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[00:00:05] Del Bigtree

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[00:00:44] Jenn Sherry Parry, Executive Producer

Yeah! Let's do this.

[00:00:46] Del Bigtree

Action! Good morning, good afternoon, good evening. Wherever you are out there in the world, it's time to step out onto the Highwire. Last week I told you, I'm telling reporters. I'm giddy. I'm singing in the car. I can't believe how many great things are happening. I just keep thinking, you know, we're at the end of the year. I'm ready to take a break. I've been traveling around the country celebrating the fact that we just passed 50 million views with an Inconvenient Study and growing, and so get it out there with everybody that you know, everyone needs to see this film. I won't be happy until it's in the billions. But look, it's pretty awesome. Given that this is something that our nonprofit is putting up, giving away for free across the world, creating the scientific conversation. Everywhere I go, people are curious. It's amazing what is happening. And as though that wasn't enough with all of the great things that have happened this year. Uh, last night we had a huge sea change in the conversation around vaccines. Now, of course, when I started, this entire journey was with a film called VAXXED that I made after I left my job at CBS, working on the daytime talk show The Doctors.

[00:02:11] Del Bigtree

I traveled the country with that. Ultimately, I wanted to get deeper into the conversation, so I started the Informed Consent Action Network with the team that is still with me today, making all this happen. Right after that, we hired, one of the greatest constitutional attorneys of all times in Aaron Siri to help us sue the government and anyone else that was standing in the way of the truth. And we started winning lawsuits against the government in ways that nobody had ever seen before. I mean, the list just goes on and on and on. We brought back the religious exemption in Mississippi, in West Virginia, where there too, I mean, just amazing things have been happening. But when you think about this conversation, when you think about the conversation of vaccines, Seems there's really always one major serious side effect that everyone brings up. What's the number one side effect? Let me hear it right now. Well, let's see if you're right, because this is what they talk about all the damn time.

[00:03:11] Dr. Peter Hotez, Dean for the National School of Tropical Medicine, Baylor College of Medicine

Vaccines don't cause autism. The science is clear.

[00:03:14] Rear Adm. Anne Schuchat, MD. National Center of Immunization & Respiratory Disease-Director

Vaccines don't cause autism.

[00:03:16] Dr. Jennifer Caudle, Instructor of Medicine, John Hopkins University School of Medicine

Vaccines do not cause autism.

[00:03:19] Dr. Aaron Carroll, Professor of Pediatrics, Indiana University of Medicine

I do not deny in any way that we need to do more about autism. But it has nothing to do with vaccines.

[00:03:24] Male Speaker

We have thoroughly debunked any association between autism and vaccines.

[00:03:28] Male News Correspondent

Robert, it is nearly consensus in the scientific community that there's no link there.

[00:03:32] Paul Offit, MD, Co-Inventor of the Rotavirus Vaccine, RotaTeq

To deny a mountain of scientific evidence, which has already taught us that the combination of measles, mumps, rubella or MMR vaccine doesn't cause autism. Thimerosal and ethyl mercury containing preservative that wasn't a number of vaccines doesn't cause autism, and that most recently, the too many vaccines given too soon, if you will, um, doesn't also cause autism. So we know that this schedule is safe.

[00:03:53] Male News Correspondent

Are there peer reviewed scientific reports that that indicate a link between no between vaccines and autism?

[00:04:01] Dr. Aaron Carroll, Professor of Pediatrics, Indiana University of Medicine

No. And not only is there not peer reviewed work, this is probably the most studied public health issue involving children.

[00:04:09] Male Speaker

Vaccines are really the one thing we have looked at as causing autism.

[00:04:13] Female Speaker

The Institutes of Medicine, the centers for Disease Control have repeatedly investigated this. Vaccines do not cause autism.

[00:04:23] Scott Gottlieb, MD, Former United States Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Member of Pfizer's Board of Directors

We don't need more research. At some point, enough is enough. It's fine to continue to collect data, but at some point you have to take no for an answer.

[00:04:30] Scott Gottlieb, MD, Former United States Commissioner of Food and Drugs, Member of Pfizer's Board of Directors

We're not sure the scientific community what causes autism, but we know that vaccines do not.

[00:04:37] Del Bigtree

Mountains of evidence? No. You know, this has been looked at extensively. Nothing has been more studied in the world than this connection between vaccines and autism. We've heard it. We've heard it for decades. You know, actually almost a century now if you want to get into it, this has been the battle cry of the pharmaceutical industry and every shill that works for them. But whether you know it or not, all the way back in 2020, for those of you that were watching, then we actually disproved this myth right then we debunked it with a lawsuit where we went at the CDC and said, really? If the head of your page on the CDC website says vaccines plural, meaning all vaccines do not cause autism, do we have that original website? This is what it said. Vaccines do not cause autism. There it is. All vaccines doesn't say one of them or two of them. All vaccines by the plural s at the end of vaccines. If vaccines do not cause autism, will you please provide us with all of the evidence and studies that show that the first vaccines in the first six months of life, between 6 and 7, depending on how you count them, that they do not cause autism. Send us that evidence. Well, they didn't and we sued them and we went to court. This is me in 2020 talking about winning that case. Take a look at this. You go to the website and what do you see when you're on that website? You see this page.

[00:05:59] Del Bigtree

It says vaccines do not cause autism. There is no link between vaccines and autism. So here's what we said we would like. We put forward a request, first of all, in a FOIA request, we would simply just like to see the studies that show that vaccines don't cause autism. The CDC relies upon to claim that the cumulative exposure of vaccines, it recommends that babies be administered during the first six months of life do not cause autism. Well, we took them to federal court. And on Friday, as I said, we won the case. Here's what it looks like in the document. They gave us the list. It's actually 20 studies. 20 total studies make up the entire list of what they look to when they say that these childhood vaccines, the five and the cumulative effects of them given in the first six months of life. 20 studies. Here's what we have in these 20 studies. The first one that's an MMR study okay. The second one, an MMR and a DTaP study. The next ones MMR. These four are MMR and thimerosal studies. And then the next all the way through to 20. So one two, three, four, five, six from 7 to 20 are all just thimerosal studies. And lastly we have one antigen study. Of the 20 studies I believe it's the second, third, fourth and sixth of these studies are reviews of other studies.

[00:07:43] Del Bigtree

Reviews essentially of what? Mmr and thimerosal studies, but how many of these would actually answer the question to DTaP, Hib, hep B prevnar polio? Well, I'm going to be really honest with you here. Obviously, they've totally missed the boat because of our lawsuit. Now I am telling you and telling you now, please volunteer to take this down because if you do not, the Informed Consent Action Network, the Highwire presentation and all of those that support and follow us will use every legal means necessary to make you accountable. Well, back in 2020, those 20 studies, not a single one of them. If you look at MMR, it's not in the first six months of life. If you look at thimerosal, none of the vaccines in the first six months of life had thimerosal in them. And there was only one study there, which was the IOM Institute of Medicine review of the DTaP vaccine. And in that they said there are no studies that prove or disprove the association with autism. Therefore, that was the only one that was relevant to the first six months of life. And it proved that they had no answers. And so for everyone that's ever said mountain of evidence, that's been a lie. We won in court. It's a lie. You can take that to the bank. And actually, just months after winning that lawsuit that was I believe was that May, by August, they pulled down the statement vaccines do not cause autism.

[00:09:13] Del Bigtree

We celebrated it. But five months later it went back up. And we've been stuck there with this propaganda statement that have no basis in science up until last night when this happened to the website. Let's see the new page. Here it is. It now says autism and vaccines. And right under that it has the key points. Shall we read those key points. The claim vaccines do not cause autism is not an evidence based claim, because studies have not ruled out the possibility that vaccines cause autism, meaning those vaccines in the first six months of life, meaning the ICAN lawsuit that proved that studies supporting a link have been ignored by health authorities. Hhs has launched a comprehensive assessment of the causes of autism, including investigations on plausible biologic mechanisms and potential causal links. It does have an explanatory statement I want to read right now. It says this about why you will still see it with an asterisk. The header. Vaccines do not cause autism has not been completely removed due to an agreement with the chair of the US Senate Health, education, Labor and Pensions Committee that it would remain on the CDC website. Apparently, this was that backroom deal that was made with Senator Cassidy. Of course, when Robert Kennedy Jr was up there. But now you can see on the page it is clear we are making the statement or it's being made by the CDC that this is not a scientific statement.

[00:10:36] Del Bigtree

And so ultimately, this is a massive change. I, you know, tweeted out about it today. And to every parent of an autistic child that's been out there for every one of you that did interviews, whether in the film VAXXED or when we toured the nation. And for everyone that has ever been gaslit, the days of gaslighting are over. We are now moving into science based, evidence based statements on the CDC website. It's a beautiful day, but one of the people that I think has been a primary motivator for the CDC and all the work that's being done by our government to to make this adjustment, the lawsuits that we pressured with all of the work that ICAN has done, of course, is only possible with the help and guidance of Aaron Siri. He joins me right now. Uh, Aaron, this is something that we have genuinely had as a major. You know, let's just say we we had our crosshairs on this issue from the very beginning when you and I first started working together, but just take us through that lawsuit that really was that just put the crack in the dam that eventually we knew it was going to have to come crashing down those first six vaccines in the first six months of life. How long, how long did that case take us, by the way, what was the process?

[00:12:00] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

I'd say the case started really when, uh, it really its genesis at the very beginning, when we started looking at the underlying data to support vaccine safety, we came across the Institute of Medicine report from 2012 that looked at whether DTaP vaccine causes autism. And they said, we can't find any studies. They actually did find one study, right?

[00:12:20] Del Bigtree

Right.

[00:12:20] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

They found one study that did find an association, but they threw it out because they said it was based on VAERS data. And then, um, we asked Doctor Plotkin about it during his deposition. Yeah, right. He didn't have any studies. And I'd say, well, without studies, do you tell a parent vaccines cause autism? And what did he say? He said, yeah, I do. I'll still do it.

[00:12:40] Del Bigtree

Yeah.

[00:12:40] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

Um, and and so on the heels of that, we figured, well, who do we turn to to find the studies? It's got to be the CDC. So we submitted in 2019 Freedom of Information Act requests to the CDC. We submitted a total of I believe it was six of them. One was provide all the studies that support that. Dtap vaccine does not cause autism. The studies that show that Hib go down the list hep B, Prevnar and IPV, as well as not only individually, they don't cause autism, but collectively.

[00:13:13] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

And, um, you know, on the, uh, a few days, I would say, or days before we had to have the preliminary hearing. In that case, as you just pointed out, the CDC finally provided a list of 20 studies. And I remember calling the Department of Justice attorney. And and, you know, maybe they thought we couldn't read. And I said, what you just said. I said, hey, I got your list of 20 studies. Okay. And I assume you want to settle on this basis. The problem is, is that in this list of 20 studies, 19 of them have nothing to do. Zero with the vaccines given in the first six months of life. Really, it's the first year of life because nothing else is given until at least the first birthday. Um, except for one, which is the 2012 IOM review. So I said, meaning your whole list really only has one study related to any of the vaccines in the first six months of life not causing autism, and it said it couldn't find any to show it doesn't found one to show it is associated, but it threw it out.

[00:14:18] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

I said, are you sure your client, the CDC, wants to put this in a stipulated order, you know, signed by a federal judge as the list, right? I mean, this was still early days.

[00:14:30] Del Bigtree

Yeah.

[00:14:30] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

You know, um, thinking. Come on, give us something. I mean, it wasn't we weren't trying to prove it. We weren't even I. We were just trying to see where it all leads. And we wanted the definitive answer, so we gave them that opportunity. And I remember the DOJ attorney came back and he's like, no, no, no, this is it. So, you know, we entered it as a stipulation. I signed it on behalf of ICAN, the DOJ attorney, the Department of Justice attorney signed it on behalf of the CDC. The federal judge signed it as an order of the court. And that's what you were just looking at earlier. That is I mean, that is a federal court order. I mean, where else can you go to get the studies that other than the CDC and only took forcing their hand in a federal lawsuit to get them to basically give the list? And once you had it, the truth, they just couldn't hide from it anymore.

[00:15:18] Del Bigtree

It's really amazing. It was a milestone moment for ICAN and The HighWire at that moment. I remember the weekend that you won that case. We had just all moved out to Texas, and there was so much work that you wanted to do, and you said, Del, we just don't have the funding, you know, and I was saying, you know, you were saying, you know, in order to enter these cases, some of them are going to take several years. We need to have the commitment up front. And that was the first time I went out to the public was on that that video we just watched. I'll never forget it. We were in a in a barn, uh, in in the middle of Texas. We had no air conditioning. It was. I was sweating like crazy. You know, it was just. It was like the beginning years, especially in the move in Texas. And I said, I'm going to use this case, and I'm going to go to the people and see if they won't, you know, if they could become recurring donors, then we could really expand the work that we're doing. And I think I asked for like \$150,000 that day or something like that.

[00:16:13] Del Bigtree

And over the weekend, I mean, by the time we finished the show, you know, all of this funding was coming in and it really was a transformational moment for The HighWire and ICAN, because up until then, we only had, you know, some larger sponsors. We'd never gone to the people. And suddenly the people stepped up, which is the program we now have. And you know, that funding that came because that lawsuit has opened up the door to all of this incredible work that you have done over the years. It's astounding what we've achieved and what we find here. Um, but I'll never forget that that that moment. I'll never forget that lawsuit. It really was a giant sea change moment. And now we sit here with the result of that. Of course, it did result within a few months of them taking down that statement. Vaccines don't cause autism. But then we were celebrating it so much, you know, that they I think they realized this is a problem. Who cares if we're lying? Put it back up and then like five months later, they put it back up, which was crazy.

[00:17:12] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

Yeah. I mean, right after the lawsuit, actually, we we didn't just let go. We actually filed more FOIA requests. So we, you know, we changed the way we asked for it. So in the lawsuit, the FOIA request would provide us the studies that you relied upon to claim the vaccine. So we said, you know what? Let's let's walk right back into it and give him another chance. So we filed another FOIA set of FOIA requests that said, give us any studies that in any way support the claim that these vaccines don't cause autism. Right. So it's broader. It wasn't just what you rely upon. Come on. Go out there and find something. Give it to us.

[00:17:48] Del Bigtree

Right. You have a mountain anywhere in the mountain. Just bring some piece of that mountain down to us, please.

[00:17:54] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

Yes. There's mountains of these studies. They're so high, they're so nobody can find them. It's incredible. Um, in any event, the same thing happened. They eventually responded. And you know what they sent us the same exact list of 20 studies in response to that. And then we actually did another round. And then it was, you know, that went into March, April, May because March was we have the, the, the stipulated order.

[00:18:20] Del Bigtree

Yeah.

[00:18:20] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

We submitted four requests by the end of the month. We were torturing them. April, May. And then by I think by August, vaccines do not cause autism was off the website.

[00:18:29] Del Bigtree

Yeah,

[00:18:29] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

And it stayed off for five months until January of the next year. You went on the show and you celebrated it. And once it got in the news, they were like, uh oh. And they put it back on.

[00:18:40] Del Bigtree

Yeah. So, I mean, it just goes to show you they don't like it when we gloat too much. It's still not going to stop me. I can't help myself. Like we are today. But it didn't even end there. Not only had we won against the CDC and we proved that you had, I think, a landmark moment inside of a courtroom with probably the second highest, you know, regarded person in the vaccine space, Kathryn Edwards. Let's watch this incredible deposition. It's happening via zoom. We've played this before, but I think this is a perfect moment just because, as the CDC is watching it, they know they don't have information, and now they're watching you in courtrooms, destroying the leading scientists on this conversation. For anyone that was still holding out any hope or a thread on this mountain of evidence that everyone in our opening, you know, video there said is a mountain of evidence that shows that vaccines don't cause autism. You took the leading authority, one of the authors of Plotkin, on vaccines. You had her on the stand or in this deposition. Let's take a look at this. This is amazing. Kathryn Edwards.

[00:19:41] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

In the expert disclosures for this case, it asserts that, among other things, you will testify that, quote, "the issue of whether vaccines cause autism has been thoroughly researched and rejected." End quote, it's your testimony that MMR vaccine cannot cause autism.

[00:19:59] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

That's correct.

[00:20:00] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

It's your testimony. The hep B vaccine cannot cause autism.

[00:20:02] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

That's correct.

[00:20:03] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

It's your testimony that Ipol cannot cause autism.

[00:20:06] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

Yes.

[00:20:07] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

It's your testimony that Hib vaccine cannot cause autism.

[00:20:10] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

Yes.

[00:20:10] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

Your testimony that varicella vaccine cannot cause autism.

[00:20:13] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

Yes.

[00:20:14] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

It's your testimony that Pevnar vaccine cannot cause autism.

[00:20:17] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

Yes.

[00:20:18] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

It's your testimony that DTaP vaccine cannot cause autism.

[00:20:21] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

Yes.

[00:20:22] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

And do you have a study that supports that dtap doesn't cause autism.

[00:20:26] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

I have. I do not have a study that that DTaP causes autism. So I don't have either.

[00:20:33] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

Do you have any study one way or another of whether IPOL causes autism?

[00:20:41] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

I no, I do not, sir.

[00:20:43] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

Do you have any study one way or another of whether Rex B causes autism?

[00:20:50] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

I do not have any evidence that it causes autism, nor that it does not.

[00:20:56] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

And what about, um, Hib titers vaccine? Any evidence, one way or another of whether it causes autism?

[00:21:03] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

No.

[00:21:04] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

And what about Pevnar vaccine? Any evidence, one way or another?

[00:21:07] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

No, sir.

[00:21:08] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

And how about varicella vaccine? Let me just finish. Are there any studies, one way or another, that support whether it does or doesn't cause autism.

[00:21:17] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

As part of MMR? Um, but but not as varicella by itself? No, sir. No studies that say it does, or no studies that say it doesn't.

[00:21:26] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

Right. Um, there have been studies that have found an association between hepatitis B vaccine and autism. Correct.

[00:21:39] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

Um, not studies that I feel are credible.

[00:21:43] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

Okay. Which study? Which study do you are you referring to when you say that?

[00:21:48] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

Well, why don't you show me the study and then I'll see whether I agree with it.

[00:21:52] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

According to your profile, you have done most of the trials relied upon to license many of the vaccines correct on the market?

[00:22:00] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

Yes, sir.

[00:22:01] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

Okay, so you're highly experienced in conducting clinical trials, correct?

[00:22:06] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

I'm highly experienced conducting clinical trials.

[00:22:11] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

And you're familiar with many of the clinical trials relied upon to license many of the vaccines currently on the market. Correct?

[00:22:18] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

I am.

[00:22:19] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

Okay. In your opinion? Did the clinical trials relied upon to license the vaccines that Yates received, many of which are still on the market today? Were they designed to rule out that the vaccine causes autism?

[00:22:46] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

No. You've badgered me into answering the question the way you want me to. But I think that, um, that that I that's probably the answer.

[00:22:56] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

Is it is that your accurate and truthful testimony?

[00:23:04] Dr. Kathryn Edwards, Principal Investigator, Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment (CISA) Project, Member of the Data Safety Monitoring Board for Pfizer's COVID-19 Vaccine

Yes.

[00:23:06] Del Bigtree

I mean, just incredible. And that shows you the state, right? You see all these statements, the mountains, mountains of evidence that's out there. She feels badgered when you actually ask for some science of any kind. You're badgering me. You're badgering me because she has no science. And really, for anyone out there that has ever or if you're brand new to this show, that is a mic drop moment, folks. That is one of the leading authorities in the world showed up for one purpose and one purpose alone, to show up in a court case and provide all the evidence that these vaccines this child received do not cause autism. Not one study can't list a single study. And yet we've been sitting here now for years going, how long is the CDC going to lie about this? How long is it going to make this statement? Um, Aaron, I want to read some of the statements that are now on the website about, I think, our lawsuit, but certainly about what we've proven about the early vaccines. Let's take a look at this is now on the front page of of this, uh, this new, uh, CDC website. "In 1986, the CDC childhood immunization schedule for infants recommended five total doses of vaccines, two oral doses of oral polio, and three injected doses of diphtheria, tetanus, toxoids and pertussis vaccine in 2025, the CDC schedule recommend three oral doses of rotavirus and three injected doses of Hepb, DTaP, Hib, PCV and IPV by six months of age, two injected doses of influenza by seven months of age, and injected doses of Hib, PCV, MMR, varicella, and hepatitis at 12 months of age."

[00:24:37] Del Bigtree

It goes on to say. "In fact, there are still no studies that support the claim that any of the 20 doses the seven infant vaccines recommended for American children before the first year of life do not cause autism. These vaccines include DTaP, Hepb, Hib, IPV, PCV, rotavirus, and influenza." Finally, the CDC's website is stating the truth under Robert Kennedy Jr. Now every Aaron, you know, every major media institution I think the AAP is already screaming bloody murder. But is there anything about that that's not factual? They're trying to say it's not scientific. What other science is there? Is there any science we don't know about? Aaron, because you have spent years now spelunking looking for some science.

[00:25:17] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

No, there's no science that credible, robust science that I've seen that support that vaccines do not cause autism. And in fact, there's a plethora of science that they don't want to engage with. They don't want to address that they should really engage with with regards to whether vaccines do cause autism, including the science around aluminum adjuvants and immune activation, and as well as a number of other studies that are out there, like the Hepb study that's on that CDC website, on that new web page, which points out that children that got hep B had three at birth or in the first month of life had three times the rate of autism compared to children that did not get that vaccine. That was done out of the University of Stony Brook, out of a major institution here. It's sitting in PubMed, it's peer reviewed. It's published. Ahrq, the agency for Health Research and Quality, actually said it was a reliable study when it did its review, but yet they don't want to engage with that study. They don't want to engage with the various vaxxed/unvaxxed studies that show higher rates because they're inconvenient. And the reason that Doctor Edwards felt, as she called badgered, is because it wasn't a scientific exchange for her in my mind. She had a belief. It wasn't about, you know, an intellectual exchange, a logical exchange, a scientific exchange. She believes vaccines don't cause autism. And when you challenge somebody's belief, they can feel badgered because how do you defend a belief? How do you defend something when you don't have the data? You don't have the studies to support it other than by reacting with indignation, emotion and so forth.

[00:26:56] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

And that's exactly where she went. I'll also point out, by the way, she is well, she was, I think, until very recently, the head. She's not only one of the editors on Plotkins vaccines, the medical textbooks on vaccines and one of the world's leading authorities on vaccines, a world leading vaccinologist, but she is also was the head of one of the four vaccine safety systems the CDC called CISA the Clinical Immunization Safety Assessment Network project. And so, I mean, she's right there in the heartland of all things vaccine, did the clinical trial for most of them. So, you know, now you have the CDC, you know, they can't produce studies. You've got Doctor Edwards not being able to study. You got Plotkin saying just basically lie to parents and tell them it doesn't cause autism, even if we don't have the studies. And I and I think that my favorite line from that web page, if I may read it. Yes. It says that "scientific studies have not ruled out the possibility that infant vaccines contribute to the development of autism." Okay. But then it says, "however, this statement has historically been disseminated by the CDC and other federal health agencies within HHS." To what? "To prevent vaccine hesitancy." And that's exactly what Plotkin said.

[00:28:13] Del Bigtree

Yeah,

[00:28:14] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

We just got to make sure people just don't stop taking this. So anything that makes people doubt these products, we just have to not tell them the truth. They don't realize that by doing that, they create vaccine hesitancy. They were honest from the beginning. They wouldn't be in the place that they're at.

[00:28:32] Del Bigtree

Well, we wouldn't be at the place that we're at without you. Aaron, this partnership with ICAN and the work that you've done with your law firm, uh, is bar none. I think it's going to go down in history. This is a historic moment that has just taken place, something that you have worked so hard with us to make happen. Of course, I want to recognize all the other groups that are out there that have been hitting on this. Even before we got here, all of the parents of autistic children that went out of their way, uh, aside from living a very difficult life to shout from the rooftops to everyone out there like me, and I don't vaccinate my kids. We were listening. You saved our lives. You need to be recognized today for the work that you have done. This is a pivotal moment in this conversation, and it hopefully will now lead to more and more actual, robust science like that at the heart of an inconvenient study. Studies of vaccinated compared to unvaccinated. Let's start drilling down on where this injury is happening, why it's happening, how often it's happening, what are the actual numbers? It is time for a reality check that I think begins today. It's a long slog now. Robert Kennedy Jr has a lot of work to do to now start chiseling into this mountain of baloney and figuring out where the truth actually lies. But we wouldn't be here without your work. I see your book in the background. I'm telling everybody, read "Vaccines Amen." That book lays out if you want to understand everything that's happening here and the timeline by which we find ourselves in this position, make sure that you go and get yourself a copy of "Vaccines, Amen" immediately. Uh, this is from the mind of the man that has made so much of this happen for ICAN. Aaron, I can't thank you enough. And certainly you have a lot to be thankful for this Thanksgiving. I hope you really enjoy it with your family.

[00:30:13] Aaron Siri, ESQ. Lead Counsel ICAN Legal Team

Thank you. And if I may just add, um, you know, it also could not have been done without all the support and supporters of ICAN truly. Um, you know, we just talked about the losses we did, but since 2022, when they put that claim back on the website, we have filed over 55 Freedom of Information Act requests, all supported by ICAN during that period. And we filed four federal lawsuits beyond the lawsuit that we just described around vaccines and autism. All of that work, all supported by ICAN. The you know, the supporters of ICAN are incredible. I've met some of them over the years. And, um, you know, they should be you know, they should take up a lot of pride and joy and, um, um, and because they were integral to making this possible, without them, it wouldn't be possible.

[00:31:05] Del Bigtree

I agree. Absolutely. Thank you. Aaron. I'll see you on the other side of the holiday. Take care. It's true for all of you out there that have been sponsoring us from the beginning and have been a part of this work. You should give yourself a pat on the back. This is a game changer. Remember, the entire world follows the CDC. And now the CDC is stating that vaccines don't cause autism. That is not a scientific statement. Finally, and now we're going to start getting into some science. So I'm sure all the blustering, you know, blowhard pharma shills will be out there trying to make this a different conversation. But we've shown you the evidence. We've seen you've shown the lawsuits, you've seen the depositions. I want to say this, that that lawsuit took, it took, you know, 2020 winning. Look how long it took to finally deliver, you know, this type of change. Five years. Five years, actually even more. But we never give up, you know, we plant seeds and Inconvenient Study planted that seed in 2016. It is now paying off now as it's sweeping the world and changing the conversation of science. And so I want to say this. How many lawsuits in this upcoming year do you have any idea what is going on in Aaron's mind right now? Do you know what he's capable of doing if we can get the funding? I mean, I really we never telegraph what we're going to do. But I will say this he has a plan that if we can afford to do it, we'll literally change this forever. It's all in his head. It's all ready to go.

[00:32:32] Del Bigtree

We need to tee it up. But I really need you to think about your holiday giving right now. I want you to think about all that The HighWire and ICAN has achieved over the years that we've been here. Just look at what we've done this year. We really need your help. I am telling you right now, we can't at the moment, the way we're looking at our books, we're not going to be able to say yes to the entire plan that Aaron has for next year. And I think that's ridiculous. I think that's stupid. We have shown you that we can win time and time again, that we will deliver, that Aaron's team knows how to get this done. Please don't make me come up in the new Year and say, Aaron, I need you to roll back on some of that dream that you have. We just aren't there. If you are a major donor out there right now and you're looking at your year end giving, why don't you contact us directly? Just go to info@ICANdecide.org and we will reach out. Maybe you even want to put your name on one of these, you know, on a specific lawsuit or do something very specific. Uh, however you want to go about that, let's have that conversation. We never get tired of winning, but we have not won the war. And I don't want to celebrate battles that can disappear. It's time to win this war. I think we can do that next year if we have your help. If you are watching right now, if you've been watching this show, become a recurring donor. All you have to do is go to the top of the page, hit donate to ICAN.

[00:33:49] Del Bigtree

You know those guys that keep winning and keep changing the world. Uh, we can't do it without you. That \$25 a month seriously makes a difference. I will tell you, if all of you out there that have been watching, if you gave a dollar a month right now, you can't imagine what we can do with that. What it means when you get involved. Um, I, you know, you should feel what it feels like when we celebrate these moments. I want you to be a part of it. So whether it's by mail or stock or international transfer, crypto vehicles, gift cards, legacy giving, now is the time. We have got the wind at our backs. Let's not let them catch back up to us and beat us in this race. It's ours to win and it's also ours to lose. Uh, and that's going to be up to you. So right now, just pick up that phone, dial 72022 and write in the word donate. And we'll make it very easy for you. I have a huge show coming up. It was already going to be massive because I, you know, I got Russell Brand walking into the studio. Yes, in a bathrobe. I'm about to do an interview for the first time in The Man in a bathrobe. It doesn't matter that we're winning things and the CDC is changing the future. Russell Brand thinks it can be delivered in a bathrobe, so stay tuned. But first, it's time for the Jaxen report. Alright. Jefferey. Well, what do you got for us today?

[00:35:16] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Reporter, The Jaxen Report

Alright Del. Well, just a couple of weeks ago, we had Bill Gates come out and say that the world is in really no big danger of climate change. He said, we're going to survive and thrive in the foreseeable future. And that brings me back to a pioneer in this conversation. It's the late Rosa Koire. She wrote the book Behind the Green Mask, and she saw behind the green mask, this climate, this climate change agenda that was really at all levels of government and non-government agencies. And she wrote a book on it. And I want to take that theme and bring it through the segment today, because we just had last week the ending of cop 30. This was the United Nations Climate Change Conference. It took place in Brazil and literally from the inception of this conference from the groundbreaking inception of this conference. It was antithetical to climate change. Take a look.

[00:36:05] Male News Correspondent

As Brazil prepares to host tens of thousands of climate summit delegates later this year, there is visible evidence that the building work is causing deforestation. Tens of thousands of acres of protected forests of the Amazon have been deforested to make way for a new four lane highway. As our South America correspondent Ione Wells now reports.

[00:36:32] Female News Correspondent

This is going to be a highway, and this is where it's being built. Slicing through the Amazon rainforest protected land until now. The government here have made a big deal about this Cop summit being in the Amazon about the need to protect the Amazon. But preparations for the summit have already cut down some of the last remaining protected forests in this area.

[00:36:55] Del Bigtree

And for some reason, you know, this reminds me of Jefferey. Remember during Covid there was that famous, you know, press conference where they're all getting ready and have all the diplomats behind them and then look around like, wait, put your mask on, put your mask on. None of them are wearing masks. And then suddenly they all throw their mask on to give the dire warning to the people. This feels like that, right? Total insincerity. We'll probably get all these images there from them. Like I'm in the jungle where the jungle is being deforested. Not to mention the highway we poured in here and the jet fuel that was used to get us all here. You know, it's such. It's exactly right. A total hypocrisy.

[00:37:31] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Reporter, The Jaxen Report

Yeah, and there it is. Four lane, four lane highway for climate change.

[00:37:34] Del Bigtree

Right.

[00:37:35] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Reporter, The Jaxen Report

And so there. And so the headlines covering this, this event, this United Nations climate change event have been really in your face. And remember, the United Kingdom is one of the forerunners on the climate change conversation right now. They're still going full steam ahead with this. So here's one of the articles out of the UK "flying 5700 miles to lament the climate crisis perfectly captures our elites nauseating hypocrisy." Couldn't get a title any better than that. And you know.

[00:38:02] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Reporter, The Jaxen Report

It's so. Perhaps it would have been better for the planet if the politicians who care so deeply about climate change could have just met on zoom. I mean, it worked great for the kids in school, and it worked great for grandma and grandpa in the nursing home. Why can't it work for climate change if they're so sincere? So there's a lot of people that were missing from this climate change summit, notably United States President Trump. Any US leaders at all? Because we pulled out of the Paris climate agreement, but also some of the top polluters, leaders from China. Not their leaders from India, not their Russia, Japan also not there. And so that leaves Prime Minister Keir Starmer in the UK talking like this. "Starmer warns consensus is gone on fighting climate change as leaders gather at Cop 30." So he's ringing his fists in the air because he really wants this to happen. We want that consensus. The science is settled, don't you know? So they're still going again. Full steam ahead in the UK. Here's the headlines coming out of their "five year olds to be taught climate change under labour." That's their political party, says "Professor Francis report called for pupils to be taught about climate change from Key Stage one or around the age of five, including lessons on sustainable choices and habits and climate justice." So kids are just going to get downloaded with this, whether they like it or not, because now it's being forced in their curriculum at a really young age. But remember all of these sacrifices we were supposed to be making? We were supposed to switch over to an all electric car fleet by 2030. I think that was the original plan because it's better for the climate. Right? Well, now we're getting taxed on the back of that. This is out of the UK. It's going to start here. "Electric car drivers could face new pay per mile tax from 2028 under Treasury plans," as are the independent. So the car you know.

[00:39:44] Del Bigtree

You're punishing the people that made the switch over to electric cars.

[00:39:49] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Reporter, The Jaxen Report

It doesn't seem like a good policy plan, but I guess they're trying it because they do need money in the UK. There's a lot of people leaving and they don't have a tax base anymore. Over in the United States here, here's the Associated Press. They're kind of giving up on people at this point. And now they're going for a pets. "Pets contribute to greenhouse gases like us." "Here's how to reduce their carbon footprint." Cute title. But it goes into there and says in the article, "one of the most climate intensive decisions we make is whether to own a pet. It's for the same reasons that humans have a big impact. They eat every day." Okay. And then it goes on to say this "what else do pets do? We have to feed them. I think that that's why it's number one, said Allison Raezer, director of sustainability and innovation at the Pet Sustainability Coalition." And of course, pets eat meat, so you can't have that. You may want to think rethink your pet. According to the Associated Press. So they're still going on with this climate change conversation, but it reaches out into a lot of other places. One of those places are these massive data centers that are going in for artificial intelligence. And those aren't really climate friendly, but they have to go in. So in Texas, we're seeing something happen here back in the United States. We have families fight and a communities fight. Really looks like for now they lost this fight.

[00:41:07] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Reporter, The Jaxen Report

This is a headline out of Texas. This is the cloud burst data center. It's called "it's devastating. Families fight against controversial AI data center ends." And you go into here into the article and it talks. A lot of people don't know this, but data centers need massive amounts of water. How much water says "water used to cool down the equipment. Within data centers, a large data center can use over 500,000 gallons of water a day, the equivalent of over 4000 people's daily water use, according to the University of Illinois." Um, and then it goes on. This is it goes on to quote one of the executive chairperson from this company. A person's name is Thompson. And she says this "a key part of Thompson's presentation was education on the need for more data centers." So here's the cell. Here's the hard cell, she says. "When you Google someone, when you take a picture, all that goes in the cloud. And so you need more data center space to hold that, Thompson said. We're fulfilling a need in a community." Okay, well, then it talks to an economist here. He says this, "I think there's going to be a net benefits for Texas, for the economy, and really for people to find more jobs in the future." So there's the hard sell 500,000 gallons a day. So there's your climate, there's your there's your climate. Conservationism right for the for the data centers.

[00:42:20] Del Bigtree

And we know I mean, we keep talking about this issue, right? We've talked about the amount of energy that's going to be needed for all the AI data centers. You've got Google, everyone investing in nuclear power plants. I mean, this this thing just ravages the environment as we know it, from the very same people that are probably sitting in an Amazon forest, you know, talking about what the rest of us need to do to cut back on our footprints.

[00:42:44] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Reporter, The Jaxen Report

Right. And so, again, that perfect analogy, this green mask slipping. We can see the hypocrisy. Hypocrisy behind all this. And you'd be hard pressed to drive through communities in the United States without once in a while seeing a sign that says water ban, mandatory water ban in progress. So for us, it's water bans. Or for us, there's restrictions on some states from collecting rainwater, but not for the data centers. And you mentioned the nuclear power. This is the data center we covered in Maryland. They were running these massive lines through farmland and taking the farmland through eminent domain. This is for these data centers in Virginia. And this is the headline "massive data centers invaded Virginia and Maryland wants to be next." So these data centers are just plopping in states all over the place. And again, we have Gates saying we're going to survive and thrive in the foreseeable future. So this seems like a really a corporate power grab at this point. They're letting this green mass slip. And one of the things gates really leaned on or stuck his hat on is because we're going to thrive in the future. It's it's due to all of this great science and technology in. Just two weeks ago, we showed Bovet this feed additive for cows. They're putting in it's making the cows sick because they're supposed to have less methane.

[00:43:52] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Reporter, The Jaxen Report

Well, there's another kind of little technology that Bill Gates has been investing in. And that is well, first of all, here, domestic operations. That's called scopex. It's stratospheric geoengineering to dim the sun. And so here's the headline. When this came out, a "Bill Gates venture aims to spray dust into the atmosphere to block the sun." What could go wrong? This was out of Harvard, but really, there was a lot of protests from environmentalists and they shut this down. So this is Scientific American, you know, it's done when they're starting to report the opposite here. "High profile engineering experiment shuts down." So Harvard shut that down. But now it's mitigated migrated to the UK. And this is it's actually a little worse there because it's a secretive unit. This is literally what the headline is calling it. "The secretive government unit planning to dim the sun." And this is called Aria. It's called the Advanced Research and Invention Agency, and it's modeled after the DARPA agency in the US. The difference is DARPA is military. Aria is kind of like this public private venture. And they're they're doing things that are impossible to prove that are safe and effective, like spraying things into the sky until they actually do it.

[00:45:03] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Reporter, The Jaxen Report

So we don't even know what's going to happen. A lot of people saying there's a lot of harms for this, it could cause climate catastrophe. And the funding for Aria. You go into an article here when it shows that this is this great, this great agency. They're looking at brain chips, looking at some of the stuff Elon Musk is doing as well, but also the stratospheric geoengineering. And "it says it was set up with 800 million pounds over five years and allocated 184 million pounds for 2025 2026 fiscal year." And they compare it with DARPA here in the US. It was given 4 billion in the same period. But really the bottom line is this agency is running fast and loose, operating like a speculative, speculative venture capital firm with public money, with taxpayer money. And so where is the accountability? Well, we looked and there isn't any. You go to the UK gov website when Rio is set up and it talks about their policy statement. This is from the UK gov. And it says, "noting that Aria will be a small body with minimal administrative capacity. We will remove the burden of processing freedom of information requests." So no no FOIA requests is basically what that says is government speak for. Too bad sucker. You're not going to get anything behind this curtain.

[00:46:13] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Reporter, The Jaxen Report

And so Aria is doing this because climate models, of course, are being shown that the planet is heating up too much. But we know that these climate models, for instance, this headline, they run at best, they run hot. That means they're exaggerating the impacts of global warming. So this whole idea of stratospheric geoengineering from Aria is built on a false premise. And there's not just not just the agency Aria. There's also people in the UK, there's a center for climate repair at Cambridge, and one of the people that comes out of that is Robert Chris. He's an independent researcher. He wrote this article "five geoengineering trials the UK is funding to combat global warming." He's written a book on geoengineering policy. He says this. However, he talks about the stratospheric geoengineering. "However, many consider the failure to control carbon emissions means not intervening in this way is even is even crazier idea. They consider it necessary to avert the collapse of ecosystems and society. Perhaps solar geoengineering is the price we must pay for our wholly inadequate climate change response to date." That's Robert Chris, and that's Robert Chris talking lightly because when he's at his center for climate repair holding a conference, this is how he speaks. Take a listen.

[00:47:27] Robert Chris, PHD, Associate of the Centre for Climate Repair in Cambridge

If you're concerned that climate interventions of this sort are interfering with nature, despite the fact that we've been interfering with nature for years. All I can say is get over it. 8 billion humans have already and continue to interfere with nature. And it has. And it is what's brought us to where we are today. And if you want us to stop that interference, the only option that you really have is a very drastic cull of the human population. Take it back to where it was in 1800. Back to back down to a billion. Okay, that solved the problem. Anybody hands up for volunteers. Otherwise, we we just have to get used to the idea that the Anthropocene means that we now have a permanent responsibility to manage the climate system.

[00:48:23] Del Bigtree

Really? It's like you say, we now have a permanent responsibility to play God. Right. And that's what that's what they're what they're doing here. We're going to get involved with climate, the movement of the earth, the atmosphere. We cover this, you know, often. And I'm glad to see they're on their heels. And, you know, as Starmer put it, the consensus is disappearing because lunatics like this have had way too much power for far too long, and they're just obsessed with this insanity that they're going to somehow control the Earth and everything around it. It's madness.

[00:49:01] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Reporter, The Jaxen Report

It's mad. And what a poor salesman. What a poor salesman in that it's just academic authoritarians is when the mask slips off. And so thankfully, the public in the UK has put together the petition. They sign this petition to the tune of over 160,000 signatures. UK government had to respond to petition, said make all forms of geoengineering affecting the environment illegal. A lot like what's happening here in Florida and other states trying to push bills. And the government had to respond and they said this "the government is not in favor of using solar radiation modification. It has no plans for deployment." Well, they may not, but Aria sure does. And this is where ICAN comes in. Ican has had their eyes on this topic for several years. We pushed requests to the UK government, lots of its representatives and also the representatives here in the United States that are representing our interests in the UK. This is the headline "ICAN challenges British government's geoengineering experiments to dim the sun." And why are we doing this? Well, it says it right here. "Concerningly, unlike other geoengineering research programs that limit their research to computer modeling, Aria is Exploring Climate Cooling Program will conduct outdoor experiments to test and validate sun blocking methods." So they're going hot with this thing.

[00:50:12] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Reporter, The Jaxen Report

And it's not just in the UK. We're also pushing these these petitions in California as well. There's a company called Making Sunsets. Here is the ICAN decide legal notice "EPA announces probe into geoengineering company in response to legal letters from ICAN attorney attorneys." We've been all over this. And what did they do? We've been sending these for several years. When Lee Zeldin entered the EPA, he made this one of his priorities. This is the EPA press release. "Epa demands answers from unregulated geoengineering startup launching sulfur dioxide into the air." Lee Zeldin himself came out and said this in the press release. He says, quote, "the idea that individuals supported by venture capitalists are putting criteria air pollutants into the air to sell cooling credits, shows how climate extremism has overtaken common sense." And for us here at ICAN, we have our focus on this as well. We're not just trying to end man made disease. We're also looking at what's in the skies, raining down upon us, trying to literally dim the sun that we need to live. It's giving us life. This crazy idea ICAN is watching out for governments around the world, whether they're public or private ventures, in trying to stop this situation.

[00:51:23] Del Bigtree

It's, you know, this is the work that we do. And a lot of people don't realize, you know, as I've said over the last few weeks, there's topics we get into. Some people thought, I thought you were just about vaccines. We were into anything, you know, like our mission statement dedicated to eradicating man made disease. If you are putting particulates in the air that are falling on our crops, contaminating our water, affecting our airways, then you know ICAN is going to do something about it. If you're going to put particulates up in the stratosphere and try to block the sun, especially as many in science are saying, we may be going towards a grand solar minimum, which you've talked about. That could be the greatest, most catastrophic mistake we've ever made. I would say I'm sort of generally against playing God. This is a level of insanity. You can't undo these things. And to your point, when we see them happening in the UK, we may think, well, that's over there. We're sharing the same atmosphere. There's, you know, spreading stuff up there. It's coming over here. It's blocking our sun too. And so we've all got to be all in on this. I love all of the publicity this is getting at Tucker Carlson's now covering Marjorie Taylor Greene on the TV all the time, talking about the laws that she's trying to pass.

[00:52:29] Del Bigtree

We're seeing a real awareness now. More and more people are looking up at the sky and saying, what the hell is that? And can we do something about it? We're going to keep reporting on. Of course, we've got deep investigations and we're bringing attention. I want to make this point. It's not just, you know, make sunsets out there. Any company anywhere in the world that plans on atomizing things in the airspace and trying to block the sun or poison us, ICAN is going to be there. We're going to bring attention everywhere we can, just like we did with the EPA. Now the EPA is investigating that private company. This won't be a one off. We will keep doing this. Just one of the things that ICAN, can do using all the arrows that we have in our quiver. So, you know, Jefferey great reporting. Um, this is a fascinating topic that's really starting to hit the mainstream. And I love it. Alright, well take care. Jefferey. Um, I'll see you. Well, actually, next week I think we're going to have a special show. So have a wonderful Thanksgiving. Uh, enjoy it, and I'll see you on the other side of this holiday.

[00:53:28] Jefferey Jaxen, Investigative Reporter, The Jaxen Report

Alright. Looking forward to it. Thank you.

[00:53:30] Del Bigtree

Alright. Take care. So, I mean, I just pointed it out there when you are a when you're donating to the Informed Consent Action Network, you are part of a multi-pronged approach to making the world a better place and specifically to protecting our species, to protecting our children, and to protect all of our future. Um, and so we do that in so many different ways. We have lawsuits. We have the most powerful law firm in the world on health freedom. We have Aaron Siri was just on the show last week with his incredible book, "Vaccines. Amen," which is sweeping the world and making changes there. But we're winning back. We're winning back religious exemptions like we did in Mississippi and West Virginia, where perpetually pushing the envelope and spreading out to get more and more of our control over our sovereign body and our experience in this world back into our hands. In an authoritarian, we have to think it's authoritarian to say that the government can mandate any sort of injection or procedure upon you. This has got to stop. It's gone on far too long. It's the primary mission that we have here. But we're also looking at geoengineering. We're looking at the contaminants in the sky. Are we destroying our environment? Are we affecting our own health, our lungs, our eyes, our children? When you hear these stories about 260 contaminated chemicals in the umbilical cord of mothers in America when they're giving birth, this insanity has got to stop.

[00:54:59] Del Bigtree

And if you want to be at the front row. Sure, we can wait for Robert Kennedy Jr and the FDA to do whatever they can, but you can tell he's doing a lot in there. But he's got a cesspool of administrative difficulties everywhere he turns. And so if you really want to make a difference, we've got to support our government by bringing lawsuits into courtrooms, by raising the consciousness of the world and by informing people that you need to join us, the Informed Consent Action Network, this community that is making change. So if you want to do that today, why don't you become a recurring donor? All you have to do is go to the top of the page wherever you're watching this Thehighwire.com donate to ICAN. We would love it if you become a recurring donor. It allows us to know, can we make another documentary like An Inconvenient Study? Can we afford that \$25 a month for 2025 is what we're asking. Get on now, because in just a short period of time, we're going to be asking for \$26. Once we hit 2026. Look, if you can give more, what other nonprofit is making great strides in doing more than ICAN and The HighWire, not only do we fight in courtrooms, not only do we make movies that shift the consciousness of the world and create scientific debate where none was before, then not only do we support so I can run and help Robert Kennedy Jr be HHS secretary, but we're all over and we're doing this show that you can share with your friends and the clips on social media.

[00:56:29] Del Bigtree

Speaking of social media, I hope you are tuned in to our social media @Highwiretalk. All of the different channels there they are right there. Or you can also follow me personally @DelBigtree on Instagram and X. Um, all of it is there. Jefferey Jaxen has his channels. What do you follow all of those? Because there's things we're doing there that are outside of even what we're doing with The HighWire. We're hitting it from all directions, and all of that is made possible by all of you and the donations that you have been making to make this possible. So if you're sitting there and you're watching the show and you keep watching the show and you keep being excited every time we have a new legal win or we win back freedom in a state like Mississippi, wouldn't you love to just say deep down, you know, and be able to tell your kids, your grandkids? I was actually involved with a nonprofit that helped give you this world back. The world that you now cherish. That is going to go on to be handed down to your grandkids. The freedom that you know has happened because I got involved with nonprofits that made a difference. We believe that's ICAN. And so we'll make it easy for you. Just type in 72022 in your phone, text us at that number and write the word donate and we will send you a link.

[00:57:40] Del Bigtree

Make it super easy. You can't part with a couple days. I mean a couple dollars every month. I mean, just skip a coffee or maybe skip that thing you're calling a coffee, which is a lot more like a milkshake and probably do yourself some good. We can take by mail, by stock, international transfer, crypto vehicles, gift cards, legacy giving. If there's something that's not up there and you're like, geez, I'd love to donate a different way than just go to info at icon.org. Or if you'd like to make a very large donation, or maybe even fund one of our lawsuits, or one of the things we're doing and kind of stamp your name on it, we can work with you to do that. Alright, well, without further ado. Every once in a while, a voice graces the planet that moves like no other. Um. This may be one of the fastest talking, sharpest minds the world has ever seen. We've seen him when he was like a superstar playing rock stars in movies. He's hilarious, he's funny, he's dynamic. He's gotten himself in all kinds of trouble. But now he's joined the Maha movement and he's talking about health and he's talking about the future and he's talking about authoritarian governments. In fact, it looks like he's covering everything, and I'm about to get into it with him. This is Russell Brand.

[00:58:56] Male News Correspondent

Welcome comedian, actor, radio host, activist.

[00:58:59] Male News Correspondent

Talented performer and New York Times best selling author.

[00:59:03] Male News Correspondent

His quick wit, astounding vocabulary, big brain and even bigger hair saw him go on to become one of the top names in stand up around the world.

[00:59:11] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

My personality doesn't work without fame, without fame. This haircut just looks like mental illness.

[00:59:19] Male News Correspondent

Is, of course, a comedian who has appeared in numerous films, including Get Him to the Greek and Forgetting Sarah Marshall.

[00:59:25] Male Speaker

You're very, very fast.

[00:59:26] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Yeah, yeah, I am, I am. For my sins.

[00:59:28] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

That's the thing about me as an actor. I will not pretend to be something I'm not. Ever.

[00:59:34] Male Speaker

Give it up for Russell Brand, everybody.

[00:59:36] Male News Correspondent

I have to say, I am a really big fan of yours.

[00:59:38] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

They're so good.

[00:59:39] Male News Correspondent

No, no, I'm never kind. I'm always truthful.

[00:59:41] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

When I was growing up, I thought I'd be a lot happier if I was famous and successful and if I had money. And I think that's because we live in a culture that celebrates fame and commerce and consumerism and money.

[00:59:53] Female News Correspondent

The world of celebrity. Katy Perry and Russell Brand were one of the coolest IT couples. On Friday, after 14 months of marriage, Brand filed for divorce. What went wrong? Brand, a recovering heroin addict, had reportedly slowed down his partying ways. Perry had not.

[01:00:10] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

I don't look back at the past and get all worked up about it like Ebenezer Scrooge. I simply think those are some things I've done. I've amended for them after Hollywood and LA and acting. I came back to London and I started getting involved in media commentary in the UK, and I had a YouTube channel. Are we being cut off from important aspects of reality to keep us conditioned conformists? Hello there you 5.6 million Awakening Wonders. Thanks for joining me on this voyage towards truth.

[01:00:38] Female News Correspondent

What was it, do you think? I mean, there was just something rebellious inside of you. Or.

[01:00:43] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

I don't trust authority. In my experience, authority figures have been unreliable. So for me, when people are saying don't do something, I sort of think, well, why? I sort of question authority figures.

[01:00:53] Female News Correspondent

You still have that?

[01:00:54] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Yes.

[01:00:55] Male News Correspondent

Well, an article was published in the Guardian yesterday titled Russell Brand's Descent into Conspiracy Politics How it shows us Where Politics is heading.

[01:01:05] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

I'm not traditionally what you might regard as a Republican or a Trump supporter. I have arrived on this stage via Hollywood, via liberalism. But I stand before you today because I admire your spirit of freedom and your liberty. The pandemic created at least 40 new Big Pharma billionaires. Pharmaceutical corporations like Moderna and Pfizer made \$1,000 of profit every second from the Covid 19 vaccine. More than two thirds of Congress received campaign funding from pharmaceutical companies in the 2020 election.

[01:01:37] Male Speaker

New friend and honestly, a great person and amazing Christian.

[01:01:42] Male Speaker

In what ways do you think, for lack of a better term, you've been born again?

[01:01:47] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

When you have a baby, it transitions your worldview immediately. It's the end of madness. It's the end of so many things, but the beginning of so many things. It's the beginning of an other centered life, I suppose, is what it is to be. Holy is all there is to be holy is all there is. And I say that after a lot of attempts at finding other avenues, now I know Jesus Christ is here. If you care about democracy, if you care about freedom, if you care about ending war, if you care about your children's health, this is the time for you to do something decisive and different. Stay free, stay free.

[01:02:27] Del Bigtree

Well, it's my honor and pleasure to be joined by the one, the only, Russell Brand.

[01:02:32] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Thank you Del Bigtree. Thank you for having me at your studio stroke spa environment.

[01:02:37] Del Bigtree

Yes, I love, I love I feel a little overdressed. In fact, a little hot. Feel like we should be doing this in a sauna? A little infrared might be good right now.

[01:02:45] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

I'd be happy to go through your wellness routine with you.

[01:02:47] Del Bigtree

Yes. It's one of the things in the morning. I just heard that sweating. Uh, one of these doctors, natural doctors, said that sweating is better than any detoxing, like, um, chelation process they've ever tried. That sweating in one day does better than most chelation processes do in a month. So I was like, I'm gonna start sweating more.

[01:03:06] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

That's really good because I've been doing, like, a lot of hot yoga. Poor Prince Andrew, eh? He doesn't sweat. Yeah, that's one of the things he said. He must be in a terrible state. Well, he's also he's just lost his title, you know, like, check this out. I learned just yesterday from. He's called doctor Jack Kruse.

[01:03:22] Del Bigtree

Ah, yes. Jack Kruse. Sure.

[01:03:24] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Must be someone that you're very familiar with about, um. The impact of blue light from screens had grown out of experimentation undertaken by the CIA and FBI. That began with mind control. And he's like a legit guy. This isn't crazy conspiracy stuff that began with, uh, stimulating electrodes on monkeys brains. They realized they could create the same impact with blue blue light. So when a choice is made as to whether your phone screen should be blue or red, they made the choice. Blue because it makes you more lethargic, apathetic, and more easy to control. So I was thinking that those red lights would have the additional benefit of exposure to the red light, as.

[01:04:01] Del Bigtree

Well as the opposite side of the spectrum or something. I think that thing's making me go blind. I just have perfect eyesight now it's. But like on that, how do you how do you deal with whether something is like a conspiracy theory that like, do you go with everything that you see? Is it worth the topic? Are you, you know, do you pick and choose or is there some sort of intuitive sense you have to get with something you're going to interact with?

[01:04:23] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Well, I have a total fatigue in trying to discern which conspiracy should I believe in, particularly as the sort of independent media and online space continues to fragment, fracture and turn like you're a borrower. Is that what I want to say, or a borrower?

[01:04:37] Del Bigtree

Aurora borealis.

[01:04:38] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Yeah, yeah. That it's eating its own. A serpent eating its own tail. Like, I increasingly, you know, I'm uncertain as anyone who's using online media and online sources as to what to believe, but I, like any sensible person, immediately ask Cui Bono who would benefit if this is true, does this allow regulatory authorities to regulate? Does this allow corporate and commercial authorities to profit? Does this have the ultimate benefit of generating systems of control? If the answer is yes, then whether it's true or not, one can still not tell without corroborated, verifiable evidence. But you do at least know that there's a high likelihood, particularly if it fits within the milieu, that I've come to recognize as defining our times control masked as care, convenience to elicit yet further control that the bureaucracies of our age indeed mask and perhaps are the essence of yet the tyranny of our age. I suppose we still have the hangover of the last century, when I think of despotism and dictators and tyranny and totalitarianism. I think of mustachioed dictators and shiny jackboots and red, white and black flags and Nuremberg and parades and Sturm und Drang. But now totalitarianism comes masked in bureaucracy. Control comes insidiously like a gentle fog under your door. Like a warning. We're here to help you. And I suppose I'm alert to that. Because as a person in recovery from addiction, we of course have to learn about the obvious forms of dependency, like drug, alcohol, and then even things like pornography and gambling.

[01:06:11] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

But one gets a sense that at the root, or at least more deep than the the items I've just listed is codependency, where relationships become dependent. Now, I believe, of course, as a Christian, that you can only depend on Christ, but the state wants you to depend on the state. And by the state I mean, you know, the nexus of interests that include global bureaucracies, national governments, corporate commercial interests, they've become masterful at controlling and centralizing information. And the movement of which you are obviously a significant part was a significant breach in their ability to control data. And I think we are we are now witnessing the reformation of their power. How do they delegitimize information? How do they smear and destroy people that convey true information? And once you know that, all they care about is control, because once you have control, you can do what you want. You can profit financially or you can regulate. Then once you've understood that, then things become clearer. So I try. I try not to believe in things just because I want to believe in them. Because I've gotten to the point, because of, I suppose, anger, where I want to believe that that.

[01:07:18] Del Bigtree

You have a confirmation bias based on some anger and rage.

[01:07:22] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Yes.

[01:07:23] Del Bigtree

As does the other side. It's one of the things that I sort of, you know, we're in such disarray. We're so divided. But I keep telling myself they're just as passionate about the things they think about. The way I see the world as I am, about what I think is, you know, control like the no kings, this no kings thing. At first I kind of had a reaction to it, but then I thought, I don't want kings either. No. Like I'm totally agreeing with you like no kings. We should never, ever have a king lock us in our house. They shouldn't shut down our schools. They shouldn't force us to wear masks. Wait a minute. Hold on a second.

[01:07:55] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

You didn't mean that. No kings we don't like Donald Trump. Should have been clearer. It's just because calling him a dictator wasn't working, so we thought we'd try kings. But yes, that would mean. Hold on a minute. Nancy Pelosi's been in Congress for like, 50 years. She's a kind of aristocrat at best, and an empress at worst, who went in with a certain amount of resources and power and will be leaving one day. I pray with hundreds of millions of dollars.

[01:08:19] Del Bigtree

That's amazing.

[01:08:20] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

And that amount.

[01:08:21] Del Bigtree

And meanwhile, taking one of the most beautiful cities in the world and turned it into just a you know.

[01:08:27] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Which ones that.

[01:08:27] Del Bigtree

Well, San Francisco, when you think about that area, you know, I was I was in Vancouver skiing last winter. I came down and was in a hotel with my family, and I left the keys on the skis and everything in the car and at the hotel they're like, oh, you don't want to leave your skis in the car and your boots and everything. Vancouver is as bad as San Francisco. And I remember thinking, when did San Francisco get to be the example of a dangerous city to live in? Well, I mean, Nancy Pelosi, I suppose, and Gavin Newsom and these people, this is what this has become. This was the richest city that was the most expensive city in the world may still be, but now it's just squalor and drug addicts and boarded up buildings and crime. And so I want to dial in for a second because, you know, you're you're obviously concerned about authoritarianism, which is one of the things that is fantastic to watch. You know, one speaks about it better. Um, but were you always in that space, even back when you were, you know, the wilder partying, having fun? Did you did you always have an allergic reaction to authoritarianism?

[01:09:32] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Possibly, Del. Because when you look back as you grow older, perhaps, and I pray more mature, you recognize that in a kind of embryonic form were better expressed, hopefully more maturely expressed traits. I have, it seems, a kind of somewhat native mistrust of authority. And that can be difficult, I suppose, because it probably, in my case includes familial, educational, and all forms of social authority. Just probably who knows what psychosocial sociological reasons there could be for that. But I never trusted authority. I've never trusted authority. When I became, like, moved from the circumstances of my youth, which sort of like mundane poverty, mundane poverty, not even dramatic poverty, mundane poverty to celebrity and, you know, via the gateways of addiction and craziness into affluence and success and celebration and encouragement and anointing and appointing and becoming a sort of a darling of different little establishments in the citadels of entertainment. I still felt mistrustful. It was a surprising and great day when in LA, I met, like in one day, Larry Charles, the brilliant sort of co-creator and contributor, significant contributor to at least a sort of Seinfeld and Curb Your Enthusiasm and shows like that and Kevin Smith. The film director and Peter Baynham, who's a brilliant Welsh comedy writer. And I recognize then, oh, there are brilliant people. It's not just gargoyles and monsters of entertainment. And some of those people are brilliant. Jason Segel and Judd Apatow and Helen Mirren and Alec Baldwin sort of cool, lovely people.

[01:11:16] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

But I started to recognize that it was a comparable sort of lesion on the body of America that's primarily there to promote certain cultural values and ideals and a mindset, and that I was a participant in that, and I didn't really realize how because one doesn't. If you've craved success or approval for most of your life, and then you get to be in movies and people find you attractive and celebrate you, a little part of your brokenness wants to believe that it's valid and deserved somehow. But after a while you realize, oh no, the culture can just use me here. I can be used as a sort of a celebrant and example of, in my case, I suppose, hedonism and individualism and sort of selfishness and decadence and whatever things that I may have represented to other people. So I saw different types of authority and how they operate within different institutions, and of course, how they all intersect the porous nature that you can't have now, you know, sort of moving into your area of expertise. You can't endlessly promote a pharmacological product that's ineffective unless you have a degree of support from the entertainment industry, you know, and then look at the like when we look back at somewhat recent anomalies, like when Jim Carrey and Jenny McCarthy went on, I think Larry King and went, our kids took a vaccine, and then our kid was never the same.

[01:12:35] Jenny McCarthy, Actress, Spokesperson

As a precautionary measure. Right now, you know, you remove certain medications off shelves because they're deemed unsafe. Why not vaccines? The American Academy of Pediatrics, I begged and have sat down with and said, why are you not sitting down with our doctors and our scientists who are treating and recovering children with autism and they refuse to this day to sit down.

[01:12:56] Jim Carey, Actor

Any possibility that a child was being helped, that someone would listen, someone would take a look. And the fact is, they're not even considering the information. They're not only not considering they're not, they're discouraging it.

[01:13:09] Jenny McCarthy, Actress, Spokesperson

I don't know what happened in 1990. There was no plague that was killing children, that we had to triple the amount of vaccines.

[01:13:14] Jim Carey, Actor

What happened after 1989?

[01:13:17] Male News Correspondent

Why did they.

[01:13:18] Jim Carey, Actor

Warranted 26 more vaccines?

[01:13:20] Jenny McCarthy, Actress, Spokesperson

Greed.

[01:13:20] Jim Carey, Actor

Are all of them absolutely necessary?

[01:13:22] Male News Correspondent

They want to make money.

[01:13:23] Jenny McCarthy, Actress, Spokesperson

Of course you should educate yourself. We want to empower parents to educate themselves. Do we need to have the chicken pox? Do we need the hepatitis B shot on the second day of life?

[01:13:31] Jim Carey, Actor

I don't think we can afford to assume that the people who are charged with our our public health any longer have our best interests at heart all the time.

[01:13:41] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

And then it's like.

[01:13:43] Del Bigtree

Yeah.

[01:13:44] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

You know, how do they how do the people that know manage being there? How do the ones that know manage? That's what I wonder.

[01:13:50] Del Bigtree

It's interesting. I interesting. I don't know if I've ever said this on this show and I could get into trouble, but I mean, when you reflect back, I worked in Hollywood as at CBS, working at Paramount Studios. And, you know, I remember, like, growing up, there's things that I'm questioning now about how we were raised, like, for instance, like the McCarthy trials. Right. This idea that this lunatic was going in and calling all these writers and everything communists in Hollywood.

[01:14:19] Male Speaker

Calling the House un-American Activities Committee to order.

[01:14:22] Eric Johnston, President of the Motion Picture Association of America

We're accused of having communists and communist sympathizers in our employ. Undoubtedly, there are such persons in Hollywood as you will find elsewhere in America, but we neither shield nor defend them. We want them exposed. We are responsible for what goes on the screen. We guard that with great care.

[01:14:46] Del Bigtree

And then, you know, after I moved to Texas and I'm in the middle of this entire investigation on vaccines. And I'm really starting to see this deep, dark hole of control and authoritarianism and everything. And then I started watching the television shows that are out right now. You know, you know, there's a, you know, a spy show. And in the spy show, there's always, I saw myself and there's a spy shows got, you know, some character that's got a podcast and, and he's talking about, you know, um, you know, founding fathers and constitutional rights and, you know, the fact that you should be able to speak up for your independence. And he's a bad guy, like, he's dangerous. He's a he's a, he's a domestic terrorist. And I was watching more and more and more of these shows. I started thinking about sort of what you were saying, what I was portraying in Hollywood. I didn't realize it, but it's like the Star Trek thing. The good of the many outweighs the good of the single individual. You know, all these things that I thought were beautiful, like this UN concept and all these shows that were doing it. And then I started wondering, was I pushing communism. This idea that we're we're better when we give up our individual greatness and think more about everybody else. And then I want to I haven't done it yet. I want to revisit. Was McCarthy on his. I'm sure someone's going to say, del, what are you saying? But I don't know what that was about. I only got one sided version of that, which is this lunatic accused everyone of being communist. But what was I doing in Hollywood that wasn't pushing communism? The entire thing is about there aren't like, you know, we don't really want to have single individuals. It's the one that gives up, you know, that. It's all about everybody else.

[01:16:22] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Well, it is, if you ask me. Del is desacralized spirituality, and I would say Christianity. There is one who gives up everything for everyone else who's willing to sacrifice himself for everyone else who, if you like. And the idea that you know that the kind of man I would like to be is the kind of man that if any one of you was in trouble, I want to be someone, I'd go, like, I'm going to defend them. It doesn't matter about me.

[01:16:48] Del Bigtree

Put myself in harm's way to try and save somebody.

[01:16:50] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

I know that's good. We all know that's good,

[01:16:52] Del Bigtree

Right?

[01:16:53] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

But so, yeah, that's a high value to put other people ahead of yourself. But when you start to talk about it in terms of state run socialism, who is the broker and brokerage of the ways in which the rights of the many are superior to the rights of the individual? Unless it's going to be Jesus, then you're probably going to get people using that position exploitatively because the fact is that communism has some wonderful ideas, shared ownership. Because why should we share? Because our rights are all important and we do all matter. But who are you going to give those attributes and that power to? If you strip away the idea that there is a divine and sublime component to reality and say that all that is real is that which we can measure, you start to rely on institutions in a new way. You can reason your way into totalitarianism. You can reason your way into bureaucracy. As I indicated earlier, I don't now fear mustachioed, charismatic military dictators. I fear quiet bureaucrats edging into my life with total control. I don't think it's a coincidence that C.S. Lewis depicts in The Screwtape Letters, the realm of daemons as a kind of vast bureaucracy where through torture and torment and distraction, demonic forces control you. You know, the great David Graeber, who was a, you know, sort of a communist, at very least a socialist American writer.

[01:18:15] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

He said that the promise of free market capitalism was always set up in opposition to the kind of bureaucracies that we recognize from Soviet and even Maoist communism. But we're all steeped in bureaucracy. We know that through health and safety, they want control of everything. They're trying to revoke and undo all of the Bill of rights and constitutional rights. In instances where those rights prevent people from being controlled, they mask control as care. So, of course, you know, if we through our individual sovereignty, choose to live lives of compassion and service, there is no higher calling. But if you do it at the end of a barrel of a gun that's ultimately held by the state, that's not compassion. That's total control and subjugation and submission. They've taught us to be dependent on them, sometimes literally through welfare, certainly ideologically, through their cultural artifacts, which we touched upon with Hollywood and our particular roles in the entertainment industry and ancillaries to the entertainment industry. But where we have to get to, I believe, is individual sovereignty under God. That who do you want to give this brokerage to? If you can't get rid of people in Congress, are people staying in Congress for decades? It amounts to at least an aristocracy and potentially a monarchy.

[01:19:23] Del Bigtree

I want to drill down a little bit on Jesus since you keep bringing it up. I think one of the darkest things that that happened during Covid was the use of like, Christian values to, you know, um, that don't, you know, even if you don't do it for yourself, do it for everybody else, right? That if you really care about your neighbor. You need to do this thing, even to the point where there was this idea that Jesus would vaccinate. I was like, really? Jesus, like, touched lepers. Jesus had no fear of anything. You know, it constantly had this idea that whatever your faith is will make you whole. So I just don't understand that. But to play on this empathy piece that the authoritarians have used and by the way, Jesus, I think what we forget is one of the greatest rebels of all time, saying, there's only a couple of things I pay you taxes I'll render unto Caesar the things that are Caesar's, but the rest that's God's. And get out of my face.

[01:20:17] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Yeah.

[01:20:17] Del Bigtree

You know, and we forget that rebellious side of Christianity. We only get this sort of groupthinkism. Let's all, you know, give up ourselves in it. But I had my father's a minister, and I at one point before Covid, like years ago, I started saying, I don't feel like the work that you're doing is working. I mean, I get it. I think we should all care about one another. We should. You know, we should love thy neighbor as thyself. All of those things.

[01:20:48] Del Bigtree

But the world we're getting, we're losing more and more. We're being lied to. Our government's lying. And I just feel like everyone's asleep at the wheel. Like God's got this. And we're all, you know, going to be like Kumbaya here. And the world's falling apart. Crime is running rampant. And I just I remember saying to my father, is it possible, is it possible that maybe at this time in the world a different philosophy? What if I went out and said to everybody, everyone's lying to you, your boss is robbing from you, your politician lied to you. You know, your your your wife is cheating on you. Be skeptical about everything because you have fallen asleep at the wheel. And I know you want to love your brother. No, you want to love your neighbor, but you've given up yourself. Do we have to get back to understanding the beauty of ourselves? Because we are, in fact, created in the image and likeness of God, right where dynamic, beautiful, powerful individuals. If we forget that, then none of the rest of this matters. What can I how can I love my neighbor if I hate myself? One last thought. You know, I see these bumper stickers that you know, do unto others if they have them do unto you, which is a great principle, but I want to add on to it. You know, unless you're a masochist, you know what I mean? I mean, we live in a world bumper sticker. You know, people are upset. They're angry. They hate themselves. Right?

[01:22:06] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

That's a really, really good joke,

[01:22:08] Del Bigtree

Right?

[01:22:09] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

That's a really good joke. Well, unless you're a masochist. Yeah, exactly. Because you can't presume to know what other people are doing without taking the role of God. Now, I think you described near the beginning of your last question and, um, diatribe, shall we say.

[01:22:22] Del Bigtree

I've been accused of that before.

[01:22:23] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

I enjoyed it, though. And me too. Like, like that is that is satanic. Because one thing. What is Satan? Satan, one might say, if you wanted a rational dialectic on what Satan might be. Satan rejects God's power because he wants supreme power for himself. That's what causes the fall of Satan to emulate God. What did they do? They wanted absolute power over you. What did they claim? That if you didn't show fealty to their system that you were being disloyal? What did they use? They used a counterfeit ideology that your expression of love and compassion and care would be through bowing down, bending the knee. Note that metaphor before their altar of their false gods and their false idols. It's extraordinary, too, that at the very commencement of the pandemic era, the reason that we were invited to undertake what seemed like pretty draconian social measures, whether it's social distancing, lockdowns, remaining in your home, the dispensation of business or worship or whatever, freedom more broadly was all undertaken to privilege this vital truth. Life is sacred. Life is sacred. But if they really believe that life is sacred, you would feel evidence of that elsewhere in their governance, in their policies, in their planning. You'd see it in their provisions, but they don't treat life as if it's sacred.

[01:23:41] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

They treat life as if it's expendable. You can now apply the lessons learned from the Covid crisis to one of the issues, de la jure, the migration crisis across the world. Whatever the truth is about what a domestic settled nation's relationship ought be with a migrant population, what I can tell you with some certainty is that the motivations of the state that are facilitating migration is not compassion, because if it was compassion, they would address it at the root. What is the role of imperialism and colonialism from the perspective of a British person in displacing people across the world? And in the case of Americans, what corporate and commercial interests are causing disruptions? And overseas, you would address those problems if you cared. You wouldn't wait until you know, why are people leaving these countries? What is the disruption and disrepair and disrepute? So like, I don't, of course profess to know the answers, but what I do know is that what they claim we care for you is actually we are going to control you. We recognize that we can't control you anymore like that because you're America and you're armed and you're awake, and you're a nation established on the rejection of monarchical authority. But what they will do is tell you continually you're under threat since nine over 11, I believe, and perhaps a lot longer.

[01:24:57] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Like you say, you sometimes want to go back, don't you, and revisit and look at it all through a new lens. It's just been successive concussive crisis. Because of this crisis, we're going to introduce the Patriot Act, and we need to be able to spy on you because of this crisis. You need to go into your homes because of this economic crisis. We need to bail out the banks. And all your homes are going to get foreclosed. Well, who benefits? And you can no longer apply the definition of crisis. Because what's a crisis to the majority of people is an opportunity to the most powerful elites and institutions. So what incentive is there for them to not continually induce economic, medical, military crises. It's plain that that's the modality, as they say, not a bug, but a feature. What we the problem we have, they have at least, is now people are awakened, have been trained in the case of you and me within those institutions, know how to read information, know how to convey information, and now have access to the machinery of power and production itself. So, you know, if you were still working at CNN, you'd be finished.

[01:25:53] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

If I was working still within Hollywood, I'd be finished. They'd sort of, I feel at least. And we'll see. After the trial in June, I think attempted to finish me anyway, regardless, metastasizing my past as a promiscuous womanizer, which is definitely selfish and exploitative and wrong into something that was criminal. And that only takes a few little tweaks to generate content and material. And in some ways, I'm flattered I'm important enough to warrant that level of attention, of attention. But what I think we are living in is a war. A spiritual war, ultimately, but also a technological war as centralized powers realized that the means of production are in the hands of the many and now people through skill sets and create, creating a relationship with an audience which actually amounts to authenticity and integrity. Continuing to do stuff even when it costs you. That is a very, very powerful army they've found themselves facing, and I think they're trying to create an arsenal to destroy it. Is that misinformation? Is it mal information? Can you trust that individual? Like there's so many tools that are being erratically, bureaucratically dispersed now like Agent Orange, which they told us wasn't bad for us. Well, it was convenient for them to say that.

[01:27:03] Del Bigtree

Yeah, I agree, and I think I think those tools are failing. I think it's blowing up in their face. I think voices like yours. I've said it. Look, they had a 24 hour a day news cycle in Covid. They were pushing like an \$11 billion plan to push their agenda. They hated Robert Kennedy Jr. They hated Donald Trump. And yet those two guys are now sitting in massive positions of power, which says that that mainstream media news cycle is failing to deliver the power that they once had. But, you know, on this topic, you know, since I've been very focused on vaccines on that issue, um, did that catch you by surprise? Was the vaccine something that you always were skeptical about or did this? Was this Covid thing the moment you sort of woke up to it?

[01:27:48] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

I didn't I didn't see it as a political thing. Like, you know, I feel like I probably had vaccines as a kid or whatever if that was part of the schedule in Grays, Essex, when I was a kid, then I would have had it. And then I remember like, say, going traveling to India or whatever. I remember you'd be like, oh, you might need a vaccine or a shot for this or that. And I remember thinking, okay, you know, utility, pragmatism, praxis, practice. Then I started to hear, like a friend of mine who said, whose mom was a nurse, who started to say that he when his kids were born, like ten years ahead of mine, he was like, I'm not going to be vaccinated. My children. I was like, why? He goes, well, there's some studies that suggest and some people that feel and and I didn't really take it seriously because it wasn't a hot topic. This was before your movie VAXXED and before the Tribeca Film Festival and all of that. What happened when those two when we learned, oh, it's really political. This. This is political. You're treading on some important toes right there. Well, so when it when the pandemic happened, it was only our aforementioned in my forum. We talked about it a moment ago. The fact that I don't automatically trust authority, that meant that when I initially, like everyone, thought, oh my God, this pandemic is a unique historical event. This is extraordinary. And when I saw the empty streets in Rome and the hazmat suits in Wuhan.

[01:28:57] Del Bigtree

28 days later. Man, this thing's like a movie. It's Armageddon. People are dying, dropping Chinese.

[01:29:02] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Do you remember all that? Yeah, all those dead people and stuff. And then, because it's beautiful, it's the most illustrative. I can't think of a more illustrative event in human history. That doesn't mean that there isn't one, but that the window of the pandemic period showed us what your great George Carlin said. No conspiracy is necessary. Where interests converge that it was beneficial to media, it was beneficial to Big Pharma, it was beneficial to Big Tech. It was beneficial to the big corporations that stayed open and injurious to the smaller mom and pop type operations that got annihilated in your country and in mine. It was benefit to beneficial to a government that likes to globally to nationally regulate globalist entities like the W.H.O., WEF, Et.al. Benefited. And it was extraordinary to watch how it sort of swarmed upon us. Now I like everyone most people, I guess at the beginning was like, whoa, this is pretty crazy. What do we do? Have I got to wash my hands? And then a few things happened. High profile prominent politicians were kind of caught having parties and attending events. Then there was like a substrata which you would have been aware of before me, I'm sure of, like Robert Malone or Peter McCulloch or people saying this isn't what vaccines do, you know, and this isn't how this works. And this coronavirus has got, you know, what about do you remember the first time you heard this thing has not come out of a wet market, it's come out of a laboratory. And that was saying that was like, you might as well have said.

[01:30:20] Del Bigtree

We lost our YouTube channel. We were one of the first ones to.

[01:30:22] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Really.

[01:30:23] Del Bigtree

It was like immediately.

[01:30:24] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Really.

[01:30:25] Del Bigtree

You are losing your social media channels for saying that was crazy, you know? And we had a scientist on saying there's a, you know, insert. We can see it. It's man made, it's there in the virus. And all of a sudden it's like not allowed to say that. Incredible

[01:30:38] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

were you kind of like oh my god this is great. People will be so interested to hear this. Like innocently like, hey guys. Like, oh, that's really interesting, Mr. Bigtree. Well, if you'll just come over here, bam, right. You know, like you think you're doing, you assume that their sincerity is real at first. Like, you know, like I was like, because me, it was happening in real time. I'm watching Joe Rogan. I'm learning what you're talking about. I'm watching Secretary Kennedy and learning from him, and I'm like, hey. Oh. And then I start to remember, this is that thing where they lie to us the whole time. It's never a lone gunman. It's never to protect you. This war isn't for freedom. This war isn't for democracy. There are no weapons of mass destruction. They don't care about homeless people. They don't care about protecting the vulnerable. All of those things. So what happened is with me is like I felt the cogs sort of click into place of, this is what you've always known. You can't trust the government. You can't trust authority. You can't trust the television or the media or the judiciary. You can't trust any of them. Of course there are human beings. And if those individual human beings within government or judiciary or media are connected to what I would call God, Jesus Christ, if they're connected, you've got a chance. If not, they're probably going to get controlled by a lesser idol. The kind of false idolatry that means these systems are all booted towards counterfeits and control. These are some of the things that I've observed. So it was an incredibly illustrative period. And so when it was like, people are getting vaccinated, I didn't get vaccinated, but we hadn't vaccinated our kids, you know, and my kids were already born or two of them. So, like, I must already have known. I don't know if I trust these people, but it wouldn't have been, you know, I didn't know about spike proteins and mRNA and gain of function. I didn't know about all of that till, you know, the people that were ahead of me start explaining it.

[01:32:17] Del Bigtree

My wife's in yoga. She's bumping into you at Jivamukti in L.A. and New York and all these places. You obviously, you know, you talk about meditation, you have a spiritual life. Um. Can people is there happiness when you lay out that level of, um, of I don't want to call it skepticism. Skepticism for all the things around you, the environment, the world that you live in. How do you find peace? Is peace necessary?

[01:32:47] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Love is real and God is real. God is the God that created nature. God is the God that created you and me. My problem was is without realizing it, I was living completely in self. The what's very helpful for me to understand my own trajectory, even of what I might call a kind of false spirituality, not making claims about other people's spirituality, by the way, but my own is that I got ensnared in self-worship. It's very easy to get ensnared in self-worship. All you have to think is what I want or what I'm afraid of are the most important things in the world. And it's really easy to default to that because the culture tells you that's what you should be doing all the time in your identity as a consumer. You're right to mention that it also tells you you have to submerge your personal identity for the collective. That is one of the aims and obviously the explicit goals of socialism. And but for me, what I felt like was I was, you know, the addiction is the most helpful way of understanding it, though, because like as a kid eating too much chocolate, then as an adolescent watching too much porn, then when I became attractive enough, attracting females and I was very interested in females, but in the interim I'd become chemically dependent on crack and heroin. And when, you know dependency on a chemical substance, you really understand dependency in a very literal way that I'm not okay. If I don't have this thing, then you have the thing and you are okay.

[01:34:06] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Then of course, if you're a heroin and crack addict as I was, you have to stop it because your life's going to decline fast and you can't do it on your own. You need help. You need, in fact, God, you need that. You need a belief in a higher purpose and a higher principle. So from the brokenness of addiction, there is a route towards salvation. And it is through this narrow crack that the light got in. And it's through that light that I saw the path. And I must be some sort of moron, because it took me another 21 years to come to Christ, and it took absolute brokenness to come to Christ. And how that happened. Not that you've asked, but, you know, Christians will tell you is like that. You know, I got accused of rape and my son was born with, um, you know, like, this is why I'm very grateful to you for the work you do around the health of children and ensuring that the great people that work in medicine have, uh, the facility to advocate for a righteous balance between the ingenuity of medicine and pharmacology and the areas where expedience and other incentives might supersede their Hippocratic goals and indeed, their oath. Because, you know, when that boy was born and he had to have heart surgery at the same time that I was in the midst of this sort of personal furor, which obviously aligned very much with my deep shame about the kind of way that I'd lived.

[01:35:23] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Not shame that I'd done anything non-consensual, but shame that I had exploited selfishly in my case as a heterosexual women, because women were really attracted to me and I could sleep with loads and loads of women. And I'm an addict. I've got a lot of appetite. I really, really, really love women to this day. But I'm a married man and I'm chaste and I'm monogamous and I honor my wife. But man, when I was single and in Hollywood and like women are making themselves very available to me, I did not have any discipline or indeed moral or spiritual reason to not get into that. It's only really when finally I was shown because. So I'm grateful in a sense, to have to deal with these allegations and charges, because now I've been confronted with the consequences of my selfishness, even if it has been metastasized and deceptively altered in order to turn it into something criminal. And I believe that is related specifically to things that happened during the pandemic. I think it is specifically related to the rise of independent media and the decline of ordinary industrial, and what we might call mainstream media. I believe there is a correlation that you can't have media reporting on independent media figures, as if they've got no skin in the game. Of course, CNN depicts Joe Rogan as being yellow and being a liar. Of course, the BBC have a vested interest in ensuring that independent voices don't rise up, that oppose them, that prevent them claiming a levy that amounts to a tax.

[01:36:50] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Of course, corporate and commercial media that ultimately has the same goals as the the products that they advertise and ultimately has the same commercial, corporate and conglomerated goals of the sets of institutions that they live alongside. Of course, they don't want independent media. They've identified that independent media is the thin end of the wedge, that it begins with people like you going, hey, you might want to ask some more questions about vaccines before you give them to your kids. And it ends with the end of Pfizer's power, then the end of the FDA, then the rise of Secretary Kennedy. And then probably were this to go unchecked, were they not to smear and destroy independent media and find ways of regulating independent media and absolutely controlling it? Um, for e.g., the way that Barack Obama says, you know, misinformation and mal information, it affects you even if you were clever enough not to believe it. We're not saying you're stupid, but there are some people are stupid and we have to have control of this information. The reason is, is because they know that in the end, what it implies is individual and and local authority and democracy. In the end, if you pursue the line of where does this technology lead us? Wait a minute. If you can aggregate empty rooms in your house through Airbnb, if you can aggregate taxicabs through Uber and Ride and Lyft and all those things, couldn't you use the same technology to handle budgets at the most local level? Couldn't you grow food that primarily.

[01:38:10] Del Bigtree

Los Angeles, from burning down to the ground and fire hydrants working when we're in a state of crisis?

[01:38:14] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

It annihilates centralization. Ultimately, in the end, you don't need centralized government to the same degree. Of course, you know, there will be a requirement for a military and municipality to some degree, but there's no requirement for the exploitable opportunity of the aristocratic class that have once again presumed control of your country and have never lost control of my country.

[01:38:35] Del Bigtree

When you you have kids, kids makes you think about like, how are they going to, you know, grow up in this world. Um, do you think about I want my kids to avoid that wild, rough ride that I went through. But I want to ask you this more pointedly. Are you the Russell Brand that has this voice today? If you hadn't gone through that experience, if you hadn't learned through that addiction to drugs just how far and deep it goes, does it give you an empathy that you can understand humanity better? Was that God's journey for you? Can you erase that part of a life? Can you keep. Do you want your kids to never mess up or make mistakes? You know isn't the prodigal son? Isn't the return? Isn't that part of the experience of humanity or is it not? Can can we whitewash it?

[01:39:22] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

We can't whitewash it. Can you Del? I mean, I was just fascinated to learn that your father's a minister. And to note how often you use scriptural language and metaphor in your ordinary natural discourse. Of course, on one level, I want to like any father, I want to protect my children from everything. And I would kill and die for them like any father, in an instant, without thought or reflection. But what I also know is that God has no grandchildren, and that God put us in the order he put us in for a reason. I'm there to be Mabel and Peggy and Herbie's father. And please, God, if it's your will, more children. I'm there to be a husband to my wife, Laura. And yeah, I want to protect him from the things I experienced when it comes to addiction and when it comes to poverty, when it comes to exposure to the harsh realities of life among Unawakened people. I want to protect them as best as I can, but I know also that I can't. I know that they're going to experience the world. I know that it's my job to prepare them for the world. I know it's my job to ensure that they grow up clued up. And I can see already that I made mistakes because of my own childhood and my own life and my own. I don't know, worldview Weltanschauung. I sort of raised them very much. Prioritizing. Don't trust authority. Be cynical and suspicious of authority.

[01:40:33] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

I default to that. I assume that people want to exploit and abuse. I stay aware to that. It's not cynicism. It's my awareness of fallenness, of brokenness, and of the capture of human systems by darkness, or at least false light. So when I'm dealing with them, I just pray, you know, I see myself mess up every day. I can talk like this while I'm with you on a nice rug in your beautiful studio, but, like, you know, like sometimes like, like, you know, they annoy me and I'm like, shut up, you know? You know, like, I'm doing it all the time. I'm making mistakes every day with Peggy and Mabel and Herbie, but I know that this is the path that we were supposed to walk. I believe in God, and you know, the grace and relief that comes with that. Everything I experienced, he wanted me to experience. I'm sorry for people that were harmed by my selfishness, but I also know who I am, and I know what I've done and what I've not done. I'm very clear about that. And with my own girls and with my own little boy, I suppose I just want them to be in grace. I'd be a liar if I didn't, if I didn't admit that I fantasize almost daily about acquiring some land somewhere and being able to create a community that they would never need to leave, that they could stay in cabins and we would live differently.

[01:41:42] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

And one day they will wed and their partners will come here, and we'll create community and we'll grow our own food. And we won't eschew technology like Luddites, but we will do what's necessary and trade only where required, and use cryptocurrencies and get out of this system and stop paying taxes to governments that we don't trust, and stop buying food that we know is poisonous and stop trusting Big Pharma when we know it's lying to us and create something that's replicable and so that and then everyone can do it. That's true democracy, a kind of franchise model. I don't need to be. You want me in charge of your world? I wouldn't want you in charge of my world. That's the kind of sovereignty that America kind of has demonstrated, and in a way, facilitated constitutionally and through the Bill of rights, but has lost, as your founding father said it would, as a result of invasive and ulterior interests, mostly corporate. But sometimes I wonder if it's darker and deeper than that. I just want to create or participate in the creation of a world that's worthy of God and therefore worthy of them, the part of them that is made in his image. But I'm aware that as a parent, I'm as big a failure as any parent. You know, like my my messed up the way my own parents messed up because I love him so much. And it's agony sometimes, isn't it, to love your children?

[01:42:53] Del Bigtree

Yeah, when you think about the world ahead, is that part? Is your voice part of the work that you do? You have a huge following, which is fantastic. Probably the most you know, I was thinking of it like you're like a rap poet. The way the words flow from you is like nothing we've ever seen in this world. Why are you doing it? Do you feel like you can make. Do you feel like you can have an effect? Can the world be a better place? Can we get through? Is there anything that can be achieved here? I mean, I asked the same thing. People say, you know, you save millions of lives. Am I, I don't know, I'm expressing.

[01:43:28] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

You're doing great,

[01:43:29] Del Bigtree

You know. So what's.

[01:43:30] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

VAXXED was great

[01:43:31] Del Bigtree

Thank you.

[01:43:32] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Inconvenience Study is great. You're doing what you're called to do. You're being who you're supposed to be. Someone told me a pastor near where I live now, Brad Goode, he told me that saints become who they're meant to be. That's what it is to be a saint. Elsewhere, I read while I'm learning about Saint Francis, that from nature comes the supernatural. Like it's through nature, through nature, through love of nature, through harmony with nature, your own nature, and apparently external, but ultimately probably not nature. You become sanctified. You become canonized, you become a saint. So I just want to become who I am. I know I am broken, and I know I am a failure, and I know that I can't achieve grace. That grace is granted to me the same way as I didn't give myself lungs. I didn't give myself lips or legs. I didn't give myself the ability to communicate with labial loquacity. It just came to me effortlessly, a gift given to me. And I don't feel like I've got any choice but to. And when I say I don't feel like I've got any choice, I don't mean that as a idiom or a dictum. I mean, I've never thought about it. Like at first it was all appetite. I think the same way I didn't think about, oh, wow, these women are beautiful. I've just had sex with this woman. But maybe if I have sex with that woman. Or maybe if I have sex with that woman, I wonder if these two will have sex with me at the same time. There was no thinking it was other than the planning of how to match.

[01:44:52] Del Bigtree

It's hard to think under those circumstances.

[01:44:55] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

It's hard to focus Del if you're having an orgasm every 15 minutes. Um, but, like, you know, I didn't. It was just my nature. And it takes a lot for me to understand something like sex is sacred. Sex is powerful. Don't have sex except within the covenant of marriage. If you have sex with someone, you owe them something. You owe them something. You're connected to them. Now, sex is different for a man than from a woman. One might say in the vast majority of cases, and you are imparting something to them in Scripture it says you are connected forever. Well, man, I like to think of the number of people I've connected to. You know, I've got like I had no doubt have a mission of absolution as a result of my conduct with women. What I resent is the media and government thinking that they're the arbiters. You can't have justice unless you have God, and they are not God. They clearly have, as always, the aims of control and coercion and manipulation. I don't trust no government. Like like your man Muhammad Ali. When he went, when he. I think he was still Cassius Clay. Then when, you know, when he refused the draft. I ain't got no beef with the Vietcong. I ain't got no beef with. What's this got to do with me? Who are you brokering my life. I think every time if I get a citation for driving a car on the beach, if you do something wrong, if you did something wrong 20 years ago. 30 years ago. Justice. Absolutely. Justice. If you did something wrong 50 years ago, there's no statute of limitations on wrong. We are in eternity. We are blessed with the divine.

[01:46:26] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

The spirit is in us. We know that already. We know God is real because you know that through your own consciousness you manipulate matter. You imagine that's the uppermost threshold of that potentiality, that there are not beings that can absolutely control reality through consciousness. The fact that you can't demonstrate that consciousness is ever derived from biological processes is at least the suggestion that consciousness is at least as likely to precede matter as come from it. And that's tantamount to saying God the creator created the universe and the stars and the earth, and he separated and created the categories and created man in his own image. This is something that you and everyone in the room has as much access to as I do. And what the state is doing through the media is brokerages that space, controlling it, shutting it off, creating little systems of selfish energy instead of the living flow of the holy water that we're here to participate in. So it's very hard to be yourself there. Bigtree. And you've done a good job to get out of Los Angeles and to create this place here, and to pursue your mission and to create films that are unpopular and difficult. And probably people have been killed for doing stuff like that. And I like when you start really making a difference, it's a fearful business. And for the ones that are, you know, like there are people that are in government that we both know and love and you think, well, I pray for that person's ongoing safety daily because, you know, people that are willing to go up against that kind of power. Dark stuff happens.

[01:47:54] Del Bigtree

Let's just finish up with our mutual friend Robert Kennedy Jr. I had the opportunity to be as Director of Communications while he was running for president. And

[01:48:04] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Wow. That's pretty heavy.

[01:48:05] Del Bigtree

It was pretty. It was pretty amazing. It was it was, you know, a highlight, certainly.

[01:48:08] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Did you cry at any point? Did you ever find yourself like, oh my God, this is so intense?

[01:48:14] Del Bigtree

Yes Yeah. I think I would certainly like, you know, when you wake up at 6:00 in the morning and the bear story's out, or things just like, you know, he has this wildlife that would come into a presidential run like yours would. If you decide to run for president. I'd be shocked. As your communications director at. What did Russell do back 20 years ago? Does it matter? You know.

[01:48:31] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Animals were getting put on roofs. There's a worm in my brain. There's a whale on the roof. There's a bear in the park. What the fuck are you doing?

[01:48:38] Del Bigtree

But you know, one of the things you guys share. And I think you've even gone to a meeting together. It's a huge part of Bobby's life. Was the recovery part of his life? And just between you and I, it's one of the things that I think makes him so special for that job. Is he really? He says he used some of many of the same words you do the self-will, and he's had some of the most beautiful speeches about it, overcoming self-will that, you know, the drug addiction was the only thing he found in his life he had no control over until he found God. He had to hand his life over. And I'll tell you, I've never seen I mean, I don't spend a lot of time around politicians. I've never been that close to something. But it's such a part of his daily experience. I've never, ever seen anyone that I always say it's like that. It's like there's a dark side that sits in the corner. This ghost of addiction or of an ego takeover that you know, at any moment, if you take your eye off it, it can it can get Ahold of you. And he's so clear that it's there.

[01:49:39] Del Bigtree

This is why he's never said this to me. It's just my awareness of being around him. But that, you know, even when I would, we'd work on a speech with him or I'd say, and if you would give it this inflection because I'm like, I'm a booyah big speaker, I get people all charged up and say, I don't do that. That's not I'm just going to tell people the truth. I have my way of doing it. And I realized that self-aggrandizement, even even getting a crowd riled up, can have a charge to it. That I always felt like I started feeling like, oh, he really doesn't even want that to happen. Like he is here. And he would always just say, God willing, how I do this, this is going to work out, God willing. If I'm supposed to be willing to hear the truth, they will. But I'm not going to go out and charge up audiences and get all riled up. And so, you know, you've had some time around him to can can someone on a spiritual journey, which I believe he is, can he have success in a cesspool as deep and as dark as we are witnessing in Washington, D.C..

[01:50:43] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

With all the cynicism and skepticism that's naturally come to the surface over the course of our conversation, talking about institutional corruption and the kind of subjects that we often share with our communities. It's heartening, at last, to alight on the subject of Secretary Robert Kennedy, to remember that there are people and men of true integrity and authenticity. I've never been more certain of an individual's integrity than Bobby Kennedy is. I don't claim to know him intimately well, but I know his brokenness and I know his integrity. I know he is real, and I feel that this is the kind of leader that America requires. And in a way, we can learn a great deal from the way that the legacy media treated him. And you obviously must know the ins and outs of all that. In fact, I almost my jaw dropped to watch someone that I respect, say, a comic like Stephen Colbert, who I know is a Catholic and I know he's a good person, to see the way that he set about Robert Kennedy on his shows. I shows. I was like, oh wow, man, it's real. The mainstream media are going to war against this guy. He's a Kennedy. He's a Democrat. If the Democrat Party weren't so dumb, he would be their leader. That's the leader you have.

[01:51:59] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

You have Kennedy and Tulsi Gabbard in whichever configuration you want. And the reason they couldn't is because they can't have anti-corporate voices. All they're interested in doing is empty announcements of compassion around subjects like identity politics that don't cost them. But if you ask them to go near the military industrial complex, you ask them to go near big pharma media control, actual freedom. They recoil. They recoil. They won't even take responsibility for the ascent of Trump that they participated through Obama in the creation of. Not because Americans are racist, but because Obama promised hope and change and delivered neither. He delivered 2008 and mass poverty and house foreclosures and bank bailouts and demonstrated and continues to demonstrate through the building of his Kubla Khan Library that he's in the process of erecting the word choice. Deliberate, uh, that you can't rely on or trust these people that seem like they should be the president. Who you need, in the case of Trump, is a bulwark who's so individualistic and entrepreneurial he can't be controlled in the normal way. And then actually, if someone a gift like Robert Kennedy, someone who, you know, because it's in his blood and that blood has been spilled, would die for what he believes in and what do they do? They turn on him in the most trivial way, in the most mundane and ugly way, instead of saying, oh my God, the thing we've prayed for someone who is injured and wounded, who has overcome, who knows grief and sorrow and pain and addiction and integrity, who has fought against big corporations.

[01:53:30] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

You know, if you're all excited to see Joe Biden, God bless him with his chalky and crumbling wrists, saying, we beat Big Pharma, we beat Big Pharma. You're the president, you're the president. The very fact that you're even talking in those terms indicates where real power is. You should be on your knees welcoming Bobby Kennedy not because he's superior to us, but because he recognizes his own brokenness and he knows what integrity he is, and he knows what duty is. And for me, it's a I sort of knew quite early in knowing him that it is a duty to serve him if the opportunity arises. And obviously you must have the same feelings I do.

[01:54:06] Del Bigtree

Do you have hope?

[01:54:07] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Yes.

[01:54:08] Del Bigtree

Hope for the future?

[01:54:08] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Yes. They'll have to kill him to stop him. And I pray they don't.

[01:54:12] Del Bigtree

When you close your eyes on this world and your last day. What? What do you hope it looks like?

[01:54:18] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

I just want to be with Jesus now, Del. And I think we can be with Jesus while we're here, and I just. I can't be in control anymore. I thought the answer would be to become a big star and have a bunch of sex. And those things have caused me more torment and pain, and have obviously caused other people torment and pain. Otherwise I wouldn't have the particular situations that I must contend with in the United Kingdom. So I don't want to be in control no more. I've read the instruction manual. I know who is king. And I'm here to serve. And I know I'll forget that by the time I get to the car and start thinking, I'm hungry, I want this, I want that. Oh, she's attractive, but I'm. I don't belong to myself anymore. I don't belong to myself anymore. I never did. That was the illusion.

[01:54:58] Del Bigtree

From your lips to God's ears. Thank you for taking the time, man.

[01:55:02] Russel Brand, Actor, Comedian and Podcast Host

Cheers, man.

[01:55:03] Del Bigtree

Well, look, I want to do more amazing interviews like this. Like so many that have graced the stage, all the legal work we're doing. Your donations make a difference. And there's a very special project right now where you can make a difference and also stake your claim. Put a rock right here in the foundation of the ICAN campus. Of course, I'm talking about our Terrace project. There's still a few more bricks left. Better get on this before the holidays are over because we are running out of room. This is my favorite brick of the week. Alright, I'm looking forward to the show today. But first, I want to show you my favorite brick of the week with gratitude for our courageous ICAN family, Warriors of truth. Your work is uplifting our world in honor of all our children with enormous love from Mullumbimby, Australia. That's right. We're affecting the entire world. Love you out there in Australia. Well, after that incredible moment with Russell Brand, I doubt you have any room left in your mind for a single other thought, but I want to say this next week is Thanksgiving here in America, but around the world. Take stock in the moment that we're living in. Let's really enjoy this moment and reflect on how much good is happening, how much good Robert Kennedy Junior is doing. You know, there's a lot that we can complain about. It's always easy to be a naysayer, but let's put ourselves in each other's shoes. Let's walk a mile in each other's shoes for a moment, and let's see that those people that are doing the walk, how much they're achieving in amongst some of the darkest situations that have ever been. And when we look at this giant shift now happening at the CDC, the change in the conversation around vaccines and autism that some people thought would never, ever move.

[01:56:51] Del Bigtree

Shout out to Doctor Andrew Wakefield and the Jenny McCarthy's of the world that did this all by themselves. The whole world is now watching. The whole world is changing. And to every parent out there of a vaccine injured child, there is light now coming over the crest of the hill. Great things are happening, but if we want to keep this momentum, I always think about a bumper sticker I read once. It just said don't die wondering. That's what motivates me. Every day I get up and I just think, you know what? I'm going to do everything I can do because I don't want to wonder what would have happened if I skipped a detail, or if I didn't donate to the things that I care about and put my money where my mouth is. So as we go into this week, as we think about being thankful. Also, think about what your contribution is in this world. What is your voice and how are you going to use it more powerfully than ever? Aaron Siri and I have great plans for next year. Robert Kennedy Junior has great plans for next year. So many people are looking at next year as the year that could change everything. But it's going to take all of us. It's going to take every one of us saying, you know what? I'm not going to die wondering either. I'm all in. Are you all in? Well, I hope you are. We're going to keep delivering every single day, and I'll see you next week.

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