm like, I don't see Joe Biden jumping up and down to restructure a visa system so that we don't exploit migrants into the field.

 Chris Jordan 1:14:37

As a matter of fact, oddly, and horrifyingly enough, David, I don't really care what your political leanings are. I'm gonna say it. Trump was the only one to ever do human trafficking.

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I push against that a little bit, too. If you look at the record what he did, he ended up passing. I think he signed about three executive orders. And then Obama signed two executive orders. But then if you look at what happened from the fallout of their task forces, you'll see that it actually pretty much kind of lined up. You had Bush is the one who signed in the TVPA. Subsequent presidents end up supporting the TVPA by reauthorizing it, and a lot of this.



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Oh, hold on. Okay. So TPA was in 2000. Trafficking Victims Protection Act TVPA. Yes. Was was a law that was passed in 2000. That essentially, first for the first time kind of codified the three parts. Now, the three things that had to be true for something to be traffic Now



Chris Jordan 1:15:45

granted, I think, I think yes, yes, exactly. made that same law saying that it had to be coercion had to be this. These were the three things that made something trafficking, not smuggling action now. No. Now granted, the What I meant was that Trump put forth the fact of here are reparations for people that have been trafficked. He put forth that now I'm, I am not a supporter. I'm not a Trump or anything like that. But it was one of those that was like, wow, okay. At least somebody I think it was because, you know, the whole Epstein thing was happening, all that kind of stuff. But even then, I think that that was probably a lot of people's first real full on introduction, other than maybe a Superbowl headline, here and there, David? Yeah, I think a big wake up call to the fact of this is big, and this is out there. And like, it's, it's big enough to shake a few foundations big?



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Well, I'll say that. Just kind of bringing it back a little bit, please. I'll say this, that regardless of how somebody found out about human trafficking, whether it was from watching the movie Taken, which for some studies found that like 17, or I think it was like 85% of people that were asked they were criminal justice college students, 85% of them said that what they knew about human trafficking came from that movie. That was their main understanding of it. It wasn't from their instructors. But and I think that you'll find if you look out into the rest of the populace, you'll find something similar to that. If they heard Trump say something, they saw something on a movie, they heard it from a friend, I say for all of those people, regardless, Republican Democrat, mom, dad, kid, whoever, taking our course. Yep, for \$10. I'll say this, too, if you don't like the course of the money back guarantee, but if you take that course, it's not going to sensationalize it. We don't jump on party lines, all we're doing is giving you the facts, we break down human trafficking into four topics, the definition, we break down the prevalence, we break down what the risk factors the vulnerabilities are, and then we tell you how to respond to it. And we do all of that, and anywhere from like 60 to 90 minutes. And you can't find that anywhere else. You can't spend what a cost you like a really trumped up version of a Starbucks drink, because I had a friend the other day that had a Starbucks drink that was \$10.26. And I'm like sad is more than my course. That it's just it's always three shots of espresso with some whipped and drizzle. I mean, they were Jack afterwards. When I think about what this course can do for somebody, I mean, I don't think there's a lot of parents that know that while their kids are playing the video game with the headset on and they think their kids are safe. They could be getting groomed into a Discord server, where they're walking beep beep ality film, after the after mom and dad are in bed when the kids in their room. So and this has happened and we document this in the course, they don't understand that people can be trafficked through Border Patrol, just as easy as their kid can be traffic on Facebook. And

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that is why I made that challenge to anybody out there. Feel free man, go go talk to your local high school offer to pay for this offer offer to provide this as a all call, you know where I'm on to the cafetorium. And we're gonna give a presentation. And this is what

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we'll go in there with. Right Like, if you if you want to go to your junior high or your high school, contacting your Billy, we will put together a plan with you to make that happen, we will reach out to them at the same time, we will put together a petition or whatever we have to do raise funds to get it it brought into the school, we could donate a couple of courses that we needed to to get it into the door so they could see the value of it. Let all the administration take it so that they could see that it has value, whatever it takes it to actually create change. That's where me and Billy are. We are willing to pivot and make adjustments. But as we just gotta get the course into people's hands and so, you know, the service that you're doing is so great because, you know, having seen what the course looks like and you understand our passion for If I hold the

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low price of 2995.

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And we throw in extra coupons and some foods that you don't need, just to really sweeten the deal, so you get to set it and not forget it.

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David, I just can't say enough that I have been talking about human trafficking for over a decade. And I've tried to do with it movie theater, I've gone to police departments, I've taken it, every step of academia possible. And all I can see is exactly what I believe, is that the people who are doing it get, it's just not working. Right. It's like, what's the next thing? You know, we got to get stuff that people can actually use got to fit into the timeline of their life. They don't have time to take a course.

 Chris Jordan 1:20:52

Much like any education. David, gotta be updated, man. It's got to be real. It's got to be valuable. It's got to be something that actually engages people. And what you guys have done

palpable. It's got to be something that actively engages people. And what you guys have done Jesse a once again, and the time that I have seen y'all together is so beautiful. It really, really is. I want to thank you for your time tonight. Billy, I want to thank you for your time always. Once again, before we let you guys go off to commercial and move on to well, Bigfoot, things like that. Lighter topics. Oh, yeah. Let everybody know where they can go to find out about radical empathy Education Foundation, where they can go to find out about trap, we are a detective story. And then David, let everybody know where they can go to find out about PBJ learning. So Billy, you're first.



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So thanks for splitting if this was perfect, so radical empathy, we really do most of our work in person with our virtual reality experience. If you are interested in learning more about it or getting a copy of it, please contact me at Billy at reef cares.org or contact me through phone or text at 512-521-8874. I want to make sure that you can experience our VR application yourself. So you can show it to people and you can understand exactly where we're coming from. Please help us be a spark. Billy, at reef cares.org 512-521-8874



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David



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Mamet is not going to sound that good. said Bill, your voice sounds like your audio book. For PBJ learning, it's just that's it right there. PBJ learning.com, you go there, click on human trafficking essentials, you can read about the course you can read about this certificate, it's a certified course, we have people earning continuing education credits, in their fields. So go ahead and take it if for whatever reason, you take the course and you disagree with us, you didn't find value in it, we're happy to give you your money back. We have not had that happen yet. Everybody that taking the course, has enjoyed it. We've seen increases in knowledge from people taking the course when they finished on average 40%. So there's definitely a reason why we haven't heard back and people are gaining on gaining something from the course. So anyhow, PBJ learning.com, go there, you can find all the information, you need my numbers on there with my emails on there with Belize, and you can get a hold of us. And we are happy to work with you to bring that into your school, church or any organization. I'm actually doing, I'm speaking and being a moderator at two different events, once for a religious group and one for a medical group. And I will be setting up radical empathy headsets at this event that's going to be here in Illinois. But also I'll be working with them to get courses out to people as well. So we can pair both of the organizations together as well. So not as smooth as Billy, but there was some information in there so TBG learning.com Don't miss Oh, yeah, sorry. And if you're looking for quicker information, you can find human trafficking hater which is my social media handle, if you will monitor on Tik Tok, and on YouTube, but I'll be honest, YouTube at this point is basically just my tick tock tick tock being posted because I've only got so much time so I'm gonna keep it real. But I put about three, three, maybe four episodes out I tick them Every every week and cover a range of different human trafficking topics, so a lot of good content there. Awesome. Yeah. Well, Chris, I gotta say it really quick, do really quick. At PBJ


learning.com, completely free. We have something called the knowledgeable and I don't know affiliates before I got on, but I'll just say nobody has anything like the knowledge balls tell ya free over 1000 different articles.

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Nobody has anything like the knowledge ball at all

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human trafficking,

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human trafficking. That's the important thing, your flex, weird flex, I'm just going to bring up the curious realm curious and our knowledge

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station for information has a similar

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clarification. However, however, we are not dedicated solely to the concept of human trafficking. All you had to do folks is go register for the PBJ learning emails, stuff like that, and you will get access to the knowledge vault. So yeah, cool stuff come in, and tons, tons, tons of articles, things like that stuff like the FBI update that we just gave with the new operation that just brought home 84 children and 200

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we have been, we've been breaking down some really important stuff too. Great. I have to admit that there's, it was a very big article done by one of our one of our advisors, and he just absolutely rips the visa system. Just I mean with facts. It's just he obliterates it good. He also did a very big piece at The Hague. Oh, talking about what was going on with the Taliban and wow, and Afghanistan and other places. laughs It's absolutely brutal. It took me two days to listen to it. I had to stop a few times. I can't imagine what was happening with him psychologically as he was going through learning about that, and any more messed up about it and it just seems like it got dark, but this is this is what happened to me. But he told me that he was he was concerned that they were going to put a hit out on him. Oh, I'm sure I'm fooling them. I'm concerned about I'm like,

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Hey, I am I am quite honestly concerned about our good from Mitchell Gerber. Who we have had who we've had on numerous times he's talking about Oregon trafficking in in China with the lagers and, and practitioners of Falun Gong. I haven't heard from him in a good three emails. And now I'm worried when three emails to a guest like him or we chat back and forth. Go in answered. No, I'm worried. So contacts out there for him. If if you've heard from Mitchell, feel free to get in contact with me. Wow, had not heard that. Yeah, yeah. Cuz you were here last time that we heard something from him. Yeah, man. Billy is always my friend. Thanks, brother. I want to thank you, David, thank you so much for coming on. And randomly joining the show. I love it. And I love the fact that we just had our technology to make that happen. I mean, David, please do hold the line. While we close things out. We'll be heading out to commercial all that kind of good stuff. While you are online, checking out all of the great stuff from PBJ learning about human trafficking, human trafficking essentials, going and talking to your local high school, college, things like that about human trafficking education how you can find out more stop by PB J learning.com. While you're there, stop on by reef cares.org. Both of them have donation links folks support what they are doing. While you're there. Make sure to stop on by curious realm.com That's where you can find our new page story. Curious realm.com forward slash story is where you can go to share your personal account your evidence of the paranormal of the strange of the extreme stop on by check that out. We'll be right back after this message folks. With Craig wall hitter the owner and founder of crypto moonbot.com as well as the host of Texas Bigfoot conference, Texas Big Foot Film Festival, Texas UFO con Phalke monster Festival, which we just can't came back from all a few weeks ago. So when we come back from commercial, we'll be talking with Craig wool hitter about his experiences with Sasquatch, and Bigfoot and what brought him to bringing communities together like this and really being on the forefront of these communities coming together in the online world right after this folks. With the rise in attention to the health benefits of cannabis and cannabinoids, including CBD, drew him science has become one of the premier providers of full spectrum CBD and CBD related products using a proprietary spideroak process. Through him science extracts maximum benefit from the whole plant buds, leaves, stems, seeds, even roots, every part of the plant is used and then reused to formulate a rich, complex profile of CBD, CBD derivatives and terpenes guaranteed to provide the relief and benefits you need daily. Visit true hem science.com to experience the best CBD oils, edibles and topicals on the market today and use code curious seven to save 7% off your entire purchase of \$50 or more and get to 25 milligram CBD cookies or brownies free. That website again is true hem science.com and the code is curious seven. The curious realm Podcast is your source for the latest and greatest news and events in the world of the paranormal, esoteric and forbidden knowledge. And there's no better way to spark the conversation than with items from the curious realm store. Choose from fan favorites like hoodies, mouse pads, coffee mugs and more. Buy books and items from your favorite curious realm guests. Get your hands on the latest gear for paranormal investigations and experiments we discuss on the show open your web browser and stop by the curious realm store at curious realm.com forward slash store to buy the latest curious realm where and out of this world gifts with yourself, your family or a mind you want to open. That website again is curious realm.com forward slash store Have you considered starting a podcast? Looking for a way to make your business a voice of authority in an industry? The podcast Cadet is the solution for you. Whether starting a podcast for yourself your brand, business school, church, or just plain fun. Podcast Cadet is here to help you navigate the waters of the podcast industry specializing in one on one consultation and training with industry professionals in fields ranging from podcast technology and editing, the distribution monetization and even social media strategies. Podcasts Cadet tailors their services to the specific needs of you and your podcast. Do you already have a podcast and trying to find ways to engage and grow your audience? Sign up for your podcast Cadet audit today and let us help you explore new and exciting ways



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I'm doing good. Chris, how are you?



Chris Jordan 1:37:11

Fantastic. Man, I always love whenever we get a chance to chat. You are one of the most joyous individuals to sit back and just have a conversation with and thank you. Well, absolutely. I am excited for the upcoming Texas Bigfoot conference. You have quite a few people coming out Ken Gerhart, live law, Blackburn, Loren Coleman, just to mention a few we'll be getting into some of that. But you you were actually the founder of crypto moonbot, which at one point was one of the most trafficked websites on the internet. I'm sure it is still a gem of a domain to own. But explain to everybody how it is that you came into the realm of cryptozoology, how you came, came into this as a passion because it's not like you were a biological researcher or anything like that, and came across this in your studies.



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Well, my interest started when I was a kid, I mean, the summer of 1969 When I was nine years old, I guess I baits me, huh? There was The Curious Case of the legwork monster not that far from downtown Fort Worth. That summer there was a hair cover bipedal creature that was seen by hundreds of people out there like work but it's now a nature center and refuge owned by the city. But back then it was like, you know, it was just like the Lovers Lane, where the teenagers

went out and drank beer and made out and this seven foot tall hairy covered creature was seen by hundreds of people off and on over the years, but that summer of 1969 Was it was seen by hundreds of people that summer, including law enforcement and people from all walks alive.



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And what did that what did that do for you as as a 10 year old? Was it a point of fascination was at a point did it start as a point of fear like almost almost a yo don't don't go near Lake Worth? Things like that? What was it like to actively cuz I mean 10 years old is still like, you still got plenty of time in that stomping ground growing up, you know. So that's kind of a young age for something like that to happen just old enough to remember it, but also just old enough to be on the cusp of rumor. We're starting, you know, legends starting things like that.



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Right? You know, I was interested in, you know, the strange and unusual as a kid UFOs and, you know, stuff like that, and of course dinosaurs and, and, you know, monsters, movie monsters and such, I had a scrapbook with all of those things in it. And that story hit the front page of The Four Star Telegram, July 10, and July 11, of 1969, about this, you know, hairy creature that was seen out at the lake. And, you know, this was only, you know, 10 days or so before we first landed on the moon and, and yet, the front page story was about this monster, creature, whatever you want to call it, that was seen out at the light. And I did spend a lot of time as a kid out that way. My grandparents had a 26 foot cabin cruiser out on the lake, just up river from Lake Worth, Eagle Mountain Lakes, it was basically just across the BAM, a dam from Lake Worth. And, you know, we would go out there and anchor out in the middle of the lake and spend the weekend out on the boat. And, you know, I can remember after hearing these stories, you know, thinking about oh my god, of course, a monster is going to come over here from across the dam, you know, so it was a little bit of childhood fear, but it was a whole lot of fascination, you know, with the strange and unknown and unusual. You know, that that started my interest in my act of well, if you can call it Acrobat, 910 years old, and cryptozoology, but, you know, the next school year I got a, a book by John Keel that wrote them off man prophecies. But this was a precursor to that called strange creatures from time and space that came out in 1970. About weird beast all across the world. And, and, you know, the moth man was was a chapter in that book. And so that and then, a couple of years later, I saw the legend of Boggy Creek in its theatrical run, which went nationwide in 1973. The film itself premiered premieres this month. As a matter of fact, I think the actual premiere date is tomorrow. Now that my memory jogger Boggy Creek COVID on August 1972, but, you know, this is the 50th anniversary of that film. Yeah, I saw it the next year as a kid when it played and you know what it were I lived in the Dallas area. And, you know, that just really started my interest in that whole subject. And then, you know, fast forward nearly 30 years and, and a road trip to New Orleans from the Dallas area and driving on a lonely desolate road at about 1130 at night. On Memorial Day 1994 and my girlfriend and I saw a strange when I can only describe as a strange creature as a Bigfoot it mean it was a creature that was about seven foot tall, covered with hair that appeared to be gray in the headlights of my vehicle. walking on two legs. In Central Louisiana. We saw it for probably, I don't know, seven, eight seconds. In my head, I no more than 20 feet off the side of the road. That's




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a long that's a long duration of assigning though, correct?

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Well, yeah, you know, most sightings of these creatures are you know, split second. I mean, yeah. So this this thing, you know, was actually moving it was walking parallel to the road. It wasn't, you know, it wasn't a burned out tree stump. It wasn't a hunter in a ghillie suit. It wasn't a horse or a cow that it got loose. I mean, it was something that was covered in hair and walking on two legs. And we both saw it and when we see her when we passed it, we both looked at each other and said Did you just see what I just saw and agreed that we had and you know, I said well, we got to stop and she wanted nothing to do with stopping. So we didn't and And, you know, it's something strange that happened to me, but you know, this was still. And, uh, you know, people will find it hard to believe, but still three years before I was on the internet. And, you know, as soon as I get on the internet, I started looking for this, you know, Bigfoot and Texas Louisiana area and found found not much information. But there were, you know, message boards and forums and such and found people that were interested in the subject and started talking to them and discussing my experience. And you know, myself and another gentleman started up a research organization based in Texas. You know, I wasn't an outdoorsman, or a hunter or anything, but, you know, to try and, and get some answers as to what I had seen.

 Chris Jordan 1:45:53

Well, and the once again, an incredible sighting to know it was eight, nine seconds long. That's a that is a long duration sighting and with when you began in this in this field, and in this, in this subculture of the paranormal, like you said, there, there was not a lot. It was still the time of very basic internet. Yeah, you know, it wasn't the internet that we have now where it's like, you go go anywhere, do anything that you want. There. Were still bulletin boards, there were still places that you dialed into. Right? Things like that. You You were probably still hearing a connection tone.

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Oh, yeah. This was your computer was dial a dial up modem days. Yeah. Yeah.

 Chris Jordan 1:46:49

And once again, crypto moonbot was one of the most trafficked websites on the internet for quite a while.

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Yes, sir. Yeah, we we started that. That project that went live, actually coming up. here real soon, this will be the I think the first post was September 27. of 2005. So coming up on on 22

years. Is that correct? Yeah, that is no 17 years. getting ahead of myself.

 Chris Jordan 1:47:28

That's, that's still incredible, though. And yeah, like 2005. That that was still the beginnings of a lot of what we know today as the internet. So

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yeah, yeah, it was pretty groundbreaking. I mean, you know, blogs and such were very, very new at the time. And, you know,

 Chris Jordan 1:47:49

when you had your citing Did, did you in the person that you have it with you say your girlfriend, right, right? Yeah. Did y'all share it with anybody? When you when you got back? Did you

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know not really, we didn't, we didn't really talk about it. I mean, it was just something weird, you know, strange that we'd experienced and, you know, we pulled off to the side of the road, in a rural church parking lot after it happened and, and talk for about 10 or 15 minutes about what, what we had seen and what we thought. But, you know, shortly thereafter, we got back on the road. We were still I think about five and a half hours or so from Dallas. So yeah. And so I had a friend that was asleep in the backseat, actually, she had to be at work the next morning, Tuesday morning after Memorial Day. So she never woke up we got back on the road and and drove back to Dallas. And you know, like I said, it wasn't something that we we talked about we just like I said when I got on the internet, I started looking up information, found a community of people and then started telling my story to people I met that were interested in the subject

 Chris Jordan 1:49:12

did you share it with your family with your friends anything like that, like your buddies at the bar like dude like this this weekend coming back from man it was crazy. Anything like the reason I asked Craig is because that's kind of a rabbit hole that we've gone down the last many months on this show is the fact that so many people do not share their story or experience until years later.

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On truly I mean, we didn't we didn't tell tell anybody that I can remember. Oh, we It wasn't until

 Chris Jordan 1:49:47

we make this on their show on this show were literally their shared experience with someone not only did they not talk about it, but their utter silence of it. Like ripped their friendships apart. stuff. Like,

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I've talked to probably 300 witnesses of Bigfoot witnesses over the years. And a good majority of them have never told anybody because, you know, they've tried to tell people, co workers family, and were laughed at or called crazy or, or they just want to believe

 Chris Jordan 1:50:25

they could trust. Right? You know, and then they're gonna laugh, I tell a nobody, right. They were ridiculed.

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And so they didn't I've talked to, like I said, I've talked to many people, that, you know, I was the first person that they ever talked to, because, yeah, they felt that, you know, first of all, it was in confidence, because we didn't share witness information with anybody, but somebody that would listen to their story, and not openly ridicule them. You know, I'm still very skeptical, you know, talking to anybody, but you have to be but, you know, you have to give them a blank slate to just tell their story. And, and listen to what they have to say. And, and, you know, not be openly judgmental, anyway.

 Chris Jordan 1:51:21

Oh, yeah, absolutely. Because I am a firm believer that we all have that moment in life, whether it's a paranormal one or not, that if you told somebody, what actually happened, their eyebrow would raise and they go, Oh, really?

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Yeah. Well, you know, and I, you know, I get that somewhat, but, you know, most people that I have dealings with, you know, are not critical, or ridicule. I mean, here in my adopted, home of Jefferson, Texas, here where I've hosted Bigfoot events going back over 20 years,

 Chris Jordan 1:52:05

the big capital of Texas, officially, it is the Big



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Foot capital attack, because there's a long history happens. Yes. Yeah, the proclamation was signed and in, I believe, February 12 2018, by the then Mayor of Jefferson. Yeah, that states that you know, there's a long history going back years and years. In this area, cattle Lake is, is right here, which is creepy, spooky place on its own, the only natural lake in the state of Texas. But there's a long history of sightings in this area, as well as not just around cattle lake, but the Jefferson. And surrounding, you know, surrounding towns. There's been sightings going back years. And so, you know, I based my conference here. And it wasn't necessarily because of that it was because that my folks had bought a bed and breakfast here in town, and my mom was on the events committee for the bed and breakfast. So when I decided to hold a conference, I had resources to pool firm.



Chris Jordan 1:53:22

And so to speak, yeah, had



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an EN and, and so we started it here. The very first one, unfortunately, was September 15 2001, four days after 911. But we still had about 130 people or so that came out. Wow, that first day to the conference to you know, four days after 911 to hear stories and Bigfoot and see footprint track casts and such as that and listen to people, such as the late Dr. John Bender Naugle from from Vancouver Island. You know, a biologist, who dedicated most of his adult life to looking for answers about the Sasquatch mystery. We had the light also smokey Crabtree of Phalke, Arkansas, who was very involved with the movie The legend about you Creek and, and research into the fog monster for many, many, many years after that. And, you know, local researchers and such we had some people that couldn't fly in because of 911 Loren Coleman and Linda Moulton Howe were both to fly in that weekend and weren't able to. But you know, Jefferson has embraced it. We have a Do we have a you know, I guess it could be a life sized statue over six foot tall, a big foot here in town now, many of the most of the restaurants and many of the merchants carry the foot merchandise. Most of the restaurants have a big foot item on the on the menu. So, you know, they've really embraced it. I've been, you know, issued three different proclamations here back in 2005. A proclamation was issued that the third weekend in October and Jefferson is Texas Bigfoot weekend. And in 2016, there was one issued for the 50th anniversary of the first conference and then like we said the the one in 2018 that designated big Jefferson is the Big Foot Capital of Texas so there's there's a lot of stuff here there's big put swamp tours here on Capitol Lake. You know, Jefferson is a cool town where there's lots to see and do antique stores and boutiques as well as you know, by U boat tours and and we even have a drive through Safari. No Bigfoots there yet. Just other regular animals but no, no, no Bigfoot in the draft and Safari as of yet.



Chris Jordan 1:56:25

Well, and, you know, all joking aside there. Know, that the one thing that I love is it as we were saying these communities have whether it's paranormal ghost hunting or ghost experiencing aliens, cryptozoology, things like that these communities were so dispersed until the internet,

right? And even now, going out and attending these, these shows and going to them and seeing not only the camaraderie, but the community that takes place, and the story swapping that takes place between people, things like that. It is it's like, it's like a, it reminds me a lot of I don't know if you've ever been to rendezvous. But like, when the old friend tears man used to travel across the country to come and throw axes, things like that, you know, tell them tell their bar and stories, things like



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that. Maybe do some maybe do some lumberjack? Yeah, yeah, exactly. What is that the log log?



Chris Jordan 1:57:37

Yeah, there it is. It is a true culture unto itself and an expression of something and an expression of experience, which, which is what I truly find beautiful. That everybody's experience. Every once in a while. You'll hear somebody calling someone out on something or, you know, oh, that's BS, you know. But aside from that, it is one of the most support. Even my wife when she came to the MUFON conference was like, I don't think and she does a lot of like, comedy conferences, things like that. But she's like, I don't think I have ever been to a conference where everybody is this supportive? Yeah, everybody. And it's true. It's true. It's it's all inclusive, all supportive. Everybody wants to share their story and have and share somebody else's story. You know, right. It really is an interesting slice of culture. And people like you putting on things like the Texas Bigfoot conference, Texas Bigfoot Film Festival, you really are helping facilitate that. What is it that made you want to move from the realm of creating something like crypto moonbow where people could go and share their experience, share their sighting, things like that. Find out about sightings. To move into the realm of I want to I want to put on a live event.



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Well, back in 2000, I attended the Ohio Bigfoot conference a way back when and again, like you mentioned, you know, the camaraderie the networking the fellowship really was made to feel you know, at home and you know, part of a family almost people there so, you know, my my wheels started turning and and you know, I you know said that there's nothing like this going on in Texas, you know, I bet I could do this as and so I you know, started planning. I enjoy hosting An event that people enjoy coming to that can facilitate networking and meeting other enthusiast researchers, investigators, or what have you, and, and have an enjoyable time. And so that's what I started doing and, and along the way have worked with some, you know, some universities and such and museums. Back in 2004, I co curated a, a Bigfoot exhibit at the Brazos Valley Museum of Natural History in Bryan College Station. That was a popular exhibit in 2004. And then 2006 When it opened, but worked on it for probably a year and a half that actually the University of Texas San Antonio, that we put together a 2000 square foot Bigfoot in Texas exhibit at one of their campuses, which is a museum that was open for the 1968 Worlds Fair in San Antonio, I believe. Right now next to the hemisphere tower. Yes. To the Texan Cultures. We my coop co curated this with the with the museum, which like I said, is a campus. So it was you know, the University of Texas, a major university there San Antonio campus, you

know, we put together a 2000 square foot Bigfoot exhibit. And it wasn't, you know, ridiculed or laughed at as a matter of fact, at the end of the, at the end of the exhibit they had where people could, you know, vote on whether they felt that Bigfoot was real or not. And, and the yes votes outnumber the no votes on the, you know, for the length of the exhibit, it was open for nearly six months. And we did several half day conferences, where we brought in people from all over to speak at this thing in 2006 brought Peter Byrne who headed up the slick Yeti expeditions in the 50s. And, and then was here in, in California. With the Sasquatch expeditions in the in the early 60s. Tom slick was an oil man based there in San Antonio and, and his research interest in this institute is still alive and well. There in San Antonio, he was unfortunately killed in a plane crash, I believe in 1962. But his niece had written a biography of Tom slick and, and she was there at the museum with doing a book signing. And, you know, Peter was there to speak about those exciting, you know, times with her Uncle Tom slick, back in the 50s and 60s, you know, looking for strange and unusual creatures, and it was a very, very popular exhibit there in San Antonio. And, you know, that was a really, really cool experience. And you know, to have something that you know, that big on a, you know, a public scale that the general public could, could come to and experience

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because it's not like you went out and rented a gallery space somewhere and put it up or put it up in like the back of a coffee shop or something like that. Like, this was at the Natural Science Museum.

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Right. It was a museum, you know, in the one and yeah, the one in Bryan College Station was that the Natural Science Museum and the one in San Antonio was at the University of Texas campus. Yeah, I mean, major university and they believed in it enough to pour the resources in and and to do the exhibit and it was a really cool exhibit. It got a lot of national attention newspapers and such. And, you know, it was very, very popular that it opened in April of oh six and ran through August about I guess it was about about five months or so that it was that it was in you know, in open there at the at the Institute Of Texan culture, that's

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typically as long as you'll get to see King Tut.

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You know, yeah,

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so yeah, that's, that's it. You know, with that in mind, that brings to mind a question real quick. And that is where where do you stand on on Bigfoot Sasquatch, and the paranormal? It seems like more and more sightings are crossing over into paranormal. Nowadays almost like when



like more and more sightings are crossing over into paranormal. nowadays almost like when we've talked to MUFON investigators, things like that the crossover with paranormal and out of body experience type UFO phenomenon and experiencing contact has gone up.

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Well, you know, my personal thought is that, you know, Bigfoot is a flesh and blood creature it is, in my opinion, a primate. I mean, heck, you know, even humans are primates. You know, it's, I think, a rare and elusive primate that hasn't officially been cataloged by science. You know, there's all kinds of rumors attached to it that, you know, governments, you know, Black Ops have captured them or, you know, have them in their possession. You know, I base things on, you know, what I can see and hear and experience. And as far as, you know, my own experience, I can't explain it away as, as anything else. I mean, you know, and there's only a couple of options, in my opinion, when somebody says that they've seen a Bigfoot, you know, they could be lying. They could have been hoax by somebody else, they could be sure. Under the effects, you know, influence of, you know, drugs or alcohol.

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mistaking mistaking, known wildlife or humans, you know, or, you know, really, to me, there's only one other option, and that is that, you know, they actually saw what they say they saw, and if even one of those people is describing an actual experience that did happen, you know, there's something out there to be investigated. And, and even if I, even if I throw out every one of those hundreds of people I've talked to, I have my own experience that I can't explain away as any of those other options that you know, that it was a horse or a cow or 100, a ghillie suit or burned out tree stump or somebody was hoaxing, or, you know, I certainly wasn't under the influence of alcohol or, or narcotics, you know, I am not lying. I mean, you know, and that's, you know, I can't explain away my own experiences as something other than, you know, what it appeared to be?


 Chris Jordan 2:07:59

Absolutely. And that is a point that we bring up all the time on the show when we brought up with you can get heart all kinds of folks is that? Yes, while a certain percentage or a greater percentage of experiences tracks what have you might be falsified might be fake. Might be a ruse, or somebody's practical joke. What is not is the anecdotal stories that go back hundreds of years. In some cases, 1000s of years. What is not, is the, Let's even say 5% Even if 5% are anomalous, we need to investigate that 5% I just had up on screen an article from Science Magazine. science.org new great ape species found sparking fears for its survival. This was in 2017 We found a new great ape species and, quote, as a human, I'm horrified that we might

not have enough time to save this species directly from the primatologist that found it well, you know, the fact that it's its territory is in threat. And yeah, when you look at something the size of this in America, there's there's numerous places that are not occupied that are very dense.

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People think that, you know, man has walked across every square inch of North America and that's just not true. I mean, there's the last count I saw in the Pacific Northwest, there were 72 airplanes that had crashed. Yeah. And and they're debris there the remains and not been found and that's a large metallic object stay a stationary object in the you know, the new You know, whatever you want to call it, rain forest or whatever. Yeah, the Pacific Northwest, the redwoods and such. And, and well, you know,

 Chris Jordan 2:10:09

it's interesting because there there are, I mean, there's sightings in Pennsylvania, there are some in the northeast, things like that there are some in the southeast, but most of them are Mississippi, and west. And most of them are really, upper west coast. Right. And what's interesting, I'm about to bring it up, because I can't talk about this and not bring it up. Here's the here's the image from nasa.gov. Y'all. This is updated every few years by NOAA. But here's the United States at night. This picture was taken 2012. So it's about 10 years old. That is the most recent one that NASA has up. But if you look, there's literally almost a bold line that goes right down the middle of the United States, almost dividing Texas in half. Where the East Coast is all kinds of lights at night, and the West Coast is almost nothing. That's the developed land. That's major city areas, things like that. So yeah, when you look at that, and you see that, man, that's all undeveloped as of 10 years ago. Yeah. You know, and that's literally almost half the United States. That is undeveloped as far as major city goes. Sure. So yeah, there's there's quite a bit of space, like you're saying, there's 72 planes that are that are still missing. And those things have transponders, man.

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And they're metal and they're stationary. Yeah. You know, I like and, you know, looking for Bigfoot, to not be looking for a needle in a haystack. But looking for a moving needle in a whole field of hey, I mean, it's, you know, like I said, I started this organization to get answers to the questions I have. And, you know, I have more questions than ever now with, with not a lot of answers, but I mean, it's been, you know, you know, organized Bigfoot research investigation for over 23 years now. And my what a strange trip, it's been,

 Chris Jordan 2:12:27

Oh, I'll bet I'll bet. Because once again, to to see literally a community grow, to to see things go from the point of Legend of Boggy Creek being out in sparse theaters across America, you know, to, to the fact of whole channels, where two thirds of their content is Bigfoot related on

care, you know, travel, travel network, things like that. All the regular Sasquatch hunters shows and that kind of stuff like it is out there. It's in the public eye. And once again, I think much like, the UAP topic. The important thing is that it has started in spurred discussion.

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Yeah, I mean, you know, who would have thought when I was, you know, a kid watching the legend of Boggy Creek in the theater to you know, fast forward and you know, I'd be hosting a festival, organizing and hosting a festival in celebration of that movie. The creature itself. I mean, it's just, oh, that

 Chris Jordan 2:13:44

was a great day. That was a that was a fantastic event.

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Well, I'm glad I'm glad you enjoyed it. It was a lot of fun having you there and, and looking forward to next year, we've moved it up in the year to hopefully avoid the the the heatwave that we had this this June, and continuing into August, here and then in Texas and Arkansas, to a bigger, a bigger facility, the actual auditorium at the middle school as opposed to the community center. So those are some improvements that we have for next year's event. That's awesome. But we still I still have plenty of events between now and then.

 Chris Jordan 2:14:33

Absolutely. And let's let's talk about those for a minute because the next one coming up is of course in October and that is the Texas Bigfoot conference. There in Jefferson tickets, more than affordable folks. With some great names there. Adam Davies, Loren Coleman, Lyle Blackburn, Ken Gerhart, shelling, Shelly Covington, Montana, some say It's a bit or Sibella Sybilla really suit a great lineup of speakers just packed into a day and the presentations that they give. I know at the at the Phalke monster festival, King gave a great presentation on the Minnesota Iceman. I need to contact him and have him on about that. Yeah, because that was that was a really, really cool presentation. I can't wait to see what Loren Coleman brings all that kind of stuff. And to hear him talk about actually, the cryptozoology Museum in Portland, Maine. My old stomping grounds.

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The event is actually two months from today, October 15. Yeah. And and then the next month, I have a first a first time event that I'm hosting the Texas UFO con. Also here in Jefferson on November 19. I'm hoping I'm hoping to, you know, the people show up and, and dress up and you know, make it nice and weird. Like, you know, most UFO conventions are right, right. People dressing up and getting into the spirit and, and then the following month, we have the

Bigfoot Film Festival in Marshall, where we're still lining up films for that and getting that event up online where people can register for this, that so we've got those three events coming up, bam, bam, bam, three months in a row. That

 Chris Jordan 2:16:41

is That is incredible man to to know that. And I mean, I've sponsored all of them. And they're all on my calendar, but I hadn't really like gone through and, and look and seeing that, like, yeah, they are literally just a month apart. That is exciting three months of conference and programming and speakers and things like that. To know that you are out there, really helping guide this community in that way and in helping expand the community in Texas. Thank you for that. Well, thank

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thank you for as you mentioned, being a sponsor of these events, attending these events, broadcasting live from these events and behind the scenes people may not know assisting with audio video and, and all kinds of techno wizardry wizardry.

 Chris Jordan 2:17:38

Absolutely, man, it is, it is what I live for. And I love nothing more than being able to help out events like what you're putting on, because, once again, it is about bringing people together bringing people's stories together. And that's what this show is about is the conversation and being willing to have the conversation. And a lot of that is just letting somebody shared their story, unabashedly and, and judgmentally. You know, and it really is great to see that. I think society is starting to open to these topics a little bit more. I think especially the opening of the UAP books, to an extent at least the little peaks that we've gotten, have have really kind of given a nod of the hat so to speak to other fields of research, like Sasquatch and paranormal events, things like that, you know, shows like Skinwalker Ranch, all that kind of stuff have shown even even curse of Oak Island have shown that these things that have been part of legend and lore for years and years, hundreds of years may not be based on madness.

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It certainly presents it to a broader spectrum of the general public. Oh, yeah, that, you know, that builds their interest and in these this programming and such, like I've always talked about, you know, the, the Sasquatch programs finding Bigfoot expedition Bigfoot and such that those aren't necessarily tailored to you know, Bigfoot investigators or researchers, those are tailored to the general public to the children, you know, who still have a sense of mystery and you know, amazement you know, in them as far as they haven't had you know, reality necessarily your, your, you know, beat into their heads, you know, and beat out the curious and wonderment that they have to be able to win Look at these subjects, you know, through the eyes of a child that, you know, doesn't have such, you know, dead set agendas.

 Chris Jordan 2:20:09

I think that that is a really important thing to bring up because even my son, Craig, I who just started kindergarten today is we pre record this episode part. He comes to me and tells me things he tells me about his his friend mouse, who talks to him, things like that. I don't discount anything that he tells me. I keep an open mind about it, because I've definitely had my experiences that changed me in life and spiritually changed me in life. You know? So, yeah, yeah, I think that the conversation is probably the most important thing. And being willing to accept evidence, being able to look at evidence and new lights and new and new new ways. You know, the one thing that I love is the Patterson Gimlin film, it's a it's a prime example of how, despite any new technology, video wise, whatnot, that's come out, yet to be disproven. Yet, to be proven to fake everybody spends, like, there was like a million dollars at one point spent examining this piece of footage, that once again, is not it's not like they got like three minutes of footage, like, like the JFK, like this A Pruder films longer.

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You know, this, you know, this this year is the 55th anniversary of that bill, from October 20 of 1967. So, you know, we're going on nearly 55 years and, and people still, you know, there's, there's some people that have an agenda and claim that it's been, you know, proven a hoax or, or whatever, but it hasn't, it hasn't, to this day that, you know, in my personal opinion, is that it's, you know, a film of a live Sasquatch, in my personal

 Chris Jordan 2:22:27

opinion, and then that's going through the, the hard, hard technical breakdowns of it and the anatomical breakdowns of it with the highest definition footage available. Where Yeah, they have showed muscle groups moving under skin, things like that. It's, it's pretty incredible, the what they have been able to extract with modern technology, you know, and being able to clean it up. So yeah, I don't discount the possibility. I am with you, Craig, I am much more of a believer that it is, it is a natural creature, it is something that's there, whether or not it travels through portals, or has control of other things or can control your mind. Even even one guest that we had put forth the hypothesis of things like Sasquatch and things like abduction experience being used by demonic forces as a trope for acceptance. Because of course, you know, they're they're like vampires, they can't get in unless you open the window. Like you, you have to invite the experience. So one of those things of, oh, I wish I'd see a Bigfoot, you know. So yeah, there are so many hypotheses out there. And when it comes down to it, can we focus on some biological stuff here? Can we focus on the fact that we actively have right real scientists and alike with letters behind their names folks? Who are looking at strides and footprints in oil marks and things like that going? There's something here. The new the new evidence of I don't know if you've seen flash of beauty Bigfoot revealed.

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Yes, there is matter of fact, that is a film. Oh, that will be screened at the Bigfoot Film Festival in December here and oh, yeah, he's Texas. Yes.



Chris Jordan 2:24:47

Would you like me to connect you with the guys that made it because I had him on the show?



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Oh, brand as a brand to Brett, Brett and Jill. Yeah. Brent and Joe. Yeah, I do know them and and invited them and they are coming to screen the film. Oh, nice. That's awesome. Oh, you'll get you'll get to meet them in person or



Chris Jordan 2:25:09

meet him in person. That's great. I can't wait. Yeah, cuz they were. He and tobe were fantastic. They were great guests and that I've got goosebumps right now. Just thinking about the film because it was beautifully done well, hold on just a second. Somehow or another last year are you there?



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We're here. There you go, sir.



Chris Jordan 2:25:39

Sorry about that. I don't know what happened there. But yeah,



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cut that in editing.



Chris Jordan 2:25:46


It was a beautiful, beautiful film and amazingly done. It really was. Yes, I was very, very proud for them and especially the fact that they so produced that self funded that. Yeah, they have been making the rounds. They were on Coast to Coast not too long ago. I always love it whenever I get a hold of the guests before coast to coast test. But I'm excited to hear the fact that you have them coming to the to the Texas Bigfoot Film Festival. That's fantastic.



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Yes, sir. So like I said, you'll get to hang out with them and, and maybe chip cold on with them.



 Chris Jordan 2:26:27

Oh, absolutely, man. And speaking of which, let's let's get into shameless shameless self promotion time. Before we let you go, I see that we're up against our typical time slot here with you. So I want to make sure that you can get on with things but let's let everybody know where they can go to socially follow the Texas Bigfoot conference, the Texas UFO con Phalke monster Festival, where they can go to buy tickets, all that kind of good stuff.

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Well, all of that information and more is available on Facebook. It's saying look for the Texas Bigfoot conference, the Bigfoot Film Festival, the Texas UFO con, the fog monster festival, all of those events are up on Facebook, have event pages with information on registering for those events, where it's taking place, schedule of events, what all is happening, who all will be there, all that information is up on Facebook.

 Chris Jordan 2:27:30

Absolutely, and Eventbrite is where all the tickets are sold, folks, if you're an Eventbrite user, if not eventbrite.com, and just put in the event that you're looking for any of those, of course, if you go to the Facebook pages, once again, you will have links there. That will take you directly there, Craig, I cannot wait to come to the Texas Bigfoot conference and do the typical live stream fun things like that out there. Greatly greatly looking forward to being in your hometown. This time. Yes, sir. Jefferson. So

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looking forward to that to having you here and, and sit around and commiserate and

 Chris Jordan 2:28:16

No, no camaraderie at all this time. No commiseration this time, I assure you. But in all sincerity, thank you for always coming on. Thank you for everything that you have done. Over Over literally the last many decades from the founding of crypto moonbot. To these festivals, Craig, it is because of people like you that communities are built, that these communities come together in the people feel comfortable enough to be able to come together. So thank you for that.

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Okay, I appreciate that. And like I said, all the things that you do as well to to publicize these events to sponsor these events and to, you know, pitch in and with a helping hand if needed. So to what much appreciate it as well.



Chris Jordan 2:29:10



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