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exploring topics, from the esoteric and unexplored to dimensions unknown,



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shining a light of truth on the darkest corners of our reality.



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Welcome to the curious realm. You



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Well, hello everybody and happy Tuesday night. Welcome to this live episode. So glad to be back here at home in the studio. It was a crazy few weeks on the road.



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As one of my friends put it on the internet, we were literally shot out of a cannon on the third and on the roads were almost three weeks straight.



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So it was wild.



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Got to got to zoom past the palisade, fires in airplanes, things like that. God bless all those people out there, our good friends, our good research buddies, folks like Earl gray Anderson,



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you know, so so many others. Daniel herreri, all kinds of folks. Kevin Jeffers out there in the West Coast, in California. God bless to all you guys that have been displaced by that hope that everything is working out well for all of you in the in the meantime, it is actively snowing here in Austin. So hell has frozen over. It is. It's not often that we see snow here in the Lone Star State, much less snow that hits the ground sticks to the ground and actively stays. So the kid got to go out throw a few snowballs. It was fun. It's a great start to the new year. And, you know, all told everything,



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everything is going, going fantastically. But we, we did just have the inauguration and MLK Day yesterday. I think a lot of people were expecting other things to pop off in the world. Thank God, nothing. Did you know? But it's, it's one of those. We, we have chances for different things. We'll, we'll see what happens. We'll see what comes of it. You know, I always hold out hope for humanity on this show. That is that is kind of our our mantra, Forever and always, is that we are an intelligent species. We figure our way out of all kinds of things the same way that we figured our way into them. So I hold hope for us that we will find new paths, new ways of bringing our communities back together despite all of these things, speaking of communities, I want to thank our good friend Michelle freed, who is now out there in our chat forum during our live stream, she is our new moderator. Welcome Michelle to the community. It's been fantastic having you there doing this for us. It's been great.



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It's awesome having somebody there to be able to keep keep chats going, all that kind of stuff, keep the ideas flowing amongst the audience and our guest tonight in the second get in the second part, we're going to be having some fun with our good friend, Dr Richard B Spence. He is a professor emeritus. He is now retired, but lifetime professor at University of Idaho, specifically in the world of American Russo spy relations. And he has beautiful series on what's now wondrium, also called the great courses on Amazon, and he just did a great one on secret societies throughout time. And when I saw him again, I was like, man, it's been too long. So I contacted him. We, in the second part, we'll be talking about the Illuminati, the actual Bavarian Illuminati, how it began, how it started, how it beget the the literal conspiracy theories that are out there. Now, the idea that media is owned by the Illuminati, that, you know, rock and roll is run by the Illuminati that pop music is, you know, just it's, it's fascinating to see how an actual society that existed has moved this way, in a rubix cube fashion throughout humanity, and is the Illuminati still there? So we'll be talking about that with Richard B Spence in the second part of the episode. In the first part, we speaking of a long time. We were just chatting pre show with Rob gutrow, our guest in this first segment about it's been a long time since he's been on so.



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We will be welcoming back Rob gutrow to start a conversation about spirit animals and then talk about his new book that is coming or that has just come out, which is The Haunting of Emory estate. So welcome back to the show. Rob gutrow, how are you doing tonight? I'm doing great. Thank you so much for having me. It's good to be back. Absolutely, man. It's great to have you back. I have seen quite a few people very interested in tonight's first topic, the idea of animal spirits, and it's it's one that you know is fascinating to me, because I am firmly of the mind that



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spirituality and science do not have to bump heads. They don't have to get in the way of each other. The fact that we are beings of frequency to begin with. You know, anything that has a beating heart is literally just a being of frequency. So when, when you vibrate one octave higher, the the physical particle goes away, and you just go into another realm of vibration, you know, like that. That's just physics to me,



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but, but It's strange how many people, especially in religious circles, things like that. Once again, growing up Roman Catholic, spending time as a Catholic seminarian, that was something that was hotly debated over over beers and philosophy and you know, things like that. Not just how many angels could dance on the head of a pin, but does your furry friend have a soul? You know,



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things like that, like what, what happens to the soul and and I think that a lot of things get thrown in catch all bins, Rob whether it comes to religion and spirituality or even when it comes to the idea of ghost and spirit,



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you know, and I think that's a perfect place to really launch off on this conversation, is you as a medium? How do you see the difference between ghost and spirit? Is there a difference between a ghost and a spirit? Yeah, sure. So that was actually the foundation of my first book, because



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I started having experiences when I was 13, and my grandfather appeared to me

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after he passed, and then I encountered a ghost in a home that I lived in when I was in college, and I knew that they I realized that they were differences as I grew older, as I develop my abilities, I also realize that there are differences and similarities. And here I've learned is that you talked about the soul, and the soul is memories, personality and knowledge combined with the energy that comes from within us, the physical energies. And I found that what happens after we die is that we make a choice. We choose to either cross over into the light, and that's what I call a spirit, or we stay earth bound at a fixed location of our choosing, or where we died, like a hospital or prison or Battlefield or something like that or

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and that's what I call a ghost, sure. So there are similarities in the use of energies. Physical energies, they all use the same heat, light, water, electricity, but neg, I'm sorry. Emotional energies

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are different for both. So spirits who've crossed use love, faith and hope.

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Ghosts use negative emotional energies of fear, anxiety, depression and anger and so ghosts are stuck in the place they chose. But spirits can visit us anywhere in the world, anytime. Yeah, yeah. And I think once again, making that definition very clear, the understanding that you know a ghost is almost trauma centric, you know, as to how they died, when they died, what they are attached to at the time. And that even brings up the point of, like, you know, articles being haunted by something, not necessarily a location, you know, a child's favorite toy, what have you, things like that, not necessarily the child's room

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and but, but there is that definite difference between that and spirit. Because the the Spirit, even though it is still the

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what we are, so to speak, it isn't like it's a rote tape that's being played out, or the memory of something that's being played out. It's almost like there is an intention behind spirit, whether it be to help you, guide you, be there for you, emotionally, what have you?

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Yeah, absolutely. Now that's what they do. Yeah. It seems to me that ghosts.

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Are ghosts are actually more they they become more selfish when they become ghosts, because ultimately they realize they made the wrong choice and they need our help to cross over and become a spirit.

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Interesting, interesting. So one one doesn't necessarily prevent the other one is kind of a lock step that happens before, before they realize that they have an option or that they that they had an option and chose poorly. That's, yeah, that's, that's it. They had an option and they chose poorly. And I'm, I've actually found that that sometimes they intentionally choose poorly, because they're often they're often afraid that any transgressions that they made during life will be judged too harshly and they'll be sent to a bad place. But in my experience, in talking to spirit, there is no bad place. There's just peace and love and acceptance and kindness on the other side. Yeah, so they really they're missing out well, and you know, let's explore that for a second, because, and especially the the the human trauma centric part of that, Rob because with that comes the fact that you, sadly and horribly enough,

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your family member, your loved one that may not have crossed over, may literally may not have crossed over because of you

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and because of your trauma, of their loss.

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Yeah, there's all kinds of reasons why they would stay behind. Now let's, let's begin exploring the idea of animal spirits and the idea of animals a going into the afterlife and B, not just going into the afterlife, but being there for us after because, once again, the idea of

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a spirit being there. I'm because, like I said, I predicate things on that idea of just vibrational reality.

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To me, the idea of ghost, paranormal things like that. It's literally a bubble that is adjoining ours vibrationally, you know, like it's a we're in a big tub of suds in the universe and and that's just a bubble adjoining our bubble, you know. So that membrane isn't hugely crazy to penetrate, to pass through, to be able to vibrationally pass through, especially once you're in a higher vibrational rate, you know, but how do you begin to, how do you as a medium, Rob,

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begin to filter spirit and ghost?

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Well, in addition to, in addition being about the different energies, so ghosts draw on negative emotional energies, which are fear, anxiety, depression and anger, versus the spirits who've crossed over, who draw on love, faith and hope. So when I'm in the presence of an entity, I can sense whether they're negative emotions coming from them or positive emotions, and that helps me differentiate if they've crossed over, or if they're just and visiting, or they're if they're just Earthbound, okay, okay.

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Now, how do you begin to understand the difference between an animal spirit and a person spirit is there?

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I mean, it's very obvious in this vibrational world, which is, which you know, which is a dog, which is in cat.

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But how do you, how do you differentiate that, mediumship wise, whenever it comes to stepping onto a property or going to help somebody connect with, perhaps the a past pet, a past loved ones, something like that.

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Well, to me, it's kind of easy, because animals really are all about love, and humans, unfortunately are not Yeah,

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so sadly and horribly, yeah, yeah, sadly,

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yeah. Humans have too many hang ups, which is actually why I decided years ago that I was not going to do any spirit readings for people who cross over. Oh, wow. Only passed, wow. Now. Now is that something

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that the spirits have necessarily themselves abided by as well? Or, have there been moments where you know a human spirit is just like, No, no, seriously, you need to, you need to tell somebody this.

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Yeah, there have been times, and it's always when I'm doing the pet reading, some spirits will barge their way in and tell me a few things about themselves.

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and you know, I'll have to share them. I just, I just did a reading for a little dog in that was from South Africa. And there was a woman who told me that she always wore flowered Sun dresses. She had nothing but flowered Sun dresses. And she was the one that greeted this dog on the other side, and she said a couple of other things. And when I passed that message on,

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the pet parent that wrote me said, Oh my gosh, that's my mother in law. She had nothing but flowered Sun dresses in her Wow, in her wardrobe. So I know exactly who that is.

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But yeah, so while pets are trying to tell me something, humans will sometimes eat your fear. And how do, how do you begin a session? Let's, let's walk the audience through what a, what a reading is for you. Rob,

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sure, so, so I do pet readings, and I do them on weekends, and I do them by email.

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And the reason I do them by email is because I really have to pay attention to what they're saying to me. I can't be talking to a human and listening very closely. And I'll give you, I'll give you an example in a minute.

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So what I need is a picture of the pet, the pet's name, and any questions that the pet parent may have, and also the people who live with the pet, in case the pet wants to address them, or if they want to be addressed by the pet in the reading. So usually when the pet comes through, the pet will get into a big data dump of things, anything and everything. And

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then by the time I get to read the email with the questions, the pet has usually answered everything

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right from the beginning. Okay,

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so one example of why I need to do it by email and not talk to people just happened. This past weekend, I was doing a little dog, same little dog that I mentioned,

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who's the mother in law, came in in the flower dress, this little dog. When I first connected to this dog, I started a feel of fuzziness in my my left eye just kind of it was sticky, it was blurry. There was something going on, and

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the dog suddenly told me a word that I've never heard of, and it was on way.

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And I thought, okay, I don't know what that so, so I asked the dog to show me the spelling, and I wrote O, O, I N, G, and then another word, W, A, y.

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And I thought, Okay, I have no idea what that is. So I said, I'm going to put that aside in the reading. Just going to continue. And I did. And the dog was telling me about various various issues with vision and sight and so forth. And then,

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and then the mother in law who passed away came through. And then I stopped, and I thought, wait a minute, I need to read the rest of this email. So I read the rest of the email. At the very bottom of it, it said, PS, we live in South Africa. We speak English and Afrikaans. And I thought, Oh, that's interesting. So I took the word and I put it in Google Translator. And do you know it means I, E, y, E,

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and the other way means entrance. So when I sent that, I was startled that this little dog taught me a word in Afrikaans. Interesting. Yeah. And when I sent the reading, the mother confirmed he this. This little dog had detached retina. They went in through the eye like the eye entrance

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to try and do surgery. So I was astounded. I'm learning words in different languages from pets. Wow, wow. That is, and that's that's interesting, the fact that it would be able to communicate that to you in such clear and concise way. Rob, So, anytime, yeah. So anytime a pet hears a word, they can repeat it.

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I could imagine that, because that is, that is one of the things that they've at least shown by science, is that a pets understand far more than just the uncton of your words. And that goes, that goes into even various cultures and languages. Like, it's, it's fascinating to know that, like a dog that lives its life in an English speaking household can be trained in German,

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yes, and fully understand every one of those German commands and what they mean. And it's, it's really, really interesting to see that the fact that.

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If animals are distinctly above language in that kind of way, it's fascinating to see that



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that they truly do have cognate of vocabulary amongst various languages and even the way that we process animal sounds. That's always been a fascinating one to me, that the fact that animals, in the way that they sound, sound different in countries around the world, we say that dogs say, Woof, woof.



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You go to Italy, and it's,



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you know, it's fascinating to see how we have different words all over the world, but that dog



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in in the same way, is absolutely multilingual and understands the same thing, whether it's coming from somebody in English or in Italian.



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Now, does that have to do more? Do you think with their emotional intelligence or spiritual intelligence rob the idea is that they're they're more tied to us in that kind of way.



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I think it's both really so in my pits in the afterlife series of books, I explained that dogs learn on different levels.



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trying to say here, there is learning, there's language learning, there is emotional learning, there is social skills that we train them. They do. They learn different how to interact, social, socially with other dogs. You know, they learn routine. They learn how to go, you know where to go to the bathroom. They know when we're taking them to the doctor when they're sick. So they learn on all these different levels. And that said, they can also learn different languages too and and they also read tone as well.



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Yeah, they are. And more than that, it's also uh micro facial features, things like that. That is something that is massively, massively important in the animal kingdom, beyond the world of



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uh sound and smell things like that. Is, is the idea of



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uh micro features and facial expressions, things like that. They they know whether you are upset or not, whether you say anything, because they can literally read it on your face. And it's fascinating to see that they Yeah, they absolutely can. And you know, it's funny you're talking about expressions, because one of our three dogs is a very expressive dog, and I'm going to show you a postcard. Okay, I had made one of our Christmas cars, and you can tell who the naughty one is if you if you look up there,



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but a little smirk on his face. Yeah, right, yeah. So he Yeah. So he has some issues. He's actually on Prozac, but



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they do. They have their own expression good for him, for seeking the help he needs.



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If only we were also enlightened, Rob,



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but in all sincerity. You know, it is really fascinating to me. I was telling you pre show about a

but in all sincerity. You know, it is really fascinating to me. I was telling you pre show about a cat that we had, my wife's cat, Leon. He passed this last

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I was coming back from the road. They were coming back from the road,

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and came back. Leon was older to begin with. He was but, but something had gotten a hold of him one night when he was outside, unbeknownst to my wife

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and he he took ill and took ill rapidly, but he was, fortunately, he was, he was more than gentle and loving his whole life.

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And we had another small cat that my son had rescued from our old backyard. And this other cat was never a color, never a lap cat, nothing like that. Leon, on the other hand, despite the fact that he was a 20 pound cat,

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would still climb up on my wife's shoulder as though he was a kitten to get love every night. So here's this huge cat that would insistently come and lay over my wife's shoulder and just drool all over her incessantly, because he just full of so much love he couldn't not drool everywhere.

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And it was very interesting too, with and I mean, in quick turnaround, Rob, we were all there

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when Leon died. He died with the family. We were all surrounding him with love, and even the baby cat was there. Floyd. Um.



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Um, within 24 hours of Leon leaving the house, going to the vet, all that kind of stuff, after he passed



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the baby cat, Floyd began climbing up on my wife's chest to love on her at night. This was not an action he had ever done, ever. He is a cat that if you pick him up and try to give him a hug, he will kick and fight you to get away from that hug. He'll come up and love on you and everything else. But he was not a lap cat. He is now,



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and it's interesting to and I told her, I was like He told him how to love on you like no no doubt, no doubt. He left the message that this is the love she needs like above anything else in the house. You make sure and take care of her the way she needs to be taken care of.



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So that's a perfect example of what I've been taught by spirit of pets is that they will once they pass, they will come back, and they will either teach your current pet to do something that they used to do, yep, so that you will know that they are still around in spirit. Or if you adopt another pet, a new pet, and bring the pet in the house, they will be there to do the same thing to them. So you'll you'll notice these signs, these similar actions in another pet once one passes. And that's just one of the ways that they show they're around. And it was really fascinating, because I've heard these things before. I had never,



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ever seen it in action Rob, until I saw that happen, and it floored me and flabbergasted me, and to this day to see some of the mannerisms that he has picked up from Leon, some of the ways that he interacts with that because we got the boy and am Floyd, because Floyd's only about three years old, and I was like, we we can't go too long without him having another brother in the house, like he needs to pick up the mantle of being big brothers. So we got a kitten for Christmas for my son and for Him and to see him,



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take to the new cat and teach him and pass things on like he's taught him to drink water out of the faucet, things like that. You know, it's just fascinating. And to see him pick up that kind of love and love on him, the same way that Leon loved on Floyd, is really fascinating to see. And I think, truly a testament to the fact that, yes, there, there is a spirit there, there is something there that carries on and permeates and stays no different than with a human. Rob,



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yeah, and our that brings up another point too, is that our pets, in spirit, will actually lead us to the next pet they want us to adopt.



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We saw that here in my family, that our dog, Cody, the one with the grim there, the evil grin.



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So he he shows a lot of habits that our our docs and Franklin had, and Franklin passed in in 2020,



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and we didn't adopt Cody until 2022, and Cody was 10 years old. He was a rescue and, sadly, abused rescue, but, but Cody has the same, the same exact amount of stubbornness, same kind of habits that Franklin had. It's, it's pretty amazing well, and let's explore that



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section real quick of adoption. Rob, because, of course, if anybody has ever adopted, be it, be it human or fur baby, you will know that there is a love there that is beyond any other



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but especially when you're talking about pets adoption, and that arc of abuse, to adoption, to forever home, to passing How does, how Does that arc affect the spirit of an animal.



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Well, it's, it's really kind of a healing journey for them, as it same as it is with people, sure, and it's for them, it's because they don't speak, you know, our language. It's a matter of learning that they can trust us, okay, because their previous home was not trustworthy.



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So sometimes it takes a while. You know, we've, we've had Cody two and a half years. I mean, he,



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he's, he still has, he still has some trust issues because of the different actions that his previous home had done to him. You.



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You can't walk by him very closely, otherwise he'll lash out to try and bite you, because obviously he was kicked when he was in his previous home, which is just



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outrageous, yeah,



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but it's a healing journey, and one thing that people need to know is that when you adopt a pet that is in, was in a previous home where the pet was abused. That pet is not going to link to those abusers on the other side,



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they will only link to where the love was



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interesting, interesting. And that's good to hear. That's good to know, you know, the fact that they, that they are looking for and craving that connection to love still, and as as opposed to, as we to loop it back to earlier, the idea of a human ghost or a human spirit, you know, to it, because that was my next Question. Was, of course, you hear about, you know, haunted locations, things like that, where more than one



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ghost is there. And I will make that differentiation here between ghost and spirit, because the the ghost is locked there via trauma. Are there? Are there cases that you have run across or that you've heard about during your time in mediumship of



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traumatic experiences of animals on the other side, where, where they are locked in that ghostly pattern Rob,

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no, not from, Not from domesticated animals. Okay? Sure that wild animals have but I'm able to communicate with wild animals. Interest was because Wild Animals don't know our habits. They don't know our language. They don't there's nothing they can relate to with us. So people often ask me if I can communicate with a grizzly bear, and the answer is no, yeah. I was just about to add because, you know, there, there does have to be that consent both ways,

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and, and, yeah, I don't, I don't know the grizzly bear necessarily wants to run into you in the woods to begin with, much less talk to you in the afterlife. You know, he's probably still busy do being kind of grizzly bear, you know, and living a lovely grizzly bear life,

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because it's one of those. They didn't, they don't necessarily have that social bond in this kind of way. And it's, it's fascinating to even explore the idea,

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because there, there is that tie between wolf dog and it's not that far in the distant past. You know, like quite literally, every dog as we know it has been cross bred from wolves down within like 600 years, 1000 years like it. It's not a

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specific delineation that happened on its own. This was something that happened due to our intervention,

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you know, which even to bring that back to the idea of language and why dogs and cats understand so many languages. I think it really is the fact of because, across humanity, despite jungle or desert or what have you, we have domesticated these animals as a means of companionship and and a means of mutual use, you know, be it to keep rodent population in a village down, and that's why we keep the cats and feed them scraps, and that's why they stay around and in proximity to us and eventually live within our doors. Or, you know, whether it's the fact of five different tribes in a localized area, all speaking different languages,

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called the wolves, closer to them with table scraps, you know, and that's how different different ranges of dogs came to be. So yeah, they, through that cooperation with us, have quite literally learned our languages and the differences between us the same way that we have called them down to like, hey, we need something to chase rats inside of tunnels. Let's make a rat terrier, you know. Let's take a let's take a dog that used to wrestle bulls and breed it down to something this big, and now it still wants to go after something like a bull, but it's only big enough to take on a rat



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But precisely, that's how they came to be. You know, it's like they took this bull fighting breed, and we're like, well, we need them for this, so let's just take the smallest ones and breed them with the small.



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Until they come all the way down and you end up with a critter that has the exact same tenacity as its bigger, older cousin, you know, but is purposefully bred for the for its intention. And it's it's fascinating to see how how that affects the way that we interact with them,



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and if that affects their spiritual well being after, you know, because there, there is that idea that



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if you have a Border Collie, man, you better, you better have some room to run that animal, because that's what it does, you know. And if you want a happy Border Collie. It, it needs time to run it. It can't be rushed to do that. It, it's a job that it's been bred into, is to run and nip at things and keep them in line, right? You know. And if you don't give it sheep to keep in line, it will keep your children in line, you know, like it will hurt them.



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You know, it's not a bad thing, necessarily, but it's fascinating to see that, does that do, do the jobs that animals have, specifically, besides the job of love, like we were talking about,



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do these jobs that they've been bred for and that they've been trained for, translate over

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to to the other side. Rob, yeah, sometimes they do, especially when they're trying to communicate with us. So I've learned that pets, whatever pets do in life, they will do from Spirit to give us messages. So,

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so yeah, with Border Collies, you know, as you mentioned, you may feel a nip or you may feel a nudge after your border collie passed, and that would be your border collie still hurting you, if you will hurt, hurting, H, E r, d, e, g, not hurting, yeah,

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because they still do the same thing that they did in life.

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Yeah, yeah, precisely they are. They're still driven by you, because that's what brought you pleasure. Was, was watching them do what they did, you know? So they're, they're still going to want to love on you in the same way. And it's, it's fascinating to see that.

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Now let's, let's begin talking in these last few minutes. We've got you for about another 20 minutes or so, Rob, let's move the conversation from the animal to the human.

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At what point? Because, like you said, there, there was a point of differentiation for you, mediumship wise. And one of the, one of the questions I always have for mediums, because I'm I'm no medium. I would say that I've done a little bit of remote viewing things like that, but I've definitely got a,

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I guess, what you would say is almost an empathetic side, where I can walk into a room and know who I need to talk to, you know? And there was definitely a point in life, man, where, where it was like, I No wanted, I no longer wanted to feel that onus upon me. I no longer

wanted to feel walk in the room and feel my belly pull me somewhere, you know. So I made a hard differentiation in life, and, you know, sadly, that led to some disconnection from that for a long time. A lot of it's coming back, and it's beautiful,

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but, but what was it for you that made that hard line delineation between like I will work with animal over human?

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It was what. It was actually one reading that I did. It was a it was a reading that I did for a woman who asked me to communicate with her dad, who passed away, and and I said, Sure, you know, this was years ago,

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and her dad came through, and he was an alcoholic, and he was physically abusive, and he did other things. And it was, it was really hard for me to put these things in an email to a complete stranger, whom you know, I don't know what she looks like, I don't know her last name, I don't know anything about her. And I had to convey that. And I thought, and I told her, in the reading, I said, Look, he's begging for forgiveness. He was not in his right mind.

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This is, this is what it's all about. And, and I really, frankly, feel uncomfortable sharing this, so she wrote me back, and she unfortunately confirmed everything that her dad said in spirit.

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And I said, You know what? People have too many hang ups. I am not going to deal with people in spirit. I'll help earthbound ghosts. So sure. The difference is, I will read earthbound ghosts and help them cross over. But I'm not going to deal with the spirit of a human because they're going to share, they're going to open their closet, they're going to trauma dump on you. Yeah, I mean, there's, there's literally no other turn of phrase, other than the modern turn of phrase, of trauma dump,

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because that's what you.

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Is, that's what it is. And, you know, frankly, it takes an emotional toll on me, number one, to do any reading, yeah, but it also took a psychological toll on me too, because I'm connecting here with a man who was abusive in many ways and

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and it didn't feel good, yeah, and I had to try and purge that before, you know, I called it a night.

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And it's tough. It's a special kind of compartmentalization, you know, it's, it's, it's no different, though, the only, the only analogies I can give Rob is no different than any therapist sitting in a chair or no different than any priest sitting on the other side of a veil in a confessional. Sure you know where it's like that will take a toll on you.

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Hearing that and having that happen, you know, and it's same thing as a cop on the street. Man like you see things you hear things that the average citizen does not, and it's always something that I've asked of of every medium, every psychic that has come on the show, is, how, how do you filter yourself? Because, I mean, of course, of course, once again, these spirits sometimes still invade a session, uninvited, you know, and it's like you've got to kind of give them their credence whenever they pop through.

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You know, which you do. But how do you, how do you filter that? How do you keep that? Because it can you keep that from just happening, you know, upon you and being thrust upon you? Yeah, I don't think you can really if they, I mean, if they wanted to come through, they're going to come through no matter what, because they can be really strong,

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but it's a matter of how you deal with the energy and the memory that they share with that and you know afterward, you know you can take shower, because water energy is purifying.

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You know, I always read a book before I go to bed, I hug my dogs,

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yeah, you know, something like that. But I'm also the kind of guy who's very emotional. You know, most mediums are very emotional, and I dwell on things, and sometimes I dream about them, and it makes me crazy, yeah?

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So, you know, before you go to bed. You know, a bed drill will help too,

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absolutely, absolutely. So well, something to help that disconnection. Because once again,

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it can be hard to hang up the line. You know, yes, and that, that's really the only way to put it is, you know, if you remember back like nowadays, we have don't, do not disturb, and vibrate all kinds of modes. Back in the day, your only choice was to unplug the phone. Man, you know, like that. That's it. Most, most phones didn't have a mute on the ringer or something like that. You just unplug the line. That's all you could do. As hard unplug So, and it's interesting to me, because once again, that was something that sadly led, that led to bad places in my life, the want to disconnect, you know, the and I understand that, I understand that, I think I especially spiritually, understand the struggle of a lot of addicts in that kind of way, because the the world is a hard and crushing place to begin with, much less once you add connection to other human beings and their trauma around you, you know, and much less if, if you're someone like yourself, who, in addition To those just everyday struggles going on, you have a spiritual world that impresses itself upon you in a different way and with a different onus than the rest of the world. You know that can take a large, large toll on people so good for you for recognizing that in yourself and and realizing that that is not the energy that you want to work with, you know, yeah, you have to, you know, as with anything, you really have to set borders in life about what, what you want to deal with, what you can deal with and and, you know, move away from things that that adversely negatively affect you. I mean, just like families over holidays, you know, yeah, opposing viewpoints of things, if they're going to make you feel bad, then don't associate with them. They are family, but you are you are only fighting for yourself well. And you know, that brings up a big point that we have talked about for a long time on this show Rob, whether it comes to paranormal, what have you even, even experiences that are thrust upon you.

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Where is your point of consent? You know, at what point have you consented into a system? At what point have you?

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Consented into a system of anger, you know, and the idea of like, well, no, if I go, I'm going to have this argument. Well, yeah, you're now fully consented to have the argument. Should it

have this argument. Well, yeah, you've now fully consented to have the argument. Should it present itself, you know, you could consent to not have that argument too and still go,

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like, there, there's an option there. And much, much like you were saying at the beginning with that choice of ghost or spirit, there's an option. There's an option that's good the light is presented. The question is whether or not the Spirit turns towards the light or stays here and is bound by the trauma, or is bound by the trauma of the person remaining even like we were talking about, you know, the idea that sadly and horribly sometimes our processing of our grief is what keeps them here,

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you know, because they're trying to do the spirit thing, which is help us

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and move us forward, when really it's them moving forward and into the light that will help us exactly, you know, and yes, it's very interesting to see that dichotomy that happens once crossing has begun.

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How does that begin? A haunting, especially, you know, one like The Haunting of Emory estate here in the here, in the next 15 minutes that we have you for, let's, let's get into the haunting of Emory estate and and how that came to be. Rob

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Sure, so, so that was it. That's my latest book. I can please, this

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book just came out on January 1, I was invited to participate in a paranormal investigation of Emory state, its property in Massachusetts, and I knew nothing about the property

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before I ever go on a paranormal investigation. I don't look anything up. In fact, I didn't even know where it was.



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And what's ironic about that is that I grew up in the next town from where the estate was located. Yeah, yeah. That that is, that is entirely a Massachusetts situation. Man, the number of people I know that lived in Massachusetts that are like, oh, yeah, I should go to Salem



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right. It was like, everybody grows up down the road from this crazy, wild and there are tons of large properties that were used as



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convalescent homes, all kinds of things, you know, mental institutions, there's, there's the ones right, the one right down the road from Salem that's famously haunted, so, yeah, like Massachusetts is steeped in it. So to know that you grew up right down the road from this property,



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but, but had no idea of the story. How did, how did you become involved with this? So this is kind of a, kind of a crazy story. It's, it's a lot of fun. I went to the Massachusetts para con a couple of years ago, okay? And when I was there, I supposed to speak about pets in the afterlife and how they communicate.



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And when I was there, I was I was tracked down by



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a woman named Monique two soon.



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She is, as it turns out, she's the only paranormal investigator drag queen in the country, and she is fascinating.



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She she decided during during COVID, to dress up and drag and go in paranormal investigations because she couldn't perform anywhere, of course, and she learned that that made her a trigger object for ghosts who are trying to understand her.



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So she has sought me out because she wanted a pet reading and



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and I did. I gave her a pet reading. I was also on her program. I talked about pets in the afterlife and so forth. And then she had me back because she loved the pet reading that I gave her. And then she asked me to go on this, this investigation. So I did we want? Long story short, we wound up being two of three people on her on a team with together, and we knew nothing about this estate,



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distinctly communicated with three ghosts, Earth Bound ghosts, wow. One was an innocent boy. One was someone who was attached to a piece of furniture that didn't come with the house. The boy didn't come with the house. The boy who had didn't even live in the house, and the other one was a grown man



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who had a very



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awful personality



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End of the investigation really pulled a fast one on us,





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because we were trying to help one of the others, the other ghosts, okay? And this guy was



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a jerk, if I may say so, because he was obviously a jerk in life. Yes,



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if you're a jerk in life and you don't cross over, you still remain a jerk in death. It was strange how that just kind of maintains death



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came very clear, but we had no idea. So, you know, our,



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our whole purpose there, and this was a public investigation, by the way, this was, this was open to the public, great because and, and we had three rotating teams of the public. I think there are 20 people or 15 people in each group.



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The other interesting aspect of this case, I mean, there are many interesting aspects of the case, and I urge everybody to pick up a copy, because you will learn how different ghosts react and and associate with people.



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The other interesting aspect of this case is that there was one specific part one person in this public investigation that was adversely physically and mentally affected, oh, wow, by a ghost because of their negative emotional energy that they were emitting,



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interesting, interesting. And I have definitely



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seen people get nauseous on, on investigations, things like that, where, where they have just had had had energies

had bad, bad energies.

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And I myself have had that happen. However, the one thing that I find fascinating amongst your story here, Rob, is that

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you did not research this property prior to going to it. You didn't know anything about it. That is one of my favorite topics. That I talk about is the idea of like, how often are we possibly charging an atmosphere

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by because if you're getting ready to go research a property, like you're, you know, oh, you know, going on social media. And hey, everybody, tell me your stories about this place. And it's like you're, you're almost literally polishing the filter through which you're going to look at all of your evidence that you gather exactly, you know, like you're setting yourself up almost to have an experience, and May, very well, psychically, anyway, be actively charging the area for that experience to begin with, you know, yeah. And so the idea that you'll win in blind with zero research into this, zero preconceived notions, zero ideas of what spirits had done to people in the past, what other people's experiences had been, lends a lot of credence to these experiences. To me, that's a Yeah, and that's a big rule of thumb for me, because as a medium, I don't want to know where it is. I don't want to know anything about it. Just an hour before I have to get there, give me directions, or two hours, however long it takes to get there, and I'll show up.

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And when I got there, I will, I will tell you that I made a short video. There's a link to it in the book, in the in the first chapter,

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and I distinctly remember saying, Wow, I I get some really adverse feelings of dread before I go in here. So let's see what's gonna what's what's happening in here. And

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by the way, the other thing, there's a there's another little aspect of this that people may not know if they don't, haven't read anything that I've done, I've written, is that when I go on paranormal investigations, I can see, I can see ghosts in my mind. I I can actually see what they look like. So I sketch them out. I don't know if you can see that epic. I love it. So I sketch them

out. And whenever I've gone on paranormal investigations in private homes and I've sketched them out, those sketches are shown to the homeowners. And when they were the homeowners always said, and I'm very humbled by this, that that was the ghost that they saw. Wow, walking through your house, wow.



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That is absolutely incredible to know that you sketch those things, that kind of stuff.



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After we end, please do, I mean, we're connected, make sure to send me your address. I'll send you a copy of our observation and field log, because, quite literally, that's what it's for, and it's got a little section where you can sketch, but it's for gathering that data in the field, as it happens, because so sadly, Rob too many people on Investigation are not necessarily walking around with a notebook.



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taking the time to write down experience as it occurs. You know, all too readily, those things are gathered afterward, you know, and, and it's kind of sad, because at that point, once again, the the process of data corruption has already begun. You know, you you've already started processing that experiences through your lens of life experience, or your lens of religious belief, through your lens of paranormal belief. You know, instead of gathering it raw as it has, it happened, you know, yes, and that's one of the things, that's the other thing that I do when I go in paranormal investigations, I have a journal, a blank journal. And when we were in Emory estate, when we were experiencing these things, I was writing things down and and Monique looked at me, and she said, How in the world are you writing in the dark? And I said, you know, after 30 years of doing this, I can write in the dark. Yeah, I can read my own writing in the dark. You know, that's like my friends. They could keep eye contact with the professor and still stay on the line in the notebook I have. I have no idea how they did it, but there are people who have that skill set, you know, who can take notes like that without writing over their own handwriting and without looking at the planes like this, yeah.



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But this sounds like an incredible case study of a book, Rob, we've got to have you back on the show to literally just talk about this, because

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incredibly enthralled by the world of research and how people go about doing their research on site, how they go about culling their data, the idea of a ride or die, somebody that you work with, hand in hand, who is willing to question your data, who's willing to question your methods, and when they question you, you aren't going to get bristly about it, you know,

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because that that's how field work actually happens. That's how science happens, you know. And and all of these things are coming to a head with science right now. Every one of them, Oh, absolutely, yeah.

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And so, and I always incorporate a lot of science in my my books, because I'm a meteorologist by trade. So I use the science of energy to explain the paranormal. I can explain cold spots. I recently understood exactly why ghosts get trapped and they can't cross over after a while.

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So there's a whole bunch of things I use

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energy to explain. Yeah, yeah, exactly. And it's one of those that I find much, much like I don't think that any any of these topics in the paranormal conflict with anything religiously or spiritually, anywhere. I don't think they conflict with science either. You know, one of my, one of my favorite books that I have is this little number right here, which is an actual desk scientific reference. And it's a whole series, yeah, I mean, it's, it's full of things like articles from like the 1870s on ball lightning, and, you know, green meteorites and just different things in the sky, and you know, all kinds of stuff, because, well, if you don't understand the phenomena, you're not going to understand the science. And in science, you have to account for the phenomena and remove it from the data set

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so that you're left with nothing but fact. So yes, like the fact that science is, once again, embracing the phenomena Rob is, is a beautiful thing to me, and I think a lot of people have unfortunately given science a really bad name

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and and fully see it as, sadly, the enemy to a lot of these disciplines when it comes to parapsychological research, be it

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spirits and and ghosts or cryptozoology, or which is actual, actual science. Like, I'd love to say it's not like, that's how we that's how we find new species, you know, yeah. So, yeah, it's, it's fascinating to me to see how these worlds are merging together before we let you go. Let everybody know where they can go to get a reading themselves. You also do classes with spirit readings, things like that. So let everybody know where they can go to follow your work, where they can go to get in touch with you for readings, for classes, and where they can go to get their personal copy of the all new haunted Emery.

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Well, thanks, yeah. So they can find me on robcuher.com if they can't spell my last name, they just go to pet spirits.com

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It all goes to the same place. All my books are on Amazon. They're in paperback, they're in e book, and then they're an audio book as well.

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So for pet readings, you have to go through. You have to go through. Rob got calm, send me an email. My email and how pet readings are done are all up there, but advance notice, I am booked one year out, so you have to do for you, patient, yeah, there's a high demand.

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I am doing a lot of public appearances. I do teach adult education in two schools up in northern

New England, every week. You can find everything in my events page. I do toxic libraries. I do fundraising animal rescues. So if you have an animal rescue that wants a fundraiser where I teach the people how to how pets communicate and how to see signs.

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They just get in touch with me, because I don't charge the rescues anything. Rescues take in whatever they they charge for a ticket and that it all goes to, it all goes to the rescues for dogs and cats. That is beautiful.

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So, yeah, I'm, I'm booked with events all the way out to September already.

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It's, it's a, it's a great, crazy, crazy thing. Well, that is fantastic to hear. I love nothing more than knowing that people like you who are out there doing good work to help people lift their vibration in the world and find wholesome, healing ways Rob that, that people like you are nothing more than thronged with business, because that is what the world needs, my friend, is, is nothing more than more love and more understanding of where we're all supposed to be, and understanding that we we are all surrounded by, if you want to call them angels, call them angels, folks, but we, we are all surrounded by our loved ones at all time. They've never left us. They're here the whole time, all the time. Always know that everybody so Rob, thank you so much for your time tonight. I greatly appreciate it. I'll be sharing links for the episode all that kind of stuff with you,

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and we've got to have you on again very soon. That'd be great. Thank you. Thank you so much. Take care, my friend, while you are online, checking out everything from Rob gutrow, everybody@rockgoro.com

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Please hold on through this quick commercial break. When we come back, we will be joined by our good friend, the professor himself, Richard B Spence. We will be talking about the Illuminati, the founding of it. Is the Illuminati still around? Are they influencing media in the world as we know it? More about that when we come back from this quick break right after this,



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off your entire cart of \$50 or more and get two count them, two edibles as well. Our guest in this segment is the amazing professor, Richard B Spence. He is Professor Emeritus at University of Idaho. He is also the author of secret agent 666, Aleister Crowley, British intelligence and the occult, as well as a very, very poignant book these days, Wall Street and the Russian Revolution. 1905 to 1925



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he has hosted numerous classes on The Great Courses, won dream things like that, on everything from the occult to history to lost history. And what we're talking about tonight, secret societies and the Illuminati. Welcome back to the show. Dr Spence, how have you been? I've been doing well. Thanks for having me back on Absolutely. I hope you have been able to enjoy your retirement and really dig your teeth into some more research things like that. I know as awesome as teaching university is, sometimes you do not get the chance to really explore your own avenues of research as deeply as you like to because of, well, the responsibilities of an actual school schedule. You know? Well, there's that. There's also committee meetings. I no longer have to sit on any committees, which, how is a relief? Yeah, yeah, I'm glad of that. But yeah, one of the things you can do in retirement, I'm still



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staying busier than I would. Well, I don't know I'm sometimes I think I'm staying busier than I would. Like you know when the urge to lie down strikes me, but here's the type of thing, but when the urge to lie down strikes me, I can just go and lie down. I don't have any things to do, right? Unless I'm driving. So there we go. Last time we had you on. You were actually just rapping with the series that I just got done watching



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that was all about secret societies and the history of secret societies throughout humanity. It was absolutely awesome. And what really rung my bell, especially with everything going on in the world right now, things like that was, was the episode on the Illuminati. And I was like, I've got to get Dr Spence back on to just dig into the actualities of the Illuminati, the realities of the Illuminati, the myths of them.



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I think it's one of those topics that kind of like masonry. I think even more than masonry, though, because Masonry is something that people can still go shake a hand with. Masonry is still something that they see in their you know, like small town Fourth of July parade, things like that, you know. But Illuminati was there and then gone. And it seems like people have kind of woven it into the fabric of modern society, even to the point of, like, you know, rock and roll in the movie industry are run by the Illuminati. It's, it's fascinating to see where, where things go with it. So let's, let's begin at the beginning, doctor. How did the Illuminati begin? The actual Illuminati, the real group that that did factually exist?



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Well, let's, let's go back a little bit further than that. At least do what I always like to do, which is get a basic definition. So you got this term Illuminati, which is the plural or the singular, if you're just one of you, you're an Illuminati. So



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what is that? Exactly one it's a term which has been widely used, or let's say it has been regularly used throughout history, before the 18th century, by various groups, to describe themselves and all it actually.



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Means is this that you have seen the light that you are illuminated, and specifically that you are illuminated to some knowledge or truth. Now it doesn't tell you what the knowledge or truth is it it reveals nothing about what it is that you have been illuminated to, but simply that you now have this kind of special or exalted state. So, for instance, if you go back to the Roman era and the early centuries of Christianity, one of the terms, in fact, the main term in which Christians use to refer to themselves as were Illuminati. We have seen the light, the light of the Gospels, we have been illuminated to the to the truth. So it was used by early Christians. It was used by anyone who wanted to claim that they had some kind of special knowledge. You find equivalence to it. In the Islamic realm.



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In the Middle Ages, you had a mystical group in what's now Afghanistan, the Russian the illuminated ones, the Illuminati, who use that term. Now there raises a kind of interesting question, does it mean that everyone throughout the centuries or millennia, which have called themselves illuminated, are all illuminated to the same thing, that there's some kind of continuum.



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And I have to answer this simply because, you know the example being that this was a term used by early Christians who don't think we're applying that generally to anything else. No, it. But you see how one term can be used by different groups at different times that are related to each other only in the sense that they believe they have some kind of special knowledge. So it's a fairly generic term. It's not an original term. It's not a term which is specific to any time or place. Yeah, you're also mentioning here that in medieval Spain, Spain, there were the alumbrados, you know, yeah, illuminated group who who may have had some contact both, well, there may have been contacts to Gnosticism, to Islamic mysticism. Spain. Medieval Spain was an area where absolutely Christian mystical and Islamic roles all intertwined with each other. I mean, there was Jewish mysticism, Christian mysticism and Islamic mysticism all kind of mixing together, and people were illuminated, yes. So the interesting thing about it is that it's a term that actually describes nothing



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only some sort of generalized state of being that those who use the term believe they have, but it doesn't tell you again, what the illumination consists of. That's always the fundamental mystery.



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So with that out of the way. Let's segue up to the 18th century. You know, the century of, what do you call that? The Enlightenment? Yeah, you go. So think of it. I mean, the 18th century is sort of the century of the Illuminati. The whole thing is supposedly enlightened.



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And we'll go to what's what's now Germany, what was then Bavaria. And so Bavaria is still there the southern part of Germany, and specifically to the city of Ingolstadt, which had a university, a Catholic Jesuit university, as that's kind of normal for the time. Most universities were church related, and the Jesuits played a played a big role



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in in education. Ingleshot also shows up in another interesting context that maybe we'll come back to. Any of you Frankenstein fans out there, you know Mary Shelley's book will realize that Dr Frankenstein is in Ingle shot the same place is a fictional character at a at a real university, and there are some we may get back to this. I'll leave it alone for now, who think that there's actually some kind of connection to that, that the fact that the fictional Frankenstein is set in Ingolstadt, and that the birthplace of the historical Bavarian Illuminati is in that same city is not coincidental.



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So we're in Ingolstadt, Bavaria, and we'll take the year 1776 you know, if you're an American, you know what that means? Yes, Declaration of Independence. Well, it's also the year in which the Bavarian Illuminati are conjured into existence in ingleshot, and on a specific day, we know that it's on the first of May,



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a day that will later become synonymous with with Mayday, a labor celebration, you know, later, sort of commie Christmas. All right, that's That's May Day. It had a significance even in the.



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significance of May day there is that it's, it's, it's Beltane. It's part of this,



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a very old sort of seasonal, some would argue, pagan celebration. But you know, everything was at one point. But you've got this. You've got these.



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Keep in mind, if you look at the old sort of,



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what can be called the occult calendar, or this the seasonal calendar, these days are, it's always the evening, and then the next day that that's what you're doing. So you've got the 30th of April, which, if you look that up. Is sometimes called volpus Knocked Walpurgis night, you know, the celebration of the witches. This is when they all got together and had a big witch party. But then that just segues over in the morning into Beltane, the sort of firefest. So the first of May and the 30th of April are the same thing in the same way that October 31



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All Saints Eve, then just segues into November 1, All Saints Day, right? Okay, the Day of the Dead. So it's, you know, it's the whole sort of death festival, yeah, in the Catholic Church, that's literally what Vespers is, is, is the beginning of that cycle from the day previous, like Christmas Eve into Christmas day. You have Vespers mass, which is what you know, kind of is the same thing as going going to temple in Judaic religion on a Friday night. Exactly. It begins in the evening and it goes into the next day.



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I mean, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day. They're all sort of arranged in that way. So



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we don't know if, if the man who created this organization, and we know his name as well, his name was Adam vice helped. I'll say a little bit more about him in a minute. But Adam vice

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did he speak this day because of its pagan Association? What would assume it's kind of historical association with the seasons?



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I mean, basically what that is, is noting is the midway point between the spring equinox



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and the summer solstice. So that's the way, the sort of calendar, you know, what some people again, call the witches calendar. But it's not necessarily just the natural calendar. Yeah, we've got solstices. We've got to do that two equinoxes, and you got the midpoints between them. And every one of those corresponds to some kind of a holiday. We've forgotten what a lot of those are, but Groundhog's Day is one of those. Midsummer's Eve. They all fit into this. So I would assume that Weiss helped picked the first of May, the historic Beltane, for some reason, if it wasn't religious, at least as a kind of commemoration the beginning of spring, perhaps.



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So who was Adam Weishaupt. He was a professor of canon law at the University of Ingolstadt.



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Now, again, I said that was a Jesuit university, so his education was at the hands of the Jesuits.



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And his employers were basically the Jesuit. He was not clergy himself. He is a layman. He was a lay Professor employed at a Catholic Jesuit run University,



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which I guess, sort of brings up the question for anybody who may not be initiated that. Who are the Jesuits? Okay. Why are they so important? Yes,



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the Jesuits,



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the the was founded in Spain in the 16th century by a fellow by the name of a former Spanish soldier and nobleman, the name of Ignatius Loyola nazio Loyola, yeah, you've probably heard of him, because half the Jesuit schools that exist in the US, that's right, are named after him. Anything with Loyola, you just discovered that, that's right. The interesting thing about Ignatius Loyola is that early on in his life, before he entered the church, or before he became the founder of this religious order, the Society of Jesus, the Jesuits, is that he was either a member of or in some way associated with a group I just mentioned, the the Spanish Illuminati, the alumbrados, and that was a group that was suppressed as heretical, that's right by the church, but, but early on in his kind of spiritual quest, he was a member of some earlier Illuminati group, yeah, which has led some to argue that, well, that that can't be coincidental, that, you know, loyal.



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Was connected to some sort of Illuminati. And then he found the Jesuit order that founds this university that employs Adam Weishaupt. And then a century or so later, he forms his own society. Oh, they're called the Illuminati as well. Well, it could be. But again, I'd caution that Illuminati is a very generic term, but Well, simply note that those things exist. And that's one of the things that I actually just people do in kind of research, is don't immediately jump to conclusions. That's right. Simply note that these correspondences exist.



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Hang on to that idea, and then wait and see whether other things come come up that that tend to support a connection or not, whether it just seems to be a one off, whether it seems to be an accident or coincidence, or whether it's something that's meaningful but don't immediately import great significance to a single coincidence. Wait and see if there are others in that case.



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So the Jesuits were a became a very powerful order within the Catholic Church. In fact, there were some in the Catholic Church itself who argued that they had become too powerful. Many



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describe them is that the Jesuit Order became in the 1600s and they're on the kind of Marine Corps of the Roman Catholic Church. Yeah, they were created specifically, in many ways, to combat the Protestant Reformation and and also specifically to to be the missionary arm, yes, of the church, who like when the church came to the new world, they they brought them. They brought the Jesuits with them. You'll find that the Jesuits were always in the wherever the Catholic Church landed, okay, where they afford a beachhead. The Jesuits were there as the shock troops of the Catholic Church. That's right. And so the order amassed considered, you

know, great power, property influence. It had its own grand master as a such. So there were some that then later argued that the that the Jesuits in the more modern era had become the equivalent of what the Knights Templar had been some centuries before, absolutely a monastic order, a order within the church that had exercised great power and independence, and perhaps partly for that reason, was eventually suppressed. And that happened to the Jesuits in the 18th century.

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Critics in the Vatican argued that the Jesuit order had become too powerful. It had become a kind of church within a church in many ways, and therefore it was for decades suppressed. Throughout much of the 18th century and into the early 19th century, the order was suppressed. It was eventually restored, but it went through this, and this is one of the things that affected vice Hoft, because when the Jesuit Order was suppressed, its control was taken away from the University of Ingolstadt and others and and now

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vice Hoff found himself without his sort of church superiors above him. I mean, it was still a church university, but the Jesuits were no longer in control. Yes, somewhat disenfranchised, so to speak, yeah.

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And so the order is not, you know, the Jesuits are not destroyed. They will be. They will return and all their glory some decades down the road. Now, that's an interesting point to keep in mind that it's an interesting case, that just because an organization is banned in some official sense, that it just goes away, that it just dissipates like mist. Okay, the Jesuits were dethroned. They did not disappear. They would return as an important element within the church. But the 18th century, they've fallen under, consider, under, under suspicion, and they have been put on the shelf by the church. And this now arguably gives lay professors at Jesuit universities greater freedom to well, greater academic freedom. But there is this kind of what critics would later argue, I mean, and part of the whole mythology of the Bavarian Illuminati

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is that there are some who argue that, well, no, that this is, again, is it's not a coincidence that the Bavarian Illuminati are created by Vice out as the Jesuit order is suppressed,

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and thus Some have argued that what he's actually doing is the bidding of the Jesuits. Yeah, that the Bavarian Illuminati are a a manifestation of the Jesuits in exile.



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Well, it is the order operating under another name,



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and that's by no means impossible, but it's one of those things, again, that you can't prove. So let's just note that correspondence and then go on to look and see if we can find we can find other ones.



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So we're talking about here are the kind of basic facts of the Illuminati. So we know the name of the guy who founded it. It's Adam Weiswolf. We know the position that he held. We know where he held it. We know the day and the year in which he formed the organization. We know that he certainly had a connection to the Jesuit order, not as a member of it, but as an employee of that order.



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So what advice? How form this organization for I mean, wasn't he busy being a professor of canon law? Okay, why is it? Why is he forming a secret initiatory society?



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Well, I guess one of the ways, the simplest way to put it is that Weiswolf Apparently considers himself a very smart guy,



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and he thought that there were other smart people around, but he didn't think that most people were okay this. This is the not unusual pattern, okay.



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And the basic idea is that somehow smart people as however you want to define them, should run the world,



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and everyone else should just kind of be managed. That's, that's really what, what if? So keep in mind, there's, there's nothing in any way, not in the slightest way, democratic, about the Bavarian Illuminati. It is a hierarchical elitist organization



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at best. What it aims to do is to replace the existing elite in European society, and in a greater sense, the existing elite throughout the world with a new elite, an elite of selected, enlightened individuals.



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vice off. Idea, roughly,



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is to create an organization



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that will forge a new world order. That's, you know, if you want to think about when that term actually begins to come along, where the idea and that then that the ultimate goal of this organization is to sweep aside, or more simply, to destroy, the entire existing political and religious order of Europe and the world and to replace it with a new centralized, rationalized order



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in the hands of an initiated elite That's right, illuminated one, yeah, Yeah, not the not the average rabble of humanity who would have equal representation in something,



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but yeah, the the hands of the few. And it's fascinating to to once again, see, to see that, and to see a lot of the a lot of the roots of where we get this hypothesis and this conspiracy theory that is out there about the New World Order and the bringing about of that, and the Illuminati being in the shadows, pulling strings, you know, because there, there are, once again, a lot of, a lot of very definite, cursory connections, you know, where, where the the colors on the palette kind of bleed together.



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Doctor, especially once you start looking at, once again, the founding of things in 1776

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America, things like that. Let's, let's move the conversation to that and to to how, especially this, this illuminated thinking at the time. I mean, we had the French revolution right at the same time, we had quite a few movements across Europe as well as America when it happened. So how did, how did this spread across the pond? How did it come over here. And did the Illuminati have their fingers? At least, the Illuminati as we know them, have their fingers in the American Revolution? Well, interesting. You should mention that, because I think it's in

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1790 something. 1798 might not have been that late, but there's you can actually find a mention of the Bavarian Illuminati and Weishaupt in the correspondence of well, you can find it the correspondence of George Washington. You can also find that Thomas Jefferson is quite aware of what it is, so that, yeah, you can kind of ponder that for a moment. This is the 18th century,

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and it means that.