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11:44 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.
MR. KORESH: -- Christ, right? The boss is back, right?

DICK: The boss is back.

MR. KORESH: Okay, and likewise the Lutherans and the Presbyterians and the Methodists and Christ can say to those who were given talents, you know, well, you've -- I've given you five talents, you've increased them to ten, I've given you four -- I increased them to eight, you know, and sad to say there might be those religious institutions that had one talent and you just buried it in the ground, didn't, didn't produce any increase for their Lord, right? But then, you know, that would be so idealistic, you know -- you know, Christ is going to come, you'll see glorious things bigger than anybody else, nobody can fight against him, no opposition, you know, no quibble of mine, just straight across the table. But it, it seems to appear very clearly, as a matter of fact very factually, that the revelation of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John develops a few mysteries such as Christ talking with his disciples about his second coming. In Matthew 24 he begins to make it very plain, you know, about his second coming. Though he refers to the prophet Daniel, he says, "When you shall see the abomination and desolation," spoken of
by the prophet Daniel he tells about his followers leaving Jerusalem. Okay, and then he says, "In wars and rumors of wars they shall kill you for my name's sake." He says, "Because iniquity will abound (indiscernible) but you endure the same shall be saved." Says, "There will be great tribulation," and the -- and that tribulation, you know, people don't understand the dark ages what kind of tribulation there was. He says, "In the tribulation afterwards when they shall say to you he's in the desert he says go not forth; when they shall say he's in the, in the secret chambers," in other words, you know, no one knows where he's at and -- he's in heaven, he's, you know, you know, right? He's up there in the secret chambers. "Believe it not. For as lightening shines out of the East even the West will also shall be the coming of the son of man." Now, does this mean like lightning that shines in the East even to the West like, you know, big lightening bolt he's going to come or does it mean that it'll be as clear? I mean, just -- when you see literal lightening in nature shine it's clear, isn't it? It's obvious, it's right there in front of you, right?

DICK: Well, it should be, David. I, I would agree.
MR. KORESH: Okay, but then the next statement that Christ makes according to what these men say is, he says, "Wheresoever the carcass is -- " -- no, after he makes the statement of it'll be like lightening that shines in the East even in the West, and he says, "For wheresoever the carcass is there will be eagles be gathered together." So, you know, a statement like that puts the, the mind of man into a, into a query saying well, what does that mean? You know, because the statement is not made to be very obvious, is it?

DICK: Well, it's difficult for a lot of people to understand those kinds of statements, David, and it's --

MR. KORESH: But we know Christ would know what it means.

DICK: Absolutely.

MR. KORESH: And we would know that many would come in his name and he said -- said, "I am Christ (indiscernible)" Now, now, Matthew said Christ was Christ, Mark said Christ was Christ, Luke said Christ was Christ and John says Christ was Christ. And there comes a later comer in the scripture when you begin to see the book of Acts how it on the day of Pentecost those who had received him were given power,
a definite sign of their acceptance in their purpose
to carry the good news not with just words of wisdom
but with power. They were given the cloven tongues of
fire which definitely had some kind of meaning to it.
They, they were cloven -- two tongues of fire. And
they began to explain about -- Peter says, you know,
that this Christ same Christ in the heavens shall come
again and he shall remain in the heavens until the
restitution of all things spoken of by the holy
prophets. Now, of course if a person is ignorant of
the holy prophets and what they have stated, then
again Peter will be making a statement in which the
sun would be shadowy. But anyway, as we progress
through the Acts we see the Acts talks about certain
individuals who were very zealous and persecuting the
things they did not understand like Saul or Tarsius
(phonetic sp.) and we find that Saul finally got an
awakening on the way to Damascus to persecute more
Christians when scripture says Christ himself
personally appeared in a great light and blinded this
man and smote this man to the ground and says to this
man, "Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? It's hard
to kick against the pricks." Now, a lot of people
wouldn't understand again why Christ would, would
state it's hard for Paul to kick against the pricks.
I mean, there's, there's a lot of lingo and statements made by Christ and the apostles which are not of the obvious, more or less in the mysterious. But of course, if a person understood in the day of Moses, Moses, you know, trying to be a deliverer in his own strength (indiscernible) Egypt have killed an Egyptian, right? And being brought before the judiciary he, he made a run for it and landed up in the land of Goshen over near Midian and there he finally found employment with the priest of Midian and ended up marrying one of his daughters and a good 40 years later deprogrammed him from his pride and arrogancy, his kingship type, you know, the way he was raised in the house of Pharaoh, and basically taught this man how to just simply live simple and love simple and, and love to take care of sheep and take the burden of a shepherd. And when the man finally had just about become deprogramed from all of his high deals of being somebody high and mighty, then all of a sudden he beheld down to Ararat up the mountain (indiscernible) and he saw there a burning bush. Now, of course, you know, if a person understood, you know, the Hebrew, I mean there is kind of a translation problem sometimes, they would understand that this bush was a thorn bush. And Moses went down to see
this great sight because the thorn bush was all on fire but it wasn't being consumed. And then of course, the thorn bush turned out to be God, right? You know, and, and we find out this thorn bush later on was really Christ before he became flesh. So again, you know, Moses having been deprogrammed from his (indiscernible) was ready to take on the work that God was going to do through him, okay? So then Moses had to confront the greatest nation of the day and very humbly present has plea in behalf of God and when the nation was stubborn and wouldn't listen finally God had to retaliate because they started retaliating on Israel and God finally subjected and destroyed that nation so that all nations might be prepared to realize that God was back in the saddle again and he was coming into town.

DICK: He was coming into town, huh?

MR. KORESH: Oh, yeah, you know, God's a cowboy. He's, he's got some horses don't he in the book of Revelation? You know, God's definitely a cowboy. Now, what we're talking about again is that in the days of the new covenant where Christ is being crucified, being handed over to the Roman judiciary, we see a little bit the way corruption sometimes becomes obvious in political systems and that well,
Pilot, Pilot in his position knew. I mean, Pilot wasn't one of these crazy religious fanatics. You know -- one time a person said years ago and I remember this that a fanatic is a person who's lost sight of their goal and try twice as hard to accomplish it. You know, and it always struck me, and I said, you know, though it's a statement of man it's very inspired.

DICK: Is that always a negative though, David?

MR. KORESH: What, a fanatic?

DICK: Yeah.

MR. KORESH: Well, like I say, fanaticism is something where men are running in the dark as fast as they can to get to where they don't know where they're going.

DICK: Well, that's --

MR. KORESH: It could be a dangerous thing.

DICK: It certain can, but I, I would guess that on the other hand it can be -- it could also be a good thing couldn't it?

MR. KORESH: Well, I don't think so. I think that being zealous --
DICK: Okay.

MR. KORESH: -- is a good thing, is putting your full strength into something knowing what you're to accomplish and being zealous is being a good thing, but fanatic --

DICK: Well, can I offer perhaps a personal observation? You know, in, in certain respects I consider myself a fanatic. That is, I'm -- I, I want to ensure that while I'm with this law-enforcement organization that the constitution is first and foremost in, in terms of what I do with my day-to-day activities and I deal with people that the constitution is the measure of what, what I should do. And I, I'm very fanatical about that to some degree, that that is, is what I'm about, you know? I want to ensure that when I'm doing the job that I protect the rights of the citizens that I deal with and that's, that's of prime importance. I know this morning Steve was -- indicated to me well, you know, once you folks leave what is going to happen? I said, one thing that we're going to tell you that's going to happen is that the constitution is going to be strictly adhered to. That is, that no one is going to circumvent any of your constitutional rights, we will not allow that to happen. I know you had expressed several concerns
that, that I personally sitting here with, with Jim for the last couple of days have, have shared your concerns with to include the safety of your -- of the children. And I, I think you saw this morning on the press conference that the kids -- there was some suggestion in the media that the kids had been sent out to, to foster homes. Totally, totally inaccurate. And we have prepared for you a, a videotape that will, will show you, you know, in color -- living color that that is not the case at all.

    MR. KORESH: Well --

    DICK: These kids are being, being treated well and we will not allow anything to happen to those children. We treat, we treat them like our own.

    MR. KORESH: Well, the statement was is that it was a planning in the social workers to locate them to foster homes.

    DICK: Well --

    MR. KORESH: See, that was the actual statement. In other words -- now, I, I know these ladies down here, you know, I know Mrs. Koon and --

    DICK: You have some differences with them I understand.

    MR. KORESH: Well no, wait a minute. My -- like, like my, my position is is that when we had them
evaluate us, you know, I mean and it comes to the point to where I could become very picky in that well, first of all I don't believe that a fat lady that sits on her butt all day long and over eats is really a very good mother. Now, if she has a problem to where, you know, she -- thyroid or something like that, you know, she cannot help but to gain that weight then a, a fat mama is a fat mama. But, you know, what I'm saying is --

DICK:  (Laughter)

MR. KORESH: -- what I'm saying is a woman that is fat and working all day in, in an institution that is always putting feminine tendencies above reason, you know, is not really --

DICK:  David, I couldn't agree --

MR. KORESH: -- is not really a social work. Now, they --

DICK:  I couldn't agree with you more, couldn't agree with you more.

MR. KORESH:  Now --

DICK:  We want to ensure that that does not happen. We -- you know, all of us I think hear of instances where, you know, where kids are, are sent to foster homes with little regard about anything more than this is a place to put the children. We're not
going to let that happen. This is not going to happen.

MR. KORESH: What's going on?

DICK: I'm sorry. You listening to somebody in the background?

MR. KORESH: Well, it's just, just some little commotion took place and --

DICK: Okay.

MR. KORESH: -- I've got, I've got to hold these people down as --

DICK: Well --

MR. KORESH: -- much as can -- I can.

DICK: Well, I know yesterday when you were talking to Jim I took it upon myself to, to ensure that some of these things got done because I can hear the concern in your voice, as a father I hear that concern in your voice. And, and not only in your voice but the other parents out there are equally concerned.

MR. KORESH: Well, what I was -- what was breaking Jim down was is that like I say, you know, I commended Jim for, for his expertise, you know, but the thing of it is is that, you know, as you all are saying one thing to me I, I had to get a little strong with Jim yesterday. And I had to point blank say, you
know, now Jim, you are a liar. Now, here's the deal.

The original, the original program was is that Jim had confirmed and promised that the -- these little, these little tanks and stuff were going to stay on the perimeter of the property. Now, as they -- as, as they all have been saying one thing we have been observing and watching something totally opposite, of course which you all keep saying it's not so which idealistically shows us the fallibility of your ability to, to perceive and know what's going on out here.

Now --

DICK: Could I tell --

MR. KORESH: -- I kept saying --

DICK: -- could I tell you something in confidence, David?

MR. KORESH: Go ahead.

DICK: In confidence? You know, we here are trying to do the very best we can and there are a number of different agencies that we're dealing with.

MR. KORESH: I understand that.

DICK: And you and I both know, let me continue just a second. We all know that sometimes tactical people, you know, they, they like to drive their -- they like to put on their, their gear, they
like to jump out of helicopters and they like to do
those kinds of things, they like to drive around those
little tanks and they're -- you know, they're young,
they're not a little older and mature that I -- as you
and I are perhaps. A certain amount of that -- it's
like kids -- your kids going outside over there and
doing some things perhaps that you don't necessarily
agree on but you say hey, these are young kids,
they've got to live their life like you and I did.
Some of these folks driving those tanks, you know,
this may be the only opportunity they ever have to
drive one of those Bradleys and boy, I want to get
that Bradley up and down the road and, you know, they,
they get, they get impatient, they get, they get
excited: hey here's my chance, let me push this
vehicle, let's, let's see what this baby will do.
It's like -- if I can draw an analogy like, you know,
those Camaros that you have out there. I used to have
a Camaro years ago and loved it, little Mustang, same
way. Hey, this is just another vehicle for them to
drive to shift a few gears and, and probably they
don't have a lot of expertise.

MR. KORESH: What's your name, Mike?

DICK: Dick.

MR. KORESH: Dick, okay.
DICK: Yeah, Dick.

MR. KORESH: Dick, let me interrupt you real quick.

DICK: Okay.

MR. KOESH: These, these, these young men I'm sure feel very confident in their little vehicles, you know? The, the tactical force, the ATF, says they, they prepared eight months for this.

DICK: Um-hum.

MR. KORESH: Well, we prepared ever since 1985, okay? Now, what I was trying to tell Jim in all earnestness and in all passion is that when this little tank keeps coming around back here it's going to get blown to pieces. Now, that's what I was trying to tell him honestly. You see, that thing -- that Bradley, we know the specs and everything on that little tank with the 25 mm gun and everything and along with, along with Henry -- I kept trying to explain to Henry that when such a vehicle, you know, comes in -- onto our perimeter and crushes over a building that had stored someone else's belongings not associated to this organization and then goes and tears the camper shell out at the front of the property, runs over these buildings and then has the audacity to run right beside our gymnasium right here
and, and stand approximately 45 -- well, not even that much, 75 -- let's say 75 feet, you know, behind us, whoever those kids are they are subject to be fired upon. And in being fired upon, they're not going to be hit with no 50 caliber. You know, we --

DICK: Well, that's why we tried --

MR. KORESH: -- understand that if it be, if it be (indiscernible) load or whether it be armor-piercing, that there's only four or five fatal points on that armored vehicle. But, but what they are going to be hit with is not a 50 caliber. Now, if, if --

DICK: David, you've got our assurances that nothing is going to happen --

MR. KORESH: Well now, let me explain to you. That was in my good favor, you see, because I explained to Jim because I love, I love you individuals and you do not understand what you're dealing with and I understand that. You see, you do not understand the importance of where my communication comes from, you know? You do not understand how I labored for the past month and a half with the ATF agents across the street. Very few people understand where I'm coming from and this is why I will spend the time on the phone with you or anybody else that's willing to reason together with
me. Because see, I'm being, I'm being blockaded from
the public which that's all right too because what was
done the other day is sufficient for every honest
person in this nation to be able to say now, okay,
everything aside what did that guy teach the other
day? Let's see, he taught something about Jesus not
being believed on in his day, huh? And he taught
something about a revelation of Jesus Christ God gave
him, let's see, God on a white horse and something
about a mystery of God when there's time no longer,
about seven thunders that the prophets know about.
And that guy went back to what, Psalms 45 after
showing us about the Key of David, something about the
Key of David that unlocks something to do with David.
Yeah, David did write the Psalms. Now, what does
that Psalm 45 say? Huh. Oh, well, that -- yeah,
that's right, that is the same as the first seal, oh,
and that is the same as Revelation 19, the marriage of
the Lamb, blessed are those that are called to the
marriage supper of the Lamb. Well, I don't see --
that, that sounds right -- that's right there in the
Bible, that's in harmony. Well, individuals right now
as we speak that are, you know, looking into these
things and becoming honest; it doesn't make no
difference what they think about me as a person
because it's a (indiscernible) and a snare, you see?

DICK: Um-hum.

MR. KORESPH: When Jeremiah the prophet of old who tried to warn Israel about the pending doom of Judea through Babylonian armies they laughed at him and they mocked at him but finally Babylon did overthrow Judea.

DICK: Well, David, there, there -- you know, we're certainly not laughing or mocking anybody here.

I'm --

MR. KORESPH: Well, I understand.

DICK: I'm very willing to listen to you and I'm trying to work with you to try to get some of these things done. I understand that you asked Henry last night for a suture kit. And we have, we have that and we should have available very, very shortly.

MR. KORESPH: Okay. Well, I appreciate that.

DICK: In addition to that we, in addition to that we've got photos and, and tape for you on the kids.

MR. KORESPH: Well, we was asking, asking for the milk if at all possible.

DICK: And, and we're going -- you know, let me -- you know, I tried to explain this a little bit
to Steve. Can you, can you give a couple minutes of your time to listen to this?

MR. KORESH: Sure, sure.

DICK: I'm here to help you in any fashion I can and, you know, if it were just you and I, I'd have that -- I'd be -- you know, as I told Steve I'd be riding down the lane now with milk. But I have to -- you know, I have to send that up and decisions sometimes in other areas are made by other people. You and I can work together, I have absolutely no question in my mind about that, and I -- and you've got my word that I'm dealing with this issues and -- with that issue and, and I have dealt with the other issues. I've, I've gone out on my own yesterday based on what, you know, your request to Jim was and I, and I went up. I said, listen, let's get this done for this -- for, for these folks out here and in turn they, they considered these things and, and they said let's get this suture kit in and the photos, obviously all of us are concerned about the kids, we have the photos for you and we're going to get that in to you and, and it's not going to be much longer before, before those are available. But you know what, my experience in dealing with some of the, some of the bosses is such that -- again, this is in confidence
just the two of us here, we need to go to them and say
listen, boss, I mean, you know, they've been in the
Bureau longer than I have and they expect certain
things of me. And sometimes they don't understand as
well as, as I do what it is to deal with, with folks
like this because it's been a long time since they've
been out there, you know, they, they desire to do
other things, I've always had aspirations of dealing
with people all the time. And they
always -- they want something. I said, hey, David,
make me look good, make me look good to these people
or help me out, I can do these things for you and I
have done them for you and we'll, we'll have that
shortly. How do you want to do -- pick up out at the
same point out there?

MR. KORESH: Yeah, right out at the front.
We'll send a girl out there to pick it up.

DICK: Okay. Can you do something for me?

MR. KORESH: What is it?

DICK: Well, can you, can you, can you help
me out with -- make me look good up front up there?

MR. KORESH: Well, here's another thing. I
made Jim look real good but as he continued to lie to
me and lie to me, remember, what you do not see is
more dangerous to you than what you do see.
DICK: Well --

MR. KORESH: Now, what -- now, let me --

hear what I'm saying because see, with your mode of
communication you've already changed the subject on me
three times.

DICK: Well, I apologize for that --

MR. KORESH: But I know --

DICK: -- but I, I know these things are
important to you and I want to address them.

MR. KORESH: -- I know what you're trying to
accomplish and I, and I -- as I told Jim, you see, you
have your board of directors and I understand very
thoroughly and clearly who your board of directors
are.

DICK: Well, sometimes I don't
understand that --

MR. KORESH: But --

DICK: -- but we have to deal with it the
best we can.

MR. KORESH: -- I have my board of direction
and that's what I was trying to explain last night to
men. But the key is this: my board of directors are
not so clearly seen or observed. And, and I was
explaining to Jim, I was explaining to him that, you
know, Jim, this nation that says "In God We Trust,"
God is an unseen thing except a thing witnessed by the
prophets. Christ is an unseen thing. All we can see
is what men have said based in a book. And that's the
truth isn't it? Isn't it, Dick? Isn't that the
truth?

DICK: It is the truth. I, I --
MR. KORESH: It is the truth. And so --
DICK: It is the truth. But you've --
MR. KORESH: -- people say --
DICK: -- got a gift to be able to get that, that truth out to people.

MR. KORESH: Well --
DICK: I don't think anybody would argue that.

MR. KORESH: -- let's, let's don't -- we got a lot of people already out there, Billy Graham and -- hello?
DICK: I'm here.

MR. KORESH: And a lot of people that are out there, they've been hammering this truth a long time about good old Jesus, you know, loving Jesus. But the thing of it is is that we remember what our original conversation was is this Jesus, Pilot would have let him go but it was a bureaucracy thing and the, and the Jews said that if you let him go, you know, friend of Caesar's, we're not going to vote for
you next term. And when it came right down to it, Pilot still within himself says, you know, I washed my hands of this just person -- " -- you know --

DICK:  David, let -- Dave, I'm sorry, again, I apologize, but let me interrupt you for a minute. I just got some information that those buggies are -- the Bradleys are moving around out there, I just want to make sure that you don't feel uncomfortable about it. And please, you know, you, you, you suggest --

MR. KORESH:  I've already, I've already told Jim that I've already seen how that he's lied and that, you know, I am, I am willing to tolerate it to a degree.

DICK:  I understand that.

MR. KORESH:  And I just wanted him to say -- wanted him to know --

DICK:  That you had something there that, that -- you know, at your disposal that none of us would like.

MR. KORESH:  Well, like I'm saying --

DICK:  I understand that.

MR. KORESH:  -- he says he don't want anybody hurt and he thinks that's one-sided.

DICK:  No, it isn't, absolutely not.

MR. KORESH:  And, and the thing of it is is
that I told him --

DICK: What do we have to gain either of us to, to hurt one another?

MR. KORESH: Well, the thing of it is is that --

DICK: What good will that do?

MR. KORESH: -- if you understood prayer --

MR. DICK: Are you telling me, David, that you have a rocket or something out there?

MR. KORESH: I'm saying that we have capabilities of taking care of your Bradleys, okay? Now, what I'm saying is this: I'm saying that if you understood where I am coming from, if I could have this respect like I, like I was trying to gain last night, that then you would understand better where I'm coming from and we could resolve this a lot easier. You see, when -- on the radio --

DICK: Um-hum.

MR. KORESH: -- I gave my message --

DICK: I understand.

MR. KORESH: -- in a very -- that I was, I was --

DICK: And I listened to it.

MR. KORESH: -- I was told by you --

DICK: Okay.
MR. KORESH: -- not by you particularly but by the system to make it as short as possible.

DICK: Okay. And you said you did.

MR. KORESH: And I said that just to make the very basic point, the very basic point, what happened is is that I made it and it, it came out, you know, 60 minutes or 58 minutes to be exact --

DICK: Um-hum.

MR. KORESH: -- you know? And so, you know, they -- he, he, he acted like, well he didn't know if he could get it all on and, and it -- you know, it was going to be a real hard thing. And then of course what happened was, after the tape was, was presented and everything the, the message came to me to wait. Okay (indiscernible) I changed my clothes and everything, I got all the blood stuff off and everything and that was a very painful operation, people were getting ready. Because, you know, basically once the light is given and in its clear tones then, then our work is finished. I mean --

DICK: So, you're, you're telling me that you were ready, you were ready to go?

MR. KORESH: Oh, we were ready to come out.

DICK: You were, David? You're telling me
truthfully that you were going to go out or were you
going to send the kids out?

MR. KORESH: Truthfully, no, the whole
organization.

DICK: Was ready?

MR. KORESH: You see --

DICK: Why did you change your mind then,
Dave? I, I'm trying to understand that.

MR. KORESH: Now, wait, wait, wait, wait, wait,
wait, wait.

DICK: Okay, I'm sorry. I'm sorry. Go
ahead.

MR. KORESH: Now, let's, let's back up here.

DICK: Okay.

MR. KORESH: See, you're proving to me that
you're not listening really --

DICK: I am.

MR. KORESH: -- to, to listen. You're
listening to pacify and that's what Jim's doing. Jim
was, Jim was saying, "Now, here's our deal, Dave."

DICK: Okay.

MR. KORESH: He says that, that, that "Our
Bradleys and stuff will stay at the perimeter of the
property," you know, -- and, you know, "Don't let the
guys get itchy," and, you know, "What we'll do is is
that we'll, we'll, we'll, we'll get these guys back and we'll negotiate this." And I already told him in the beginning that I was going to start sending children out.

DICK: Okay.

MR. KORESH: Okay? Which, you know, I've, I've upheld my word. I -- at first I was sending two at a time because there was this rumor going around we only had 14 kids or 15 and oh, no, it's totally different. But anyway, the point was is that all the while that he was saying these things, you know, the fog came and stuff, you know, and, you know, the -- it's reported that we have night sights and stuff like that, you know.

DICK: Well, clear those things up. I mean, those are inaccuracies that we all have to deal with. You, you cannot believe, David, some of the things that are being brought to our attention. I mean, it's just, it's just beyond belief. And, you know, that's what you and I need to do is communicate to one another. And please, we're all different personalities. Don't, don't hold me to something that somebody else said; I, I will hold myself to things that I tell you, and you've got to deal with me as an individual.
MR. KORESH: Well, you know, you can buy, you can buy a top-grade infrared for, for as low as, as, as nine-hundred bucks, eight-hundred bucks, and as high as seventeen-hundred bucks.

DICK: Yeah, I don't know much about those kinds of things. You know, I'm a law-enforcement officer, obviously I have the basic understanding, but I'm not into, into, you know, rockets --

MR. KORESH: Okay.

DICK: -- and night scopes and those -- I'm not a tactical person. What I want to do is, is help people. Is that a bad reason to be a law-enforcement officer?

MR. KORESH: Okay. Now, if you want to help somebody, the way I have always learned, the way I have learned to be able to help people is that if I confront a talker --

DICK: Okay.

MR. KORESH: -- that I want to help, then I listen to learn --

DICK: Okay.

MR. KORESH: -- what they're saying.

DICK: Do you think, David, you could learn anything from me?

MR. KORESH: Well, the thing of it is, I'm
learning that you have been hired in your position
because you are a good pacifist and that you have to
say many things that you hope will disarm contention
and confusion and bring about a working trustful
relationship with those that you speak with.

DICK: Is that wrong?

MR. KORESH: Well, that is not wrong
especially when you're dealing with a person that
could be a terrorist or a maniac or a killer or
somebody of that degree.

DICK: Okay.

MR. KORESH: But let's say that you were
working -- let's just hypothetically say that you were
working for -- hello?

DICK: I'm still here, Dave.

MR. KORESH: Okay. You were working for
the, the papacy in the days of Martin Luther.

DICK: Okay.

MR. KORESH: And let's say that I was Martin
Luther.

DICK: But you know what --

MR. KORESH: And you -- let's say that you
were using every degree possible because they didn't,
they didn't have people like you in their, their days,
to cause -- to try to get me to recant without me
first presenting to you in full where I was coming from. Now, now, Luther had this very problem.

DICK: Okay.

MR. KORESH: And this was why, you know, in his pleadings in the councils and all this, this is what caused a lot of lawyers and doctors of degree of that time to sit back originally first of all to scoff him but as they begin to, to listen they begin to see a clear-cut reasoning in what he was saying which made them conscientiously begin to question their own steadfastness and what they had held as truth prior.

DICK: David, why are you such a success at what you do? Because you have the ability to get -- you're a very strong personality, you have your -- you have a, a gift for talking with people and to getting -- to get your message out. And people understand that and people appreciate that and admire that. I admire that. I admire the work that you're able to do.

MR. KORESH: Not bad for a ninth-grade dropout, huh?

DICK: I, I don't believe that. I don't believe you dropped out in the ninth grade.

MR. KORESH: Well, research the records. Check up for Vernon Howell and see the special schools
that he went to.

    DICK: Well, let's, let's face it, you know, life --

    MR. KORESH: (Indiscernible) scholastical ability. Now --

    DICK: Absolutely.

    MR. KORESH: -- and remember, in Matthew, Mark, Luke and John remember what kind of men Christ chose to entrust with the most illuminous, the most instructive and poetic form of language ever known to man, the Scriptures. Remember, from these writers, their depth, their knowledge, their foresight, their perceptions are so keened that they began to relate subjects that not even most scholarly minds of today can perceive the actual meanings. And --

    DICK: David, would you agree that, that maybe someone has something of importance to tell to you? I mean, would you accept that premise that maybe I have something that I can give to you, something that might be of, of value to -- not only to you but to the rest of your folks there? Is that an acceptable premise?

    MR. KORESH: Well, sure. I mean, like I say, if I --

    DICK: I'm still here, I'm still here.
MR. KORESPH: -- I hear you talking and stuff.

DICK: Is that -- that must the phone on your end, right?

MR. KORESPH: Right, it's, it's people walking over the lines, yeah.

DICK: Okay. All right. Well, you know, I'm trying to work with you, Dave, and, and we've gotten some, some of these things done, some of your concern, what you shared obviously I went out, I, I did it and it's done. We got the suture kit for you, photos for the, for the folks, the parents in there; you're concerned about the kids, I'm concerned about the kids. We -- I certainly share a number of, of different thoughts and emotions not the least of which -- the first of which is, is a love for children. Can we agree to that? We do agree to that.

MR. KORESPH: Well, to a degree we agree on that.

DICK: Okay, and so I want to ensure that you know that the information that you've been hearing about the split-up of these kids it is in error, it's just wrong. Now --

MR. KORESPH: Well, we, we agree to that too, but what we were saying with Jim was is that the
children were sent out --

DICK: Um-hum.

MR. KORESH: -- with specific instruction and names and numbers --

DICK: To get up with those folks.

MR. KORESH: -- of, of those individuals that have first rights by, you know, heirship and inheritance to these children.

DICK: We're -- and we're, and we're trying --

MR. KORESH: You know, grandmothers and grandfathers.

DICK: But listen, if I entrusted my child to you with -- and had to depend on you to get it done wouldn't you research that first? And that's exactly what we're doing. We're trying to ensure that these kids are not handed off to somebody without getting the appropriate care. That's, that's first and foremost in our mind. And --

MR. KORESH: Well, you got to remember --

DICK: -- we're going to, we're going to handle all these kids in the same fashion. You know, Steve mentioned, you know, programs and policies. Well, these are children, they're not programs, they're not policies --
MR. KORESH: Yes, they are programs --

DICK: -- they're, they're, they're children.

MR. KORESH: -- and they are policies as long as they're in your system of programs and policies. For instance, there is no crime in this nation for a young girl living in the slums of New York to have a baby. Now, they don't just take that baby up and give it to someone who has financial status which is within their region, a status capable of providing so much x amount of middle-class liberty to that child. What happens is is that those who have the babies have the mother's right to the children and if they even have to be on welfare or housing projects that's what's provided for them. Now, what we're dealing with is we're dealing with grandparents --

DICK: Um-hum.

MR. KORESH: -- that have been judged by the parent to be worthy and capable of taking care of these children.

DICK: And you're obviously the best judge of that.

MR. KORESH: Or we're having -- now, now, that's not the case with some of the people here.
Some of the people have stated that they want their brothers, you know, which like I say, the, the age category from here --

DICK: Sure.

MR. KOresh: -- to have the children in their later twenties or thirties which they have brothers or sisters that may be older, you know, that are in family situations. But, but anyway, regardless of that, the point being made is that this is what we requested and this is what Jim stated would be done.

DICK: Um-hum.

MR. KOresh: But of course again now, if this is just --

DICK: Dave, it will be done.

MR. KOresh: -- a bartering statement just for the purpose to acquire the children, then we find that that security is nothing but a lie and that everything thereafter is nothing but more lies added to it to cover up and try to pacify the fact that Jim and such people as yourself really have no authority to do anything but talk the yap, you know --

DICK: David, I, I feel --

MR. KOresh: -- to try to pacify.

DICK: -- I'm insulted by that comment.

That, that --
MR. KORESH: Well, you, you need --

DICK: -- supposes that I don't --

MR. KORESH: -- you need, you need to be insulted and you need to do something about it because therefore you should choose your words more thoroughly and more honestly.

DICK: I have something about it -- David, I have done something about it.

MR. KORESH: Okay.

DICK: I have done it, it's done and it will be to you shortly. We have gone -- we have obtained photographs, we obtained a, a videotape for you and your folks out there. That's not something we said we would do, that's something that's been done.

MR. KORESH: So, we're not, we're not even going to suggest or -- the purpose of putting these children into foster homes? Now --

DICK: I'm sorry, maybe I misunderstood your question. The kids are not in foster homes.

MR. KORESH: No, no, no, I realize that.

DICK: Okay.

MR. KORESH: We've realize that all along.

DICK: But you want -- okay, I'm sorry, please once again explain --

MR. KORESH: So, what I was trying to verify
was is that the social workers downtown which I
originally stated to you that I, I know these ladies —

DICK: The fat lady that sits on her butt, okay.

MR. KORESH: Well, that was, that was a
derogatory statement --

DICK: I know it was, I know it was.

MR. KORESH: -- in regards to, you know,
sweet in the face and soft of the mouth --

DICK: Surely.

MR. KORESH: -- but talking about how to
raise kids and --

DICK: Probably doesn't know anything about
it, right?

MR. KORESH: And, and probably when it comes
right own it anything you look at too long becomes too
scientific to actually act upon.

DICK: Sure.

MR. KORESH: And the study of a child is
like the study of stars. I mean, you know, it's just
innumerable. But --

DICK: David, why would you think that I
have any less care for those children --

MR. KORESH: Now, I didn't state that.

DICK: Okay.
MR. KORESH: What I said was --

DICK: All right.

MR. KORESH: -- is that you -- well, I'll make this statement.

DICK: Okay.

MR. KOESH: You do not have anywhere near the care for our children that we do.

DICK: Absolutely.

MR. KOESH: Okay. That's just --

DICK: I, I -- absolute.

MR. KOESH: -- a biological human --

DICK: Nor you for my children.

MR. KOESH: Exactly.

DICK: Right. It's a biological fact.

MR. KOESH: Okay. Now --

DICK: But, we do, we do hold in common a concern for children, all children.

MR. KOESH: Okay. So the point is, you know, as we've jumped all around changing the pictures, changing the, the scenes that we've been trying to look at --

DICK: Um-hum.

MR. KOESH: -- you know, the point was is that Jim stated that these children would be handed over to the appropriate second to kin that we
requested which has not been done. Now, so then what takes place is that --

DICK: When? Did he, did he give you a time? I, I, I didn't hear that. Did he give you a time element there?

MR. KORESH: Well, it was, it was, it was an element in regards to as soon as possible because these very relatives are gathering all over from all over the United States, from Hawaii and even from, from probably over in Europe, England and Australia.

DICK: David, we have no disagreement on that. Those kids need to go. You think these kids are going to be made wards of the state from here on out? Obviously they're going to be returned to the parents when they come out --

MR. KORESH: And we do not --

DICK: -- or, or designated --

MR. KORESH: -- we do not want, we do not want these parents to have to go through any kind of what you consider to be a legal system --

DICK: Understand that also.

MR. KORESH: -- to be able to, to prove and to evaluate whether they are capable of taking --

DICK: Nor do I --

MR. KORESH: -- care of these children --
DICK: -- nor do we.

MR. KORESH: -- because these parents having the same homes and facilities of which the parents of these children came from. In other words, you know, my, my room is still there at my mother's house --

DICK: Um-hum.

MR. KORESH: -- and my children can live there just as well as I did. As a matter of fact, my mother makes more money now than my --

DICK: Okay.

MR. KORESH: -- mom and dad did back when I was growing up.

DICK: Okay. Although both of us I think would agree that money is not, is, is not --

MR. KORESH: The whole thing, it's, it's, it's --

DICK: Absolutely.

MR. KORESH: -- a good 50 percent.

DICK: It, it means a lot in terms of, of --

MR. KORESH: It's (indiscernible).

DICK: -- providing -- yeah, providing those things that we all need to, to live --

MR. KORESH: Right.

DICK: -- and live well. But that's going
to be done. Are you suggesting that, that we, we have -- we should have done it by now? We want to ensure that these kids are handled appropriately and that they get the concern -- the care and concern that they want. Obviously it's better that they're with their parents, meaning you and the other parents in there. Short of your coming out and getting together with them we have to get them to the folks they're dealing with the best. These kids have told us and, are telling the other -- they, they're together. What does that provide? It provides them with the support that they've had while living out there. I mean, do you suppose it would be better for them to be separated from their other kids at this point or --

MR. KORESH: Well, what, what the basic statements are in regards to ATF and, and even your own personal news briefs is that the children are going through a series or are to be going through a series of deprogramming --

DICK: Oh, David, David, please.

MR. KORESH: -- and that there are statements that are being --

DICK: Not true.

MR. KORESH: Well, there are statements.

DICK: I don't care what statements are
being made.

MR. KORESH: Well, let me --

DICK: You have my personal guarantee --

MR. KORESH: -- let me --

DICK: -- that's not -- is not true.

MR. KORESH: -- let me explain.

DICK: Okay.

MR. KORESH: This is from the bureau, the social workers, okay? This is not -- see, your organization, the FBI, is not in position to deal with child-care custody.

DICK: Absolutely.

MR. KORESH: Okay. That is a separate bureau altogether with a separate expertise.

DICK: Right.

MR. KORESH: Now, the reports from that expertise is that the children are extremely abnormal in the respect that after a dramatic experience they're very pliable, they're very decent, they're very obedient and it's just not normal. Well now, there may be a reason why our children are so well-behaved in regards to the way of their, their upbringing.

DICK: Um-hum.

MR. KORESH: You will observe that our
children are not beaten, they do not have, you know, marks of cruelty and bruises over them, they're not beaten into subjection. But there is a statement in scripture regarding to a man Abraham in which God says, you know, shall we hide anything from Abraham seeing that he's the heir of all things and he will direct his children after him? There's a terrible statement in the carnal world, a statement that is used by a lot of fathers to their sons saying, "Don't do as I do, do as I say." Now, that, that's hypocritical. Okay. Well, children, as I say, that see a unity of mind and a maturity of purpose they will not only see but they will be influenced and learn how this principle works. First of all, all of our children see that any association we have with one another or with anybody else that comes we're very hospitable, very pliable —

DICK: Um-hum.

MR. KORESH: -- very agreeable, and then in the projection of truth these children have seen it in studies, they have seen it in illustrations and they have been able to understand and discern to a large degree what direction we as a people are going. Another thing is is that in scripture in the testament of the Bible of which men say in this country they
believe, there are children spoken of in prophecy that are the direct product of a truth or a doctrine which comes from heaven. Now, not all the children that you have there have been with us for very long.

DICK: Um-hum. Varying degrees.

MR. KORESH: Some of those children, you know, are just fresh baked out of the good old system, you know? But the thing of it is is that they, children, learn faster from children than they do from adults --

DICK: Okay.

MR. KORESH: -- because there is an association which drops down the wall or petition. Naturally, a child is intimidated by the size and velocity and structure of an adult. This is something you have to kind of remember when you were a kid looking up at your dad and how tall he was.

DICK: I'm a parent.

MR. KORESH: Okay, and now, you know, you probably look at your dad and, and he's a short guy. But he had a certain fear and realm of fear just as being an image of a father. And of course mama was the one we ran to. She was bigger than us too but her image was altogether different. So you know how the moms say, "Wait until I tell your father."
DICK: Once or twice.

MR. KORESH: Okay. Well hey, good, that's a good -- I like the way you stated that.

DICK: I think my wife may have said that once or twice to my kids.

MR. KORESH: Yeah, but, but the question is, did it take more than once or twice?

DICK: Well, not in my case --

MR. KORESH: Did --

DICK: -- but in my kids' case I believe it --

MR. KORESH: Okay. Now, what I'm saying is there was a time in this country where fathers did have the rights and liberties to illustrate what they meant when they said no and that no was violated against, right?

DICK: And I still think that that's done. It's done in my house.

MR. KORESH: Okay. Well, be careful now because I came under extreme fire. You know, when people ask me, "Do you with your children -- " -- you'd better be very candid when you begin to explain to them because if you say to them that you spank your children all of a sudden right then and there you are demonic and unworthy of that child.
DICK: I, I know that and, and I'm completely aware of that and I disagree probably as, as strongly as you do with that, David.

MR. KORESH: I had a father that made me fly like a kite when I got mine. And I had a father that because I was a, a student like with dyslexia, learning -- a learning disability, you know, I mean I didn't know my alphabet until the third grade.

DICK: Well, you sure overcame that if that was a problem.

MR. KORESH: And he -- well, this all, this all took place in 1985.

DICK: Um-hum.

MR. KORESH: I used to, I used to stutter quite a bit. I had a speech problem and stuff.

DICK: Um-hum.

MR. KORESH: But in 1985 that was all taken care of for me. But here's the thing. My dad, I'm telling you, he, he used to grab me by the arm and he, he, he spanked me with bailing wire, he spanked me with sticks, he spanked me with what --

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