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MAX: -- either you want to come out of there and you want to go to Joe and you believe Joe but someone is not letting you. Will you come out, Julie?

JULIE: I can't.

MAX: What can we do to convince you that we are not the enemy and that Joe is not leading you into the hands of the enemy or some evil force?

JULIE: I'll come out when everybody else comes out.

MAX: I think maybe a situation where everybody is just looking for -- around at everybody else and waiting for a leader or waiting for somebody to make the decision.

JULIE: We're waiting for God to, to tell us when to come out. Don't you believe in God?

MAX: Well, couldn't that, couldn't that first person be the sign and couldn't they walk out, and the others --

JULIE: Yeah, two old ladies went out and how were they treated?

MAX: Well, they're being treated just fine
now.

JULIE: Now.

MAX: Well, how --

JULIE: Yeah, because, because of the, you
know, because of David.

MAX: Well, David is the one that's --

JULIE: Otherwise, they wouldn't have
dropped the charges. They probably just saying that,
too. How do I know. They're saying that they dropped
the charges. They probably just saying that to try to
get us to come out.

MAX: Are you saying that you will not
believe anything or anybody in this world except
David? Not even Joe, you believe David over Joe? You
believe David over anything that you might hear
anywhere else.

JULIE: I'm just telling you what I've
heard, you know, and what I've seen.

MAX: And I'm just -- want to restate to you
what you have heard in the last hour and that is on
the tape. And that you know who cares for you and you
know who wants you to come out. And I'm asking you to
consider that plea, both for you and your children.
Joe may be the answer, may be the person that God has
chosen to deliver you. If I could place him down
there at the end of the driveway in safety but that you knew it was him or, you know, wherever around there that, that you would that it's him and he would be safe --

JULIE: You would bring my brother here.
MAX: Hum?
JULIE: You would bring my brother here.
MAX: If you would come to him, I would as soon as I could. I certainly would.
JULIE: Well, I think one of the, the guys here, his mother wanted to come and, and you guys wouldn't let him -- wouldn't let her.
MAX: I'm sorry, repeat that. I didn't understand.
JULIE: Dave Thibodeau's mother wanted to come over here and you guys wouldn't let her.
MAX: Well, you may be talking about just coming over there and walking out across the pasture to that building. That would not be safe for anyone and we could not allow that to happen. But we could allow people to approach with us in those safe vehicles that you call tanks but safe vehicles to a distance where you could --

JULIE: We wouldn't hurt anybody.
MAX: -- to a distance to where you could see
them and then you would know that you could come out safely to them.

    JULIE: Oh, so, you're using them --

    MAX: But we're not going to --

    JULIE: -- as bait.

    MAX: No. You said that you wanted them there and I said I could bring him here and then you turn him into bait. You asked for him to be here. I said, yes. I will. And you can call him whatever you want to when he gets here but I'll bring him. Do you trust him?

    JULIE: You have a way, a way of twisting words around.

    MAX: No, I have a way of listening and hearing what's been said. You have the way of listening to people around you who say things differently on different occasions. I can hear them talking long before I can hear you answering. So, I know where you're getting your answers from. I know where mine are coming from.

    JULIE: I just need some time.

    MAX: I don't think Joe -- that Joe has ever -- well, that's what you were saying yesterday morning. You said you needed time and you needed a message from Joe.
JULIE: No, I said I had to talk to him.

MAX: Well, you heard --

JULIE: I didn't get to talk to him. I got to hear him.

MAX: Sure. And I will give him the results of our conversation.

JULIE: Well, what are you going to tell him, that I don't trust him, that, that he's my enemy and all that?

MAX: What would you like for me to tell him?

JULIE: That is what you -- you're twisting my words around.

MAX: No, I'll tell him what you want me to tell him.

JULIE: I just wanted to tell him that I love him --

MAX: Okay.

JULIE: -- and that I would like him to look out for grandmother.

MAX: Look out for grandmother. That's the lady that lives in Waco?

JULIE: That's -- yeah, my grandma.

MAX: Okay. If you would come out, you can look after grandmother.
JULIE: You guys wouldn't let me.

MAX: I believe you'd have ever opportunity in the world.

JULIE: Yeah, and then they also said on the radio that, that, you know, this -- the trial for this case wouldn't -- it wouldn't be until like a year. So, that means I would have to be in jail for a year before it even goes to trial.

MAX: No, no, that is not true. That is not true.

JULIE: Well, then --

MAX: That is not --

JULIE: -- what is true than what they say on the radio? You know, who's -- I mean who's lying, you guys, the, the radio, you know? Then how could I trust anybody.

MAX: I believe that you may have heard that the trial will be a year from now and that's, that's probably right. But haven't you heard of making bond? I mean even for the worst people make bond. And I don't even believe you've done anything to be jailed for. So, you probably won't go to jail anyway and if you did for some short period of time, you'd immediately be available for bond. Your attorney would demand it, you'd get it, and you'd be out taking
care of grandma. You're probably not going to jail, and they know you've got five kids to take care of. This is a good system now.

JULIE: They don't care.

MAX: Oh, yes, yes, everyone cares. Nobody can take care of your children better than you can. The judges know that, the world knows that. And if you haven't done anything, you will not be placed in jail. It worked once before. You said you didn't do anything.

JULIE: It wasn't theft.

MAX: You didn't do anything the first time and you weren't charged. You didn't serve any time.

JULIE: Yeah, I had to put out a lot of money that I didn't have.

MAX: Well, those things sometimes happen. I lost money on deals, too. But what is it compared to a life of fear and a life of danger and a situation where surroundings are not healthy and there's a potential for great problems? You've seen that.

JULIE: You mean you guys coming and wiping us out?

MAX: No. Who's twisting who now?

JULIE: Oh, well, that's what's being heard on the radio.
MAX: I think if you listen to the radio, you'll hear that everybody is stating that we're going to wait this out. We're going to negotiate and there is not going to be any violence.

JULIE: Then why are they saying that this week they're going to be putting those tanks through the building?

MAX: I don't think anybody's said any tanks were going through the building. If they did, they are not telling the truth.

JULIE: They're not telling the truth?

MAX: No. Because nobody's going to run tanks through buildings that contain people.

JULIE: Why did they take the media away from here? They don't want nobody to get any, you know --

MAX: We don't want them hurt.

JULIE: -- to see anything.

MAX: We don't want them hurt.

JULIE: Well, we weren't going to hurt them.

MAX: For a long time -- there were several bullets flying around out there for a long time and there's still lots of ammunition out there and there's always the chance of an accident.

JULIE: Well, we won't hurt anybody. Unless you guys hurt them, then, you know, --
MAX: The media is here.

JULIE: -- then they will get hurt.

MAX: The media is here. They're just not within shooting range of the compound. And it's not only the media that we have to be concerned about. It's people, ordinary citizens out there driving up and down the road and --

JULIE: You guys just don't want any witnesses to see what you guys did to us.

MAX: Julie, that is not true.

JULIE: I mean it's been done before.

MAX: Julie, it is not true. We are going to wait and resolve this safely. We will guarantee your safety if you come out.

JULIE: I guess by the end -- I guess by the end of this week we will know if you're telling the truth or not.

MAX: Well, we're going to know some day and you're going to know some day. We're going to sit and wait and we hope that somebody will lead the way.

JULIE: Well, then if you believe in God, you'll give us time to wait on his word.

MAX: Haven't we been giving you time?

JULIE: Yeah. Well, just don't push us.

MAX: Nobody's pushing. We're just making
sure that --

JULIE: Okay. So, what they're saying on the radio is not true?

MAX: You're starting to twist something here but I'm not sure what you're twisting. What part of the media --

JULIE: They won't come -- they won't run those tanks into our building, will they?

MAX: No, they won't.

JULIE: Okay.

MAX: No one has been hurt since the initial misunderstanding in this and that's the way it's going to stay. We're making sure that everyone in there knows that they have an opportunity to remove themselves from those surroundings and come into the rest of the world, the safe world out here, a world where there's --

JULIE: But that world is not safe.

MAX: A world where -- a world --

JULIE: Haven't you heard of all the things that are happening, all the violence?

MAX: A world where the media and the listening public can hear what you have to say, can hear what David has to say, Steve, any and everybody else is going to have their day to be heard. And
nobody's going to come storming in any place and
wiping anybody out. And if we can have our wishes,
nobody is going to be hurt at all, any time, any
place.

David said on the tape tonight that this --
that this is being resolved, that things are going to
work out and that we're going to see -- find who's at
fault in this thing. And that's exactly what's going
to happen.

JULIE: Yeah.

MAX: And nobody's going to get hurt. I
want to make sure that you, your mother and all five
of your children know because I'm going -- I'm going
to have to get back to Joe and, and say something, but
I want to make sure that you know that I played the
tape for you and that I gave you the best
understanding of that tape that I could and that we
talked about it. And that you know that you can come
out of there with your five children and with your
mother at any time you want --

JULIE: (Indiscernible.)

MAX: Listen to me. Don't, don't be talking
to somebody else while I'm talking with you.

JULIE: I was just telling my mom to go get
one of my daughters.
MAX: Okay. I want you to know above all that you can come out of there at any time you want to safety and that no one will harm you and that you will get a chance to tell your story. Okay? I believe -- Joe believes that, I repeated that. I understand that there's going to be a television program that everyone in there is going to watch at about 12:30.

JULIE: 12:30?

MAX: I think so. Everybody's going to be in there watching the TV, and it's going to be something about -- David's mother is going to be on TV, and it's probably something that you will all want to see.

JULIE: Uh-huh.

MAX: I believe it's 12:30 a.m., up until a little after 1:00 or so, Channel 25, I believe.

JULIE: Channel 25?

MAX: I believe so. So, you know, I wanted to make sure that everybody -- do you all watch much TV while you're in there?

JULIE: Well, yeah, we, we see some of, you know, some but we have better things to do.

MAX: Uh-huh. Well, most of us do a lot of the time. But I think this one might be one to watch. Now, again, you know, we have to put all of it in
perspective. We can't believe everything that's -- that, that may be said, but it might give you, you know, something else to think about. Now --

JULIE: They killed all our dogs, too.

MAX: -- what do you want me to tell Joe, you love him? And anything else I can tell Joe?

JULIE: That I want him to look after grandma.

MAX: Want him to look after grandma in Waco, that's right.

JULIE: To look for her.

MAX: To look for her. Well, I'll do that. Now that I know her name -- I wish you could come up with an address and a phone number or something that would help us to find her and we would certainly check into it and see how she was. And we'd let Joe know. We'd get the two of them together.

JULIE: Sheila?

MAX: That TV show is called "A Current Affair."

JULIE: "A Current Affair"? I've, I've heard of it.

MAX: You've heard of it?

JULIE: Yeah.

MAX: Yeah. Yeah. Well, it's the one
everybody's supposed to watch tonight.

    JULIE: The what?

    MAX: That is the show that everyone is supposed to watch tonight.

    JULIE: Yeah.

    MAX: Will you watch it?

    JULIE: Yeah.

    MAX: Okay.

    JULIE: I'm right here in front of the TV. They just turned it on.

    MAX: Well, tell the rest of them in there to watch it, too.

    JULIE: You want everybody here to watch it?

    MAX: Well, probably so, yeah, everybody that wants to, just want to make everybody aware that it will be on.

    JULIE: Yeah. I'm sure everybody will.

    MAX: You sound pretty tired.

    JULIE: Well, it's, you know, it's --

    MAX: Are you tired, Julie? Do you get much rest in there?

    JULIE: Yeah.

    MAX: Are you?

    JULIE: Yeah.

    MAX: Okay. Are all your children healthy?
I saw, you know, a couple of them on TV. Do they have any problems, any illnesses?

JULIE: No, they're all fine.

MAX: Okay.

JULIE: They're all fine. They're -- you know, they're -- they, they don't want to leave, you know. They, they don't want, you know -- I mean they almost killed my children.

MAX: It was a terrible situation.

JULIE: My daughter, my older daughter, you know, they, -- she went to the window and they just started shooting at her window because she was at the window. And then, you know, my other daughter, a bullet went like six inches from her head. And my, my son, you know, the bullet went through the floor. It went, you know, the bullet went through the floor and it -- I mean -- I don't know. I, I think it had to be God that, that kept that bullet from going through the carpet because other bullets did go through the carpet.

MAX: That was -- must have been a terrible thing to live through. I know it was most unfortunate and I think --

JULIE: You know, and what about them? The one -- is anything going to happen to them? They're
going to be free to go out and keep on doing it to other people. And while we, we have to sit in jail till the trial to find out -- see what happens. Is that what you call fair?

MAX: I think the closest thing to jail you'll get, Julie, is where you are right now, that if you come out, there would not be any jail for you. You said you've done nothing. You have five children to take care of. The world recognizes that and will not put you in jail. But you're far from being free where you are if you don't have the right to make up your own mind, if you don't have the right to do as you please. Then you're in a worse place than jail right now.

JULIE: Well, my daughters are here.

MAX: That's nice.

AUDREY: Hello?

MAX: Hi, who's this?

AUDREY: Audrey.

MAX: Audrey. How old are you, Audrey?

AUDREY: 13.

MAX: 13. You didn't get on TV then, did you?

AUDREY: No.

MAX: It was your little sisters that got on
TV. I saw a couple of your brothers or sisters there.

AUDREY: Yeah.

MAX: How come they didn't get you on TV, on the videotape?

AUDREY: I didn't really want to get on there.

MAX: Oh, are you bashful?

AUDREY: Uh-huh.

MAX: I used to be bashful. I know how you feel. Are you doing okay?

AUDREY: Yeah.

MAX: Do you feel okay?

AUDREY: Uh-huh.

MAX: All right. You have enough to eat and drink?

AUDREY: Yeah.

MAX: Are you scared, are you frightened by anything in there?

AUDREY: Yeah.

MAX: What?

AUDREY: Well, everything that's been going on, it's just, you know.

MAX: Where do you -- do you sleep in the same place with a lot of your friends?

AUDREY: Not really. I sleep with my
MAX: Okay. How about your sisters?

AUDREY: They sleep in the same room with me.

MAX: Okay. So, you're all together?

AUDREY: Uh-huh.

MAX: Okay. That's good. Families should be together. Do you ever think about wanting to come out and be with the other children out here?

AUDREY: No.

MAX: You'd rather stay in there where you are?

AUDREY: Yes.

MAX: Okay. I just want you to know that if you ever want to come out, I'm telling you and I'm guaranteeing you that you can do that and that you'll be safe and that you'll be taken care of. Do you remember your Uncle Joe in Arizona?

AUDREY: Yes.

MAX: Did you know that we had talked with him and that he had made a tape for your mother to listen to?

AUDREY: I thought that you might, yeah.

MAX: Did you hear it?

AUDREY: No, I didn't.
MAX: Well, I heard it and it sounds like Joe wants you to come out or would like for you to come out. And he asked your mother to bring you all out and that he would help her take care of you all out here with your grandmother or with him. Would you like that?

AUDREY: No, I'd rather stay here.

MAX: Why do you want to stay in there?

AUDREY: Because I do.

MAX: What's so great about being in there?

AUDREY: My family's here.

MAX: Okay. Don't you have some family out here also?

AUDREY: Huh?

MAX: Don't you have some family out here also?

AUDREY: Yes, I do.

MAX: Do you ever get to see them?

AUDREY: No, not really.

MAX: Wouldn't you like to see the rest of your family, too, and live where they live or be able to come and go and see them when you wished?

AUDREY: Well, I've seen them before, you know, I mean, just family.

MAX: I see. You have an uncle and a
grandmother and who else is out here?

AUDREY: Cousins.

MAX: Around Waco?

AUDREY: No, not really near, no.

MAX: Okay. Is there anything that we could do that would make you want to come out?

AUDREY: No, I don't think so.

MAX: Oh, okay. Well, it was nice talking with you and I hope you get to be on the next TV show that they do.

AUDREY: Okay.

MAX: Would you try? Would you get on the next video so I can see what you look like?

AUDREY: If I can.

MAX: Okay. May I talk with your mother again, with Julie?

AUDREY: Uh-huh.


AUDREY: Bye.

JULIE: Hello?

MAX: Julie?

JULIE: Yeah.

MAX: It sounds like you're getting a little bit tired on me here. Would you like to go rest or watch the TV show or whatever?
JULIE: Yeah.

MAX: Okay. I'm going to let you do that. Just want to tell you one more time that you may come out of there, bring your children --

JULIE: I need time to think about it.

MAX: If you -- yeah, I want you to think about it and if you need it, I'll have Joe at the end of that driveway down there, standing, beckoning to you and all your children to come on out, if that's what you need. And would you be sure and I'm going to call him back and I'm going to tell him and I'm a fair person and I do what I say. I'm going to make sure that someone calls him back, --

JULIE: Yeah, I want -- I just want somebody to look after grandma. She's, you know, she's in her 80s and --

MAX: Oh, Julie, you and your mother are the best ones in the world to look out for your grandma. Why --

JULIE: And --

MAX: -- put that responsibility on somebody else? You're the ones that care. I hear it in your voice. Why don't you come do it?

JULIE: Well, 'cause I have to wait on the Lord.
MAX: Yeah.

JULIE: I have to --

MAX: He works in mysterious ways.

JULIE: Yeah.

MAX: Maybe he needs a leader out of there this time. Maybe he would speak that way.

JULIE: Or maybe if, if God says so, then that's what I'll do but not until God does.

MAX: Are you going to hear him or is David going to tell you when he hears him?

JULIE: Well, I don't know. God works in mysterious ways.

MAX: Yeah. Well, it could be Joe standing at the end of the driveway.

JULIE: It could be. Well, I don't know. So, I just have to wait and see.

MAX: All right. Would you let me be the first to know when he speaks to you, Julie, 'cause I want to see you come out of there? I want to be standing somewhere where I can see you real soon when you come out of there.

JULIE: Well, if God doesn't, you know, I'm waiting on the Lord and whatever says and, you know, that's what shall be --

MAX: Well, I've, I've heard lots of things
blamed on the Lord and the Lord given credit for a lot of things in my life but it's ultimately going to be your decision. You may look forward to it and say it's going to be him. You may look back on it and say it was. But you're going to have to make the move when it comes.

JULIE: Yeah.

MAX: So, you listen closely for it. You search your mind --

JULIE: I have.

MAX: -- your soul and listen closely.

JULIE: I am.

MAX: And make sure you're not ignoring the calling that's been there all along and you can't hear it because someone else maybe putting mufflers on your ears. As I said, I'm going to call Joe and be very sure that he knows we played the tape, you listened to the tape. You said you loved him and he you want him to go take care of grandma.

JULIE: Uh-huh.

MAX: But you're not coming out.

JULIE: Not -- I need time to think about it.

MAX: Well, should you rather tell him that you need time to think about it or that you're not
coming out?

JULIE: That I need time to think about it.

MAX: All right. I'll tell him that. Be sure that you and everybody in there watch the show tonight.

JULIE: Yeah. Yeah, I'm right here in front of the TV. We're waiting for it to come on.

MAX: Okay. Who else is around there? Let me talk to somebody else. You're getting tired of me, I can tell.

JULIE: Let me see. Just a minute.

MAX: Just pick a body and bring him to the phone. I'll talk to anybody.

[gap]

STEVE: Hello, Max?

MAX: Hello, Steve?

STEVE: Yeah.

MAX: Well, I just told her to pick a body and bring him to the phone. And she picked you.

STEVE: Oh, I see.

MAX: That's all right.

STEVE: Yeah, she's looking down the hallway here and no one's around here right now. Apparently, they all must have turned in.

MAX: Yeah. Well, it's about that time.
STEVE: Yeah.

MAX: But you're going to have a, a group up for the, the show tonight, though, aren't you, the TV show?

STEVE: Just a minute. One second.

[gap]

STEVE: Yeah. All the reports, of course, you know, we've been hearing all over the radio stations. Everybody's been telling me about it anyway, that tanks are going to be coming and crushing the place down. That's, you know, all day long the same reports.

MAX: (Laughs.) Well, you know how those people get a little bit carried away.

STEVE: Uh-huh.

MAX: You know, they can see the Starship Enterprise fly over or --

STEVE: I would imagine.

MAX: -- the green -- Good Year Blimp or something and they would tie it to this situation.

STEVE: That's about it.

MAX: Now, no, no mistake about it and don't, don't let me get in a bit of crossways with you here, I'm not denying that there have been some, you know, additional material out there because of some of
the statements that were made in the last few days about blowing things up and this, that and the other.
You all are adept in preparing as you've said for some time and we have to be in a preparing position quite often, too. So, based on what's been said, we've had to prepare for any situation that, you know, might have been alleged or insinuated. So, you know, there we go. We have some, some heavy stuff but, you know, what's really happened in the last week? Nobody's been hurt, nobody's been even threatened in any way.

STEVE: Uh-huh.

MAX: So, it's all a defensive protection.

STEVE: Oh, yeah, I am, you know, obviously, I'm not concerned about it.

MAX: We've had a real good, what, 24 hours now from what I can tell.

STEVE: Uh-huh.

MAX: The milk issue, the tape coming out, things have just really smoothed out here. You know, you were on this media thing a little earlier and talking about the (Indiscernible)

STEVE: Uh-hum.

MAX: Hold on just a second.

STEVE: All right.
MAX: Oh, when you made -- showed some concerns earlier about the comments made by our people on radio or TV that said you all had been obscene or threatening or what was the phrase they used -- taunting.

STEVE: Right.

MAX: I've -- I watched the last news conference that our bosses held and from that, I saw that they did make some reference to some of the words that were used the other night. And I don't know whether they called them obscenities or profanities, but they did make some mention of there being an escalation in that type of terminology and that's --

STEVE: Really? You see, I didn't -- for the first time I didn't see the press conferences --

MAX: Oh, okay.

STEVE: -- like today, for instance.

MAX: That's probably what, you know, was picked up and repeated and, and you came back as a concern to you. That was said. There was some mention might of -- increase in profanities or obscenities or --

STEVE: Well, the only thing that we reported in relation to anything like that was -- and, in fact, we recognized that it was more than likely
had nothing to do with the F -- the agents here of the FBI because I, I couldn't imagine that they'd be involved in that. And that's when a -- one of our persons were looking out the window and --

MAX: Oh, yeah.

STEVE: -- coming down the road bared their butt.

MAX: Uh-huh.

STEVE: Another one flipped a finger at them. That was the only thing.

MAX: Well, now, wait a minute. Wait a minute. I don't know how you could really get upset about that when you've got it painted on one of your guitars.

STEVE: Oh, and -- well, yeah, well, that's true. But you've got to understand, that's to do what --

MAX: It can't be too serious of a thing then if you wave your guitar around all over the world --

STEVE: No, well -- it's never been shown -- by the way, Max, it's never been shown to the public or anywhere. And the reason he put it on there is mainly because the argument -- the challenge isn't so much with the world that doesn't understand or make
any claims about the Bible or God. There's a lot of people in this world that are worldly wise. They sit back and they watch all these people professing God and professing Jesus Christ and they look at the works of these people and, and they see it as being a joke, as not a -- a non-reality.

MAX: Uh-huh.

STEVE: So, like myself, I don't claim to know God. I don't claim to know Christ because my actions have not shown that all my life even though I've tried this, I've tried that, I've compared religion and -- but the reason -- if you look at the guitar again very close, God is saying through all the prophets in the last days, he's -- God a person, a spokesperson in his behalf and it's called a ravenous bird. One of the greatest prophecies is found in the writings of Solomon in the Book of Ecclesiastes, a man who was to be the wisest man that ever lived, summed up all his life's experiences and his testimony in saying, well, it's found in Chapter 12. And it goes on to say that the creator will rise up at the voice of the bird. What bird? All theologians should be asking that question.

MAX: I don't think that's the bird they had in mind.
STEVE: Well, no, but if I can -- we could take you through chapters of Ezekiel, Jeremiah, Isaiah. And like Isaiah 56, you'll find out God is hot about people that claim to know him in the final days and do not know his warning message to the world, how you are to be prepared, how you're going to miss the catastrophes, the judgments that will be poured upon this world. See, that's the thing. So, like in Malachi Chapter 2, it says God is so mad with ministers and priests, he's going to spread the shit of animals on their faces in the final days. Now, the Hebrew literally says the word that I gave. People are shocked to see that God uses language like that but he does because in these final days it's something that's very sharp to the point that people understand.

MAX: Okay. Well, there's no problem with there being reported then an increase in profanity if that's the way he planned it.

STEVE: Well, see, well, that's about it.

MAX: Okay.

STEVE: But, see, like with that guitar, for instance, when people claim and when they're making money off of a book that they really don't know and understand -- and that's been proven by our traveling the world -- allowing them to open up the pages by
asking questions they cannot answer. So, here you have the, all these men just moving the masses by feelings, not by facts, not by the sure word that God said is so true and all true in every generation. So, this is why we had our artist draw a picture such as that. David said, this is what we need. Then it gets the reaction of people saying, well, what about this, what are you really saying? Well, glad you asked the question. You want to see something opened up from your Bible? You go wrestle with the issues. We'll show you something, how the pieces of the puzzle fit. You go back and wrestle with the issues. If there's a God, you ask for a spirit of discernment to see what the truth is and what is not. See, this is really what is meant by that. But it's a serious thing when men claim to know God, making money off the masses, moving the masses. But like it says in Isaiah 56, they slumber, they're greedy dogs. They never get enough. They, they don't bark, they don't warn the people as to what God's impending judgments and that which is coming upon the world is.

MAX: Steve?

STEVE: Yeah, go ahead.

MAX: I'm used to hearing David preach but I don't, I don't know that I've ever heard you get this
involved before.

STEVE: Oh, I do frequently.

MAX: Before you get -- huh?

STEVE: Yeah, recently I haven't but, you know, the man that showed me these things is right here.

MAX: Uh-huh.

STEVE: So, I always learn something new when he speaks. So, I do a lot of listening.

MAX: Okay. Sue Johnson --

STEVE: Uh-huh.

MAX: -- called, from Cambridge, Wisconsin.

STEVE: And when did she call?

MAX: Last night.

STEVE: Uh-huh.

MAX: Called in down here.

STEVE: Okay.

MAX: Again, I didn't personally get a chance to talk with her but she asked that we play you a message from her. Are you in a situation there that you can listen to it?

STEVE: Sure.

MAX: Okay. I'll -- we'll play it for you. Hold on. I don't know the volume and how much static will be involved but just bear with me. Hold on.
STEVE: All right.

MAX: I'll be back -- I'll be back after -- I'll be back after it's over with.

STEVE: Okay.

MAX: Okay.

(Max plays message from Sue Johnson to Steve):

SUE JOHNSON: Hi, Steve, this is Sue. And you know we've told you how much we love you and you know we care about you. Steve, this is a very dangerous situation. And, Steve, you know how bad we'd feel if you were hurt or anything happens to you or Judy or Minah. And, Steve, it's not too late. Please, Steve, if there's any way that you can peacefully settle this situation, please do it. Please don't let anything bad happen. You know that if anything happens, we will not be able to handle this. We would not be able to live with anything bad happening to you and, Steve, we want you and Judy to come out and still have some kind of a decent life together. Steve, no matter how far things have gone or what you've done, you know we'll stick by you. And, Steve, you know, you remember all the fun times we've had together and we could have a lot more fun times together and it's not too late for us to still
have some fun times. Please think about this. Think about Judy and Minah and lay down those weapons so that you can come out and live and we can have Christmas's together and have our family back together again. Steve, we care too much about you. Please, Steve, think about -- don't forget all of us and, and Judy and Minah. Steve, I love you a lot and the whole family loves you a lot and I am hoping and praying, Steve, that we're going to see you soon. Please know that we're here for you and we will help you every way possible. We love you, Steve. Good-bye.

MAX: Okay, Steve, I'm back.

STEVE: Okay.

MAX: Sounds like a very caring lady there.

STEVE: There was actually more than one on there, it sounded like. It sounded like a couple of sisters.

MAX: Oh.

STEVE: Unless I'm going deaf, anyway.

MAX: Do you have more than one sister?

STEVE: Oh, yeah.

MAX: Okay.

STEVE: They're all extremely sentimental, emotional and so forth.

MAX: Uh-huh. You're not?
STEVE: Oh, I suppose to some degree everybody is, has, has a soft spot.

MAX: I was reading, again, another one of these media stories but it's an article about you the other day. And it was mentioned that, you know, about you and Judy.

STEVE: Uh-huh.

MAX: And I guess at the time, right before or during the time you were coming into, you know, the situation you're in now. It mentions Hawaii here. I remember, remember you talking about that.

STEVE: Uh-huh.

MAX: What was happening when you -- let's see, it says, read you just a section of it here.

STEVE: All right.

MAX: Says "Howell came along at a critical moment in Schneider's life and he and his wife, Judy, now 41, lived in a Honolulu apartment. Schneider taught comparative religion at the University of Hawaii part-time. That Schneider really wanted to be a minister." With the pastorate opening -- when a pastorate opening went to the nephew of the president of the local Seventh Day Adventist Conference, you became embittered.

STEVE: What? Who, who is this from?
MAX: "Steve was a good talker and he loved people but he became frustrated. Vernon came along at the right time and offered Steve something he couldn't refuse."

STEVE: Is that from Marc Breault or maybe my family or who?

MAX: Doesn't always, you know, how these --

STEVE: I meant to --

MAX: -- they don't always state their sources.

STEVE: Yeah.

MAX: It's just sort of rambling --

STEVE: Yeah, I'm entertained by it.

MAX: -- melange here.

STEVE: No, the truth of the matter is my mother was a Catholic. My dad was a Lutheran. They became Seventh Day Adventist. And --

MAX: It says that Schneider's wife, Judy, was one of Howell's targets. Schneider initially balked at, at Howell's new --

STEVE: Oh, that's good to be Marc.

MAX: -- light.

STEVE: That's definitely Marc. That's from Marc.

MAX: Judy's (Indiscernible) --
STEVE: Max?

MAX: -- became the object of Howell's wrath and the Bible studies. He would condemn her in the studies for wanting to be with Steve. She knew that he was right. She should do it. Otherwise, she would be a whore because she belonged to Vernon. She and Steve had gotten married just because they wanted to be married. They didn't have the Lord's permission. He said they were committing adultery. After the studies, Steve and Judy would get on the motorbike and go for a ride just to be able to touch one another, just for the security, to feel one another.

STEVE: Yeah.

MAX: They've got a picture in here that shows you with Judy. She's a very attractive lady.

STEVE: This is true. She is.

MAX: Miss her?

STEVE: Pardon?

MAX: Do you miss her?

STEVE: Well, she's right here.

MAX: Well, do you miss the way that you were?

STEVE: It's never changed. If anything, it's gotten better. See, there's a lot of stories and rumors that you'll always get, always.
MAX: Well, that's true.

STEVE: Like, for instance, Marc Breault, he was the one that originally introduced me to David. The story that you just heard, that you just read there, there's partial truths to what you were reading.

MAX: Yeah.

STEVE: But it started out incorrect in that, no, I had many opportunities. When it came to the Seventh Day Adventist Church, I knew three of the general vice presidents. There was only one man higher in all of that denomination of 6,000,000 coherents.

MAX: Yeah. Well, it's a lengthy article. It's probably a page and a half.

STEVE: And when it talks about -- I've never ever been embittered with that church or any church. Whoever wrote that is so far from the truth. The truth of the matter is when I considered being a minister back in the early 70s, after going to school for some years, I saw the inconsistencies and the hypocrisy. I saw young men who wanted to be the head of congregations with having degrees and be acknowledged and -- it's a very easy job. I decided after reading how the Aspostles went through what they
did, that was not for me. So, I backed away from it for awhile. And I decided to go back and try it again because I did not see the old-fashioned way of people really getting together and prayer meetings. I did not see people in that church body being concerned, especially the, the ministers, for people's souls, for their physical needs and wants. So, for that reason, I had to take a good look at the very motives why I was even considering doing such a thing. So, ultimately, I thought I'd go back into that church, meaning into the ministry, and make an example. I knew I wouldn't last long because I'm a person that speaks my mind. If I see something --

MAX: Steve, may I, may I interrupt you and --

STEVE: Sure, you can.

MAX: -- make a, make a parable here or whatever --

STEVE: Sure, you could, if you'd like.

MAX: You, you mentioned looking around you and seeing people striving for personal gain and, and satisfy --

STEVE: In the name of religion or the name of God, yeah.

MAX: Okay. Can you look around today and
see anybody --

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