TAPE #158

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10:06 p.m. - 8:45 a.m.
(Tape 158)

(Phone dialing)  (Busy signal)

(Phone dialing)  (Phone ringing)

GRAHAM:  Hello?

JOHN:  Graham?

GRAHAM:  Yeah?

JOHN:  This is John.

GRAHAM:  Just hang on a minute.  Steve's coming, I think.

JOHN:  Good.

GRAHAM:  Yeah.  This one, Steve.

MR. SCHNEIDER:  Hello?

JOHN:  Steve?

MR. SCHNEIDER:  What's -- you know what's happened with the other phone?

JOHN:  What other phone?

MR. SCHNEIDER:  We've been -- well, the main phone we've been using is deader than a door nail.

JOHN:  This is the only phone I've been talking to you on.

MR. SCHNEIDER:  What on earth is going on here, Graham?

JOHN:  Hey, I've called in there --

MR. SCHNEIDER:  That one, that one was pulled out?  How?
JOHN: Steve?

MR. SCHNEIDER: Yes?

JOHN: Listen. I called in at 8:08, 8:14, 8:41, 9 -- it rings -- and 10:02 and it just rings and rings and rings and I don't get an answer.

MR. SCHNEIDER: What on -- just a minute.

Let me find out what's going -- I know there's cords everywhere around here.

JOHN: Well, listen.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Yes?

JOHN: We're on the phone now so that's, that's working.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Okay. I'm on a different phone. That's what doesn't make sense because when I was talking to you just an hour ago or whenever it was --

JOHN: Well, we --

MR. SCHNEIDER: -- it was a total different phone here.

JOHN: We haven't done anything different at this end, believe me. I've just been --

MR. SCHNEIDER: Well, I believe you --

JOHN: -- sitting right here.

MR. SCHNEIDER: -- I believe you, I just don't know -- we're looking --
JOHN: What, what's going on with this bird?

MR. SCHNEIDER: Well, he's right now talking
to him trying to find out information from him.
He's -- the guy's at least relaxed now. He seems to
be real --

JOHN: Well, what's his name?

MR. SCHNEIDER: -- stressed out and --

JOHN: Who is he?

MR. SCHNEIDER: He still hasn't given his
name but it sounds like he's from the southern part of
the state --

JOHN: He won't --

MR. SCHNEIDER: -- that much.

JOHN: -- he won't tell, he won't tell David
what his name is?

MR. SCHNEIDER: Well, now -- well, he's kind
of relaxed now. You know, he's sitting there, David's
offering him a little food. He says relax now and,
and the guy's --

JOHN: Look, look. Let me, let me tell you
the bottom line.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Yeah.

JOHN: We want him out of there because we
don't need a problem and the problem could be that
unless you've got this fellow hog-tied he's free to
roam around all he wants --

MR. SCHNEIDER: Oh, believe me, we're --

JOHN: -- he can walk out a door when
somebody goes to, to bed, he can wander around there.
There are weapons in there. We don't need any -- you
don't need a problem, we don't need a problem.

MR. SCHNEIDER: We have -- you know, we have
a number of people watching him, you know,
constantly --

JOHN: I, I hope.

MR. SCHNEIDER: -- so he's not going to be,
he's not going to be loose or anything here.

JOHN: He did not sound like the most sane,
rational individual.

MR. SCHNEIDER: I must admit as yourself
that when he was on the outside and -- he was --
someone -- see, what all happened, we heard someone
banging at the door and we couldn't figure out what
was -- and then someone came and got me and I says
well, what's going on, and they says, well, there's
somebody outside the door. And finally I looked out
and I says, well, who are you and, and we didn't know
if it was from you
guys --

JOHN: Well, well --
MR. SCHNEIDER: -- if you were pulling something on us. We weren't sure what was happening.

JOHN: The, the bottom line is we want you and David to convince this guy -- he may be the nicest guy in the world, fine fellow, well -- we want him out of there because --

MR. SCHNEIDER: Well, that's why David -- you know, but David, you know, having the kind of heart he does for humanity has got the guy at least relaxed now --

JOHN: Well --

MR. SCHNEIDER: -- he's trying to --

JOHN: Well, that's good. Relax him.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Yes, he's calmed down now and he's --

JOHN: But, but the bottom line is --

MR. SCHNEIDER: (Indiscernible) communicate with the guy.

JOHN: -- we want him out, you know? The bottom line is we want him out of there. We don't need a problem inside --

MR. SCHNEIDER: Believe me --

JOHN: -- we don't need a problem tomorrow.

MR. SCHNEIDER: -- believe me, John, I don't
want anybody running around that's half gone that -- I can't even sleep, even the two hours I've been averaging here is --

JOHN: That's right. That -- well, you, you had to average a little more since yesterday and today, you know?

MR. SCHNEIDER: Well, yeah, I, I did pretty good last night.

JOHN: Because nobody bothered --

MR. SCHNEIDER: I think I got about five --

JOHN: -- you last night.

MR. SCHNEIDER: -- five or six hours I had.

JOHN: Hey, nobody bothered you last night and said let David do his --

MR. SCHNEIDER: That's true. That's true.

JOHN: -- his praying and his counseling and nobody bothered you on the Sabbath. So --

MR. SCHNEIDER: What happened now? Is Jennifer going to be back on tomorrow then? She said she had a --

JOHN: Oh, I don't know.

MR. SCHNEIDER: -- few things she wanted to share with me. I told her well, just not on the Sabbath (indiscernible).

JOHN: I, I have, I have absolutely no idea.
She probably got off around 6 o'clock so that I don't know.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Right.

JOHN: But the issue that we have to cover this evening, okay, the only issue that we have to cover this evening is that guy's got to come out of there and we have to find out who the hell he is. Okay?

MR. SCHNEIDER: Well, that's what we're trying to do too --

JOHN: Okay.

MR. SCHNEIDER: -- is trying to get now where he's at least speaking reasonably sanely so --

JOHN: You work at it.

MR. SCHNEIDER: He seems to be okay now. I mean, he --

JOHN: Do I have to talk to David --

MR. SCHNEIDER: -- more normal --

JOHN: -- about it?

MR. SCHNEIDER: -- he seems very normal and --

JOHN: Let me ask you: do I have to talk to David about it or can you --

MR. SCHNEIDER: Oh, I mean it's not necessary (indiscernible) of course.
JOHN: Can you talk to David and get, get our concern to him?

MR. SCHNEIDER: Of course.

JOHN: Whether you got to whisper in his ear, whatever you got to do, tell him we need that guy out of there before he is a total embarrassment as far as the potential threat that can be caused in there. I don't want anybody to get hurt inside that place and I don't want him to stir something up that will just put us in turmoil. You know it and I know it, right?

MR. SCHNEIDER: Hmm.

JOHN: We've gone too far to let somebody that's unbalanced cause a problem who just wanders in. I mean, that's the bizarre part.

MR. SCHNEIDER: I must admit it was a pretty unique experience. I mean, I, I -- it's hard for me to be believe even to be honest with you.

JOHN: Well, well --

MR. SCHNEIDER: I mean, --

JOHN: -- do what I ask you, will you?

MR. SCHNEIDER: But --

JOHN: You know, be firm about it, that this guy -- you don't know who he is and we sure don't know who he is and --

MR. SCHNEIDER: John, I tell you, I don't
know.

JOHN: -- and he didn't sound very good, good on there and he might be a threat to David too.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Well, I must admit my eyes were big and round too about the time I was talking to you there and he was (indiscernible).

JOHN: Hey, David doesn't need any problems either and, and who knows where this guy's coming from?

MR. SCHNEIDER: Well, he seems to be okay. I guess he's been a little bit too enthusiastic about his understanding of God.

JOHN: That's probably a kind way of putting it isn't it?

MR. SCHNEIDER: Yeah, well, he seems to be much more normal now than he was appearing when he was the door, so --

JOHN: Well, well, listen, talk to David, talk to David and give me a commitment, all right --

MR. SCHNEIDER: Hey, you know what (indiscernible)

JOHN: -- that you're going to get this guy out of there, otherwise --

MR. SCHNEIDER: John, there people actually here thought it was one of you guys pulling something
on us. I had to convince about ten people here hey, no, this guy, I don't know how it happened, but --

JOHN: Well, you know better now don't you?

MR. SCHNEIDER: I mean, remember when you were asking me if it was one of our guys jumping out of the window and coming around to the -- I couldn't figure out what you were talking about.

JOHN: Well, now you do.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Yeah.

JOHN: You, you --

MR. SCHNEIDER: (Laughter)

JOHN: -- you're listening to him aren't you?

MR. SCHNEIDER: Jumping out the window (indiscernible).

JOHN: Listen, give, give me a commitment --

MR. SCHNEIDER: Okay.

JOHN: -- Steven, that you will talk --

MR. SCHNEIDER: (Indiscernible)

JOHN: -- you'll talk to David and --

MR. SCHNEIDER: Yes, I will be, yes, I will be.

JOHN: -- I'm going to call you back in a half hour. Let me know you're making some progress, otherwise I got to talk to David --
MR. SCHNEIDER: (Indiscernible)

JOHN: -- to get that guy out of there. We don't want to play around with him, okay? And when I -- do me a favor.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Yeah, yeah.

JOHN: I'm going to hang up. You call me right back and make sure that thing works.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Okay. Now, is this one of those that is --

JOHN: Okay?

MR. SCHNEIDER: -- to just -- all you do is pick it up and it's to ring through (indiscernible)

JOHN: I guess so.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Well, let's try it. Okay.

JOHN: Okay. If, if, if not --

MR. SCHNEIDER: I'll talk to you in -- just in a minute.

JOHN: -- I'll call you back.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Okay, good.

JOHN: All right.


JOHN: Bye.

(Phones hung up)

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JOHN: Hello?
MR. SCHNEIDER: Hello, John?

JOHN: Yeah.

MR. SCHNEIDER: It's working.

JOHN: Okay.

MR. SCHNEIDER: I don't know what -- now, I'm telling you, this is a weird thing because when, when you called before I was on a total different phone. I, I was sure the one line -- remember you guys gave us two lines recently, right, I mean one and the next day we got another. Is that true?

JOHN: Yeah, I guess so.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Yeah, it is.

JOHN: I guess so.

MR. SCHNEIDER: So --

JOHN: Yeah, I know there are two phones in there.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Well, we -- what we did was switch the phone to this last line --

JOHN: Okay.

MR. SCHNEIDER: -- and it's been working until all of a sudden you say you've been trying to like call even in the past hour, I don't know what's going on.

JOHN: Yeah. I called from 8:08 to 10:02.

MR. SCHNEIDER: And then I heard the
loudspeaker. I heard that.

JOHN: Okay.

MR. SCHNEIDER: I came out, I grabbed the phone and it was deader than a door nail, the very one I've been using. So I --

JOHN: Well --

MR. SCHNEIDER: -- I don't understand what --

JOHN: -- what phone are you on now?

MR. SCHNEIDER: Well, it's one that you guys gave us and I, I think it's the first line --

JOHN: Okay.

MR. SCHNEIDER: -- that you put through.

JOHN: Well, whatever phone you're on it's clear and when you pick it up --

MR. SCHNEIDER: Okay, good.

JOHN: All you did is pick it up?

MR. SCHNEIDER: No, this time I, I dialed. This time I dialed.

JOHN: What did you dial?

MR. SCHNEIDER: 799-0545.

JOHN: Okay, okay.

MR. SCHNEIDER: So it works, so --

JOHN: Okay.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Okay. So, a half hour.

JOHN: Well, that's all you have to do call
us then.

    MR. SCHNEIDER: All right.
    JOHN: That number works.
    MR. SCHNEIDER: Give me a buzz in a half an
    hour.
    JOHN: Listen, there are so damn many phones
    in there I don't know which one's working and which
    one isn't.
    MR. SCHNEIDER: I tell you, I know it. I, I
    -- it's true.
    JOHN: Well, are you, are you fairly close
    to David?
    MR. SCHNEIDER: Very close, very close.
    JOHN: Okay. How's he feeling?
    MR. SCHNEIDER: Do you know, I mean I was
    quite surprised because when I was here talking to
    you --
    JOHN: Uh-huh.
    MR. SCHNEIDER: -- and then this guy here,
    I'm trying to figure out what on earth to do with him,
    he heard all the commotion. He comes limping down
    through the hallway.
    JOHN: Uh-huh.
    MR. SCHNEIDER: I looked up and there he
    was. I mean, the guy can't walk worth anything. I'm
concerned that he'll probably start bleeding again. So he, he kind of leaned over and looked at the guy, asked him a few questions and finally --

JOHN: Well, did you guys bring the, bring the guy up to where David's staying?

MR. SCHNEIDER: No, no, no, we left him right in the -- you know where the front door is?

JOHN: Yeah.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Just -- I'm talking just feet from there. Just put a chair down and told him to stay there.

JOHN: I wouldn't let him wander around in there.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Oh, no, positively not.

JOHN: Okay.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Positively not.

JOHN: Listen. I will call you back. I got 10:44. I'll call you back 11:15.

MR. SCHNEIDER: All right.

JOHN: Let me talk to David too when I call back.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Okay. Sounds good.

JOHN: Because I want to get this bird out of there.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Okay. I'll talk to you
then.

JOHN: Okay? Find out who he is too.

MR. SCHNEIDER: All right. We're working on it.

JOHN: Right.


(Phones hung up)

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(Phone dialing) (Phone ringing)

MR. SCHNEIDER: Hello, John?

JOHN: Hey, Steve.

MR. SCHNEIDER: I'm going to take you over to David here. Just hang on.

JOHN: Good.

MR. SCHNEIDER: Try to get this cord out. Boy, I'm watching it because I don't want anything to -- see, okay. Okay. Here we go.

JOHN: Just don't break the line.

MR. SCHNEIDER: No, I'm looking. Here it is.

MR. KORESH: Well, if he's one of yours, I'll tell you what, he's, he's the best one we've ever seen so far.

JOHN: Hey, you've, you've seen some good ones.

MR. KORESH: (Laughter)
JOHN: You've seen -- who is he?

MR. KORESH: Well, he hasn't given his name yet, but he's --

JOHN: With the powers of persuasion that you have you don't have, have his name, address and phone number?

MR. KORESH: I wouldn't be able to write him as it is anyway, so I really haven't -- and I can't call him.

JOHN: Well, well, what are you doing with him right now?

MR. KORESH: Oh, he's sitting right here next to me having a bite to eat and he's (indiscernible)

JOHN: Well, let, let ask you something. Let me ask you something.

MR. KORESH: Go ahead.

JOHN: I want you to send him out and I want you to tell me that you're sending him out right now.

MR. KORESH: I'm not going to send him out right now.

JOHN: Why?

MR. KORESH: Why should I?

JOHN: Why not?

MR. KORESH: Well, why don't you, why don't
you talk to him?

JOHN: He refused --

MR. KORESH: If he wants to know the seals.

JOHN: -- he refused to talk to me.

MR. KORESH: He wants to know the seals.

JOHN: He -- I don't buy that one bit.

MR. KORESH: You don't?

JOHN: No.

MR. KORESH: Well, I just can't talk with you then can I?

JOHN: Why? I'm just trying to get a commitment from you. We want him out of there. We don't want this bird wandering around.

MR. KORESH: Why do you use this bird? Now, why do you call him a bird?

JOHN: We don't want this gentleman --

MR. KORESH: (Indiscernible) he might want to be one of the dirty birds of Isaiah 34, you need to learn what Isaiah 34 talks about the dirty birds.

JOHN: Well, explain to him Psalm 75.

MR. KORESH: Well, no, I've explained that to you.

JOHN: We, we don't want him --

MR. KORESH: You're, you're the one that needs --
JOHN: We don't want him aggravating the situation. Listen to me. I don't want him walking outside that door wandering around. You got weapons in there, you got a little different potential problems. We don't need it, you don't need it. I want a commitment from you that you are going to send him out to us.

MR. KORESH: Look, we hold full responsibility of this guy.

JOHN: Well, then I guess I'll talk to you later.

MR. KORESH: Wait a minute.

JOHN: Okay?

MR. KORESH: Hey, listen --

JOHN: I'll, I'll talk to you later.

(Phone hung up)

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JOHN: Hello?

LEWIS: Hello. How you doing today, sir?

JOHN: Who's this?

LEWIS: You doing all right? This is the gentleman of which you've been wanting to speak to but you never actually allowed me to speak.

JOHN: Well, who are you?

LEWIS: (Laughter)
JOHN: You know my name. Who are you?

LEWIS: No, I do not know your name, sir.

JOHN: My name is John Cox. Who are you?

LEWIS: My name is Lewis, sir.

JOHN: Lewis who?

LEWIS: Lewis.

JOHN: You don't have a last name?

LEWIS: Yes, sir, I do. My name is Lewis Anthony Alaniz.

JOHN: Lewis Anthony Alaniz?

LEWIS: Yes, sir, would you like for me to smell -- spell that for you?

JOHN: Sure.

LEWIS: A-L-A-N-I-Z is the last name.

JOHN: And where are you from?

LEWIS: I'm from Louisiana, sir.

JOHN: Oh, really? What part of Louisiana?

LEWIS: I'm from the Lake Charles area, and you can have all the information. Would you like to have my parents' address and my mother's address here in the Houston area?

JOHN: Sure.

LEWIS: Sure. My daddy's address is in Louisiana, actually it's a P.O. Box --

JOHN: Okay.
LEWIS: -- but it's P.O. Box 61, West Lake, Louisiana 70669. My address in Houston, I'd appreciate it if you'd tell my mama that I am absolutely okay, that these people here --

JOHN: What's your mother's name?

LEWIS: -- are actually doing a good thing for me, you know? Because they're actually showing me something in which I've been trying to study out of the Bible but yet no church would actually show me.

JOHN: What's your mother's name, Lewis?

LEWIS: Well, her name is Anita Young.

JOHN: Okay.

LEWIS: Yeah. You can probably catch her at home right now if you tried.

JOHN: Hang on just a second.

LEWIS: Would you like for me to give her your telephone number?

JOHN: Sure. Would I like you to give me --

LEWIS: Her telephone number.

JOHN: That's right.

LEWIS: Good. Would you like that?

JOHN: Sure.

LEWIS: Okay. Tell her it's 590-2173, and I hope you do not --

JOHN: 2173?
LEWIS: Yeah (indiscernible).

JOHN: And what's the Area Code?

LEWIS: 713. I said it was Houston.

JOHN: Uh-huh.

LEWIS: Do me a favor, do not lie to her.

JOHN: What would you like me to lie to her about?

LEWIS: No, I would not like you to lie at all. I would like for you to tell her that --

JOHN: Why would you presume that I would do that?

LEWIS: Well, I'm listening to your aerial broadcasts out here.

JOHN: You are?

LEWIS: Yes, and it's kind of interesting.

JOHN: That's not the FBI.

LEWIS: Well, I don't know who it is, but yet I know it's not accurate.

JOHN: Well then don't, don't make accusations if you don't know who it is.

LEWIS: Okay. Well, I can understand that (indiscernible) sir.

JOHN: That's coming off of a radio station --

LEWIS: (Indiscernible)
JOHN: -- that's a radio broadcast that's being retransmitted and it's not the FBI.

LEWIS: Okay.

JOHN: So don't be making false accusations.

LEWIS: All right. I will respect that and say that I was wrong about that.

JOHN: Because if we call your mother we're certainly not going to make false accusations.

LEWIS: Very good. Tell her that I'm all right.

JOHN: Is David there?

LEWIS: Yes, he's here.

JOHN: I'd like to talk to him.

LEWIS: Yes. One moment, please.

(Pause)

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Crazy bastard

(speaking in background).

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Check on that guy --

LEWIS: Oh, do me a favor. Hello, sir?

JOHN: Yes?

LEWIS: Can you do me a favor?

JOHN: I may be able to.

LEWIS: Okay. There's no Central Assembly of God, and could you get ahold of my pastor and tell
him that everything is real nice and happy over here, that I'm at -- well, the church is at Audy and Westfield (phonetic spellings) --

JOHN: No, we're --

LEWIS: -- Lauder (phonetic spelling).

JOHN: -- we're not a messenger for other people. We'll contact your mother --

LEWIS: Uh-huh.

JOHN: -- and tell her that you're where you are and that you're safe.

LEWIS: Thank you. I appreciate that. Here you go, Dave.

(Pause)

MR. KORESH: Well --

JOHN: David?

MR. KORESH: -- it's unique, isn't it?

JOHN: Well, that's a strange way of, of putting it, that it's unique. It sounds a little different than unique to me.

MR. KORESH: Well, I mean I can't --

JOHN: Call it, call it what you will.

MR. KORESH: Are you still mad at me?

JOHN: I'm not real happy about what happened the other day and, and --

MR. KORESH: I can't help what happened.
JOHN: You can't? I thought you took a, a very lackadaisical, humorous -- you know, we've got along well for, for 25 days and, and I thought we had a pretty good rapport and I thought we were talking about some real serious issues. And I listened to you for 25 days and I thought I was being pretty polite doing that. We get something going and for 38 hours now no one has left that location.

MR. KORESH: Well --

JOHN: This guy comes -- we gave you a lot of quiet, peaceful time and we respected --

MR. KORESH: John --

JOHN: -- your Sabbath.

MR. KORESH: -- John, what are you --

JOHN: Listen to me. We respected your --

MR. KORESH: John --

JOHN: -- Sabbath. I asked you a simple --

MR. KORESH: John --

JOHN: -- question as to when you're going to let this guy come out of there and you won't give me an answer.

MR. KORESH: John, you respected God's Sabbath, Rosh Kadesh (phonetic), no -- yesterday morning --

JOHN: No, we did you a favor. You said
this was a special, special day for you.

MR. KORESH: All the Shabbats are special, the New Moon --

JOHN: This is not Saturday, this is not Sunday --

MR. KORESH: -- no, no, no, no --

JOHN: -- this was a special day and we respected it. On Saturdays we respected it and --

MR. KORESH: Every --

JOHN: -- and I told you we respect people's religious beliefs didn't I?

MR. KORESH: Read the Scriptures. Every Shabbat of the Scriptures is a Shabbat, not only just the weekly but there's the daily Sabbath, the weekly, the monthly and the yearly.

JOHN: I don't have a problem with that. I don't have a problem with that.

MR. KORESH: But, but all last night, all last night we had to be harangued by all this repetitive --

JOHN: You said it didn't bother you one bit and you sort of liked the music.

MR. KORESH: I did not say that last night.

JOHN: Yeah, you did.

MR. KORESH: That was the night for worship.
JOHN: We didn't even talk to you last night, but you told us before that that didn't bother you. So obviously it didn't bother you.

MR. KORESH: John, come on.

JOHN: All I'm looking for is a straight answer from you.

MR. KORESH: Are you treating us like Christ would have treated us?

JOHN: No, there's been a New Moon and all I want to know is when that -- when Lewis is coming out of there --

MR. KORESH: Well --

JOHN: -- because when I get off the phone with you --

MR. KORESH: (Indiscernible)

JOHN: -- I had to go answer to somebody --

MR. KORESH: Okay. As soon as Lewis --

JOHN: -- and they're looking for one answer: when he's coming out of there.

MR. KORESH: It's his decision and we're not -- we just met the guy, I mean, you know?

JOHN: We want you to tell us that you are sending him out the door.

MR. KORESH: I'm not going to do that. He can go when he's ready to go.
JOHN: Well then I'll have to talk to you later, friend, because I've got to go answer to someone and that's the issue right now. So I will talk to you later.

MR. KORESH: Let me, let me ask you --

(Phone hung up)

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