JOHN COX: -- well, I'll pass it on because I know what David said, that he wanted to --

STEVE: David said --

JOHN COX: -- have a prayer session this evening with people that were going to be coming out and if, if this makes it difficult for the prayer session, it won't be held so I hear where you're coming from.

STEVE: Okay, listen, David just said to me, you know, after talking to John Dolan yesterday, you last night, you know exactly what we're about. We're trying to give people an opportunity -- he's letting them ask their questions, finalizing that with them, that they might be sure in their own mind and confident in why they even came here, that they go out. This of course is creating the opposite effect.

JOHN COX: Okay.

STEVE: So, I mean it's up to them. You know, you give it to them. They can continue with this. It's fine. You know, it's their choice, of course. (Koresh in background not discernible.)
Every time -- is John, John --

JOHN COX: I'm sorry. Yeah.

STEVE: Like David said, every time we've
complied with you people and we've worked and every
time it starts becoming a snowball effect where we're
working harder and harder, something like this comes
up and if it's not turning off the electricity and
reneging on like the Newsweek and all that sort of
thing and like happened a week ago Friday, almost 10
days ago. Now here we go again. Anytime we start
trying to do and facilitate the very things that Byron
is talking about, maybe not 40, 50 or 150 people in
the day, but we're working with these people. But
this is the sort of thing that is -- (Koresh in
background not discernible) -- no, in fact, he told
you that last night. He can't even get that many
people in his room. And like I made it very clear
that day that he came down and took a chance of moving
around, he started bleeding all over again. But you
know, it's up to them --

JOHN COX: Well, let me talk to some people
and see what we can do.

STEVE: Sure. No problem, you know. But
like I'm saying for myself,
I --
JOHN COX: We're all -- all the people that you're talking to out here are trying to resolve it successfully.

STEVE: Well, I have a hard time buying that after our third --

JOHN COX: Well, don't. Don't have a hard time because we really are.

STEVE: I talked to John. Well, John, today I talked to John-3 all day and the man may mean well. It might be your psychology games you have between you all. I know when a person goes to buy an automobile, there are dealerships set up were one guy comes on real hard and then you get a softie who finally the person turns to that person, almost --

JOHN COX: Well, we're, none of us are softies and none of us are hardies. We're all, we're all -- we may have a little different personalities but we're all striving for the same thing.

STEVE: Byron and John-3 today -- the way Byron came on in the evening. I mean, well, you know, here we are working with you and Dolan and thinking we're getting somewhere and bingo, I mean, you know -- (Koresh in background not discernible) -- it is, that's what I told him. It happened 10 days ago on that Friday night. We were on a roll. Things were
starting to pick up and bang. So you know --

JOHN COX: Let me go talk to some people.

STEVE: Okay.

JOHN COX: That's the best option I have.

STEVE: All right.

JOHN COX: Okay.

STEVE: David is here strumming on the guitar so he'll be awake.

JOHN COX: Uh-oh. Don't let him strum too long.

STEVE: No, okay.

JOHN COX: I'll be back in touch with you.

STEVE: All right.

JOHN COX: Bye.


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STEVE: David wanted to know if that's the best your choir can do.

JOHN COX: It's that bad. I don't know.

STEVE: He doesn't know, he said. Just a minute.

DAVID: You've not been privileged to hear this fine selection of music?
JOHN COX: No. No. What is it?

DAVID: It goes like this -- it goes [makes noise]. It's Latin but it's like turned down real low and it's got weird sound [makes noise] --

JOHN COX: If it sped up a little would it make any sense do you think?

DAVID: I believe so.

JOHN COX: Oh, Lord. I don't know.

DAVID: It might be bat masking but --

JOHN COX: I don't know. I don't know.

Listen, I passed on --

STEVE: Let them guys know what we're doing.

JOHN COX: -- what you said and actually before I could get a response, Steve called about the other music. You know, I thought -- you were talking about Byron, Byron's --

DAVID: Here it comes again. Here it comes again. Hear it?

JOHN COX: I can't, I can't hear it.

DAVID: Put this phone to the window there --

JOHN COX: I can hear it.

(music)

STEVE: Could you hear it?

JOHN COX: Marvelous, marvelous.
STEVE: John, John --

JOHN COX: I could hear it. Let me tell you. I --

STEVE: Can I say something?

JOHN COX: Go ahead.

STEVE: I mean, this is an experience for me. Living in America all these years, to think our founding -- you know, mature men -- this is 1993. We're going into the Dark Ages, aren't we. I mean, you know, you know what the Dark Ages were about --

JOHN COX: When David, called --

STEVE: -- the persecution of millions of people because they had convictions of conscience and so forth. You know that the prophesies talk about us going back into such a state.

JOHN COX: Listen, when I got the first call to try and --

STEVE: What kind of mindset -- I want to discuss this with you guys --

JOHN COX: Listen. Listen to me Steve. When I got the first call about the monotonous dialogue that was coming over the recorder, I went back to try and find somebody that could resolve that situation.

STEVE: Leave it on because, you know, like
David said --

JOHN COX: Listen to me. I tried to find somebody that could resolve this thing. So, I talked to somebody and the response was that the person that ordered this done will not be back until the morning --

STEVE: The person that ordered it done won't be back until the morning, he said.

JOHN COX: And they made the decision for it.

STEVE: And they made the decision for it.

JOHN COX: Now, when you called me back and you said this owakanobe music or whatever it is is going on. That's what it sounds like, owakanobe, or something.

STEVE: Owakanobe music?

JOHN COX: I don't know what it is.

STEVE: He calls it owakanobe music.

JOHN COX: Well, that's what it sounds like doesn't it? Ow-kan-obe, or something. Anyhow, when you called and said that was going on, I went back and said, well, what can we do. And, the response was, and this was after you told me, hey, nobody is coming out with this, you can play it as loud as you want, ba-ba ba-ba ba-ba, every time we try to comply with something, something goes wrong. So I said, well,
what can we do about it? And, the response was, if you tell us, give us a commitment how many people are coming out, maybe we can do something about it.

STEVE: Yeah. He says, if we make a commitment as to how many people are coming out, then they'll turn it off. (Koresh in background not discernible). He said, you know, he's being really cool and decent about this, with a smile. He says all of us eventually --

JOHN COX: I know that and you know that --

STEVE: You and I both know this is slowing the process down. No question --

JOHN COX: I know what you're telling me. I understand what you're telling me. The question that was posed to me that I'm posing to you, all right. I'm the facilitator; I'm the middleman. I'm posing it to you. How many people are coming out after David has the opportunity to --

STEVE: You're not --

JOHN COX: Let me, let me just pass on what I was asked.

STEVE: I know. Go ahead.

JOHN COX: Let me just pass on what I asked because I already know what your answer is. All right. But let me pass on --
STEVE: What, that this county is ripe for -

JOHN COX: Let me pass on -- come on Steve. All right. I was asked, after David gets done praying with his people and after they go over Micah and after they go over Nam, if the music is turned off, how many people will come out tomorrow. That's the only question I was asked to ask you, or ask David, either one.

STEVE: Well, I just mentioned it to him, so he's not saying anything about it.

JOHN COX: That's what I was asked to check.

(Koresh in background not discernible.)

STEVE: How many were sent out today, in the 24-hour period between last night, later than this period of time right now and --

JOHN COX: Seven.

STEVE: That's correct. Seven.

JOHN COX: The two ladies came out about 12:15 and then five came out during the day.

STEVE: That's right. So that's what David asked.

JOHN COX: Huh? Well, I know that. But all I was asked was to have the music turned off to give David the opportunity to spend time with these people,
what commitment would he make as far as numbers of people that are coming out tomorrow.

STEVE: David says that he doesn't understand it because instead of speeding things up, it seems like they're trying to hinder it. I mean, honestly --

JOHN COX: I'm not going to argue that with you. All I, all I was asked is to ask a question and to get an answer to that so that we can try to work with this.

STEVE: All I can say is whoever God is or isn't, all these years, I'm kind of glad for an experience like this. I really am. I mean, I never -- can I just talk for a little while?

JOHN COX: Just give me an idea and then talk and talk and talk. Give me an idea.

STEVE: I don't -- he's not -- I asked him. He's not --

JOHN COX: Yeah, what did he say?

STEVE: Nothing. He said what I just told you he said.

JOHN COX: Well, try and help me --

STEVE: Let me just say -- you helped me once --

JOHN COX: All right.
STEVE: I was raised in this country just like you were. I was born here. I went through all the system and everything. I learned about the Constitution. What a great country we have. I always knew that ultimately it would come to this. I saw it eroding years ago.

JOHN COX: Where did you see it eroding?

STEVE: By certain powerful men in certain positions. Tyranny is what the word has been ever since for 6,000 years from this person Cain, there was Cain and Abel. But here, I don't know, it's still a hard thing to believe that in this country that there are men that do things like this. People sitting in their homes are attacked and ransacked just like the examples given to me about the ATF, the mistakes they've made. They don't get out over the airwaves. There ought to be TV programs about things like that.

It's hard to believe that this was the country that was founded by people trying to get away to practice their religious beliefs and not force them on others. It's not happening any more, is it? Are you there?

JOHN COX: I'm listening to you, Steve. Go ahead.

STEVE: What do you think about this America, what's happening now? I mean --
JOHN COX: I think it's still the best --
STEVE: -- this isn't Russia or Siberia.
We're not talking about some African nation or some Hindu gurus or something.

JOHN COX: Steve, when I've talked to you and when anyone else has talked to you, or to David or to anyone else in there, we want to communicate. We want to get a dialogue going, we want to get a rapport build up --

STEVE: Well, I'm actually, no --

JOHN COX: -- and we want to resolve this thing.

STEVE: Listen, John. Can you give me an answer what you think of this kind of thing and America, you know, the way -- America is over 200 years old now.

JOHN COX: Well, I'll tell you about this thing. Some people's patience wear thin and their patience wears thin and they say, look, if somebody wants to not move along fast enough, we going to try and assist them in moving. That's why I said, what kind of a figure can I give to somebody -- and if -- whatever you want to tell me --

STEVE: Round and round the merry-go-round we go.
JOHN COX: Anything that you want to tell me.

STEVE: How do you relate this to someone like George Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Jefferson. Is this what you think they had in mind for this country and the peoples of this country and their guaranteed freedom and rights and consciousness and all the rest? Is that what you think? I was sitting here three weeks ago minding my own business and doing nothing illegal nor did I before that day nor since that time. And all of a sudden, I'm to come out, go through prison, probably, who knows what you kind of people are up to. I -- I'll tell you the truth. I have no idea. I don't know.

JOHN COX: You know, you know how everyone has been treated that's come out of there.

STEVE: I'll tell you the honest truth. The bottom line is, I don't trust the system, period, anymore. Listening to this tells me how far this country has really deteriorated with the men that are in control. No matter what you guys do to me, what happens to me the day I stop breathing, I believe in a God. And all these kinds of things, everything is going to be answered for. Oh, I'm going to stand in the Judgement, John Cox, I am.
JOHN COX: Aren't we all.

STEVE: You bet.

JOHN COX: Sure we are.

STEVE: But I don't believe that 99 percent of the people in control believe it. I don't think that they believe in this book call the Bible. I really don't think so. It's been around a long time. There's a lot of people --

JOHN COX: Well, I hope they do.

STEVE: -- that need a crutch --

JOHN COX: I hope you're wrong and I hope they do. I really --

STEVE: If there's -- I wouldn't care to live any longer if there isn't justice beyond what we find in America.

JOHN COX: Well, Steve, you and I know that the people that have come out of there so far have been treated extremely well --

STEVE: John, you --

JOHN COX: And the justice system in this country -- we're talking the justice system, is the best in the world and everybody is innocent until proven guilty. We've kicked this around and kicked this around. The only reason I called back in there and I wanted to talk to you is to see if you can give
me a figure. Give me an idea.

STEVE: I have been working with you all --

John Dolan -- last night --

JOHN COX: I'm not arguing that.

STEVE: I'm not getting -- John, you guys

get to take a break and all that. I haven't, man, I

was up all night. You knew --

JOHN COX: I'm not arguing that with you.

STEVE: I had 2 hours of sleep. I got up

and start dealing with John-3, man, the push. It's

hard to even think when you're not getting enough

rest. How am I going to talk people into leaving here

when this is going on out here.

JOHN COX: Steve, Steven, I'm not arguing

with you, pal. I think you've been doing a remarkable

job in there. And, I think you've been very patient,

you've been working hard and you've got the right

thing in mind. All I'm saying is, I've got to deal

with somebody and that person said, can you give me a

figure to consider to turn it off.

STEVE: No --

JOHN COX: And that's all I'm looking for.

STEVE: I don't have one, John.

JOHN COX: I'm not here to argue with you

because --
STEVE: I don't have one. I know for sure David's not going to call somebody in tonight and try to compete with all this. I know he's not.

JOHN COX: Well, then let me go pass it on. Okay. Let me go pass it on.

STEVE: I'm waiting.

JOHN COX: Okay. I'll call you back.

STEVE: Okay.

JOHN COX: Thank you.

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UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hello.

JOHN: Hello, is Steve there?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Yes, here he is.

STEVE: Hello.

JOHN: Steve, this is John.

STEVE: John, how's it going?

JOHN: Good. How are you doing?

STEVE: Tired. I've about lost my voice here.

JOHN: Yeah. You lost your voice?

STEVE: Oh, yeah, from all the talking.

Yes, I was up quite late.
JOHN: Steve, there was some mention of the music. We got that turned off last night.

STEVE: Oh, did they? I didn't even realize it. I must have fallen asleep when it was going.

JOHN: Yeah. Okay. Have you been talking to anybody today, Steve?

STEVE: No. In fact, I just woke up about a few minutes ago.

JOHN: Okay. Do you plan on speaking to anybody?

STEVE: First I've got to get my head together here.

JOHN: Okay.

STEVE: Oh, man.

JOHN: Okay. I know you were working hard yesterday.

STEVE: I was quite surprised about that music, if you want to call it music.

JOHN: That was one of the --

STEVE: Did you get to hear it yourself?

JOHN: No, I didn't. What was it?

STEVE: Are you sure you haven't heard it?

JOHN: I'm telling you, I haven't heard it. I wasn't here last night. Gongs? Somebody said it was gongs?
STEVE: It was what?

JOHN: Gongs or chanting or something?

STEVE: What do you call it, gones?

JOHN: G-O-N-G-S.

STEVE: G-0 -- oh, gongs. No, it sounded like a slowed-down version of Gregorian chanting or something like that, or something from a monastery.

JOHN: We got that turned off, right?

STEVE: I don't know, I guess. As I was sleeping, it was going, so I don't know.

JOHN: About 1 o'clock. Do you have anybody that's interested in listening to what you have to say today, Steve?

STEVE: What I need to do is go and see what David is doing and --

JOHN: What's David doing now?

STEVE: I don't know. He's probably sleeping. I don't know. So I'm going to probably get up here in about a second and start moving around and see what we can get going.

JOHN: Okay, Steve, was there a Schider that you mentioned?

STEVE: It was a David Scheidler. I guess he had called from what I'm told.

JOHN: We're trying to run that down and
find out what the conversation was or what the contact was.

STEVE: I see. Okay.

JOHN: So what's the attitude in there?

STEVE: Well, you know, with last night, I talked with just a couple of people because of whatever that was and everybody was like, This is America? This is the United States? Who's in control here? You know, everybody starts, like me, like I talked to John Cox. I said, John, I don't mind. They can turn it up loud and play it morning, noon and night, but is that what this country has degenerated into. A couple of hundred -- here we have a couple centuries that have gone by. You think of people like Madison and Jefferson, and founding forefathers, Abraham Lincoln and I think they'd roll over in their grave, to tell you the truth. I really would -- John, I'm shocked. I really am. This is my country, the country I grew up in? So proud and happy over the Constitution and the way this country has always been. I don't know. I really -- I tell you the truth. You know, the reason why I'm here, and I'm not going to get into some long spiel. I'll just tell you real quick, because of the Bible. It's the only thing that's consistent for answers for me. It is. I
really believe that this country, this world is ripe for judgement. I really do. All these years, man's filled up his cup with iniquity. We've all done our own thing. We're proud and arrogant. Everybody is. Even though all we are is dust. Even though we're all subject to death every moment of every day. I tell you what, I can't wait until it's all over. I'm talking about everything. There's got to be a better way than this. Mankind doing what he does to one another. I came here to study the Bible, not to be murdered Sunday, February 28.

JOHN: Yeah. Steve. That -- I just wanted to clarify something. That music was the idea of one of the tactical guys and I didn't agree with it because you know that if I wanted to talk to you and get some things going, I'm here. You know that.

Right?

STEVE: Yeah.

JOHN: Okay. We appreciate your efforts anyhow. I know you were trying hard yesterday and I'd like you to continue if you would then maybe we can more forward from here. Okay?

STEVE: Sure. All right. So I mean, has that been used on others also? Is that a common thing that the FBI does?
JOHN: I haven't heard of it and I don't think it is.

STEVE: I'll tell you the truth. I never in my life, I mean I could understand if it was the KGB or something in Russia, it makes sense to me.

JOHN: Steve, you know, I'm negotiating with you. You know that?

STEVE: Um-hum.

JOHN: As has John Cox and John Dolan.

STEVE: Right.

JOHN: All right. And we're all friends. And Byron. Okay. And we all feel that we can work this out successfully but you know, as well as I do, that there are two factions here. Do you know what I mean?

STEVE: You bet I do.

JOHN: And you working with us gives up more input to the bosses. They don't tell us everything that they've got planned and that they've got in mind. Now, yesterday, they told us about the music -- or the moving of the stuff and I told you that. I wanted to be up front with you --

STEVE: I don't remember you telling me about any music.

JOHN: No, I mean the moving of the
vehicles.

STEVE: I thought what you said was they were going to move things from the front and not the go-carts and so forth. They crushed three go-carts and there is an Airstream trailer that belongs to an older woman that's not even here right now -- it's about a $30,000 trailer and they -- I mean, it looks not even like an accordion now.

JOHN: Steve, you know that the civil courts and civil process can handle that and you'll have every opportunity.

STEVE: Is that true?

JOHN: Yes, it is. You know, Wayne would be able to advise you on that. You can bring civil suits against the government for all of that damage.

STEVE: I guess I'm just lacking in understanding about those kind of things.

JOHN: Well, Steve, if you came out and brought up those questions and got an attorney. You've got two attorneys that have been retained by your sister to represent you, Zimmerman and Levine, who have a great reputation and they could help you with that stuff and help the other people in there too.

STEVE: Well, like you and I know, I've been
definitely taking about everybody there is here and working on it. I don't -- I really didn't understand the tactics yesterday and --

   JOHN: As I don't either.

   STEVE: All the way through, I mean, especially when I thought it was the best day. There was seven people in less than 24 hours and I never quit. I never quit.

   JOHN: Steve, I appreciate your efforts.

   STEVE: When they wanted everybody, like I told you, even yesterday, I was willing. What should I do, grab somebody by the neck or the collar, or something and try to pull them out? I mean, I wouldn't have gotten very far.

   JOHN: Do you remember yesterday when we first started talking and I mentioned the word imperative and critical? Okay. Those weren't my words. Those were the words that I was told to tell you. Those weren't my words and they don't tell me everything that they have going but they said it was imperative and critical that a substantial progress be made yesterday and then when it wasn't, it's out of my hands. So, you know, the best deal for you is dealing with us and showing us some good faith.

   STEVE: Well, I thought that's what I've
done.

JOHN: I know, you've been working and I appreciate that but if you would continue to do that, we can get forward from here and resolve this. Nobody, nobody likes it.

STEVE: Whether it seems like it or not, I mean, we're all fallible as human beings, but my intentions -- I've always wanted to be straightforward and honest and so forth, and what's happened here since that Sunday on through. I mean, like I said, I'm coming out and I know it's all going to work where everybody does come out but I really believe that there's going to be charges manufactured beyond anything of my control or belief that such a thing could happen. I really do. But I mean, it's not going to -- I'll still come out. Whatever this government wants to do with me, I mean, it's fine. It's going to have to be.

JOHN: Steve, you've got good attorneys to represent you.

STEVE: I'll tell you the honest truth, John. I don't trust too much in anything anymore. I mean, that -- right up until that Sunday I did. I had, you know, I've heard things through the last number of years by being in contact with different
professors at universities, from their connections and awareness of what goes on behind the scenes and you know, you always kind of keep -- well, you kind of wonder about those things. So that's why since being in conversation with many of the negotiators, you're in a position where you can know a lot and so that's why I raised a number of questions about different things I've heard about to hear some kind of a response to really see what you guys think about it all.

JOHN: Steve, I wouldn't be here talking to you if I didn't want to resolve this peacefully and have everybody come out of there and go through the system and be represented in court and --

STEVE: Can I ask you a question again. What kind of a system do those -- somebody made some mistakes in the ATF. Someone really did and if they don't come to the conclusion that they fired first and what they did by shooting at David's room from the chopper, if that doesn't come out and it's suppressed and that wouldn't surprise me if it was. But what's going to happen to some of those individuals if by chance that is a total honest organization and they find the facts as they are and they are brought out. What's going to happen to some of those? Those that
fired first? If it was a mistake or whatever else. I mean, it would be a mistake in the first place. A chopper -- three of them coming in flying toward the building and you'll find out again. I'm going to tell you. At least you people will know that bullets came from a high diagonal through the water tanks and they were drained immediately. You're going to find something else out when you come and check this place out, if it's left standing or whatever else. If there's someone that's unbiased that comes in, like the Rangers, if they are. I mean, I don't know anything for sure anymore, but I'm hoping that the truth will come out. I really am.

JOHN: Steve --

STEVE: And if we're at fault or whatever else, well, I mean, then, that's the way it's got to be. But so far, there were too many witnesses from what I've talked to and so forth. I don't know. I just don't see any agent from the ATF though that's going to be in trouble.

JOHN: Steve, can I tell you something?

STEVE: Sure.

JOHN: The laws of this land are for innocent citizens --

STEVE: Well, you and I know we're guilty
until proven innocent. We know that for a fact.

JOHN: Listen to me. Let me just tell you that the laws apply to everybody. Okay. They apply to the citizens and police as well. Okay. All right. And these lawsuits and inquiries and things that are going on in this investigation is being looked at by the world and it will be gone through with a fine-tooth comb.

STEVE: Aren't you kind of bothered by that Rodney King incident?

JOHN: Yes, I am.

STEVE: Man, I tell you what.

JOHN: I saw that video tape.

STEVE: It amazes me. It really does.

But --

JOHN: Who is prosecuting those people?

STEVE: But --

JOHN: Steve. Let me back up to Rodney King. Who is prosecuting those people right now?

STEVE: I really don't know. I haven't really followed it too close in honesty.

JOHN: The Federal Government is processing those people. The policemen.

STEVE: Can you tell me something. I don't have much access to information any more. What is
Interpol? I've heard that name used and I wondered what it was.

JOHN: It's an information exchange system among international police agencies.

STEVE: What -- I mean, international police agencies. What is, I mean, what -- like the CIA or something?

JOHN: Scotland Yard, FBI, Germany, you know. And all they do is exchange information.

STEVE: I see. I just heard that word used a few times and I wasn't aware of it.

JOHN: Steve, it's 9 o'clock now, 9:15. Okay. STEVE: Uh-huh.

JOHN: Why don't you talk to some of the folks there and see if we can get working and we'll go forward from today. I'm here. I'm trying to work with you and if I can show them something that will keep the -- the people on the outside are frustrated.

Okay. And if you can work with me --

STEVE: I can't understand why.

JOHN: And if you can work with me, then, you know, I can keep things that disrupt this from happening.

STEVE: I'm working. I'm working.

JOHN: It's been 22 days and we appreciate
your efforts. Believe me. I know we may have some
differences and maybe you doubt my sincerity but I can
tell you, I wouldn't be here if I wasn't interested in
trying to help the situation out. And I mean that.

STEVE: Hey, I do believe that. I do.

JOHN: I mentioned yesterday, I've got a 6
year old that said he hasn't seen me for a while. He
said he forgot what I look like. But -- and that goes
for a lot of the people that are here and in there.
Okay.

STEVE: Yeah.

JOHN: Okay, so, want to give you some time
to get going and we'll --

STEVE: John, do you mind if I ask you a
couple of personal questions? You might not want to.
If you don't want to, it's fine.

JOHN: Hey, if I don't want to, I'll tell
you I don't want to.

STEVE: All right. Religiously, what kind
of a background have you had? Have you had any?

JOHN: I'm Catholic.

STEVE: Okay, so do you think there is a
God?

JOHN: I sure do.

STEVE: You do?
JOHN: I spent 13 months in Viet Nam, Steve, and it made a believer out of me.

STEVE: Really. Okay. I just wondered because a lot of people out there are atheists and agnostics and all the rest but, you know, but I mean, with a Catholic background not many were encouraged from the time they were small to look at the Bible or to study it or anything, but, it's a lot of traditions of men and opinions about God.

JOHN: Steve, let me just tell you that I'm not here to be converted but I'm here to help you. Okay.

STEVE: No. No. I'm not -- I know that. Listen, you don't understand also that what my work has been up until that Sunday is, I talk to people from all walks of life, from everywhere. I've been -- I might not seem like it, but I've been quite a listener. If someone has something to say that pertains to my well-being, my safety, my advancement, fulfillment in this life and want to come, I think there is something to come. I really do. I mean, we're just too complex of beings to have got here through a process of evolution. I don't have that kind of faith to buy evolution. But, my major concern is that --
JOHN: I agree with you.

STEVE: -- I really see that these prophets and dying and leaving a testimony, many of them persecuted and so forth for what they had to say in their day and their testimony has been brought down to this final, this generation. You and I know every generation people think they're living in the last days and that's been going on as long as mankind has been wondering what death is all about. But finally the book talks about a man that comes that can't work miracles but he can open up what the testimonies are and make it clear. Like a lot of pieces of a puzzle, one big clear picture. And I believe that's here. I've seen and watched people trying to convert-- controvert the man. It's not happened but I'm concerned about you as a person. I've talked to you eleven of you people. I like you all. I really do. And I know that even though with your physical eyesight and so forth you look at this world and its makings and what's happening and your job and your family and all the rest. I look further, beyond that, all the time because I know that any day I can answer before God. I believe there is a God of mine, a Supreme Being and I believe there will be a judgement. The whole system of the world, of America that the
judgement that we have, the attorneys, the mediation, all that. That's something that's based upon the Judaic-Christian thing that goes back about 4,000 years but it goes back further because that's what God is all about. And you and I will stand there -- I want to live forever. I'd like to see you live forever. If you ever have the time and you read in Isaiah 49, you'll find out if you make it, John, do you know that your son is guaranteed eternal life? If you read those last ten, fifteen verses of Chapter 49 of Isaiah, Isaiah 49, you'll find that if you make it, you do it right, your son is guaranteed, or your children. I like those kind of promises. God knows and sees the innocency of children.

JOHN: Steve. Steve, I've got my faith and you know what, I've got faith that we're going to work this out and we can start today and if you start working, we'll do it.

STEVE: Well, -- John, I'm going -- I'll be coming out. There is no question about that, but the truth of the matter is I don't think -- I mean, I'll come out. I don't think I'll be getting a fair shake. I'll tell the world, hey, I'm innocent. I was here to study the Bible. I was in a room from the time I heard bullets riddling the front door area. I mean,
that's all I can be saying. I never say anybody, the truth is. But immediately, I'm on the phone saying stop. Whoever it is, stop. Let's talk. There's women and children. Wayne and I both -- you know, you have all the tapes. But I still believe that they'll manufacture probably a hundred things for me --

JOHN: Steve --

STEVE: Seriously, I mean, I'm talking to you straight right now.

JOHN: I know you are. I know you are.

You're concerned.

STEVE: And the only thing that my innocence one day will only be shown in the light of the judgement of God. I'm serious. I believe that. I don't think this agency, this federal agency that came here for whatever purpose and intention, nothing is going to happen to them. I know they want blood. I've seen it in the eyes. I've seen it in the demeanor and in the statements of the spokesperson for them. And I'm afraid because you're a sister agency that somehow or other, you're going to be involved more -- producing evidence. Maybe even suppressing it, I don't know. I hope not. I can't imagine that would happen but when I heard the music last night. If you want to call it music or whatever it is. And -
JOHN: Steve, let me just stop you one second on that point. Okay.

STEVE: I hope this is being taped and I hope you don't destroy any of the tapes. One day I'd like to hear it all again myself.

JOHN: Steve. This is evidence. Okay. And I want to impress something else on you. Yesterday, you worked and talked to people and got seven people out of there. All right. Don't you think that would give you some credit?

STEVE: I don't --

JOHN: I know how hard you've been working in there.

STEVE: I think that that all will be passed off and it's not a big deal anyway. I'm serious. I don't think that's going to be any big deal.

JOHN: Steve, you know, you don't trust the system but it does work and --

STEVE: Well, I did but as time goes on -- I'm glad I told John Cox last night -- I was glad for living in this century at this time and experiencing even like last night. I mean, I've been a person like yourself, well, not like yourself. I don't know what you've done. You've been involved in a lot of things
that I haven't but I've sat in a nice home and so forth and only looked at the TV what the news has. Is the press going to have access? Will they have been able to have heard the sounds that were played last night? I wonder if Americans sitting in their nice cozy homes know what's all going on.

JOHN: The press probably heard those sounds.

STEVE: Probably. I hope they have but maybe not. I do know that you people, John, you people have so controlled them beyond anything that I thought was ever possible in America. That scares the heck out of me for America at large. It does. I've always been concerned because of Abraham Lincoln saying that this country never would be taken from the outside but the inside. Man, in his selfishness, in his innate selfishness. You can look at the fall of the Roman Republic, which was once a republic, became a democracy -- did you know that this country when it was founded was really a republic? And now it has moved to a democracy, ultimately socialism, tyranny. That's the direction we're going, John. I'm sure --

JOHN: Steve, listen --

STEVE: John, do you mind if I just talk for a little bit, unless you don't -- I mean, I'm going to
get off the phone, of course. But, this is my
concerns, you know, I'm for your freedoms. I'm for
you being able to express yourself or worship or not
worship. Or believe that there is no God or whatever
else you might be into, I mean, I'm not a person that
wants my will enforced upon another. I never have
been that way. But, I'll tell you the truth, like you
and I are talking here and I don't have any -- not too
much faith anymore in this system, in this society we
have here. It was warned by God in the writings of
the Bible and by great men like Abraham Lincoln and
Jefferson, Madison, what could come of this country if
the men and women of this country weren't vigilant for
freedom. You know, government has taken control and
it's taking greater control, more freedoms are being
taken from us, you and I. Let me say, I'll probably
be in trouble for it but I believe ATF has been
brought about as an agency to take away those freedoms
slowly but surely, insidiously. And I see that's what
happening, John. I believe that, unless somebody --
I've got open ears. You can show me something else.
But I feel over time it's going to be to the place
where they're going to push for gun control. No one
will have any guns. I think that the founding
forefathers wanted individuals to be allowed to have
guns against the tyranny and the possible tyranny of their own government. Just like what happened in Europe for centuries and centuries. Well, what do you think about that, John, what I just stated? Do you see that as a possibility or no or what?

JOHN: Steve, we aren't far apart on that all but what I wanted to mention to you is that you're going to have every opportunity to make all your statements --

STEVE: What do you think about -- no, I know. I don't believe that's true John. I'll tell you right now I don't believe I will be able to, but, you know, that's irrelevant. I told you, I'm coming out. You know, I am. And, you know, but the things I just said --

JOHN: When are you thinking of coming out, Steve?

STEVE: Well, you know, after getting to work with these people and getting at least a good majority or a large number of them moving, that's what I'll do, so --

JOHN: Will you continue to work on it with me today and we can resolve it?

STEVE: Yeah, I will be but I'd sure like, you know, I've made some statements, I've asked you
some questions and, you know, some time throughout the
conversations of the day, if you would, or if you -- I
mean, I'd like to have you to react to some of the
things I've said. Even if it's your own opinion.

JOHN: Steve, but my personal feelings
aren't the issue here, okay. I'd tell --

STEVE: That's what I'm telling you though,
John, neither or mine. This only helps me take just
kind of a little breather or a break because, you can
tell my mouth is already dry. I'll be, I mean, I'm
telling you, you'll see in the judgement one day, I
mean, I really did talk to these people. And, for a
long, long, periods of time. And I told you again,
I'm going to be doing my work, but in honesty, I'm
just curious --

JOHN: And I'll be here.

STEVE: -- about this government of mine.

That I thought was mine, I was a part of this system,
of American freedom and the greatest nation that the
world has ever seen. But it's being brought down.
I'm concerned about that too, John. I mean, I believe
my eyes are open. I think I've seen enough through
life to see a direction of this country that I really
don't like and I'm convinced that I can't do anything
about it anyway. If Revelation 18 says in the final
days of the earth's history that the merchants were the great men of this earth and by their sorceries, they deceived all of the earth, I believe that is a very solid statement. I think that the evidence is there to show that and I don't think one has to look very long and hard to find it. I really don't. Even though yourself, you're in an agency that seems very honorable and I always though it was, but to tell you the truth, I mean, last night, it shows you something. I don't know, it just makes you wonder. Definitely makes you wonder.

JOHN: Steve, Steve, if I wasn't concerned about all of you in there, I wouldn't be talking to you. You know it and I know it. Okay. Can we start today?

STEVE: You know, like it -- I'll tell you the truth. You know what I was concerned about yesterday, from the time the seven people did come out, I mean, I told you I worked hard --

JOHN: I know, I could hear you.

STEVE: -- and then all of a sudden -- still whether they forced you to do it or whether it was your choice, or the way you use psychology or whatever --

JOHN: Steve.
STEVE: Wait, wait. Let me just say John that, you know, there was such a, I mean, I could hardly talk to those people very long at all and you'd be back on the phone. And like I told you, because I was drawn away so frequently, they were gone. I got back and the 30 to 40 people, half of them were gone and the rest -- you know, they don't -- they get to the place they don't want to hear me and hear what I've got to say. David can open up physics and sciences and sociology, education, all these topics out of a book called the Bible. They're interested in that. They're interested in being guaranteed eternal life because whatever you people do to them and they know they're going into the hands of a dragon. They do know that. Revelations 13 says John sees the time of this earth's history when all the world wonders after the beast and worships the dragon. Everybody has got their feelings and their opinions and -- but they don't know the mind of God, the will of God. They don't know his will. They don't know that in Chapter 50 of Jeremiah that God's got a snare for Babylon and this world is going to be taken unawares. It's going to be like in the days of the flood. Everybody's eating and drinking, giving in marriage and we're all concerned about what we see with our
physical eyesight, the carnality --

JOHN: Steve, hold on. Somebody just walked in with a note here.

STEVE: All right.

JOHN: Brad and Kevin are on a radio talk show from their cells as we are talking right now.

STEVE (aside): Brad and Kevin are on a radio talk show from their cells right now.

STEVE: Thanks. I'll talk to you in a moment.

JOHN: Steve. 1190.

STEVE: Thank you. Bye.


(End of tape.)