TAPE #84

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(Tape 84)

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Hello.

JOHN: Hey, Steven.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: John.

JOHN: How are you?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Not too bad. How's yourself?

JOHN: Good, good.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Oh, good, good --

JOHN: Got a little rest, got a little chow.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: I was just talking with David and he was -- he's telling me Dick more or less just struck out with us.

JOHN: Aw, I'm sorry to hear that. How come?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: David says he needs to go back to school.

JOHN: I guess we all do sometimes, huh? There's always room for education isn't there?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: He says so. What he's telling me right now, he says so far Jim is the best one.

JOHN: Well, I'm afraid Jim is -- that makes me feel bad. I'm disappointed. I thought I was the best one.
STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, he's just getting to know you.

JOHN: Well, good. Let, let me, let me tell you the primary reason I'm calling, Steven.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: All right.

JOHN: We got a, a call in here, or a note passed to us actually, by whomever we have up around the front, up around where you are that somebody was sticking a long-barrel rifle out the third floor window, or long-barrel weapon, whatever, third floor window of the main building there on the construction end? On the --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: On the left end would it be?

JOHN: Yeah. I guess if you're standing in front, looking at the flag --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

JOHN: -- it would be at the left end, third floor, sticking a long-barrel weapon out the window.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

JOHN: And we don't, we don't want any problems, huh?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: This -- you're going to be humored by this, Dave.

JOHN: I probably will.
STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, no. I'm telling David.

JOHN: Oh.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: He's, he's given me a joke here, John is. He said that they don't want any problems, but someone's spicking a long -- sticking a long-barreled rifle or something out -- facing the front, it's on the left-hand side, on the third level out the window.

JOHN: But not facing the front. Facing the side.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Facing the, facing the --

JOHN: The construction side.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Facing the side, the construction side. Yeah, John is telling me that with a chagrin on his face because he's got all these tanks, with all these muzzles and all these cannons pointed at us, and he's worried about --

JOHN: No, I'm just talking about the rules of safety that we all agreed to.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Now, he's talking about the rules of safety that we all agreed to and these things are on our property. They've got -- which you have -- which you agreed to, but which you haven't done, John.
JOHN: What?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right from the time we talked to Jim --

JOHN: Yeah.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Sunday, late afternoon --

JOHN: Uh-huh.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- right into the evening, between David, myself, and him. Over and over again he promised, he gave his word, three Bradleys, three --

JOHN: Um-hum.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- would come up to the perimeter of the property, not on the property. We had an agreement that has never been kept by you people. Dick calls me every now and then and he says that somebody's got a -- I don't even remember the word, what it was, but a girl was looking out the window --

JOHN: Uh-huh.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- on what they call the tower, and he said that someone had a camouflage jacket or something on with something over the face. I can't even remember -- the strangest word I'd ever heard.

JOHN: Balaclava.
STEVE SCHNEIDER: Exactly. And he's all excited and so forth --
JOHN: Uh-huh.
STEVE SCHNEIDER: I mean, I'm sitting here and thinking to myself, is this insanity or what? Seriously -- here they've gone to --
JOHN: Well, I, I -- you know I'm not all excited, right?
STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, here they've gone to --
JOHN: I'm just trying to tell you we don't need anybody to get jumpy, huh?
STEVE SCHNEIDER: Here we have all these guns pointed at us. They're on the property, contrary to what the word that was given -- what?
JOHN: Go ahead.
(Pause.)
STEVE SCHNEIDER: Oh, yeah, like when I went up there one time to take a look to see what it was looking like.
JOHN: Uh-huh.
STEVE SCHNEIDER: This is a couple days ago. I happened to look out, just look out the window at the Bradley sitting down there by the garage --
JOHN: Uh-huh.
STEVE SCHNEIDER: And when I opened up the curtain, of course, they pointed a 25 millimeter gun directly at me. Directly at my person. Right in line with me.

JOHN: Yeah, but nobody fire --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: And then yesterday we told you about how we got -- somebody bared their ass to us.

JOHN: I told -- you told me that and I talked to somebody about that --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah, and the finger --

JOHN: Yup.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: They point guns at us. They, they ran over our cemetery, which is an illegal thing. It's a violation of the State codes, the laws of Texas.

JOHN: Uh-huh.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: And when our attorney mentioned that to Dick, Dick said, what are you going to do about it. That was his --

JOHN: No, I'm sure he didn't say that.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, no. That's what -- no, he did. Honestly. You go back and listen to the tape, the conversation, that's what he said. What are you going to do about it?
JOHN: You're kidding?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, I'm not kidding.

JOHN: No. You -- well, he must have been a little feisty at the time or --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, John.

JOHN: -- something, huh?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: John. And let's, let's talk reality now. Let's talk down to earth. You -- we, we are both sitting down here right now. We had an agreement --

JOHN: David's sitting down?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah, he's right here.

JOHN: He's got to be feeling better.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: He is.

JOHN: Good.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Anyway, we had an agreement. Those Bradleys come and go on the property, they removed personal property. That means the motorcycles out into the open elements. They were in the garage -- that's right, that's right. We don't have any rights, so I don't -- I really don't know why we're talking --

JOHN: Don't have any what?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Rights.

JOHN: Sure you do. You have Constitutional
rights.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, no. The attorney -- no, that has not been shown. We -- the attorney got on the telephone and talked about the first Bill of Rights -- Bill of Rights, the First Amendment and the Fourth.

JOHN: Sure.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Totally without regard by you people. This country, which is founded on such awesome principles, like something like this should never happen. A total disregard --

JOHN: It never should have happened to begin with.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Of course not. Of course not.

JOHN: But it did.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: So why isn't there an investigation? Why haven't your -- these men of the ATF been arrested and an investigation started on them for the murder, attempted murder, and in fact they did commit it.

JOHN: Hey, I guarantee you there's a very extensive investigation being conducted --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: It's not good enough. You --
JOHN: -- as to the, the whole -- the entire -- the incident in its entirety. You know, it's not just your side or my side or anybody's side.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Obviously --

JOHN: It's of the entire incident.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: But, John, this country has become so corrupt.

JOHN: Uh-huh.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: If someone's in Government, someone is wearing a badge. It is not the same thing as your honest citizen. Your everyday person personality. It is not the same thing.

JOHN: What, what do you mean?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: What do I mean?

JOHN: Yeah. I mean, I wear, I wear a badge.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- these guys that -- I've got so many eye witnesses here, what happened. They all have -- they saw it from a different angle, different perspective, men, women, and children.

JOHN: Well, you know, there's going to be --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: And, and they probably --

JOHN: -- two sides to the story and --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Oh, man, there --
JOHN: There are.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, yeah. And I'm glad that the press got to film this thing.

JOHN: And, and it'll be adjudicated in a court of law by a jury of whomever's peers.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: We would feel a lot better if we had a non-biased press involved and us a line to them. I told you that over and over again.

JOHN: You know what I, you know what I said about dealing with the press?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- take the $5 --

JOHN: Right? If anybody wants to talk to the press they can, or David can prepare it -- a tape similar to the one that he did before, you know.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: We asked like -- remember how Sunday, right into Monday we had open lines to the press?

JOHN: Sure I do.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: And it worked. We had no problem with you. That's when David chose to start sending children out. He wanted to see what the reaction would be by yourselves. And he continued to do so. The first red flag that popped up with all of us --

JOHN: Uh-huh.
STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- was when you cut our phone lines.

JOHN: Uh-huh.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Once doing that, then the suspicion started and it's only grown worse.

JOHN: What suspicion?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: The suspicion that --

JOHN: That we don't want to let the media know what's going on?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Of course.

JOHN: All right.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: We wanted --

JOHN: Let me ask you. Have you watched the, the, the --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Press conferences?

JOHN: Yeah. Which I haven't, but I -- all I've done is told what takes place.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yes. That's what has made all these people all the madder because of that which was stated in behalf by your agency --

JOHN: You don't think it's the truth.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: It is positively not the truth.

JOHN: Then why don't you tell David to --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: We may --
JOHN: -- prepare a tape that we'll give to the media that he can correct --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. Let, let say --

JOHN: -- anything that he thinks is not, not valid.

STEVE SCHNEIDER (speaking to Koresh): -- why don't David -- correct anything that has not been so on there that says his point and they'll give it to the media to be played.

JOHN: I mentioned that to you and David last night.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, David says --

JOHN: That'd we'd be happy to do it last night.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: David says, how many children do you want for that?

JOHN: We wanted at least five kids.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Whoa! He says we wanted at least five kids.

JOHN: Remember when we started off last night. Okay? You had this, you had this dialogue going before I arrived that was -- you wanted, they wanted all the kids out and all the women out and we'd let you put a tape together and the whole nine yards. And I said, hey, this is negotiable, right? We can
talk about this thing.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: David says we got five kids, by the way.

JOHN: I'm sorry?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: David says we've got five kids.

JOHN: You do?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah. You want their names?

JOHN: Well, I know you have more than five children.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, I know, but you mentioned five though --

JOHN: Yeah.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- and he says -- and we got five.

JOHN: But it -- does that seem like a reasonable thing?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, you want their names?

JOHN: Sure.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. The first one is Jim. The second one is Gary.

JOHN: Jim who?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: I never got his last name.
Jim, Gary, Henry --

JOHN: Oh, what a piece of change you are.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, come on --

JOHN: Huh?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: But where did you get the five from now? We were talking --

JOHN: I suppose I'm number five, huh?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, I would imagine, but --

JOHN: Gary's one of them, right though?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah. Well, we're not talking like that --

JOHN: And Henry's one of them.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: I mean, we're jumping around so much --

JOHN: Look at that. I'm not, I'm not calling you people names in there and I'm not being facetious with you in there. And I --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: I, I know that. No, no, you're not, you're not. And I -- that's what I especially appreciate, I really do.

JOHN: And I'm trying to be as calm as can be and I will be calm. I'm not going to raise my voice, I'm not going to get upset with you.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Why did you listen, did
you listen to a tape between the convers -- the
conversation of Dick and myself or something?

JOHN: No. I sat down and talked to Dick --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: He called up --

JOHN: What'd you do to the guy? You got
him all frustrated.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, no, no. He shocked
the heck out of me. The, the absolute insult of it
all.

JOHN: But what did you say to him?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: He told me -- okay, he
calls up, we look at this press conference. He asked
us to take a look at it, we do. Finally the phone
rings. I pick up the phone, how you doing, Dick.
Where are we at now? And he's so excited. I said,
calm down, what's up? He could hardly get it out,
what he got out he was talking about somebody up in a
camouflage something or other.

JOHN: Uh-huh.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: And then this ends up
being some kind of a mask or something. Here it is a
girl that's from another country with a dark-skin face
looking out the window. Can you imagine? And here
you got all these tanks out there -- together in total
fear. I mean, what on earth! I mean, I said -- what
is going on here. The audacity to even mention it to
me when you keep on violating -- running all over the
property, pointing guns anytime you want at us. You
run over guard shacks. You move things around our per
-- what on -- tell me, John. What are you -- if you
were sitting here with me, what would you think of
that kind of thing?

JOHN: You, you know what?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: You're concerned about --

JOHN: If I were sitting there with you, I'd
want to get away from that kind of thing and get out
of there.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: To think you know -- you
guys see a broom sticking out the window or a broom
handle and right away you're all -- I mean, can you
believe it? I don't even believe -- in the first
place, I do not believe that's true. I really don't.
I don't even -- I don't think they're seeing things.

JOHN: I, I just don't need, I just don't
need any problems, Steven. And you, you don't need
any problems --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, that's --

JOHN: -- I don't need any problems, right?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. John, that's true.
That's why we -- why the major problems with Dick
today?

JOHN: That's why I want to talk to you, huh? Not problems. We're not hurting anybody. We're not threatening to hurt anybody.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: I think --

JOHN: We got a lot of movement out there.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Wait just a minute, John.

The guy that -- apparently what they were seeing was -- the guy that they saw was actually a guy from Africa and he was taking a leak.

JOHN: That's a real sense of humor, huh?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, anyway, you had --

JOHN: That's kind of crude, Steve, isn't it?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, listen, you had a little humor yesterday, so I thought I'd break --

JOHN: What?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, remember, we were breaking the ice a little bit --

JOHN: Well, yeah.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- yesterday, so --

JOHN: That's, that's kind of got racial, ethnic overtones to it, though, huh?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, that's -- it came from a black man.
JOHN: Oh, okay. Okay. As long as it didn't come from David.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Just a minute. He says -- David does say this, I mean, in all seriousness, his father is going to take care of all you and that is no joke.

JOHN: Well, I guess he'll take care of all of us, huh?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: But he wants -- but lookit, he wants to give you a Bible study real quick. Is that okay, John?

JOHN: A real quick -- David does not know what a real quick Bible study is.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: He says you do not know what a real quick Bible study is.

DAVID KORESH: Okay. Well, I'm going to show him the --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: He says he's going to show you.

JOHN: Are you going to agree to that?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, yes.

JOHN: It's kind of hard, it's kind of hard. I guess I'll get back to you, Steven, around midnight, huh?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: (Laughter.) John, I do
like you.

JOHN: Let, let me ask you something.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah, go ahead.

JOHN: Before we get into this lengthy dialogue here.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

JOHN: One-sided dialogue, I might add.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

JOHN: Remember when we left off last night --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah.

JOHN: And, and I talked to you and then I talked to David --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right.

JOHN: -- because you were probably asleep by then. I hope.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: I was, man, I, I, I was. Man, I couldn't get over how long that went.

JOHN: I hope.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: You lost me along the --

JOHN: We, we talked about the people who had called in --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

JOHN: And about the people of whom they were concerned.
STEVE SCHNEIDER: Um-hum. Right.

JOHN: Now, I realize by the time I got done with David, you know, talking to David at 2:30 this morning, that was not the appropriate time to wake these people up and have them come in.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Correct.

JOHN: But both you agreed to let me say hello to them and David agreed.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: You know that Dick has been -- I don't know if he told you, but he talked to quite a few. In fact, I --

JOHN: Well, he said he talked to a couple.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, actually there was a lot more than a couple.

JOHN: And there were a couple of --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: There were at least five or more.

JOHN: But, remember, we went over a list.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Uh-huh.

JOHN: You know, David Thibodeau and, and Jeff Little and Miss Vega and --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: And I went around -- by the way --

JOHN: And Miss Jewell and Borst and Craddock and --
STEVE SCHNEIDER: They're all around here. I went to every last one of them, said that they could call you or --

JOHN: Uh-huh.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- when you called they could talk to you.

JOHN: Well, they're not going to be able to talk to me right now, because I'm going to be enlightened here.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

JOHN: You know that and I know that.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. I will make sure that they will be --

JOHN: But please let me talk to them when, when I'm done talking to David.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: I will do that. I will do that.

JOHN: Okay?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. I'll do that.

JOHN: I appreciate it.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Here's Dave -- here he is.

JOHN: Thank you.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Sure.

DAVID KOORESH: Hello, John.

JOHN: How do you feel? Better?
DAVID KOresh: I had a good laugh just then.

JOHN: Well, that's not necessarily good for you though, is it?

DAVID KOresh: Well, it, it was like someone kicking me in the back, but it was well worth it.

JOHN: Huh?

DAVID KOresh: It's like --

JOHN: When you were talking about the five children?

DAVID KOresh: (Laughter.)

JOHN: Huh? See? That's Satan speaking there, isn't it?

DAVID KOresh: No, John.

JOHN: Huh?

DAVID KOresh: No. Be careful. Don't blaspheme the Holy Spirit. Don't dare do that, son.

JOHN: Lord. Hey, at least I didn't call somebody Pop, did I?

DAVID KOresh: Hey! When you -- the Pope means pop, my man.

JOHN: No, that's poppa.

DAVID KOresh: No, poppa is still the same as pop, silly. Get your, get your --

JOHN: Slang.

DAVID KOresh: -- get your diction down --
proper.

JOHN: Slang.

DAVID KORESH: Now, do you want to learn this or not?

JOHN: Well, you know you're, you're dealing with what we would call a tête de pioche, a thick-head in French.

DAVID KORESH: Okay.

JOHN: How's your French, but go -- let's go.

DAVID KORESH: Let's go. Okay. All right. Now, like, like Gaychay (phonetic sp.) said, you know, I, I told him, I said, look. You show me these seals and then that way I'll know that my god's lied to me, that everybody knows them, or somebody else knows them, and then I can't trust to my god no more so I'll just come on out to you. That's the arrangements I made with him. So --

JOHN: Oh, hey, before we get wound up here, and while you're calming down from the bit of levity, I know Dick had talked to Kathy, okay?

DAVID KORESH: Uh-huh.

JOHN: Before, and I don't know if you were there. I presume you were. About the youngsters and milk and this whole thing. And I just want you to
understand that we are more than happy to bring the milk up if there, there's going to be an exchange of two youngsters. And, and that's --

DAVID KORESH: Now, let's don't play that game. Hey, let me tell you something, before I hang up on you, all right?

JOHN: Don't do that.

DAVID KORESH: No, no. Listen.

JOHN: What?

DAVID KORESH: You're dealing with my children now.

JOHN: Well, I -- all the children are your children. All those people are your children.

DAVID KORESH: -- you just wait a minute, you wait a minute. You're dealing with my biological children now.

JOHN: Why do you say that?

DAVID KORESH: Because that's what we've come down to.

JOHN: Well, I'm concerned about --

DAVID KORESH: Don't say --

JOHN: -- the care and welfare of your children.

DAVID KORESH: -- don't say well to me.

JOHN: Why not? I'm concerned about their
welfare.

DAVID KORESH: -- because if me and you were standing face to face, you wouldn't say well to me.

JOHN: Why not?

DAVID KORESH: Because.

JOHN: I've got children. I care about their welfare.

DAVID KORESH: That's beside the point.

JOHN: You know, you know what the agreement is.

DAVID KORESH: I know what my agreement is.

JOHN: What?

DAVID KORESH: I've told you. I sent you out Mark and I told you to send us some milk. You said you'd get onto it. Jim told me he'd get onto it, that they was getting it. I says all right. I says I'll go ahead and I went ahead and sent out --

JOHN: Those were the agreements?

DAVID KORESH: Exactly. I went ahead and sent out Kevin because the milk was on the way.

JOHN: Uh-huh.

DAVID KORESH: And then Kevin -- they came back, you know Kevin -- there was no milk given and so then the next thing of it was that well, you know, he said he was having some difficulty and then we got on
the phone. So then all of a sudden we ended up
sending out Heather.

JOHN: Um-hum.

DAVID KORESH: Now, there's three kids, and
no milk. So, you know, let's talk about, let's talk
about --

JOHN: Well, I don't remember -- I was here
when Ke -- when Heather came out and I don't even
remember any dialogue about milk when she came out.

DAVID KORESH: Well, you have a bad memory,
what can I say?

JOHN: No, I don't.

DAVID KORESH: Come on. Let's stop this
game.

JOHN: It didn't come up.

DAVID KORESH: Let's stop right now, all
right?

JOHN: Well, I just wanted to tell you what
I was asked to tell you.

DAVID KORESH: It's just that I'm taking it
personal, okay? Now, in Psalms 2 it says -- to get
angry and like I say, you guys are starting to push
me.

JOHN: Now, we don't want to do that.

DAVID KORESH: No, let me say something.
You fail to understand the mentality of the people here. You misjudge. You don't understand that whereas we are sober in the degree and we love souls and want you guys to possibly break out of your chains of darkness by learning some truth here. On the other hand, you interpret to the media that my statements to you is religious babbling.

JOHN: Oh, I don't think those words were mentioned at all to the media.

DAVID KOARESH: Well, would you like to quote -- unquote what the words were?

JOHN: Go ahead.

DAVID KOARESH: Rambling.

JOHN: Pardon?

DAVID KOARESH: Rambling.

JOHN: Maybe a rambling dialogue sometimes?

Could that have been it?

DAVID KOARESH: This is what I said. Rambling is the same as babbling.

JOHN: No, it's not.

DAVID KOARESH: Going all over the place.

JOHN: What else don't you like that was said to the media? And you know there's a simple solution to that too. You put a tape together and we work it out.
DAVID KORESH: Send out some kids and send out some kids and put the tape together and send out some kids.

JOHN: You know, I, I understood that in the statement to the media it was pointed out to the media that as far as we were concerned, anybody was free to leave there and that you were waiting to get the word, right?

DAVID KORESH: Oh, that's what I've said all along --

JOHN: And as we talked last night --

DAVID KORESH: -- but you don't honor that statement.

JOHN: What do you mean?

DAVID KORESH: You continue to harangue and harass. You continue to try to --

JOHN: No.

DAVID KORESH: Well, actually it's very silly --

JOHN: Would you rather that we didn't even talk?

DAVID KORESH: -- the way that you gentlemen are actually working or talking because first of all, you know, me and Steven sit in here and talk with the people about -- well, actually we drew pictures of you
all anyway.

    JOHN: Uh-oh.

    DAVID KORESH: We've got, we've got a big picture here, a big picture of -- see, there's Jim and Gary and Henry and Dick and John here. And --

    JOHN: Because I'm curious to see some of them.

    DAVID KORESH: Oh, yeah. Well, you'll see some of them.

    JOHN: You don't have any horns on the heads of any of them, do you?

    DAVID KORESH: No, no, no. They're very pleasant kind of men, very well-mannered. Cookie sheet kind of people.

    JOHN: They're put up on a dartboard or something?

    DAVID KORESH: No, it's just up here on the wall.

    JOHN: Okay.

    DAVID KORESH: You know. And, you know, they got Dick where he's a real nice guy, you know, and they got, you know -- the shortest one of all here is Henry, so --

    JOHN: Uh-huh. He's going to feel kind of depressed over that. You know that, don't you?
DAVID KORESH: Well, what can I say? But he's a nice looking guy.

JOHN: He is. He's kind of a, a mature looking fella.

DAVID KORESH: Right. The picture looks --

JOHN: Very suave and debonair.

DAVID KORESH: Yeah. The picture looks that way too.

JOHN: I'd love -- tell me what Gary looks like. That's the one that's got my, my interest up.

DAVID KORESH: Let's see. Gary, Gary looks more -- how, how would you say the look is, Steve?

STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- kind of tall --

DAVID KORESH: Kind of tall.

JOHN: Tall?

DAVID KORESH: More, more of a, more of a boyish kind of look.

JOHN: Yeah. If, if you kind of -- I'm waiting to hear this, now, come on.

DAVID KORESH: Kind of more of an aggressive-type personality. How much hair does John -- has he any lost hair?

JOHN: John?

DAVID KORESH: Yeah.

JOHN: Lost hair?
DAVID KORESH: Yeah.

JOHN: Not a chance.

DAVID KORESH: Okay.

JOHN: You, you better paint some hair back on that picture then, huh?

DAVID KORESH: You need, need to put the hairline up a little bit further, Steven.

JOHN: I've got more hair than all of them.

DAVID KORESH: He, he says he's got long hair.

JOHN: Not long, more.

DAVID KORESH: He's got more hair than all of them. So your, your nose is not that big, is it?

JOHN: Oh, that's cold.

DAVID KORESH: It's what?

JOHN: That's cold. You're being kind of cruel now, aren't you?

DAVID KORESH: No, no. I'm just asking.

JOHN: No.

DAVID KORESH: Okay. All right. Anyway, basically by the voice personalities and stuff, the pictures are being drawn.

JOHN: Uh-oh.

DAVID KORESH: So anyway. Okay, well you don't want to learn these seals so I'll sign -- I'll
hand you back over to Steve here then, okay?

JOHN: Oh, talk to me.

DAVID KORESH: Well --

JOHN: I just don't want to leave you upset, you know. I want to talk to you. I want to communicate with you.

DAVID KORESH: Communicate with me then, talk to me.

JOHN: You know what I want. I want to successfully resolve this thing. You told me last night that you were ready to come out. All you were doing is waiting for the word from your father, right?

DAVID KORESH: That's right.

JOHN: Did you do some serious praying today?

DAVID KORESH: I pray every day.

JOHN: Well, I know that. But there's prayer and there's prayer, huh? There's pretty deep prayer.

DAVID KORESH: Well, anyway, tomorrow's supposed to be good weather, isn't it?

JOHN: It's beautiful today.

DAVID KORESH: You guys want to, you guys want to have a football game tomorrow?

JOHN: You bet, but it's got to be out past
the end of that road --

DAVID KORESH: No, right here in the front.
JOHN: Right there in the front?
DAVID KORESH: Yeah.
JOHN: You're having a pipe dream.
DAVID KORESH: A pipe dream? What's that?

Kind of a narrow vision type thing or what?
JOHN: Well, I didn't want to get into the
word vision.
DAVID KOESH: Okay.
JOHN: I figured you'd bring that up soon
enough.
DAVID KORESH: Well, anyway --
JOHN: But, no.
DAVID KORESH: If you all want to play
tomorrow, you all can probably play if you want to,
huh?
JOHN: Hey, as they say. Safety and justice
for all, right down at the end of the road. Huh?
It's as easy as that. But are we going to have a
little, little Bible study tonight?
DAVID KORESH: Would you like one?
JOHN: Well, I don't mind. I don't mind.
But what I'd really like to do is ensure that we don't
have anybody sticking anything out of any windows up
there. I mean it's one thing for us to observe something in the daylight hours. It's really difficult --

DAVID KORESH: Well, let me tell you something, John.

JOHN: -- at nighttime.

DAVID KORESH: Let me tell you. If somebody does --

JOHN: Yes.

DAVID KORESH: Okay?

JOHN: Don't do it.

DAVID KORESH: No, but let me say something. If somebody does, okay? Then you do what you have to do.

JOHN: Well, I did. I called you up and I said --

DAVID KORESH: All right?

JOHN: -- it's being kind of ridiculous.

DAVID KORESH: Okay. But you stop making your threats, okay? We called a cease fire, all right? So we have a cease fire now. But don't tell us how to run our operation anymore. Do you understand?

JOHN: What kind of an operation are we running?
DAVID KOresh: We're talking about the operation we're running --

JOHN: I thought we were trying to get into some rational conversation here.

DAVID KOresh: -- and you're talking about the operation -- okay. Let me say something.

JOHN: Go ahead.

DAVID KOresh: Next time one of your tanks points a barrel at one of our windows --

JOHN: Um-hum.

DAVID KOresh: Okay?

JOHN: Um-hum.

DAVID KOresh: Then we'll, then we'll see where the cheese goes, okay?

JOHN: What, what goes?

DAVID KOresh: Where the cheese goes.

JOHN: What's that mean?

DAVID KOresh: Well, find out.

JOHN: Well, I don't want to get any threats from you. You're not getting any threats from me.

DAVID KOresh: That's not a threat, it's a promise.

JOHN: Huh?

DAVID KOresh: It's a promise.

JOHN: Promise to do what?
DAVID KOresh: Like I said, find out.

JOhn: Yeah. Do you --

DAVID KOresh: When somebody -- let me tell you something, John.

JOhn: Do you --

DAVID KOresh: When someone sticks a 25 millimeter cannon at somebody because they're looking out the window, now that's a threat.

JOhn: It's my understanding --

DAVID KOresh: That is a threat.

JOhn: -- that there are no barrels on the Bradleys.

DAVID KOresh: You are full of shit! S-H-I-T, shit!

JOhn: How can you say that?

DAVID KOresh: Now, go look in the dictionary and look that word up. It's unabridged, okay?

JOhn: Hey, we were told --

DAVID KOresh: You are full of --

JOhn: -- that the barrels had been removed on the Bradleys.

DAVID KOresh: You are full of shit.

JOhn: Don't say that.

DAVID KOresh: I just did and I mean it.
JOHN: There are barrels on the Bradleys?

DAVID KORESH: Yeah. God.

JOHN: Well, the reason I say that is I'm not out there.

DAVID KORESH: Oh, God.

JOHN: I'm a long ways off.

DAVID KORESH: Oh.

JOHN: Do you, do you really think we're going to start firing indiscriminately up at that place?

DAVID KORESH: I sure hope so.

JOHN: Why? Don't you care for the children?

DAVID KORESH: Because I'll give, I'll give you a story --

JOHN: Don't you care for yourself?

DAVID KORESH: I'll give, I'll give you a story you ain't never seen.

JOHN: Go ahead.

DAVID KORESH: Oh, I'm sitting up. Wait a minute. Let's turn in our Bibles to Isaiah 28.

JOHN: Do what?

DAVID KORESH: Turn in the Bible to Isaiah 28. I'm still not going to give up on you, John.

JOHN: I'm not going to give up on you,
David, either. I just want you to calm down.

DAVID KORESH: I don't get paid to calm down like you do.

JOHN: Yeah, you do. You getting big bucks to calm down.

DAVID KORESH: Am I?

JOHN: Yeah.

DAVID KORESH: Is that what you think?

JOHN: The, the biggest of the bucks.

DAVID KORESH: Is that what you think?

JOHN: Because, you know, you have your flock up there.

DAVID KORESH: Ah, yeah.

JOHN: And the only way that you can handle this is in a good, calm demeanor.

DAVID KORESH: I tell you. If you only knew the way it's going to end.

JOHN: Do you?

DAVID KORESH: Yes, I do.

JOHN: Well, I thought you said you hadn't got the word yet?

DAVID KORESH: I can pretty much see the way you guys are acting.

JOHN: No, no, no. We're out here --

DAVID KORESH: I see you, I see you hanging
your own neck.

JOHN: We --

DAVID KORESH: That's all right. Don't worry about it. Don't -- just don't worry about what I have to say. You'll, you'll find out later.

JOHN: Well --

DAVID KORESH: Okay. Now, you got Isaiah 28? The 28th chapter of Isaiah?

JOHN: Hang on. I'm up to 26.

DAVID KORESH: Okay. That's two more.

JOHN: Hey, before we get cranking on 28 and, and I don't want to change your train of thought here, but I mentioned to Steven, before he left, that I probably wouldn't be talking to him for a while.

DAVID KORESH: All right.

JOHN: And one of the last things I discussed with you last night and something that I discussed with him were the names of the people who had called in and the people who they had called about. And that it would -- and that I'd like to say hello to them. And you said that was fine.

DAVID KORESH: Well, now, John, all day today -- yes it is. And all day today we was trying to talk with Dick and I told you, I told you individuals that you can talk to every one of these
girls that have had my children and the other children
that are remaining here. You have --

JOHN: Uh-huh.

DAVID KORESH: -- you have that privilege.

JOHN: What about those people that, that I
mentioned that you said I could talk to them.

DAVID KORESH: Well, you still can.

JOHN: But I, I don't want them -- you know,
we got off the phone 2:30 this morning. That's
certainly not the time to talk to them, right?

DAVID KORESH: Right.

JOHN: Hopefully I can talk to them this
evening.

DAVID KORESH: Oh, you want me to cut this
study short. Okay, we'll try. Let's go.

JOHN: Well, we can have more than one
study.

DAVID KORESH: Okay. Well, let's get
through this one and then we'll get over into the
other, okay?

JOHN: Go ahead.

DAVID KORESH: You there?

JOHN: Sure.

DAVID KORESH: What's verse 1 say?

JOHN: Woe --
DAVID KORESH: To the crown of what?

JOHN: Pride.

DAVID KORESH: To the drunkards of Ephraim.

Now, you notice -- if you knew the stories of the Bible you would come to an understanding that Solomon, when he was a king, he had apostatized (phonetic sp.) from God and he began to worship the other gods of the other nations. He had many wives, many strange wives from different and many countries. And what happened was that he bankrupted his nation.

So, when Rehoboam, his son, was to take the throne, they asked Rehoboam if they would -- if he would cut down some of the taxations against the people and Rehoboam said that his little finger would be thicker than his dad's leg. In other words, he was going to increase the taxes and not deduct from them.

So God rose up this man, Jeroboam, who took the northern kingdom of Israel, the ten tribes, and they separated from the two tribes of the southern kingdom, which remained to be Judah and Benjamin.

So in the -- of the northern kingdoms, Ephraim, one of the tribes of the northern kingdoms, took the throne or took the kingship and for several years throughout Bible record you'll find that Ephraim is referred to as the ten tribes. Now, this prophecy
starts off with woe to the crown of pride, the
drunkards of Ephraim, whose glorious beauty is a
fading flower. The kind of flowers which are where?
Which are on the head of the fat valleys of them that
are overcome with wine. These guys are drunkards.

Now, when you're drunk you're not in your right mind, are you?

Especially when you have a drink of wine.
You get too much wine, it makes you feel real good, don't it? Things don't bother you. You're happy.

But when you come down from it, it'll kick you, okay?

Now this kingdom, evidently, these drunkards, the Ephraimites who probably -- they're presently looking real good like a flower. God says they're going to fade, right? And God explains to them how this will be done.

Behold, verse 2, the Lord hath a mighty and strong one. Okay? The Lord has a what now? A mighty and a what?

JOHN: Mighty and strong one.

DAVID KORESH: And which as a tempest of hail and a destroying storm, as a flood of mighty waters overflowing, shall cast down to the earth with the hand. So this guy, evidently God says he's a pretty bad customer, isn't he? Right? You see that
point?

JOHN: Got you.

DAVID KORESH: His warfare is like a tempest of hail and destroying storm. Okay. He's going to cast down to the earth with the hand. Okay? What's he going to cast down? The crown of pride. The drunkards of Ephraim shall be trodden under feet. So these guys are in a bad situation, aren't they?

JOHN: Yeah.

DAVID KORESH: And the glorious beauty, which is on the head of the fat valley shall be a fading flower and as the hasty fruit before the summer, which he that looketh upon it seeth, while it is yet in his hand he eateth it up. I mean, some people they want their glory and they want it now, don't they? You know, you see an apple develop on a tree. They can't wait till it gets ripe, they got to have it now, right? Okay.

In that day, when these drunkards are cast down, when these people are taken care of, whoever they are, shall the Lord of hosts be for a crown of glory, and for a diadem of beauty, unto the residue of his people. In other words, a remnant. Right? So one group's going to be punished severely by the strong and mighty one that God has and the remnants,
whom -- those whom God reserves, God will be their crown of glory, right?

God will also be for a spirit of judgment to him that sits in judgment, for strength to them that turn the battle to the gate. Okay? We got to find out what battle this is and what gate they're going to be turning to, right? It says, but they also have erred through wine, and through strong drink are out of the way; the priest and the prophet have erred through strong drink, they are swallowed up of wine, they are out of the way through strong drink. They err in what?

JOHN: Vision.

DAVID KORESH: They stumble in what?

JOHN: Judgment.

DAVID KORESH: So they really don't know what they're doing, do they? They don't understand the visions, do they? They don't understand true judgment, do they? Well, for all tables are full of vomit and filthiness, so there is no place clean. So the prophecy talks about these people that think they know what they're doing and they don't. God says they don't.

God says he's got a strong and mighty one who's going to set them straight, right? Okay. Well,
then, whom shall he teach knowledge then. Whom shall
he make to understand doctrine then? What kind of
people? Babies? No. Them that are weaned from the
milk and drawn from the breast. For precept must be
upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line,
line upon line; here a little, and there a little.
That's what I've been doing for you individuals.

I've been showing you in the revelation the
seven seals. I've been trying to take you all over
the testament of the prophets.

Hello baby. Hey, go sit down, go sit down.
Daddy's talking.

I been trying to show you all over the
written scripture the same records and the same
pictures. For with stammering lips and another tongue
will he speak to this people. To whom he said, this
is the rest wherein you may cause the weary to rest,
and this is the refreshing, yet they would not hear.

Okay. Now, a careful student of scripture
would find in every passage pertaining to the seals --
go over there, son. Go sit down. Daddy's giving a
study. Okay?

Scripture talks about prophecies that are
important for the latter days. That's what the seals
are. It's a message that God had declared to his
servants the prophets, the message about Christ. Something Christ must do in the latter days to fulfill the testament of the prophets. But the prophecy says here, the God of the strong and mighty one. The question is, could this person be Christ?

We don't know. We have to find out. But the word of the Lord was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept, line upon line, line upon line, here a little, there a little, that they might go and fall backwards, be broken and snared and taken. So, 2,000 years ago did the Pharisees and Sanhedrin, did they think they understood scripture?

Did they?

JOHN: No.

DAVID KORESH: Oh, they thought they knew it like everything, didn't they? Uh-huh. But who did they argue with all the time? Who was the person they would not agree with?

JOHN: The Lord.

DAVID KORESH: Exactly. And it was always over the interpretation, wasn't it?

JOHN: Um-hum.

DAVID KORESH: Okay. But who was right, though? The Lord. So, wherefore hear the word of the Lord, ye scornful men, that rule this people which is
in Jerusalem. God's addressing them pretty hard, isn't he? Because ye have said, we have made a covenant with death, and with hell are we at agreement. When the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us.

    Now, remember this person in verse 2? The Lord hath a mighty and a strong one? It's going to be like a tempest of hail, isn't it. Like a destroying storm, right? Like a hurricane. As a flood of mighty waters overflowing he's going to cast down to the earth with the hand, right? What's in his hand, do you know? Could it be the word of God?

    JOHN: The Bible.

    DAVID KORESH: Could it be the Book?

    JOHN: We know it's the Book.

    DAVID KORESH: Okay. Now, in the first seal, Christ is revealed as a man on a white horse, right? Psalms 45, God says he's the mightiest, right?

    JOHN: And thunder.

    DAVID KORESH: Okay. That's the first thunder. Okay?

    JOHN: And the Book.

    DAVID KORESH: Now, in the second seal Zechariah tells us he saw the Lord ride on a red horse, correct?
JOHN: Um-hum.

DAVID KORESH: And the subject was is that there were other horses and the attitude of the world is that the earth is at ease, right? There's little of no interest in these horses, are there?

JOHN: Other than -- well, in the horses, no. But he was given a great sword, right?

DAVID KORESH: Exactly. Of course, that sword is revealed when we find out that the four horns, which have killed or destroyed Judah and Israel, were the horns which overthrew Judah and Israel, which is Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, and Rome. Through the ministration of Christ and the spirit of prophecy, God's allowed men to kill one another, to try to overthrow kingdoms. That's why the, the Babylonians were overthrown by the Medo-Persians by the sword, the Medo-Persians were overthrown by the Greeks by the sword, the Greeks were overthrown by the Romans by the sword and it's been so ever since, hasn't it?

JOHN: True.

DAVID KORESH: And the Lord allows that, doesn't he? He doesn't do it Himself directly, but he allows it to happen, doesn't he. Okay. So it's God's word that permits these things to be. Now, we know
that in the third seal, like I showed Dick today.

   JOHN: Um-hum.

   DAVID KOresh: You know, that in the Book of Hosea, the third seal is a man on a black horse, has a pair of balances in his hand. We know that Hosea says that the Lord is a merchant man and the balances of deceit are in his hand. He loveth to oppress. We know the prophecy of Hosea revolves around a time when Israel for many years will be without a king, without a sacrifice, without a temple, without teraphim, but the day will come when Israel will seek the Lord their God and David their king and will take the Lord in his goodness in the latter days. That's what Hosea tells us.

   Hosea states that God will reveal the more excellent things of His law, the great things, which are the seals. That's a part of His law too, the prophets, you know, in the part of God's word, too, you know. But they'll be counted as a strange thing.

   Hosea tells us that God chooses to speak by the prophets, to warn by the prophets, because the Lord is a merchant man and the balances of deceit are in His hand. He loveth to oppress. Well, he oppresses the wicked because only he can reveal these prophets. Only he can confirm the covenant spoken of by the
prophets since the foundation of the world.

And that's why in the latter days, under the third seal, he's called an oppressor by the prophet Hosea, that he has the pair of balances in his hand. So the prophets begin to tell us details of which I know you don't want to go into, in regards to this mystery of God through Christ, the word of God made flesh, and the covenant that God would offer men in the latter days before he brings this world to an end.

This is the mystery of God when this time no longer will be finished and God had already said it to the prophets. God's got a copy in heaven and God says only the Lamb can put it in its right order.

Now, the fourth seal. We know he's the pale horse rider, don't we?

JOHN: Um-hum.

DAVID KORESH: This ain't Clint Eastwood, now. Okay?

JOHN: Pestilence, huh?

DAVID KORESH: All right. Now, this horse, the name that sits upon it is death, right?

JOHN: That's right.

DAVID KORESH: And hell follows him, right?

JOHN: Um-hum.

DAVID KORESH: Okay. Now, we know that the
crown of pride -- God does not like rulers and leaders to be proud, does he? Because in so being they're drunkards, because they're responsible for the safety and -- of their people of which they govern. We know that God has a strong and mighty one that's going to overthrow these guys. We know that they err in vision. We know these guys, they do not understand the visions.

They do not understand and so the question is, well who will he teach knowledge then and who will he make to understand doctrine. Those who are mature. Not the milk suckers, but those who are mature. But they think the word is to them. They think they understand it in line upon line, precept upon precept.

So God says in verse 14, well, hear the word of the Lord ye scornful men that rule this people in Jerusalem.

They think they've made a covenant with death, don't they? And with hell they are in agreement, right? They think when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us. Who brings that overflowing scourge? Christ does, correct? Right?

JOHN: Sure.

DAVID KOresh: Okay. Now, when a person
says they accept Christ as their Savior, they're accepting that they believe in Christ all the way, so they must believe the truth of Christ on the white horse. And they must understand that truth if they really accept him. They must also accept the truth that Christ is on the red horse and whatever lesson that may contain. They must also believe that Christ is on the black horse and whatever lesson that may contain. And on the pale horse, his name is death and hell follows.

Okay. So these people think they're in agreement with this one who, when he passes through, he will not come nigh unto them, right? For we have made lies our refuge and under falsehood have we hid ourselves. Therefore, thus saith the Lord God, behold I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone. How many eyes does this stone have? Do you remember?

JOHN: You bet.

DAVID KORESH: Seven, right?

JOHN: That's right.

DAVID KORESH: A tried stone. A precious corner stone. A sure foundation. He that believeth on this rock shall not make haste, you know? Why? Well, first of all, at the time of the end, when these seals are to be opened, you know, I'm not trying to
push you into making an irrational decision, because I know what's aiming at you.

Just as you hopefully in the courtesy of your humanity, although your eyes are not opened to the invisible things, your eyes are open to what appears to be. You have human judgment, judgment of this world. And you're hoping that we don't make any hasty moves, so that you don't have to pin judgment upon us. But God states that in the knowledge of these seals, this rock of which this church is to be built upon, right? Not the Pope, but the rock referring to the rock with seven eyes, you see --

JOHN: See, that's where there's a difference in interpretation, right?

DAVID KORESH: Exactly, but our interpretation is true and yours is false. If the papacy was built upon the rock --

JOHN: Who was St. Peter.

DAVID KORESH: No, it wasn't. Christ states very clearly to Peter -- he just called him Satan, didn't he? He said get thee behind me, Satan. Who says thou that I am. And Peter says, well, though art the Lord, the Son of God. And Christ says, flesh and blood has not revealed this to me, but my father in heaven. And upon this rock will I build my church.
He calls him Cephas, little stone. Peter says later on we're all little stones, but there's one big rock. My Father, he says, has revealed it to you and on this rock will I build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

Satan used Peter in the next verse. Christ says, I must go to Jerusalem and Peter says, not so Lord. And Christ turned around and said, get thee behind me, Satan, for you savorest the things that be of man and not the things that be of God. As long as we have God the rock as the one who gives us directions and reveals things to us, we're in harmony with God. When we turn from the rock and submit ourselves to human, earthly, sensual, emotional little dictates of our own mind, then we're following the spirit of Satan.

As long as Peter was looking to God and looking to the rock, yes, he was a part of that rock, the great rock in heaven. But when he turned to follow his own feelings and tell the Lord not so, then he was of the spirit of Satan. It's something we've all got to watch. Now, this rock that we lay in Zion, we know it has a stone, we know it has seven eyes. Yes? It's a tried stone, a precious cornerstone, a sure foundation. He that believeth shall not make
haste.

Judgment also will I lay to the line and righteousness to the plummet, and the hail, which comes from the strong and mighty one, shall sweep away the refuge of lies and the waters shall overflow the hiding place. So your covenant with death shall be disannulled, your agreement with hell shall not stand.

When the overflowing scourge shall pass through, then ye shall be trodden down by it. Now what's going to happen?

Well, whatever happens we know in verse 19, from the time that it goeth forth shall it take you, for morning --

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