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1 (Tape #200)

2 JOHN: It was just outstanding. And there
3 were people there from all over this area. They had
4 their families there, their children, and the food --

5 STEVE: Well, what, what are --

6 JOHN: -- was great.

7 STEVE: -- you trying to say?

8 JOHN: It was just a super time. I thought
9 it was something that --

10 STEVE: And are, and are you saying am I
11 going to have that kind of time in jail --

12 JOHN: No, I was just saying --

13 STEVE: -- for a number of years?

14 JOHN: -- it was kind of indicative of
15 democracy, you know.

16 STEVE: Are you saying I'm going to be able
17 to come out there and be a part of such a thing and my
18 --

19 JOHN: No, I'm thinking that you --

20 STEVE: -- family and so forth --

21 JOHN: -- that you've, you've -- that you've
22 lost the realization that the rest of the world is, is
23 going about its business.

24 STEVE: The rest of the whole -- this whole
25 damn world is going to hell in a handbasket, as an
attorney friend of mine said years ago. That's what's

1 happening. For those people that choose to look and
2 see why they're even breathing, wh-- what gives you the
3 ability to breathe in the first place? Where does that
4 power come from? How did you get here, John? Because
5 people like yourself don't take an avid strong interest
6 right now today that there is a God and he's into
7 judgment, he's into knowledge, he's into having you
8 know what he knows. And if you avoid what he says he's
9 going to do with this earth, you're go-- you're a lost
10 man. It's like you never lived.

11 JOHN: Hey, Steve?

12 STEVE: You're going to be a blip in time
13 like you never existed, not even a, a remembrance, not
14 a thought.

15 JOHN: Well, yeah. But the --

16 STEVE: See? So, that's --

17 JOHN: -- Bible says something about --

18 STEVE: -- the God that I'm looking at, that

19 --

20 JOHN: -- how short we are --

21 STEVE: They could --

22 JOHN: -- here for.

23 STEVE: Do you know what a --

24 JOHN: But --

25 STEVE: John, do you know what a concordance
is?

1 JOHN: No. I know what an accordion is.

2 STEVE: A concordance is a chronological
3 listing of words found in the Bible. If you look up
4 the word "fear" -- you should. Get a concordance.
5 Look up the word "fear." You'll find out through the
6 whole Bible it says fear God and give him glory. Fear
7 God; it's the beginning of wisdom; it's the beginning
8 of life. I mean, if you put --

9 JOHN: Steve?

10 STEVE: Yeah?

11 JOHN: You asked me how I got here, you know,
12 how did I get on the earth? I, I assume the same way
13 you did, you know.

14 STEVE: And how are you going to get off this
15 mess -- or out of this mess? Because you're subject to
16 death like I am, to disease --

17 JOHN: Well, sure I am.

18 STEVE: Do you have any children?

19 JOHN: Sure I do.

20 STEVE: They could be hit by a car. They
21 could be taken out by AIDS. I mean, one -- this is why
22 Solomon said it's better to spend your time at a
23 funeral than it is at a party, because when you go to a
24 funeral, you see the issues before you of life and
25 death. You start thinking is that, that individual in
the casket --

1 JOHN: Well --

2 STEVE: -- could be yourself.

3 JOHN: Let, let me --

4 STEVE: Where is he going?

5 JOHN: -- let me ask you. Let me ask you
6 about credit points here. You know? My, my job as,
7 as, as a negotiator is peaceful resolution. And, you
8 know, this is not the only affair that I've been to in,
9 in this regard. And, and I think I've saved a lot of
10 lives during my --

11 STEVE: How many negotiators are there? Just
12 curious.

13 JOHN: Oh, throughout the FBI?

14 STEVE: Yeah.

15 JOHN: Numerous. And I --

16 STEVE: There are?

17 JOHN: -- and I honestly don't know the
18 count.

19 STEVE: So, is that basically what your job
20 is then? You are firstly a negotiator?

21 JOHN: Well, when it -- when the -- when
22 something calls for negotiators, yeah, that's what I
23 do.

24 STEVE: I see. Otherwise --

25 JOHN: I've got other jobs. But this is
probably the most fulfilling. And, and, you know, I

1 think, you know, and I'm not a -- I'm not -- I can't
2 quote scripture to you, but to me that's important and
3 I think that, you know, if, if you want to say God's
4 work or would God approve, I think he would. Because I
5 think human --

6 STEVE: Well, see, it's not a --

7 JOHN: -- beings are important.

8 STEVE: -- guessing -- well, that's where you
9 and I differ. For me, it's not a guessing game, do I
10 think, do I feel, what's my --

11 JOHN: Well, what do you think that it's --

12 STEVE: -- opinion, what's my theory. I'll
13 start quoting to you --

14 JOHN: Do you think God would think that what
15 I do is important?

16 STEVE: Do -- would I think that God think
17 that what you're doing right now is important?

18 JOHN: Um-hum.

19 STEVE: What God thinks is important is that
20 in the final days he's got a revelation of his son that
21 a lot of people in America -- a lot of people think
22 this -- I don't call this a Christian nation, by the
23 way. A lot of people want to say this is a Christian
24 nation, that's what the Constitution shows. It's not
25 so. I believe in the rights of atheists, agnostics,
and everybody in between. And when it comes to

1 | questions like that, I'm going to always revert back to
2 | the Bible. I'll, I'll quote to you what God says about
3 | you and me and what we are to have as priorities. If
4 | you don't put God first and if you put your family
5 | before him or your job or anything else, you're not
6 | worthy of that God or of eternal life. There's got to
7 | be a trust relationship built upon what God and -- has
8 | done in the past, how he's worked with people in the
9 | past, so you can see a whole progression.

10 | JOHN: You know, Steve, one night we had a --
11 | I got called to a place and a, and a guy had a baby
12 | around the neck and he had a butcher knife and he was
13 | threatening to kill this little baby. And we worked
14 | that out. It took about six hours. But do you think
15 | God would think that there was any value to that or was
16 | that important?

17 | STEVE: God -- look at -- this life is so
18 | temporary. God wants to make sure that you put him
19 | first. This life is of secondary importance, it really
20 | is. The, the part that God wants you to see is that
21 | you actually spend your time searching to know wisdom,
22 | searching --

23 | JOHN: Well --

24 | STEVE: -- to understand what life is all
25 | about.

 JOHN: Okay.

1 STEVE: If you put with the priorities that
2 God lays out first --

3 JOHN: You mean I should have just walked
4 away from that situation?

5 STEVE: Is that what I said, John?

6 JOHN: I know -- I --

7 STEVE: I didn't say that, did I?

8 JOHN: -- I don't think you put much import
9 on it. You just talk ve--

10 STEVE: I put -- I put li-- you know, there's
11 a lot --

12 JOHN: I deal with individuals and --

13 STEVE: -- of importance to life.

14 JOHN: -- human beings. I, I -- you know. I
15 think you're saying that the big picture --

16 STEVE: I'm saying -- yes.

17 JOHN: -- excludes the --

18 STEVE: I, I want you to --

19 JOHN: -- that --

20 STEVE: -- live forever and that little baby
21 and the man that was holding the baby and your job
22 trying to have people have more life so that they can
23 make the decisions that they need to make in regards to
24 eternal things. If that book is true and God worked as
25 he did as history shows in the past, well, then those
statements that are called prophetic that pa-- apply in

1 | the future, which I believe is today, are going to come
2 | to pass. And the judgment is that you and I look at it
3 | ahead of time and either come into agreement with a God
4 | of that book or we're out of par, out of sink with him.

5 | And --

6 | JOHN: Steven?

7 | STEVE: -- there's something that you don't
8 | know that you need to know --

9 | JOHN: Well --

10 | STEVE: -- and that's what I'm -- that --
11 | I've been trying to share with you.

12 | JOHN: Well, in to the relation of what you
13 | say, what are you doing or, or what can you do to
14 | resolve this?

15 | STEVE: What can I do to resolve this? Well,
16 | I'm -- well, I'm doing what David's God has said to do,
17 | to wait.

18 | JOHN: Yeah.

19 | STEVE: That's all I can do. I mean, I fo--
20 | God -- I followed this for six-and-a-half years. So a
21 | few more days, what's that to me? Because there's a,
22 | a, a judicial system out there? Oh, I'm not -- that
23 | doesn't bother me. I'll go through that.

24 | JOHN: I'm, I'm --

25 | STEVE: And if I'm, I'm -- if I'm left to
languish in some kind of a prison cell or if, if they

1 | take my life or whatever else, I've got to die anyway.
2 | You've got to die. Everybody's got to die. So, that's
3 | not where the prob-- I've got to make sure I'm right --
4 | the only thing I've --

5 | JOHN: Well, you know --

6 | STEVE: -- ever wanted -- I've, I've had a
7 | fairly good life so far, and I, and I do enjoy life.
8 | I, I don't want to die.

9 | JOHN: I, I don't think that you want, your
10 | organization, yourself, or anyone, to be characterized
11 | like a Jonestown, right?

12 | STEVE: Now, what's that got -- what, what
13 | are you trying --

14 | JOHN: Well --

15 | STEVE: -- to say now?

16 | JOHN: You know, that -- you know. Faith
17 | without movement, you know, without something
18 | constructive to show --

19 | STEVE: We are doing something very
20 | constructive. We're fulfilling God's will.

21 | JOHN: Yeah.

22 | STEVE: And if you gave me the time, I'd show
23 | you clearly and you could not -- I'd even challenge you
24 | to controvert that based upon the Bible. But I --

25 | JOHN: Right.

 STEVE: -- know you could not --

1 JOHN: No, I can't do it. Steve, I --

2 STEVE: I know you can't.

3 JOHN: -- I -- that's not my, my position
4 here anyhow. You know, all, all we're trying to do is
5 peacefully resolve this thing. Your faith, I have
6 respect --

7 STEVE: Well, for -- as --

8 JOHN: -- for that --

9 STEVE: I've got peace.

10 JOHN: And, and --

11 STEVE: Well, it's not -- see, it's not
12 resolved in the way that this powerful system is
13 looking at it. Guys like the ATF, these agents, they
14 want our blood. They want our --

15 JOHN: Well --

16 STEVE: -- carcasses.

17 JOHN: Well, we're, we're with the FBI. The
18 ATF isn't, isn't handling this situation. Okay?

19 STEVE: No, no. I know. But, I mean, all
20 you guys have in mind, of course -- I mean, we're not
21 hurting anybody. You're not being -- I mean, that --
22 what, what's really happening here? You know, right
23 now we're a people that came here to study to learn
24 about God, and that's what we're doing.

25 JOHN: Yeah.

STEVE: And an incident happened and, and

1 we're going -- it's going to be resolved. There's no
2 question about it. We said we would come out, and
3 that's what we're going to do. But it's --

4 JOHN: Okay.

5 STEVE: -- always --

6 JOHN: Well --

7 STEVE: -- revolved around a thing called
8 time.

9 JOHN: Yeah. Well, you know, I need, I need
10 to deal in realities here.

11 STEVE: Well, that to me is reality.

12 JOHN: Let me just leave you with something
13 from my limited knowledge here. Do you know what a
14 false prophet is?

15 STEVE: Yes. Most --

16 JOHN: And then just --

17 STEVE: -- definitely.

18 JOHN: That's where I want to leave it.
19 Okay? All right? Now, now, what constructively can
20 you do relative to, to giving me some kind of a feel
21 for the time-frame we're dealing with here?

22 STEVE: I, I -- nothing at all.

23 JOHN: Okay. Well --

24 STEVE: I -- it'd just be --

25 JOHN: I need --

STEVE: You know, I don't want to be --

1 JOHN: Then --

2 STEVE: -- jerking you along or --

3 JOHN: Steve?

4 STEVE: -- anything like that.

5 JOHN: I need, I need to talk to David then,

6 you know. And it's in his interests also.

7 STEVE: I -- remember, I called you.

8 JOHN: Yeah.

9 STEVE: If you need to talk to him, well, if

10 he wants to talk to you, he, he will. If he --

11 JOHN: Well, you --

12 STEVE: -- don't, he won't.

13 JOHN: I'll tell you what. Have, have him

14 call me. Okay?

15 STEVE: I, I won't have him call you. I'll

16 tell him that I talked to --

17 JOHN: How about asking, asking him to call

18 me. All right?

19 STEVE: That's, that's -- now, we're talking

20 --

21 JOHN: How about requesting that he call me?

22 STEVE: I'll, I'll do that. I will do --

23 JOHN: There you go.

24 STEVE: -- that for you, John.

25 JOHN: Okay. You know. I mean --

STEVE: Okay.

1 JOHN: -- there's no reason we can't keep
2 our, you know, our, our human emotions about us and,
3 you know, do something --

4 STEVE: You know, John --

5 JOHN: -- constructive here.

6 STEVE: -- if you really -- if you got to see
7 me face to face, you'd see a smile on my face. You'd
8 see that I genuinely am concerned about you as a person
9 --

10 JOHN: Well, I'm concerned about you too.
11 And, and --

12 STEVE: And, and I really --

13 JOHN: -- you know --

14 STEVE: -- I'd love nothing more in this
15 world than that you make it, that I make it. You might
16 make it one day and I don't, but I'll --

17 JOHN: Well, one --

18 STEVE: -- tell you right now --

19 JOHN: -- one thing that --

20 STEVE: -- today I want to make it. I'm not
21 talking about this earth. I'm talking about --

22 JOHN: Yeah. I, I know what you're talking
23 about, the spiritual. But, you know, what, what if,
24 what if David is wrong? I mean, that, that concerns
25 me, as one human being to another.

 STEVE: And he may be.

1 JOHN: What, what happens to you?

2 STEVE: Well, I've got to pick up the pieces
3 and go on, don't I? But like I --

4 JOHN: Well --

5 STEVE: -- told you, John, I've always gone
6 by a weight of evidence, not by -- there's no one that
7 has all the answers. I've never been satisfied in this
8 life that someone -- that I've met God. And then
9 meeting God, that I -- every answer has been there.

10 JOHN: Yeah.

11 STEVE: It's not so. So, if you come up --

12 JOHN: Yeah.

13 STEVE: -- with something or you know a
14 theologian, a minister, a layperson, a good old Joe,
15 I'm open. I'm, I'm ready to hear.

16 JOHN: Yeah. Well, what I'm, what I'm, what
17 I'm working here is with common sense and, and, you
18 know, if, if you're not -- you know, if you're not part
19 of the solution, you're part of the problem. That
20 mentality. Okay? And, and, you know, I think you're
21 an intelligent man. You obviously are a peace-loving
22 man. And, and that gives me hope that you'll be part
23 of the resolution, not part of the problem.

24 STEVE: Well, I hope so. I mean, from day
25 one, I mean, obviously no one -- there could have not
been anything worse in my -- all my years that I've

1 | lived happen as what happened that February 28th. I
2 | mean, to see people falling down in blood, la-- I mean,
3 | I'm talking about ATF also. I never -- the truth of
4 | the matter is I -- you know, I never saw one person? I
5 | only saw, out of all those people, I did see one person
6 | out of a window laying on the ground. That's all I
7 | ever saw. And from what I understand, they did come
8 | and pick him up and, and he lived, from what I
9 | understand. But, I mean, what took place, those that
10 | died inside here, seeing them and my, my good friend
11 | Peter Hipsman, who I'm the one that met him in Hawaii
12 | and talked with him. He was such a close, close
13 | friend. To see him killed like he was, doing nothing,
14 | I mean -- you don't think that bothers and affects a
15 | person?

16 | JOHN: Well, of course it would, you know.

17 | STEVE: And you want a peaceful res--
18 | resolution? Of course I do. I've never owned a gun in
19 | my life. I've never been into, into any kind of
20 | instrument that harms or hurts people. I never have
21 | been. My dad never owned them.

22 | JOHN: Well, Steve, let me, let me ask you
23 | something then. So, you know, I've only been here
24 | about a week and a half. I think I talked to you when
25 | I first got here. What did you see? Describe it for
 | me.

1 STEVE: What do you mean what did I see?

2 JOHN: You know, what happened?

3 STEVE: Well --

4 JOHN: Tell me about it.

5 STEVE: -- I was down at the end of the hall
6 here. I mean, there's a room where we've got some
7 computers and typewriters. And Wayne and I were in
8 there talking. Just before that happened, though, that
9 Robert Gonzalez had come in and David had sh-- I had
10 sat down with them and listened to what David shared.
11 He made some pretty strong statements before Robert
12 left. And, and I was kind of wondering why he made the
13 statements he did.

14 JOHN: What, what, what were the statements?

15 STEVE: Well, you know, I don't want to --
16 I'll -- they'll -- you'll end up hearing what the
17 statements were, but there was -- you know, statements
18 were made and I thought, well, that's kind of
19 interesting. And then Robert said he had to go over
20 across to his home to have breakfast. And I -- well,
21 as usual, you know, I t-- went to the door with him.
22 He went on outside and, and I noticed he went over
23 there and left within minutes.

24 JOHN: Uh-huh.

25 STEVE: And I thought, well, that's strange.
He said he was going to have breakfast. Well, then,

1 Perry Jones reported something to me about something
2 that he saw and observed. And, in the process, that's
3 when we started wondering, well, what's, what's going
4 on here. And after awhile then I went back to the, the
5 room where Wayne was, and he and I were sitting there.
6 And I heard some of the people were running -- I heard,
7 I heard a few people running around in the building,
8 but I didn't really -- wasn't too sure what was
9 happening yet. Then all of a sudden I heard someone
10 saying that they heard that someone was, was coming or
11 there was a possibility or something. Next thing I
12 know, I heard David, I heard David, and I -- now,
13 remember, I never saw these so-called cattle trucks
14 myself. I never saw them. But all of a sudden I heard
15 David going to the door. And I did hear him open the
16 door. And I, I heard one or two of our people with
17 him. But I never saw. But I heard him open up the
18 door and I heard him say something to the effect of get
19 back, there's women and children here, let's talk. And
20 all of a sudden I heard gunfire from the outside. I, I
21 actually heard it hit the door. Then I heard just
22 bang, b-- b-- b-- bang, like that. And then -- that
23 that's when it all began. And I -- that -- already
24 Wayne and I are scree-- what's going on, what's going
25 on, we're yelling. And we grabbed the phone. We're
ducking down because bullets actually started coming in

1 | through all, all the building through the walls, right
2 | over my head. I mean, I, I'm a -- I'm totally amazed I
3 | wasn't nailed. Totally amazed. And, of course, my
4 | legs started shaking. And it didn't stop. The firing
5 | did not stop from the outside. Ultimately, people
6 | grabbed guns and started firing back. I don't even
7 | know if they knew, if they knew what they were shooting
8 | at even.

9 | JOHN: Where, where were you, Steve?

10 | STEVE: Huh?

11 | JOHN: Where were you safe?

12 | STEVE: Well, no, I wasn't safe, because
13 | there's no safe place. Well, where, where are you
14 | going to be safe?

15 | JOHN: Yeah. I think probably down in a hole
16 | somewhere, you know.

17 | STEVE: Well, exactly. I mean, you know, if
18 | I had been a gopher, I might have been safe.

19 | JOHN: Well, where were you?

20 | STEVE: I was down at the end of the -- in a
21 | room with Wayne, and we were -- had been talking. And
22 | immediately we hit 911. Wayne is the first one that
23 | started saying: Call them off. Call them off. Let's
24 | talk. We've got women and children here. You know,
25 | that he was -- his voice was higher than I'd ever heard
before. He was excited. And it wasn't long before we

1 | talked to Larry Lynch, who's talking so calm and like
2 | nothing's go-- like -- you know, it was obvious he knew
3 | about these things in advance. And that was irri--
4 | very irritating, and the gunfiring just kept on going
5 | on. I expected to be taken out any time. So did
6 | Wayne. Because they had shot out so many windows and
7 | were shooting through the walls and --
8 | indiscriminately. So, I expected to be tak-- I
9 | honestly thought they were going to take all of our
10 | lives. I really did. I'm not joking. If you would
11 | have been here and seen how this whole thing began and
12 | how it progressed --

13 | JOHN: You know, I don't, I don't -- to try
14 | to get a feel for, you know, your perspective, I don't,
15 | I don't know what the compound is like inside or
16 | anything, you know. Could you describe where you were?

17 | STEVE: No. You know, you guys will be able
18 | to walk in here. The Rangers will. They can look it
19 | over and draw -- make drawings of it and all the rest.
20 | But why -- what's to be gained --

21 | JOHN: Well, you, you won't be --

22 | STEVE: -- for that now other than logistics
23 | for you to --

24 | JOHN: Well, you won't be there then.

25 | STEVE: -- maybe form something to storm us
and attack us or whatever.

1 JOHN: Oh. Oh. Well, I'm not --

2 STEVE: I'm not talking about you as
3 negotiators. I'm talking about these --

4 JOHN: Yeah. I'm not, not going anywhere.

5 STEVE: -- these people that --

6 JOHN: I'm staying right here.

7 STEVE: I'm talking about -- no, no, no. I
8 know. You -- when I say you, you know I'm talking
9 about the agency.

10 JOHN: Yeah.

11 STEVE: I'm talking about these guys --

12 JOHN: Well --

13 STEVE: -- with the itchy fingers on the
14 outside that got into the Bradleys like last night and
15 were revving them and, and acting like they wanted to
16 run the fence and come right in, into the compound.
17 You should have seen this guy last night in his Bradley
18 --

19 JOHN: Steve, can --

20 STEVE: -- in front of the building.

21 JOHN: That, that can be a, a -- just a bad
22 memory when this thing is resolved, you know, you know.

23 STEVE: And you -- did you hear about -- I
24 reported to a few guys last night how these guys have
25 been flipping the finger to women here and things of
that nature. I mean, that's why I was asking them.

1 | These are FBI? I can understand when you've got young
2 | kids in the military, but these are pro-- supposed to
3 | be professional agents, men of years and experience and
4 | -- I mean, you -- it's something I guess you just don't
5 | expect. I mean, you know, it's quite an experience, I
6 | must admit. It is. It's been quite an experience.

7 | JOHN: Yeah, there's no, there's no excuse
8 | for that, right?

9 | STEVE: Well, if you ever have the
10 | opportunity, why don't you have a, a father-to-son talk
11 | with these boys?

12 | JOHN: All right. We'll, we'll both do that.
13 | All right?

14 | STEVE: I must say, there's -- let me say
15 | something positive about one of the guys. His name is
16 | Tom. And, and there was a day where I did talk to
17 | Byron Sage. I was standing on the porch. He was in a
18 | Bradley. I never saw him. But later on when they came
19 | to lay a new telephone line, I did speak with a, a guy
20 | that was very courteous. He called my name. He was
21 | very decent. Great appreciation for someone like
22 | himself. I asked him his name. He said his name was
23 | Tom. If you ever talk to a Tom again, tell him -- I
24 | mean, when this is all said and done, I'm talking about
25 | when God brings the end to all things, I hope good
things for him, just because in his courtesy -- I mean,

1 | number one --

2 | JOHN: Well, if the, if the --

3 | STEVE: We're, we're all at different places
4 | when it comes to God.

5 | JOHN: If what you say is --

6 | STEVE: God only judges you according to what
7 | light came to you, what you did or said. And if you
8 | know nothing else about God, if you're just decent to
9 | your fellow human beings, that has a long way to go for
10 | you in eternal life.

11 | JOHN: Well, I think I've got a little edge
12 | on him, then. Because, you know, I think that this
13 | business that I'm in is -- it makes me a few points.

14 | STEVE: Well, you may have.

15 | JOHN: I mean, you said be decent to other
16 | human beings.

17 | STEVE: But you also have the opportunity to
18 | hear a man who says he knows something like no one's
19 | ever seen or heard before in the 6,000 years of human
20 | history.

21 | JOHN: Well, he should come out and tell the
22 | rest of the world about that.

23 | STEVE: You can hear about it now, John. It
24 | has everything to do with your life and your children's
25 | lives.

 JOHN: I think I -- I'm --

1 STEVE: If you look at Isaiah 49, if you make
2 it, you're care -- your children are guaranteed eternal
3 life. You look at Isaiah 49, the last ten verses.
4 You'll see that plain and clear. Do you want to know
5 whatever happens to children? But God -- wait till you
6 see what happens to the wicked's children, because
7 they're, see, just like themselves. God's very clear
8 in the book what's going to, going to happen to two
9 groups of people. I mean, I didn't, I didn't create
10 the book, but I do believe in it. I believe that
11 there's something to that. You know, I mean, you can
12 know things right now when it comes to physics, the
13 different sciences. Right now you can know things to
14 show that this guy is beyond anything you've ever heard
15 before in your life. Ask him any question you want.
16 Anyway, I won't keep you on much longer. I've got to
17 -- what ti-- it's getting probably near time here to
18 eat anyway, isn't it?

19 JOHN: Yeah. It's getting near noon. Yeah.

20 STEVE: I'm definitely getting hungry.

21 JOHN: What are you going to have for lunch?

22 STEVE: Probably some -- I don't know. I
23 haven't decided. Maybe beef stew.

24 JOHN: Yeah. Let me ask you something, just
25 man to man here.

 STEVE: Okay.

1 JOHN: I hear you're eating MREs in there.
2 Is that getting old?

3 STEVE: No. Are you ki--

4 JOHN: Because --

5 STEVE: If you -- hey, look'it. If, if I
6 were to get into that, you guys would be --

7 JOHN: No. I'll tell you -- let me tell you
8 something on --

9 STEVE: If I told you what we had for food,
10 John, you'd be extremely disappointed.

11 JOHN: Oh, geez. Don't, don't give me -- I
12 -- no, I was, I was in the Service, you know, and I was
13 overseas for a year, and I ate C rations just about --

14 STEVE: I feel for you.

15 JOHN: -- all the time I was there. And I
16 had those things memorized. You know? And it, you
17 know, it just gets old, you know.

18 STEVE: John, where are you from did you say?

19 JOHN: I'm, I'm from Tennessee.

20 STEVE: Oh, that's right. I'm -- that's a --

21 JOHN: Yeah, not a native, though. You can
22 probably tell by my accent.

23 STEVE: Yeah, I know. I can tell.

24 JOHN: But that's where I'm stationed now.

25 STEVE: I see.

 JOHN: Yeah.

1 STEVE: Where are you from originally?

2 JOHN: New York.

3 STEVE: Oh.

4 JOHN: Not the city though. Not the city.

5 STEVE: No, no. Upstate.

6 JOHN: Yeah.

7 STEVE: Well, one of the guys here, that he's
8 from upstate also, actually, from Syracuse. And he
9 definitely loves the state. I took -- my wife and I
10 went through there on our honeymoon --

11 JOHN: Finger Lakes.

12 STEVE: Exactly.

13 JOHN: Yeah. Oh, yeah. It's beautiful up
14 there.

15 STEVE: Yeah, it is.

16 JOHN: Winter's a little tough, you know.

17 STEVE: Oh, I know. I've spent some time in
18 Wisconsin. I hate winters with a passion. That's why
19 I was living in Hawaii. I swore I'd never come near
20 any cold place again.

21 JOHN: Um-hum.

22 STEVE: But, anyway, you were talking about
23 food. You wanted to ask me something else about food?

24 JOHN: Yeah. I was just, I was just going to
25 get you about the MREs and the si--

STEVE: Hey, they're not bad.

1 JOHN: -- just --

2 STEVE: Yeah, I --

3 JOHN: Well (indiscernible) --

4 STEVE: I, I'll tell, I'll tell you the
5 truth, I could live a long time on them. So, that it's
6 not a pro-- I, I'm not a person --

7 JOHN: You know, I was going to offer you a
8 change --

9 STEVE: -- hung up on food.

10 JOHN: I was going to offer you a change of
11 diet, you know.

12 STEVE: Well, if you --

13 JOHN: You know?

14 STEVE: -- want to send in a couple of pizzas
15 or whatever else --

16 JOHN: Well, you come out and I'll buy the
17 pizza. You know, I, I'm not --

18 STEVE: Ice cream and pizza.

19 JOHN: This is crazy but, you know, when we
20 get together at the end of the day, we usually eat
21 together, a bunch of us, and, and --

22 STEVE: Are you telling me you and I would
23 sit down for -- now, how would that come about? Are
24 you saying in a cell or what?

25 JOHN: No. You want to make a deal, shoot,
I'll go to Pizza Hut with you. I mean, you know, you

1 | come out of there --

2 | STEVE: Well, how am I going to eat if I've
3 | got my hands shackled behind me?

4 | JOHN: Well, I'm not going to go into Pizza
5 | Hut with some guy with shackles on. You know. I don't
6 | want my reputation to suffer in Waco.

7 | STEVE: No, I don't blame you. I don't blame
8 | you. It's not as -- really --

9 | JOHN: I, I'm kidding. But I want to be
10 | reasonable, you know, and I want to treat you like a
11 | decent human being that I think you are.

12 | STEVE: I believe you do. I believe you do.
13 | And for that very reason, I almost feel like coming out
14 | today. (Laughter.) No, I mean, you know, it really --
15 | honest--

16 | JOHN: Steve, don't tell me what's --

17 | STEVE: I'm not. No, in truth, though, John,
18 | in truth, you know what it has to do with. I mean, I
19 | can't -- I don't want to be repetitious. But I, I do
20 | --

21 | JOHN: Yeah.

22 | STEVE: -- believe in the God of that book
23 | and I'm waiting. I am.

24 | JOHN: Somewhere in here --

25 | STEVE: And, you know, I don't have a lot of
patience, and maybe it's, maybe it's for me this has

1 | happened or something. I, I don't know. I, I, I need
2 | a lot of virtues.

3 | JOHN: Some-- somewhere in here, you know,
4 | there's middle ground where reasonable people can, can
5 | agree.

6 | STEVE: Well, I'm hoping so. I, I believe
7 | so. I mean, I don't have -- I have more trust in you
8 | and what you're telling me than I do in the justice
9 | system. I'll tell you that. I don't see that I'm
10 | going to -- I don't believe I'm going to be getting the
11 | greatest shake in the world, but, whatever -- I mean,
12 | I'm still choosing to come out into the system. I am.
13 | You know, and everybody else will and they're going to.
14 | And even though it doesn't look good, I don't like
15 | what's happened to some of those out there already, I
16 | would like to be able to squawk hard and loud and long,
17 | I really would --

18 | JOHN: That's, that's your --

19 | STEVE: -- about Constitutional --

20 | JOHN: -- privilege.

21 | STEVE: I would rather -- I actually wouldn't
22 | mind giving up my life if ever -- everybody else could
23 | benefit by having --

24 | JOHN: Nobody's asking you to give --

25 | STEVE: No, no. But, you know --

 JOHN: -- up your life.

1 STEVE: -- I'm just saying -- I'm an
2 idealist. If that would guarantee the rights of
3 everybod -- of yourself for your own freedoms, like
4 originally as this country was founded. I miss the
5 principles and the statements of people like Jefferson
6 and Lincoln and these men. I mean, they came out of a
7 system of Europe, you know, of course, that was very --
8 well, is sure was not inducive (sic) to creativity and,
9 and other freedoms.

10 JOHN: Well, you know, you guys are probably
11 going to have more PR opportunity to get your point
12 over than, than anyone else --

13 STEVE: I --

14 JOHN: -- I can ever think.

15 STEVE: -- doubt it. Usually -- and, nah, I
16 really doubt it. Because once people come out, you
17 know, they're not heard of. They get -- they --
18 you're, you're brought into the system, the court
19 system. You can't speak there. You're -- it's a yes
20 and no --

21 JOHN: Yeah. That's why all this media is
22 here, Steve, you know, because nobody cares --

23 STEVE: What actually (indiscernible) --

24 JOHN: -- about what you guys want to say.

25 STEVE: -- the media is going to be able to
come into the jail -- to the cell where I'm at and, and

1 | dialogue with me all day long?

2 | JOHN: The possibility exists. You know.
3 | Those are things we can discuss, just like, you know,
4 | they offered David a forum.

5 | STEVE: Yeah.

6 | JOHN: I think there's some -- there -- talk
7 | of a movie and a book and TV and all kinds of other
8 | stuff.

9 | STEVE: Do you know that David's not
10 | interested in any of that -- in honesty, should I tell
11 | you the --

12 | JOHN: Well --

13 | STEVE: -- truth? You know, Ricks has talked
14 | about how David wants notoriety or he wants --

15 | JOHN: Well, I'm not talking notoriety. I'm
16 | talking about --

17 | STEVE: No, no, no, no. But you -- what I'm
18 | -- let --

19 | JOHN: -- spreading --

20 | STEVE: Hear me. If, if I ever -- when I met
21 | David, the guy was already an awesome musician. In his
22 | own right, right now, he's got the ability as a
23 | guitarist, a singer, a songwriter. He's got to be one
24 | of the most creative musicians I've ever heard of in my
25 | life. When it comes to that style of music, you, you
and I might not be into it, but he can play ballads,

1 | rock and roll, everything in between. But he's in a
2 | caliber -- like -- and I'm sure, because you're not
3 | into rock and roll --

4 | JOHN: How do you know that?

5 | STEVE: Well, you might be, but I, I can't
6 | imagine you would be.

7 | JOHN: I've got to admit I'm, I'm prejudiced
8 | towards certain years, you know.

9 | STEVE: Well, there's a man by the name of
10 | Steve Vy (phonetic), another one by the name of Joe
11 | Satriani (phonetic). These two men are unquestionably
12 | the best guitarists in the world. And David I believe
13 | is in their category, the difference being he's more
14 | creative. On his own he would have already become
15 | famous if he would have wanted that.

16 | JOHN: Um-hum.

17 | STEVE: On his own. He's got -- right now,
18 | because I've been managing music with him and have been
19 | involved in the purchasing of instruments and things of
20 | that nature, negotiating in the realms of music. When
21 | I'm in Hollywood, which is the place for musicians in
22 | America, when I'm in Hollywood --

23 | JOHN: Wait a minute. What about Nashville?

24 | STEVE: Oh, well. Yes. That's --

25 | JOHN: I just say that because that's where
I'm stationed.

1 STEVE: I know. I know.

2 JOHN: Yeah.

3 STEVE: But, anyway, out there --

4 JOHN: Got to put a plug in for my state.

5 STEVE: -- people have to pay to play in the
6 area of Hollywood in, in many of these venues, but
7 David does not have to. He's been given invitation.
8 So, when I heard Ricks saying some of things he is, I'm
9 thinking -- well, whatever he wants, whatever he wants,
10 of course. Whatever he thinks it, it takes to do
11 whatever he wants to do. But the truth of the matter
12 is, no, David, he, he could have made it any time as a
13 musician. And he loves music. He has an awesome --
14 his lyrics are very deep. They're very deep. They're
15 very intriguing. And he, he has the ability to put
16 together rhyming words very quickly in songs.

17 JOHN: Um-hum.

18 STEVE: But, anyway, you know, I've been on
19 the phone here for a long time. I know you need to get
20 to eat also. So, we'll be in contact.

21 JOHN: Yeah.

22 STEVE: We'll be in the contact. So -- and
23 when I know anything, like I've always told you, I'll
24 let you people know.

25 JOHN: All right. I appreciate you asking
Dave to give me a call.

1 STEVE: Okay. I will pass that on.
2 JOHN: Okay?
3 STEVE: And I'll do that right away.
4 JOHN: All right. Thank you, Steve.
5 STEVE: Okay. Sure, John. Talk to you
6 later.
7 JOHN: Bye-bye.
8 STEVE: Good-bye.
9 *****
10 BYRON: Hello?
11 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Have you got a
12 dial tone?
13 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: No.
14 BYRON: No. Why me? Why me?
15 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hang up. Look
16 at your phone --
17 [Pause, clicking.]
18 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: I think you've
19 got to flip that off.
20 [Pause.]
21 [Telephone ringing continuously.]
22 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Well, we better
23 get a new negotiator. They're not answering you now.
24 (Asides.)
25 [Telephone continues to ring.]
[Busy signal.]

1 [Telephone dialed, then ringing (sounds
2 different).]

3 [Telephone ringing (different than
4 preceding).]

5 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: He may be out of
6 the room now, but there was somebody --

7 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Maybe
8 (indiscernible).

9 [Telephone continues to ring.]

10 [Clicking, dial tone.]

11 BYRON: Hello? Hello?

12 [Dial tone, clicking.]

13 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Dick --

14 UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: I think they
15 picked it up.

16 [Telephone ringing continuously.]

17 [Pause.]

18 [Hollow sound.]

19 BYRON: Hello?

20 UNIDENTIFIED PERSON: (Singing.)

21 BYRON: Hello? Hello? Hello?

22 [Dial tone.]

23 [Telephone dialed, then ringing
24 continuously.]

25 BYRON: I've got 8:45.

[Telephone continues to ring.]

1 (Asides.)
2 [Telephone continues to ring.]
3 BYRON: We might as well give it a full-blown
4 effort here.
5 [Telephone continues to ring.]
6 BYRON: They start their dailies at 9.
7 [Telephone continues to ring.]
8 BYRON: Come on, Steve.
9 [Telephone continues to ring.]
10 (Asides.)
11 [Telephone continues to ring.]
12 [Busy signal.]
13 [Clicking.]
14 BYRON: Hello?
15 [Pause, clicking.]
16 [Telephone ringing continuously.]
17 STEVE: Hello?
18 (Crackling on telephone line.)
19 BYRON: Steve?
20 STEVE: I can hardly hear you.
21 BYRON: Yeah. That's --
22 STEVE: I don't know what's wrong with this
23 thing.
24 BYRON: Well, we had the same problem
25 yesterday early on. This is Byron Sage.
STEVE: Let me try -- let, let me try calling

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1 (Tape 201)

2 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- here. Just a minute.

3 BYRON SAGE: Okay.

4 [Crackling noise on telephone line.]

5 [Noise gone.]

6 BYRON SAGE: Hello?

7 BYRON SAGE TO OTHER AGENTS: Whatever
8 happened, it just cleared up.

9 BYRON SAGE: Hello? It may have just gone
10 dead.

11 [Dial tone.]

12 BYRON SAGE: Hello? Steve?

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Hello. Yeah.

14 BYRON SAGE: Okay. It's still really bad.

15 STEVE SCHNEIDER: It's, it's still bad. It's
16 definitely -- I was just talking with the guy that
17 usually takes care of the phone and the lines, and he
18 says that there's no question it's -- the weather --
19 it's, it's the, the wire itself. It'll do that.

20 BYRON SAGE: Okay.

21 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I don't know if we need a
22 new wire or if it got broke somewhere in between or
23 something.

24 BYRON SAGE: Yeah. I don't either. It, it
25 was giving us some problems yesterday, and then all of
a sudden it, it seemed to clear up. Do you recall

1 | that?

2 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yes.

3 | BYRON SAGE: Okay.

4 | [Noise gone.]

5 | BYRON SAGE: Are you still there? Steve?

6 | UNIDENTIFIED AGENT: That's it. He's off the
7 | line. He's hung up. We need to get a tech guy up here
8 | to listen to this.

9 | [Telephone dialed, then ringing.]

10 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Hello? Hello?

11 | BYRON SAGE: Steve.

12 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah. This is, this is
13 | real bad. Just a minute. Hang -- I hope I don't lose
14 | you. Just hang on.

15 | BYRON SAGE: Okay.

16 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: I talked to David and
17 | there's three things he had to say he wanted to pass
18 | on. He didn't like what was said by Bob Ricks. He
19 | said those were -- that's lies and, and what, what's
20 | been stated about him using four-letter words and all
21 | the other things.

22 | BYRON SAGE: Is this --

23 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: He didn't want to deal with
24 | that kind of thing.

25 | BYRON SAGE: Is this from yesterday, Steve?

 STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, this is from just a

1 moment ago. He just told me if I get on the phone or
2 if there's some kind of a break where the phone's
3 working, then he said Passover --there's two events out
4 of the entire year that are extremely important and
5 Passover is one. And then he said read the text that
6 are on the banners that are out the window. Those are
7 just the three things he had to say.

8 BYRON SAGE: Was that from Habakkuk?

9 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yes. But there will be
10 another one hanging out today.

11 BYRON SAGE: Okay. Is he available? Can I
12 talk to him?

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I -- not at the moment he
14 isn't, but I think after -- if we can get this phone
15 going here, there's -- I'm going to be talking to him
16 to see if I can't get him to the phone.

17 BYRON SAGE: Okay. We're going to have the
18 press conference here, I guess, in about half an hour.

19 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

20 BYRON SAGE: Are you still --

21 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I'll, I'll try --

22 BYRON SAGE: -- listening to that?

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Pardon?

24 BYRON SAGE: Are you still able to get that?

25 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I, I can't hear you.

BYRON SAGE: Are you still able to listen to

1 the press conference?

2 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yes.

3 BYRON SAGE: Okay. Why don't we have our
4 tech -- excuse me. I'll -- we'll have our tech guys
5 check the lines from this end.

6 STEVE SCHNEIDER: All right.

7 BYRON SAGE: But before -- make sure that we
8 know if you're going to be sending anybody out to check
9 the lines at that end.

10 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah, I would.

11 BYRON SAGE: Because we need to, need to make
12 sure that the guys up front know that before he --

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. Yeah.

14 BYRON SAGE: -- comes out.

15 STEVE SCHNEIDER: There's one guy here that's
16 real good with that sort of thing and, you know, just
17 now he was checking to try to get the -- to get it to
18 where it is now even.

19 BYRON SAGE: Okay.

20 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I think he probably could
21 even handle -- in fact, how about if we have them do it
22 in the next 15 minutes? Can you check?

23 BYRON SAGE: Sure. We'll go ahead -- we'll
24 do some checking from this end and, and you'all can
25 check inside there --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. So --

1 BYRON SAGE: -- to see if there's a problem
2 at that end.

3 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, what about right
4 aside the door here? Because there's a, a length of
5 about maybe 10 feet of which he probably could take a
6 real good look at. That's -- the problem's been that
7 the dog's chewed on spots before.

8 BYRON SAGE: Okay. Let me check before he
9 goes out, Steve.

10 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I'm sorry. I can't hear
11 you.

12 BYRON SAGE: Stay on the line and we'll,
13 we'll get permission from the people up forward --

14 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. Go ahead then.

15 BYRON SAGE: -- to make sure that you can.

16 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I'll, I'll wait for a few
17 minutes here.

18 BYRON SAGE: Okay. Maybe, Steve, if you can,
19 maybe you can elevate those lines so the dogs don't
20 have access to them.

21 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I was thinking the same.

22 BYRON SAGE: I've seen that one -- you've got
23 a puppy out there that I -- that's chewing on
24 everything in sight. So --

25 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right.

 BYRON SAGE: -- I'm sure if he gets a

1 telephone --

2 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I think --

3 BYRON SAGE: -- cord --

4 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- I think your people --
5 didn't you -- didn't they take him away in the Bradley?

6 BYRON SAGE: No. He tried to get in. I was
7 in the Bradley at that time. He tried --

8 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Oh, I see.

9 BYRON SAGE: -- he tried to get in for sure,
10 but, but they had to kind of shoo him away.

11 STEVE SCHNEIDER: They what?

12 BYRON SAGE: They had to shoo him away. In
13 fact, there, there was -- we were a little concerned
14 that he was so close to the vehicle that he might get
15 hurt when it started moving.

16 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I see. Okay.

17 BYRON SAGE: But he, he did not go with us,
18 no.

19 STEVE SCHNEIDER: All right. So, you're
20 checking right now to see about him fixing the line?

21 BYRON SAGE: Yeah. So, hold on --

22 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

23 BYRON SAGE: -- just a second and we'll see
24 if we can't do that.

25 STEVE SCHNEIDER: All right.

BYRON SAGE: Listen, the, the comment that

1 | was made at the press conference yesterday about the
2 | four-letter words in --

3 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah.

4 | BYRON SAGE: -- response to an inquiry? That
5 | wa-- he wasn't talking about recent calls. He's
6 | talking about during the course of the last 40, 41
7 | days. So, if, if David was upset about that being a
8 | misrepresentation of recent calls, he's absolutely
9 | right.

10 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: I, I really don't -- see,
11 | that's what I'm guessing. He didn't really say. He
12 | just said he heard the -- someone heard the phone
13 | ringing and I came to the phone. And he says well,
14 | you're going to the phone. Pass this on. And, so,
15 | that's --

16 | BYRON SAGE: Yeah.

17 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: He said mention that he's
18 | not happy about any kind of lies that are, that are
19 | given. I think the truth of the matter is he's been
20 | more concerned about the ATF, what David Troy has been
21 | saying --

22 | BYRON SAGE: Right.

23 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- more than anybody.

24 | BYRON SAGE: And he -- of course, Steve, you
25 | and I both know that, that that's not within our power.
But, but --

1 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right. Well, I mean, you
2 know, I'm just saying what he wanted to pass on.

3 BYRON SAGE: Okay. And I'll, I'll in turn
4 pass that along. But --

5 STEVE SCHNEIDER: All right.

6 BYRON SAGE: -- you and I need to have that
7 understanding.

8 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. I wanted to hear
9 this conference. So, are we about -- what, what's
10 happening with him to go check on the lines?

11 BYRON SAGE: Yeah. Let me, let me check and
12 see if we've gotten any word back.

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: All right.

14 BYRON SAGE: Are they aware that these --
15 now, you're only talking about them coming out maybe
16 just right on the porch right?

17 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Exac-- right around the
18 porch area.

19 BYRON SAGE TO OTHER AGENTS: What's that?
20 (Unidentified voice in background not discernible.)

21 BYRON SAGE: Okay. The -- they're -- the,
22 the interim instruction is they want to make sure that
23 he's not going to be touching anything but the phone
24 line. Is that correct?

25 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right.

 BYRON SAGE: Okay.

1 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Correct.

2 BYRON SAGE: Still hold on. We're trying to
3 get --

4 STEVE SCHNEIDER: All right.

5 BYRON SAGE: -- some final word from them.
6 It -- we'll just expect you to call back then once we
7 get this all worked out. We'll -- I'll expect a call
8 back from you after the press conference.

9 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. Hopefully, within a
10 ha-- hopefully, right after the press conference.
11 Let's see if the lines are working any better.

12 BYRON SAGE: Yeah. Because this is --

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. So, is he ready?
14 Can he go out on the porch?

15 BYRON SAGE: No. Hold on.

16 STEVE SCHNEIDER: All right. Bra-- Byron?

17 BYRON SAGE: Yes.

18 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I'm going to put him on.
19 This is Graham Smith, so he's --

20 BYRON SAGE: Okay. Yeah. I've talked to
21 Graham before.

22 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. Here he is. I'm
23 going to go listen to the conference.

24 BYRON SAGE: Okay.

25 GRAHAM SMITH: Hello, Byron? It's Graham
here.

1 BYRON SAGE: Yes, Graham. How are you?

2 GRAHAM SMITH: I'm pretty good, thanks.

3 BYRON SAGE: I think you and I have talked
4 before.

5 GRAHAM SMITH: Yeah. I spoke to you some
6 time ago.

7 BYRON SAGE: Do you have any idea what all
8 the static would be on the line?

9 GRAHAM SMITH: Well, it was -- I think it was
10 probably about a week ago, I, I checked outside the
11 door and noticed the line had -- looked like it had
12 been chewed by a dog or it, it either got caught in the
13 doorway.

14 BYRON SAGE: Right.

15 GRAHAM SMITH: But as the line was -- the
16 outside insulation was broken (crackling) -- insulation
17 inside was (crackling) -- broken. And I just checked a
18 little while ago and I noticed one line -- sir?

19 BYRON SAGE: Okay. No, I understand what
20 you're saying. It may be when you -- when we do get
21 permission -- okay. We just got permission for you to
22 go out, but stay on the porch. Are you still there?
23 Graham?

24 GRAHAM SMITH: I can barely hear you.

25 BYRON SAGE: Okay. They've given permission
for you, but stay on the porch and only touch the phone

1 | line. Okay?

2 | GRAHAM SMITH: Okay.

3 | BYRON SAGE: It -- maybe you can elevate it a
4 | little bit so the dogs can't get to it.

5 | GRAHAM SMITH: Yeah. I'll try that.

6 | BYRON SAGE: All right?

7 | GRAHAM SMITH: Okay.

8 | BYRON SAGE: Tell, tell Steve, then, after
9 | the press conference to give us a call back and we'll
10 | be working on our end of the line in the meantime.

11 | GRAHAM SMITH: Okay.

12 | BYRON SAGE: Okay. Talk to you later.

13 | GRAHAM SMITH: Okay, then. Good-bye.

14 | BYRON SAGE: Bye.

15 | *****

16 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Hello?

17 | BYRON SAGE: Steve.

18 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Byron?

19 | BYRON SAGE: Yeah. Not much better, huh?

20 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- hardly hear you.

21 | BYRON SAGE: Does --

22 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: We, we, we checked the best
23 | we could and, and, and I -- it's got to be your end.

24 | BYRON SAGE: Hmm. Well, I think the tech
25 | guys have been checking it from this end, but we'll
double, we'll double-check with them again.

1 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

2 BYRON SAGE: And -- how many people do you
3 have out there, Steve?

4 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I'm sorry. I can --
5 (crackling) I'll check again here myself.

6 BYRON SAGE: How many people do you --
7 [Dial tone.]

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9 UNIDENTIFIED AGENT: Gavin called me and said
10 that they have a tech guy out at CR-1, so maybe we
11 ought to just send him forward, have him just check the
12 line all the way up.

13 BYRON SAGE: Yeah. We need to do that.

14 UNIDENTIFIED AGENT: (Indiscernible). Did
15 you hear?

16 UNIDENTIFIED AGENT: No. He just came -- he
17 just arrived.

18 [Gap]

19 [Telephone ringing.]

20 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Hello?

21 [Noises -- static, clicking.]

22 BYRON SAGE: Steve? Steve?

23 [Dial tone.]

24 BYRON SAGE: Hello?

25 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Hello. Byron?

BYRON SAGE: Yes.

1 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah, it keeps on shutting
2 off on its own.

3 BYRON SAGE: Okay. I've got a tech guy in
4 the, in the room with me now. He's listening to the
5 connection. I think they're going to have to do some
6 checking from out there from our end at the same time
7 you're doing some checking from yours.

8 STEVE SCHNEIDER: All right.

9 BYRON SAGE: Okay. How many people do you
10 have outside the, the building there?

11 STEVE SCHNEIDER: How many people what?

12 BYRON SAGE: Do you have outside the building
13 working on it.

14 STEVE SCHNEIDER: There was only myself and
15 Graham. That was it.

16 BYRON SAGE: Okay. Because they had reported
17 somebody was outside hanging a banner or something?

18 [Noise gone.]

19 BYRON TO OTHER AGENTS: It's cut off again.

20 TECH AGENT: It's on his, it's on his, on his
21 -- it's his phone. It's in the connection from that --

22 BYRON SAGE: Can you hear me?

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah, now I can hear you a
24 little bet-- a lot better.

25 BYRON SAGE: Hmm. Well, maybe I'll stay on
this particular instrument then.

1 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah. Hang on here for a
2 minute while I can hear something.

3 BYRON SAGE: Okay. That the tech agent here
4 seems to think that the problem's going to be at your
5 end.

6 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

7 BYRON SAGE: He's wondering how exactly the
8 -- is there any kind -- you've got the wire coming in
9 from outside, right?

10 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right. Right. Well, see,
11 as far as we -- you know, we told you we wouldn't go
12 much further than the porch, so -- and, plus, by the
13 way, there -- never was there more than one of us out
14 there. I went out there while he was on the phone, and
15 then he was out there while I was inside. So, you
16 know, we didn't -- no more than one person out there.
17 So -- but from what we can tell, Graham, he looked it
18 over, and he can't see any problems with it from, from
19 the point of just where the porch is to the phone.

20 BYRON SAGE: Huh. Okay. Well, we'll just --
21 I guess we'll just continue to use this particular
22 line. Can you still hear me?

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah. I can still hear you
24 yet.

25 BYRON SAGE: Yeah. I can hear clicking on
the line, which is not coming from this end.

1 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

2 BYRON SAGE: Hold on just a second.

3 TECH AGENT: How is his phone connected
4 (indiscernible)?

5 BYRON SAGE: How is, how is the instrument
6 you're speaking on connected to the line that we
7 delivered to you?

8 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Pardon?

9 BYRON SAGE: How is the instrument that
10 you're speaking on, the phone you're speaking on?

11 STEVE SCHNEIDER: The phone itself has been
12 real good.

13 BYRON SAGE: Is it a plug in or is it screwed
14 in to the instrument or --

15 STEVE SCHNEIDER: It's -- let me see here.
16 Let me take a real quick look here. It's, it's right
17 into the instrument.

18 BYRON SAGE: A plug in or --

19 STEVE SCHNEIDER: No. It's the other type,
20 where it goes right in.

21 BYRON SAGE: Okay.

22 TECH AGENT: Hardwired right in.

23 BYRON SAGE: So, it's hardwired right in to
24 the instrument? Can you wiggle --

25 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Pardon?

BYRON SAGE: -- wiggle your end of the wire?

1 STEVE SCHNEIDER: All right. Okay. Yeah,
2 I'm -- no-- you know, it doesn't -- it's not affecting
3 anything.

4 BYRON SAGE: Yeah. I don't hear any popping
5 or anything.

6 STEVE SCHNEIDER: No.

7 BYRON SAGE: I, I hear a rooster going out
8 there.

9 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Now, he's, he's trying
10 another spot here. He's -- on the wall he's got it
11 worked out. He's -- a little bit there.

12 TECH AGENT: Yeah, that's it.

13 BYRON SAGE: Yeah. That sounded like it
14 there. Because we weren't doing anything at this end.

15 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. So far -- he's
16 looking at it right now. There -- yeah, there was a
17 little bit right there. Yeah. Not much though. I
18 mean -- (unidentified voice in background not
19 discernible) -- (indiscernible) it's -- we've got a
20 clearer signal than we've had but it's still not
21 totally clear. (Unidentified voice in background not
22 discernible.) Let's see. I'm not sure. What, what do
23 you think? You, you don't think it's anywhere between
24 like say the porch to where the line is laying on the
25 ground then, huh?

 BYRON SAGE: Now, they're, they're indicating

1 that it sounds like it's at a box, a junction box, or
2 the instrument inside.

3 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Pardon? You said it is
4 hooked ar-- when you look on the ground, you can see
5 that it is hooked around a lot of like rocks and dirt
6 and all that on the -- you know, from the point of the
7 porch --

8 BYRON SAGE: Yeah.

9 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- to about where they laid
10 it out originally.

11 BYRON SAGE: Okay. But the -- it's my
12 understanding that they've instructed the, the guys
13 there on the, on the perimeter not to drive anywhere
14 near where the line's laid.

15 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I see.

16 BYRON SAGE: So, that should --

17 STEVE SCHNEIDER: But, see, what I'm con--
18 Byron, what I'm concerned about is I'm wondering if the
19 dog maybe did chew somewhere else on the line. Because
20 it -- normally, like in the past we -- this would
21 happen once in a great while with the lines that were
22 buried or the other one -- any time it rained, once in
23 a great while you'd get crackling and problems like
24 this.

25 BYRON SAGE: Right. Right. Okay. Here's --
hold on just a second. What my tech guy is saying is

1 that we may make arrangements to go ahead and bring in
2 a new line to you.

3 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

4 BYRON SAGE: When they do that, they'll go
5 ahead and approach similar to what they did before in
6 one of the Bradleys --

7 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

8 BYRON SAGE: -- and we'll coordinate just
9 having you bring the old line out and maybe even take
10 it over -- do you recall where -- was it Graham that
11 went out and picked it up the first time?

12 STEVE SCHNEIDER: It was me.

13 BYRON SAGE: Okay. It was about, what, maybe
14 20, 30 feet off to the south of your complex there.

15 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right.

16 BYRON SAGE: Okay. We'll just end up doing
17 the same thing, if that's all right with you.

18 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah. That's fine.

19 BYRON SAGE: Okay. Because I -- what we need
20 to do is make sure that we continue to have a, a clear,
21 you know, access -- means of communication here, that
22 it's not --

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right.

24 BYRON SAGE: -- not going to be messed up.

25 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right.

BYRON SAGE: All right? So, I'll have them

1 | to --

2 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: By the way -- before I lose
3 | you, David was -- he's not -- another reason -- once in
4 | awhile he doesn't want to speak with anybody when
5 | there's things taking place, like what's happened in
6 | the last few days. The guys in the Bradleys have torn
7 | up the -- they've gone over the grave of, of Peter Gent
8 | and he says the body's probably being crushed even
9 | right now, because they keep on running over the top of
10 | it and you can see their tracks are going deeper and
11 | deeper. It was not a very deep grave in the first
12 | place. The first thing he was mad about, he said, was
13 | that originally when we called the 911 and initiated
14 | this and, and talked to yourself and finally Jim of the
15 | ATF, we're the ones that wanted -- and wanted to see
16 | the wounded on your side and everybody taken care of.
17 | It didn't happen on our side, of course. There was
18 | nothing that took place there. But he said -- at the
19 | same time, there's been such a disregard of even like
20 | -- well, now, originally, we wanted to see what -- how
21 | you people would respect or respond to like Peter Gent,
22 | who was shot, never had a chance, and I -- and they say
23 | in the press conferences that you've offered to take
24 | these bodies off. That is not true. Because we
25 | requested, we, we, we did everything we could to ask
 | that that would be done, even while his family was in

1 from Australia.

2 BYRON SAGE: Yeah. Steve, first of all, my
3 recollection -- I got here about noon or 11:30 on that
4 -- on the --

5 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right.

6 BYRON SAGE: -- 28th. Okay?

7 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right.

8 BYRON SAGE: My recollection was that right
9 from the, from the beginning, in fact, I know from the
10 beginning when I talked to you that we've, we've tried
11 to get the matter resolved and get appropriate medical
12 care, with the understanding that we can't introduce
13 the medical treatment into that facility. What we'll
14 end up doing is we'll (indiscernible) --

15 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. I --

16 BYRON SAGE: -- as soon as they come out.

17 STEVE SCHNEIDER: That, that I acknowledge.
18 That is true.

19 BYRON SAGE: Right?

20 STEVE SCHNEIDER: That's the way I remember
21 it --

22 BYRON SAGE: Okay.

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- also.

24 BYRON SAGE: And, so, we've, we've been ready
25 to do that. We're still ready to do that.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: I know. But the other part

1 | is that, you know, it's -- talking about the body,
2 | though, I mean, you know, we -- finally, you guys would
3 | not ta-- even though at one or a couple points you told
4 | us you would, and then when it came right down to it
5 | the agency did not. And, then, since then, of course,
6 | we worked it out where he was -- he had to be buried,
7 | so he was buried out front.

8 | BYRON SAGE: Right.

9 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: And then in the process --
10 | now, another -- for -- right up until about or four or
11 | five -- four days ago, I would guess, I think it was
12 | about then, they'd always run around the grave. But
13 | now they're going through it and over the top of it.
14 | So, they -- you know -- it --

15 | BYRON SAGE: Well, they may not have -- there
16 | may not be a -- wasn't there a flag or something on
17 | there --

18 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: There were red --

19 | BYRON SAGE: -- previously?

20 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- flowers on it, and they
21 | were there right till the very day that -- people in
22 | the building here observed them going over the top of
23 | the red flowers.

24 | BYRON SAGE: Okay. I don't, I don't think
25 | anybody's purposely trying to desecrate that grave.

 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, what are they --

1 BYRON SAGE: But we can --

2 STEVE SCHNEIDER: You can't even find it now
3 because it's so -- it's bur-- now it's nothing but all
4 mud and it's tracked and tore up --

5 BYRON SAGE: Steve, what we need to do,
6 though, is, is to -- you, you mentioned yourself that
7 it's probably a fairly shallow grave. We're going to
8 need to exhume that, that -- the remains of Mr. Gent
9 anyhow and properly -- provide him with a proper
10 burial.

11 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right. Right.

12 BYRON SAGE: You know, I, I think that was
13 the intent all along, that this was --

14 STEVE SCHNEIDER: It was.

15 BYRON SAGE: -- just kind of a -- an interim
16 -- and I can remember us talking back and forth as far
17 as how we can get that accomplished. You're absolutely
18 right. There was a great deal of, of discussion about
19 it and so forth. The bottom line is the only way we
20 can get it handled in a proper fashion in a long-term
21 fashion is, is when this matter is resolved and we can
22 go ahead and --

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Who is -- can I ask you --
24 Byron, who was the spokesperson for your agency the day
25 of the press conference? Because I -- when I -- by the
time I got to it, he had already been introduced.

1 BYRON SAGE: Today?

2 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yes.

3 BYRON SAGE: It was Mr. Schwein (phonetic), S
4 A C Schwein.

5 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Oh, Schwein. Okay.

6 BYRON SAGE: Yeah.

7 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah. I mean, I was quite
8 amazed at some of his statements, but even the, the
9 spirit and the attitude about getting those that
10 murdered the agents, the four agents --

11 BYRON SAGE: Well, we all know that there's a
12 loss of life on both sides. Okay? And, and that all
13 needs to be sorted out. I agree with you. I don't
14 think we've ever disagreed on that at all.

15 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I, I'd say -- I'm -- you
16 know, my -- your heart about sinks down to your stomach
17 when you hear -- you see how adamant the guy is, the
18 spirit. I never -- whoever wanted to see one of those
19 poor human beings die in the first place? Why did they
20 come to take our lives? I mean, I, I got -- I
21 shouldn't be doing this, because the attorneys didn't
22 want me to say anything, but the -- I don't care.
23 Truth is truth. I saw Perry Jones. He, he -- man, he
24 was hit in the stomach and the leg right from the time
25 they fired through the door. The guy never had a
chance. Then I find out later about Jadine getting hit

1 right on her bed. And I -- this is what I was telling
2 them the other day. I --

3 BYRON SAGE: That was --

4 STEVE SCHNEIDER: To tell you the truth, I
5 wanted to say something from day one, because I was
6 angry. I was extremely mad.

7 BYRON SAGE: Yeah. That was Jadine Wendell
8 that was on --

9 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yes, it was.

10 BYRON SAGE: -- the bed?

11 STEVE SCHNEIDER: You bet it was.

12 BYRON SAGE: Okay.

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: With the four children that
14 came out. She -- I think her children were the second
15 ones to go out.

16 BYRON SAGE: Okay.

17 STEVE SCHNEIDER: And, I mean, now -- and
18 they can say what they want and they don't have to
19 verify -- well, they'll find out it's the truth.

20 BYRON SAGE: Well, you understand what
21 they're saying there, that --

22 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, I, I --

23 BYRON SAGE: -- that there has to be --

24 STEVE SCHNEIDER: It's just the attitude and
25 the spirit of the -- I tell you what, it makes me
extremely angry.

1 BYRON SAGE: Hold on just a second. We're
2 getting a lot more static again.

3 STEVE SCHNEIDER: All right.

4 BYRON SAGE: While I --

5 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I -- yeah, excuse me. I
6 don't mean to get that way, but, you know, I knew these
7 people and --

8 BYRON SAGE: No, I, I can understand fully
9 why you're --

10 STEVE SCHNEIDER: And they were, they were
11 sitting in here that day r-- I -- we heard a report
12 also about the undercover agent mentioned to the --
13 something to the effect that he wanted to call off or
14 said that the thing should not continue through, that
15 he advised against it.

16 BYRON SAGE: Uh-huh.

17 STEVE SCHNEIDER: But I hope --

18 BYRON SAGE: Steve --

19 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- that, I hope that's
20 really true, because we -- I'll tell you the truth,
21 Byron, we liked the man, Robert Gonzalez. We liked
22 him. I, I still do.

23 BYRON SAGE: I understand that. You've
24 mentioned that several times. Steve, hold on just a
25 second.

 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah.

1 BYRON SAGE: The tech guy that's here wants
2 you to, to jiggle the wire again on the phone and then
3 up by --

4 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

5 BYRON SAGE: You mentioned you had some sort
6 of a box on the wall?

7 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right. He does. He tried
8 -- he was trying to make it as stable as possible. So,
9 just hang on a minute. Boy, it's sounding real good
10 here now. No-- I mean, this is --

11 BYRON SAGE: Yeah. There's, there's not any,
12 any static on the line at all.

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, there isn't. That's
14 strange. Just a minute.

15 STEVE TO UNIDENTIFIED PERSON: Where's
16 Graham?

17 STEVE TO GRAHAM SMITH: Graham, there's no --
18 now, all of a sudden there's no -- nothing's changed,
19 but now it's -- we've got a clear signal out of the
20 clear blue sky.

21 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah. We haven't done
22 anything here different, Byron.

23 BYRON SAGE: Hmm. Yeah, I don't why it would
24 be so sensitive all of a sudden.

25 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Exactly. Now -- all of a
sudden all the static just, bingo, it's just gone.

1 BYRON SAGE: It -- there must be some--

2 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Are you sure it's not --
3 it's got to be outside or your side, because, you know,
4 we're indoors and there's nothing that's changed.

5 BYRON SAGE: All right. This is a -- it's
6 not a portable phone or anything that you've got,
7 right? It's, it's --

8 STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, no. It's the regular
9 table model. It's sitting right -- we've got it --
10 here it comes -- here comes --

11 BYRON SAGE: Yeah.

12 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- the static again. I
13 don't get it.

14 BYRON SAGE: Are you moving at all when
15 you're talking or --

16 STEVE SCHNEIDER: No.

17 BYRON SAGE: -- sitting down?

18 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I, I'm right here in one
19 spot.

20 BYRON SAGE: Is it -- what type of an
21 instrument is it, a Bell Telephone type instrument
22 or --

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: It's a General Electric
24 telephone. It's push-button. It's real solid. It's
25 been used for year -- or, you know, the last two years.
We checked them -- all the phones that we had, and this

1 | seemed to be the best one, that it was not at all
2 | sensitive.

3 | BYRON SAGE: Okay. Would, would you send
4 | that out for us to look at it if we run the, the new,
5 | new line up, just to see what kind of problems there
6 | are?

7 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, you're not going to
8 | bug it, are you?

9 | BYRON SAGE: No. What we're trying to do is
10 | get a clear signal into you so that --

11 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: No. He said -- like he
12 | said, Byron, we really don't need a new phone. If
13 | any-- the only thing it's been so far, the only
14 | problems that Graham has checked on and found, has been
15 | in the lines, the wires itself, right to the phone.
16 | Either they're broken, dogs have chewed on them, or, or
17 | they're, or they're like the -- they've been cut or run
18 | over by the Bradleys.

19 | BYRON SAGE: Yeah. But you're saying that
20 | that wire runs actually into the instrument, it's not a
21 | clip-in type of --

22 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Y-- no, it's not a clip-in.
23 | It does run into the phone. Two of the phones that you
24 | did send to us, of course, and two or maybe three, were
25 | the same. They were not clips or anything. They went
 | directly into the phone.

1 BYRON SAGE: Hmm. Well, I don't -- as long
2 as it stays halfway clear like this, we can continue to
3 communicate. But --

4 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right.

5 BYRON SAGE: What's -- also, in the mornings,
6 I'm here in the morning early. We tried to call you
7 several times this morning before your daily at 9:00.

8 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right.

9 BYRON SAGE: But can you hear this -- the
10 phone ringing when we call --

11 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Normally we can. But there
12 -- apparently there -- I don't know when the problems
13 started with the phone, because it was clear yesterday
14 when I was on it, so I, I'm not sure what took place.
15 It is -- it's definitely strange. Pl-- David, he, he
16 was very unhappy about, you know, what was stated about
17 him, of course, and that's when the banner came out.
18 He said let's put a banner out. This, this has got --
19 this is enough of this kind of thing. He's actually --

20 BYRON SAGE: Is there a new banner out now?

21 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah. But it's nothing to
22 do with the FBI or anything like that. We pulled that
23 one back up again.

24 BYRON SAGE: Okay. You -- the last banner,
25 as I understand it, said something about the FBI and
lies and so forth.

1 STEVE SCHNEIDER: About what now?

2 BYRON SAGE: About the FBI and us --

3 STEVE SCHNEIDER: It said that --

4 BYRON SAGE: -- having lied to you?

5 STEVE SCHNEIDER: No. What it said was FBI,
6 God sees your lies. Habakkuk 3, verse 14.

7 BYRON SAGE: Right. But, Steve, one thing
8 that, that I'm proud of and that I think I've mentioned
9 to you several --

10 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yes, but -- and that --

11 BYRON SAGE: -- times, both at face to
12 face --

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- that wasn't --

14 BYRON SAGE: -- is we have not lied to you.
15 Everything --

16 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I believe that.

17 BYRON SAGE: -- we've told you is --

18 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Byron, I cannot --

19 BYRON SAGE: -- is straightforward.

20 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I believe that. I agree
21 with you. I don't believe you have. Seriously. I
22 don't. But there's those that are speaking in your
23 behalf at the press conferences, like Ricks, Schwein
24 and Swenson who are -- they are -- they're like
25 aspiring comedians or something.

BYRON SAGE: Yeah.

1 STEVE SCHNEIDER: And they've made statements
2 that it's better not to say anything if they don't have
3 the facts. They know that. But if they can bring
4 reproach on us and make us look like the loonies they'd
5 like to have us, and if that's the way we're going to
6 be processed also, well --

7 BYRON SAGE: Now, Steve, you know the bottom
8 line on that one, right? If you come out, then you can
9 be making your own statements.

10 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I -- you know, I --

11 BYRON SAGE: We've asked you --

12 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I'm going to, I'm going
13 to --

14 BYRON SAGE: -- to do that now for 41 days.

15 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Byron, you, you know, I'm
16 going to be coming out, but I don't -- I really don't
17 believe a whole lot of that. I don't -- I think I'll
18 be stuck in a cell. Press will not have access to me.
19 And even if they did, they're going to --

20 BYRON SAGE: You've got access --

21 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- they're going to want
22 something --

23 BYRON SAGE: -- to a phone.

24 STEVE SCHNEIDER: They're going to -- well,
25 Byron, you know they're going to want some sational
(sic) story, sensational, that -- and asking questions

1 that have nothing to do with what we're about and, and
2 the truth of the issues.

3 BYRON SAGE: But, see, the point is, Steve,
4 that you'll have control of that. We -- our position
5 here is not to be stand-up comedians or anything else.
6 Our position is not to give daily press conferences.
7 Our position here is plainly and simply to try to get
8 this matter resolved.

9 STEVE SCHNEIDER: And I agree with you.

10 BYRON SAGE: And as soon as you'all come out,
11 then you can give your own press statements. We've
12 got --

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah. I'm -- you know,
14 as --

15 BYRON SAGE: That's not their job.

16 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- as much as I've got --

17 BYRON SAGE: Their job is commanders trying
18 to help resolve --

19 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right.

20 BYRON SAGE: -- this matter. Okay?

21 STEVE SCHNEIDER: As much, as much as there
22 is such a turmoil inside me because of me being
23 innocent, being attacked. My life was on the line.
24 And now I get to go spend minimum six months in jail,
25 maybe the rest of my life. And for what?

BYRON SAGE: See, we don't know --

1 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Because of -- huh?

2 BYRON SAGE: Steve, you're not going to know
3 that until we -- until you --

4 STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, but I, I --

5 BYRON SAGE: -- come out and get --

6 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- can already see --

7 BYRON SAGE: -- this matter into the --

8 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- I can already see enough
9 with how, I mean, old ladies are charged, like
10 Margaret, who is a -- I mean, a nice little Japanese
11 woman from Hawaii. I've known her for years. And to
12 think she's been charged with all -- I mean,
13 incredible. Absolutely incredible.

14 BYRON SAGE: Steve, everybody's situation in
15 there is going to be different. You and I both --

16 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah --

17 BYRON SAGE: -- know that.

18 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah. Mine is going --

19 BYRON SAGE: In fact --

20 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- to probably be one of
21 the --

22 BYRON SAGE: Well, wait a minute.

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- worst, just because I've
24 been a spokesperson.

25 BYRON SAGE: No. I think you've done a great
deal to try to get this thing down the line and try to

1 get it resolved. And you've done, you've done a good
2 job of that. But it's time now to, to bring this to
3 closure. It's time to, to bring yourself out and the
4 other people out there so that --

5 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I agree with you, Byron.
6 But, see --

7 BYRON SAGE: Well, then let's do it.

8 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. But the --

9 BYRON SAGE: Steve, you and I can do that.

10 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Byron, but the whole
11 thing --

12 BYRON SAGE: You and I both know we can.

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- yeah, but the whole --
14 you, you, you don't unders-- I know you're not going to
15 understand until that -- and unless and until hell
16 freezes over that Bible is true. We, we haven't moved.
17 It's not because we don't agree with you, Byron.
18 You've got to understand that. You've got to. I mean,
19 the only reason why I left my beautiful home in Hawaii
20 to come to this dump is because I do believe in the
21 Bible and I believe that this man -- I can't con-- I
22 honestly tru-- I've never had a problem with taking to
23 task Lutheran scholars, Catholic scholars, Methodists,
24 Baptists. I've had no tr-- I'll sit down with those
25 guys morning, noon, and night.

BYRON SAGE: Well, when will he come out and

1 sit down with them --

2 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, he honestly wants --

3 BYRON SAGE: -- morning, noon, and night?

4 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- to. I can tell you the
5 f-- the -- I know he's --

6 BYRON SAGE: But, Steve, he --

7 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- sincere. I --

8 BYRON SAGE: Steve?

9 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah?

10 BYRON SAGE: Do you understand the position
11 that he continues to place you'all in, by not --

12 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I realize that.

13 BYRON SAGE: -- coming out?

14 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I do realize that. But,
15 look'it, even when the attorneys came, he was so open
16 and frank and honest with them. They said it's in your
17 best interests to come out as soon as possible. Do you
18 know we both agreed with them?

19 BYRON SAGE: Okay. But then --

20 STEVE SCHNEIDER: And then they said to us we
21 realize you've got a thing here with God, it's a
22 religious thing. We see that. And they says well, can
23 you ask your -- it was on that Thursday. Can you -- a
24 week ago. Can you ask your God -- can you, you -- and
25 he says I'm going to. I will most definitely. He says
I want to myself. And, so, then -- and he did. He

1 | called me in and said Steve, wouldn't you know, it's
2 | the same answer I've gotten. Well, and I know it's
3 | true, because, see, be-- long before this happened,
4 | long before this happened, I've travelled with the man.
5 | And he won't do anything without being advised by the
6 | very one that showed them all of the prophecies back in
7 | '85. It was a, it was a supernatural experience he
8 | had. But who's going to believe that? Only those that
9 | take the time to hear if it's verified by the very book
10 | he says he believes in.

11 | BYRON SAGE: Steve, who are you waiting on?
12 | Are you waiting on --

13 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: I, I'm waiting --

14 | BYRON SAGE: -- on God or are you waiting on
15 | David?

16 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: I'm waiting on God. But,
17 | see, if you read throughout the Bible, you know, the
18 | prophets were the ones that came to Israel who thought
19 | they knew God and had to walk with God, but the
20 | prophets came saying you're, you're this, you're that,
21 | God's going to destroy you. And God -- if you look at
22 | Second Peter, Chapter 1, verses 19 through 21, those
23 | three verses, Byron, you'll find out that God has
24 | chosen men and women, contrary to what you and I think,
25 | throughout the ages, given them inspiration, and it has
always been in line with those that have preceded

1 | before them, the prophets, the apostles of old. So, if
2 | David's out of sink with the apostles and prophets,
3 | there are tests in the Bible, Isaiah 20, Jeremiah 28,
4 | verse 9, Matthew 7, verses 15 through 20, that test
5 | this kind of phenomena by those that came before, those
6 | that have preceded. So, I've tested and retested this
7 | man over and over again and I can't find -- I mean, and
8 | I've tried. Like I've told many other negotiators,
9 | this is a day-by-day thing with me. I don't make up my
10 | mind adamantly, you know, like say a month ago or
11 | yesterday. It's a new day today. I'll look at the
12 | facts, the information I have, and, and make a decision
13 | based on what's before me. And like what you're
14 | bringing up, I agree with you. I, I think you have
15 | been honest. I think you've been -- I really believe
16 | that. I think you've been sincere. I know that, of
17 | anybody I've talked to, you've been very on-the-line,
18 | very clear in your language, your speech, and so forth.
19 | I think you've made as much or more of an attempt than
20 | anybody.

21 | BYRON SAGE: Well, I think you --

22 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: And --

23 | BYRON SAGE: -- and I have got a great deal
24 | invested in this. Okay? And I still stand ready to do
25 | whatever I can to meet --

 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I believe that Byron.

1 BYRON SAGE: -- meet you more than halfway
2 down the road.

3 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I believe that.

4 BYRON SAGE: But we've, we've -- you know, it
5 -- I, I've really got a genuine concern, Steve, that
6 either, either God, as David perceives him, has
7 abandoned him, which I don't believe, or David has --

8 STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, because he's still --

9 BYRON SAGE: -- abandoned God.

10 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- he's still speaking to
11 me. He's told me -- it's, it's --

12 BYRON SAGE: He's getting audible messages
13 from God?

14 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Audible --

15 BYRON SAGE: Is that what you're saying?

16 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- you -- like you are --
17 like you're talk-- I -- I've -- years ago I asked him.
18 I said, look'it, I says, David, I don't believe in this
19 kind of phenomena. I says, I've always been skeptical
20 of people claiming to have dreams and visions and -- I
21 said all my life I -- when I hear people talking in
22 that manner, those are the ones I look at like they're
23 off the wall, and I says -- and that's the way I treat
24 you also. So, I says, so, what's your experience?
25 Describe to me how you get messages or how you're --
because one thing is true. One time I sat down with

1 | him in Carolina and he opened up the most deep, most
2 | awesome logical study, and everybody there, three or
3 | four ministers, they were all astounded. Later on in
4 | the evening when I was alone with him with another
5 | person, we said to him what's it like? How are you
6 | able to do this? I mean, how possibly? And he went on
7 | to say it's like while he's given a study, it's like
8 | he's looking at a colored vision with the sounds, the
9 | smell -- it's like being there. And he's describing
10 | what he's seeing. Then he went on to say how he --
11 | it's like hearing an audible -- he hears an audible
12 | voice. He'll ask God what shall I do about this, what
13 | shall I -- God'll usually say -- tell him -- or the
14 | most frequent answers he's gotten through the years of:
15 | trust, my son. Or he'll be told: wait. Or a third
16 | thing, I can't remember what it was, but mostly trust
17 | and wait are the two that he gets more than anything.
18 | And, of course --

19 | BYRON SAGE: We need him to get into a mode
20 | of come out.

21 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, I know that.

22 | BYRON SAGE: You know, face --

23 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: He realizes --

24 | BYRON SAGE: I mean, even --

25 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: He realizes that himself.

 BYRON SAGE: -- even -- Steve. Even Christ

1 | went forward to, to meet with the magistrate, with the
2 | Sanhedron, with the, you know, with Pontius --

3 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: But --

4 | BYRON SAGE: -- Pilate and so forth.

5 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: But do -- wait, wait, wait,
6 | now. And I'll -- in response to that, Byron, now,
7 | you're someone at least believes in the Bible, so if
8 | you take a concordance and you look under the word w--
9 | "time," you'll -- and look that word "time" up in
10 | relation to the book of John, which gets into Christ
11 | being taken and going before the political sphere,
12 | you'll find out that the word "time" is repeated so
13 | many -- Christ says my time is not yet, my time is not
14 | yet. How did he know? How did he know, day by day,
15 | when his disciples wanted him to do certain things? He
16 | even said to -- in Matthew 16 to Peter, get thee behind
17 | me, Satan, because moments before he had said upon thee
18 | is my church founded and so forth. He was really
19 | talking about himself. But Peter had said you are the
20 | son of God. You are the one. And then later on -- and
21 | just moments later, he says get thee behind me, Satan.
22 | Because he said, you know, he had to do certain things,
23 | certain things were going to happen to him. He was
24 | aware of those things in advance because he was
25 | inspired. So, see, the same with David. There is a
time for all this. There's a 6,000-year timetable

1 that's coming to -- is winding down right now. David's
2 totally into --

3 BYRON SAGE: Steve? Steve?

4 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah.

5 BYRON SAGE: You understand that we don't
6 have a 6,000-year time-frame. Do you --

7 STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, no --

8 BYRON SAGE: -- have any kind of a context as
9 to what --

10 STEVE SCHNEIDER: No. I'm, I'm telling you
11 that it's -- that's 6,000 years --

12 BYRON SAGE: No. I, I know exactly --

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- is (indiscernible) --

14 BYRON SAGE: -- what you're referring to.

15 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- over.

16 BYRON SAGE: I understand exactly what you're
17 referring to. But we're looking at 41 days now and
18 there's, there's a limit to the time-frame that you and
19 I are faced with. Do you have any feel, and I mean
20 genuinely, do you, Steve, have any feel for what type
21 of a time-frame that, that David's looking at?

22 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Not even in the -- he
23 doesn't even, because I've asked him repeatedly. On a
24 day-by-day basis I'll go and sit down with him and
25 he'll open up studies that continue to astound me, but
at the same time he says he is anxious himself. And,

1 | in fact, I'll tell you the truth, he keeps on -- he'll
2 | get into the past. He'll get into how he's been led.
3 | He'll get into details. It doesn't matter if he
4 | experienced embarrassing thing that are, are
5 | embarrassing to talk about to other individuals. He'll
6 | -- he, he doe-- he exposes himself. He'll open himself
7 | up. But he -- because he wants to get to the bottom
8 | line, what's the truth. What, what's God going to do?
9 | What of all the prophets? What are their testimonies?
10 | How do they harmonize? What, what's God's ultimate
11 | message to a lost world that thinks they know God but
12 | their lives don't show it? What's God going to do with
13 | us all?

14 | BYRON SAGE: Steve, let me ask you to do --

15 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah.

16 | BYRON SAGE: -- something, okay?

17 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah.

18 | BYRON SAGE: Just picture in your own mind.
19 | Step back from this, from the position that you find
20 | yourself in. Put yourself in my position for a moment.

21 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: I have.

22 | BYRON SAGE: And I, I've tried --

23 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Many times.

24 | BYRON SAGE: -- to do the same thing with
25 | you.

 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I believe that.

1 BYRON SAGE: Okay. Step back and look at
2 this. Is it not -- don't you feel that it is, that it
3 is very comfortable for David to be in a position where
4 all he has to say is: my God hasn't spoken to me yet.
5 So, he doesn't have to face up to the fact --

6 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Of course I've -- Byron, of
7 course I've thought --

8 BYRON SAGE: Well, but do you --

9 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Frequently.

10 BYRON SAGE: -- realize, do you realize what
11 a position it puts you and the people that you help
12 to --

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I most certainly do.

14 BYRON SAGE: -- to facilitate ge-- being
15 inside?

16 STEVE SCHNEIDER: But you've got to remember
17 I --

18 BYRON SAGE: Judy?

19 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I do.

20 BYRON SAGE: I mean, you know, you've got to
21 think about the --

22 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Byron, I have.

23 BYRON SAGE: -- people that you --

24 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Do -- you don't think I do
25 -- listen, I've been with this man for six-and-a-half
years, so I know --

1 BYRON SAGE: I know you've got quite --

2 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Do you --

3 BYRON SAGE: -- an investment, but you need
4 to realize --

5 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, not only -- I'm not
6 talking about the -- in regards to investment. I'm
7 talking about if a person even has any intelligence at
8 all, any insight, any -- by observation -- now, you've
9 got to remember, I've dealt with people from all walks
10 of life, like you have. And one of the first things
11 that'll pop into your mind or my mind is what is a
12 person's motives when they give the body language they
13 do, when they speak in the manner they do. I mean, I'm
14 always wondering what's the motives. You're always
15 looking and -- for insight into another individual.
16 So, with David I've been extremely critical through the
17 years. That has not even stopped as of even two nights
18 ago. I mean, I'm listening to him open up something
19 from the Bible, but inside -- I mean, I'm still this
20 human being that I've always been. On the other hand,
21 I want eternal life, but I'm still a realist. But you
22 have to understand how, how it's based on the Bible,
23 even though it seems so strange to you. But the truth
24 is I've been around him enough to see -- and how he
25 operates, what he does, why he does. I believe he is
sincerely ge-- if you could hear him -- or if you go

1 back to some of those tapes, the one thing that'll
2 always perk him up is if he can not tell you about the
3 Bible but show you how it fits together. He wants you
4 to surpass this earth and, and all that it has. He
5 wants you to have the glories that never end. So, the
6 truth is he himself -- he was telling me he is anxious
7 himself to come out. He can -- you -- the only rest he
8 ever got in his l-- in the last ten years, he told me
9 -- now, you can take it or leave it -- was when they
10 were arrested in '87. He -- the, the one good solid
11 night's rest he had was when he was in a jail cell.

12 BYRON SAGE: I understand.

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: And he, he told me the
14 other night he was looking forward to that aga-- he
15 says -- and that's why he keeps on presenting this
16 before God, over and over again. And, no, he -- there
17 is nothing he is staying in here for. There is nothing
18 to be gained.

19 BYRON SAGE: Then let's come out. Let's get
20 this resolved. We can get it --

21 STEVE SCHNEIDER: But he has --

22 BYRON SAGE: -- done right now.

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: You, you -- see, you don't
24 understand. He had an experience between '81 and '2
25 that -- I'll let him tell you about it. It was the
most terrifying, horrible experience. It lasted for

1 about a year. And he says that he'd never wish it on
2 any human being. He doesn't have an enemy in this
3 world that he'd ever wish that experience on any one.

4 BYRON SAGE: Steve, is he there? Let me talk
5 to him.

6 STEVE SCHNEIDER: He's not. No. I'm, I'm --
7 in fact, I'm down near the door right now.

8 BYRON SAGE: Well, how far away can he
9 possibly be?

10 STEVE SCHNEIDER: You --

11 BYRON SAGE: Let me talk to him. We need to
12 get some things resolved here.

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Byron, he's quite a
14 distance. And he already told me when -- I asked him,
15 I says, do you want to talk with them? And he says,
16 no, I don't. But he says, you go ahead or --

17 BYRON SAGE: How do we get anything
18 accomplished, Steve? You and I have, have a good
19 rapport, but rapport is not going to get you out the
20 door. Okay? It may help. It may lead us to the door,
21 and it has done that before.

22 STEVE SCHNEIDER: He's told me he does not
23 want to talk to anyone unless they --

24 BYRON SAGE: Well, then, he doesn't want to
25 get it done.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, no.

1 BYRON SAGE: He doesn't want --

2 STEVE SCHNEIDER: He -- no, wait --

3 BYRON SAGE: -- to get this matter resolved.

4 STEVE SCHNEIDER: You didn't let me finish.

5 Byron, you didn't let me finish. Unless he can bring
6 in what he is, and that's the Bible. I mean, he'll
7 talk about that, but always in relation to the Bible so
8 you can understand where and why.

9 BYRON SAGE: Steve, let me explain something
10 to you. If it hasn't been done -- I know I haven't
11 done it, at least not recently. So, let me explain
12 something to you --

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: All right.

14 BYRON SAGE: -- for my own sake so that you
15 and I are on an even keel here.

16 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. Go ahead.

17 BYRON SAGE: I've got a great deal of respect
18 for your beliefs. I have -- one of the main things
19 that I've committed my, my life to as an FBI agent is
20 to be able to protect an individual's right to have a
21 freedom of religion, freedom of speech, all the
22 Constitutional rights that you and Wayne and --

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I like what you --

24 BYRON SAGE: -- I discussed.

25 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- say more than anybody
I've -- I'm, I'm glad you're able to speak like you are

1 in the manner you are. I, I --

2 BYRON SAGE: But --

3 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- and (indiscernible) --

4 BYRON SAGE: -- what I'm telling you is, is
5 common with everybody that's, that's been here trying
6 to work with you over these last six weeks. I guar--
7 I, I absolutely guarantee that. But the point is that
8 no one is here trying to interrupt that right. Do you
9 understand? Nobody is here trying to interrupt that
10 right.

11 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, what --

12 BYRON SAGE: Just because we --

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- I hear to --

14 BYRON SAGE: -- don't, just because we don't
15 want to sit down --

16 STEVE SCHNEIDER: When I hear those
17 spokesperson for yourself -- I mean, now, it's
18 different talking to you and talking to some of the
19 negotiators. Well, when you hear some of these people
20 like Ricks or especially these ATF agents --

21 BYRON SAGE: Now, now, we're getting a little
22 off --

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Hold --

24 BYRON SAGE: Let me, let me explain to you
25 what I was trying to --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Man.

1 BYRON SAGE: -- to, to get at.

2 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I didn't see, I didn't see
3 in those men --

4 BYRON SAGE: Steve --

5 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- any kind of respect or
6 concern for the Constitution and its principles
7 whatsoever.

8 BYRON SAGE: Well, that may be your
9 perception. I don't think it's accurate, but the --
10 you know, you've got your right to believe that.

11 STEVE SCHNEIDER: How well do you know the
12 ATF, though?

13 BYRON SAGE: Well, I'm not --

14 STEVE SCHNEIDER: How well do you know these
15 men?

16 BYRON SAGE: Steve, I'm not speaking -- I
17 never have been here speaking for the F-- or the ATF.
18 What I'm speaking for is the FBI. Okay? Let me tell
19 you this --

20 STEVE SCHNEIDER: David has said good things
21 about your agency. In fact, even a couple nights ago
22 we were talking and -- at times you wonder, because of
23 some of the things you hear through the press
24 conferences --

25 BYRON SAGE: Steve, let me --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Go ahead.

1 BYRON SAGE: -- let me get back to what I was
2 trying --

3 STEVE SCHNEIDER: All right.

4 BYRON SAGE: -- to explain to you before.

5 STEVE SCHNEIDER: All right.

6 BYRON SAGE: When, when David wants to come
7 to the phone and, and discuss religion and we tell him
8 that we're not here to discuss religion, that's not
9 because we don't have a respect for it. It's
10 because --

11 STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, no. I -- no, believe
12 me --

13 BYRON SAGE: Let me, let me finish. Let me
14 finish.

15 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

16 BYRON SAGE: It's because we're here trying
17 to resolve a, a standoff. Okay?

18 STEVE SCHNEIDER: But he's telling you you
19 can't do that without the Bible, because we were here
20 before we were attacked February 28th for certain
21 reasons based on the Bible, Byron.

22 BYRON SAGE: And, and Steve --

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: You've got to understand
24 that.

25 BYRON SAGE: Steve. Steve.

STEVE SCHNEIDER: Yeah.

1 BYRON SAGE: You could -- you will be there
2 after this is resolved addressing your --

3 STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, I won't be.

4 BYRON SAGE: -- your -- let me finish.

5 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I'll probably be --

6 BYRON SAGE: Let me finish.

7 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Go ahead.

8 BYRON SAGE: You will be there after this is
9 all resolved and you all can get back to a normal life.
10 You can continue --

11 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Oh --

12 BYRON SAGE: -- with --

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- Byron.

14 BYRON SAGE: Let me finish. You can continue
15 with your exercise of re-- of religious beliefs.
16 Nobody's trying to interrupt that. What we are going
17 to have to do, and if, and if you're a realist, and I
18 think you are, you realize that we've got to work
19 through some of the problems that were created that
20 were created on the 28th of February.

21 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I'm not getting back here.

22 BYRON SAGE: What did --

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Life imprisonment without
24 parole at best, probably.

25 BYRON SAGE: Do you know that as a matter of
fact? Is that --

1 STEVE SCHNEIDER: You bet.

2 BYRON SAGE: Well --

3 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Unless -- I mean, I'll tell
4 you the truth. What I'm seeing and hearing right now
5 and how the powerful -- how powerful these agents are,
6 like the ATF and so forth, how adamant they are -- I
7 mean, there was a time when this Constitution
8 guaranteed all our rights, but --

9 BYRON SAGE: And it still does, Steve. The
10 Con--

11 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I see --

12 BYRON SAGE: Let me --

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- I seen a --

14 BYRON SAGE: Let me express this to you --

15 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Fourth -- Second and Fourth
16 Amendments have been so trompled-- trampled on and, and
17 changed and -- go ahead.

18 BYRON SAGE: It's not -- that's not -- I'm
19 sure that's your perception from the --

20 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Oh, it, it has --

21 BYRON SAGE: -- position that you find
22 yourself in now.

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, no. But it's for
24 years. I've seen that for years.

25 BYRON SAGE: I don't think so, because I've
been, I've been with the FBI for 24 years. I'm telling

1 | you that, that we --

2 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: The IRS, how it was --

3 | BYRON SAGE: Let me, let me --

4 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- created.

5 | BYRON SAGE: -- finish. Okay?

6 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

7 | BYRON SAGE: I'm telling you that we will
8 | ensure that you've got the right to counsel. In fact,
9 | we facilitated getting attorneys in there to, to talk
10 | to you.

11 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: All --

12 | BYRON SAGE: I'm hoping that that's done some
13 | good, Steve.

14 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Oh, it has.

15 | BYRON SAGE: Okay. Then we need to cap--
16 | they, they themselves, they're working for you, Steve.
17 | They're not working for us. If they've --

18 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: I know they are.

19 | BYRON SAGE: -- told you that it's in your
20 | best interests to come --

21 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, you guys are
22 | working --

23 | BYRON SAGE: -- out and get this matter
24 | resolved --

25 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: But, Byron, you know
they're working in their own interests --

1 BYRON SAGE: -- then let's get to the --
2 let's get it resolved.

3 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Byron, you know they're
4 working in their own interests also. They're being
5 catapulted into the limelight. They're going to have
6 exposure you could never buy.

7 BYRON SAGE: We can't -- we're not
8 controlling that. Okay? And I --

9 STEVE SCHNEIDER: The most, the most --

10 BYRON SAGE: -- I know exactly what you mean.

11 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- that these guys want --
12 in fact, it came out in the press -- how did they, how
13 did they -- the -- unless the lawyers themselves said
14 something, what is this figure of 2,500,000?

15 BYRON SAGE: I --

16 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I'll come right out and
17 tell you what they want to charge me for getting --

18 BYRON SAGE: Steve, that's none of my
19 business. Okay?

20 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I, I want you to know, four
21 hundred and fif--

22 BYRON SAGE: Steve? Steve?

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Four hundred and --

24 BYRON SAGE: Steve?

25 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- fifty thou-- where am I
going to get \$450,000, Byron, to be represented? Where

1 am I getting that kind of money?

2 BYRON SAGE: I have absolutely no idea, and
3 it's really not any of my business. I, I -- let me,
4 let me mention --

5 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, it is. What's
6 happened to --

7 BYRON SAGE: Hold on. Hold on --

8 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- the justice system?

9 BYRON SAGE: -- just a second. Let me
10 mention something to you.

11 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay.

12 BYRON SAGE: Myself and anyone else that you
13 speak to on this phone is not in a position and we are
14 not asking for any particular insight or any
15 information regarding what you and your --

16 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, no, no --

17 BYRON SAGE: Let me finish. What you and
18 your --

19 STEVE SCHNEIDER: That's not true.

20 BYRON SAGE: -- attorney has discussed.
21 Okay?

22 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Byron, that's not true.
23 I've had a number of the nego-- not yourself, but
24 there's a, a couple of the Johns have asked me specific
25 questions. They really have. Even though I told them
that the attorney said we're not to talk about these

1 | any more. In fact, in the first place, my rights are
2 | violated because there was no -- I mean, right from day
3 | one information's been exchanged back and forth. And
4 | the most pertinent --

5 | BYRON SAGE: Well, what I --

6 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- questions have been
7 | asked of me.

8 | BYRON SAGE: Steve, what I'm telling you and
9 | what I'm telling you on behalf of myself, what I'm
10 | telling you on behalf of the other negotiators, the
11 | FBI, right on down the road, is that we don't have an
12 | interest in nor do we have any reason -- in fact, we
13 | don't want to know anything that has to do with your
14 | defense plans.

15 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Can I ask you something?

16 | BYRON SAGE: Do you understand that?

17 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Ca-- yes.

18 | BYRON SAGE: Okay.

19 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Can I ask you something
20 | about the ATF? Are they allowed and privileged to also
21 | hear the phone conversations we have? I know you tape
22 | them all, but are they allowed to review and listen to
23 | them also?

24 | BYRON SAGE: Yes.

25 | STEVE SCHNEIDER: Oh, brother.

 BYRON SAGE: Okay. Now, I'm, I'm not -- now,

1 I've told you right --

2 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I know you're honest.

3 BYRON SAGE: I'm -- I've told you right from
4 day one that I'm not going to lie to you.

5 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Well, good.

6 BYRON SAGE: What we're conducting in here as
7 far as the negotiations are concerned is, is also
8 reviewed by the ATF. It's also reviewed by the Ranger
9 Service. The reason for that is that every agency has
10 a, has an aspect of involvement in the ongoing efforts
11 to get this resolved and to conduct the investigation
12 afterwards. Okay?

13 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I mean, you know yourself
14 all the information that we've spoken about on the
15 phone they're going to use against us, they're going to
16 twist. That helps them prepare their case against us,
17 of course.

18 BYRON SAGE: Steve, let me --

19 STEVE SCHNEIDER: And, and --

20 BYRON SAGE: -- let me tell you this, okay?

21 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Listen. After, after Troy
22 has said all that he has, and, and if he's listened to
23 all this information, then he still has blatantly lied
24 like --

25 BYRON SAGE: I can't speak --

STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- he has.

1 BYRON SAGE: -- for Troy. I can't --

2 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I can.

3 BYRON SAGE: -- speak for Troy. Okay?

4 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I can. I was here when
5 that shootout took place. Troy, when it comes to, to
6 specific questions asked by the media, the guy always
7 go into a mode of ambiguity. He, he never answers
8 clearly and concisely, only when he has got some
9 statement to make, to slander us again.

10 BYRON SAGE: Okay. Every --

11 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Outright lies.

12 BYRON SAGE: Steve, everything that I've
13 heard him say, and I think I've been listening to the
14 same press conferences, the indication to me -- and
15 maybe it's just my standpoint, okay? My perspective
16 from, from being involved from a law enforcement
17 standpoint. He's withholding several of the statements
18 that can't be brought forward until all the facts are
19 known. Now, whether you can understand this or not,
20 that's also --

21 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Right.

22 BYRON SAGE: -- in your best interests.

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: No, no. Byron, you're
24 wrong.

25 BYRON SAGE: You, you've complained --

 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Okay. No, Byron --

1 BYRON SAGE: -- right from day one that it's
2 only one side.

3 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Byron, he's made statements
4 per-- that were -- that are totally, in relation to
5 the, the circumstances and events that have taken
6 place, he has given his opinion, because that's, that's
7 what it is, but he's acted like it was the facts, the
8 truth. There was no truth to it. No, he has taken
9 liberties he should not have taken. He'll do it
10 sometimes. And other times you would expect them to do
11 the same, then he'll clam up.

12 BYRON SAGE: How do you suggest to contradict
13 that?

14 STEVE SCHNEIDER: How do I suggest? I don't
15 think I'll ever be able, to be honest with you. I,
16 I'll come out into the system, but I, I see myself --
17 like the scriptures show in the final days, judges do
18 all that they do for a reward, it says in the Bible.
19 If you read Micah, Chapter 7, read what it says about
20 the judges and the leaders of the earth in the final
21 days.

22 BYRON SAGE: Okay. Steve?

23 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Unless, unless you were
24 born like, like an ostrich with your head in the --
25 under the sand, you know, open your eyes. See what's
happening to this world (indiscernible) --

1 BYRON SAGE: Steve, I don't, I don't think
2 that I'm walking around here with my eyes closed or my
3 head in the sand.

4 STEVE SCHNEIDER: You know this is these
5 powerful merchants that are after a one-world
6 government. There's no question about it. The, the
7 United Nations and all of that. There's no --

8 BYRON SAGE: Okay.

9 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- question.

10 BYRON SAGE: And I've heard you made ref--
11 make reference to --

12 STEVE SCHNEIDER: You'd have to be totally an
13 igmo not to, to see what's happening in this world.

14 BYRON SAGE: Well, I'm many things, but I
15 don't think I'm an igmo.

16 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Ten, ten years of Vietnam,
17 no declared war, you couldn't bomb north of the
18 parallel. I mean, for years that used to bother the
19 heck out of me. It didn't matter if Nixon got in or a
20 Democrat.

21 BYRON SAGE: Steve, were you there?

22 STEVE SCHNEIDER: No matter what their
23 rhetoric-- rhetoric was. My many friends were. I had a
24 friend that had his whole pelvis blown out. He's still
25 living. You ought to see what he looks like. And I
was, by the way -- they, they were trying to draft me.

1 BYRON SAGE: Okay.

2 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I wouldn't have minded
3 giving my life for my country if you were fighting for
4 your country, but to, to back some powerful merchants
5 that were making billions of dollars out of --

6 BYRON SAGE: Well, I don't know that --

7 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- the war --

8 BYRON SAGE: -- that's exactly it.

9 STEVE SCHNEIDER: I do know that. I've
10 talked to an admiral of the United States Navy that is
11 now retired. He had documentation. And I heard about
12 the Rockefellers backing Hitler's war machine with
13 their oil back in the Second World War.

14 BYRON SAGE: Steve, I wasn't at the Second --

15 STEVE SCHNEIDER: That's mud on the road --

16 BYRON SAGE: Steve --

17 STEVE SCHNEIDER: -- here, by the way.

18 BYRON SAGE: Steve. I wasn't in World
19 War II, but I was in Vietnam twice. And I can't tell
20 you that, that I didn't come back a different guy than
21 when I went over.

22 STEVE SCHNEIDER: Too many dimensions are
23 missing and, and --

24 [End of tape 201.]

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2 | BYRON: -- receive are inaccurate and so
3 | forth. You have the ability to do that, you yourself.

4 | STEVE: I'm going, I'm going to come out but
5 | you've got to remember, God comes first, always has.

6 | BYRON: Okay.

7 | STEVE: For the last 20 years of my life --

8 | BYRON: But, but bear in mind, as --

9 | STEVE: You said you found Christ over in
10 | Viet Nam and I'm telling you that my whole progression
11 | and day-by-day learning experiences has brought me to
12 | where I'm at right now. And I can't move without -- I
13 | really believe that David is divinely inspired, I do.
14 | And they can make all the scoffing jokes they want
15 | during the press and act like he's, like he's a cult
16 | leader but try to controvert him. Grab a Bible, grab
17 | your best scholars in the world and sit down with the
18 | man.

19 | BYRON: Do you understand that, that coming
20 | out does not relegate God to second place? God will be
21 | in control no matter what, what happens. You and I
22 | both believe that.

23 | STEVE: God guided 2 to 3 million Israelites
24 | by one person, Moses, 70 rows up against him. God
25 | opened up the earth and swallowed him whole. That's an
example to you and I that we should see how God's word

1 is (Indiscernible).

2 BYRON: Okay. And it's, it's time for you
3 and it's time for David to leave the Exodus out of Mt.
4 Carmel.

5 STEVE: Not, not if God doesn't say it's
6 time. Time is an element. You see, right now there's
7 issues being developed around the world in regards to
8 seven seals. David is more than willing to come out
9 and sit and rot in a jail cell, to be injected, to do
10 whatever you want to with his carcass, to do whatever
11 you want because he knows that God's in control. The
12 prophets speak about it.

13 BYRON: Steve, that, that all sounds
14 dramatic. It's, it's fine. I'm sure it'll play well,
15 you know, to whatever audience. But you and I are
16 just, are just speaking man-to-man. We're speaking
17 honestly. When he comes out, when you come out, when
18 everybody in there comes out, you will be treated in a
19 professional manner. I've, I've given you that, that
20 assurance before. I'm giving it, giving it to you
21 today.

22 STEVE: Well, --

23 BYRON: I'll personally be involved in, in
24 helping to oversee how it's done.

25 STEVE: How professional is it that some of
your agents here are flipping the finger at women

1 | looking at the window and -- well, what's the need --
2 | we -- you know, there is a guy that looked out the
3 | window yesterday or the day before and he waved to
4 | them. And a couple of agents waved -- now, that's
5 | cool. I thought that's pretty neat.

6 | BYRON: Okay. Now, the majority of --

7 | STEVE: A couple of the agents

8 | (Indiscernible).

9 | BYRON: Steve, the majority of the guys that
10 | are out there, and I've worked with a lot of them, the
11 | majority of the guys that are out there, the
12 | overwhelming majority of guys that are out there are
13 | extremely professional. If there's --

14 | STEVE: Well, I'm glad to hear that. I
15 | expect that.

16 | BYRON: -- if there's some that are flipping
17 | the bird or that are mooning you or something like
18 | that, I'm not going to tell you for a moment that I
19 | consider that professional behavior 'cause I don't.

20 | STEVE: Tom, --

21 | BYRON: If they worked for me, they'd be --
22 | they'd have some, some difficulty.

23 | STEVE: -- do you know -- do you know who Tom
24 | is?

25 | BYRON: Tom? Yes, I do know.

 STEVE: Yeah. Well, anyway, he was a guy

1 that I talked to after I saw you that last day that you
2 and I had that --

3 BYRON: Right.

4 STEVE: -- when I was -- I want to say that I
5 appreciate a human being like himself. I mean the
6 courtesy, the decency, calling one by name and then --

7 BYRON: Steve, he's not the exception. He is
8 not the exception.

9 STEVE: Oh, I just want to -- I'll tell you
10 one thing, no matter whatever happens to me, I want to
11 tell a guy like him, I won't forget someone like him.

12 BYRON: Okay.

13 STEVE: If the days comes where I am, I am
14 right and all that this what I've understood from the
15 Bible, I'll go out of my way a million times over to
16 stand up for a person like himself just because he had
17 a job to do but even during that job, he still tried to
18 be cool and decent to another human being.

19 BYRON: That's true. I agree with that. I
20 agree wholeheartedly with it. And I'm not trying to
21 defend any type of activity that's contrary to that. I
22 think we agree with that. But the same holds true for
23 you all. We've got a situation that needs to be
24 resolved. If we --

25 STEVE: We do.

BYRON: Let, let me finish. If we address

1 | this as human beings with the same mutual respect for
2 | one another that I think you and I have, then we can
3 | get through this. You're not going to have to worry
4 | about being mistreated or being, you know, thrown into
5 | a situation and your, your rights not being provided to
6 | you. Do you understand that?

7 | STEVE: I do but I -- you know, it's also not
8 | impossible that I'm going to end up in some federal
9 | prison of which, you know, with some of the most hard
10 | and terrible criminals around. In fact, that's more
11 | than a possibility.

12 | BYRON: Steve, do you realize that you're
13 | putting yourself in that position right now, you,
14 | yourself? You people are putting yourselves in that
15 | position right now.

16 | STEVE: I realize -- well, I don't realize
17 | that but one thing I do realize is for sure, though, I
18 | mean I'm already in a situation that I should have
19 | never been in in the first place.

20 | BYRON: Okay. But we're offering you --

21 | STEVE: If the Constitution had been --

22 | BYRON: Steve, we're offering you and I'm
23 | offering you, personally, the opportunity to get
24 | yourself out of that situation. And you've refused.

25 | STEVE: It's not that. I, I refuse to go
against God who I fear more than --

1 BYRON: No, I'm not asking --

2 STEVE: Byron, Byron, I refuse, I refuse
3 because, like I said, I fear God first and foremost.

4 BYRON: So do I.

5 STEVE: Read Matthew Chapter 10 Verse 28.

6 BYRON: Steve, Steve, so do I and I --

7 STEVE: Don't forget to read Matthew 10:28 if
8 you want to understand me at all.

9 BYRON: I, I think I understand you because
10 we believe a lot of the same things, okay. What I'm,
11 what I'm --

12 STEVE: Well, you know if you want -- anytime
13 you want, I wouldn't mind you come right in here. I'll
14 sit down with you with the Bible and you can share with
15 me exactly what you see and understand. And if it
16 makes more sense than what I do -- if there's a weight
17 of evidence, I'll come walking out with you right now
18 today.

19 BYRON: And I appreciate that offer and I'll
20 tell you that I have no problem in sitting down with
21 you but I can tell you it's not going to be in there.
22 And that's not necessarily a decision that I make but
23 you know as well as I do --

24 STEVE: Oh, you -- I believe you know --

25 BYRON: -- that the commanders --

 STEVE: -- I believe you really --

1 BYRON: Let me, let me --

2 STEVE: -- know that you would be okay,
3 Byron. I think you really -- I believe you would know
4 that.

5 BYRON: Okay. I accept your word for that
6 and if -- but that's not -- and what I'm saying is
7 that's not my reservation in coming in there. It's not
8 my option. There's certain options that reality
9 dictates you have and that I have. I don't have one of
10 walking in the front door, whether I'm willing to do
11 that or not. And I'm telling you that from an old --
12 my personal belief as to whether or not I would be
13 harmed or injured or whatever, I'd be there in a
14 heartbeat.

15 STEVE: Yeah, I know.

16 BYRON: But what I'm telling you is that
17 that's not an option I have so there's no reason to
18 even explore it.

19 STEVE: I know.

20 BYRON: The option that you have -- if you
21 want to sit down and discuss this matter with me, I'm
22 ready anytime but you know -- you and I both know that
23 we're going to have to do that out here.

24 STEVE: How much weight do you have in -- do
25 you have any weight at all in the decision making
process, at least some influence because you are, you

1 know, this is your district, isn't it?

2 BYRON: Yes, it is.

3 STEVE: So, I would think that -- I mean I'm
4 sure Jamar, especially when you're talking with us and
5 so forth -- you're definitely intelligent, yourself.
6 You're articulate. Jamar must take a lot of what
7 you're saying in, in hearing the conversations.

8 BYRON: I think he -- I'll tell you, you want
9 to know what he really responds to?

10 STEVE: What's that?

11 BYRON: Is common sense in a --

12 STEVE: Well, that sounds good.

13 BYRON: -- in a position that, that can be
14 worked out, something that's realistic. This -- the --
15 early on when, when David was bringing up this, you
16 just show me the seven seals and we'll come out like a
17 herd of cattle, you and I both know that's not
18 accurate. There's no way that that's going to happen.
19 So, that type of thing doesn't even register with him.

20 What does register with him is when we have
21 meaningful discussions, when we can come to an
22 understanding, when we can -- when you make a request
23 to have legal counsel or you make a request about how
24 the crime scene's going to be handled or you make a
25 request regarding sealed documents and on and on and on
and we can address those issues, which we've done with

1 you, from property to legal counsel to sealed documents
2 to media access right on down the road. You and I
3 have been able to work through that, you and the other
4 negotiators. Isn't that a -- that's a fair statement,
5 I think.

6 That he responds to and that's why he's
7 facilitated us being able to get back to you and
8 provide you with assurances that, that the Rangers are
9 going to be in charge of the crime scene and that we
10 got you the statement from the U.S. Attorney's Office
11 regarding property. We've gotten --

12 STEVE: Yeah, I know. I'm not --

13 BYRON: -- not only representation that you
14 have legal counsel. We've actually gotten them to talk
15 to you.

16 STEVE: But you know -- you and I both -- you
17 know, that's only one statement out of 1000. They're
18 in law books of man and what they -- they can have a
19 couple of hundred other reasons to come in here and
20 take the property but that's neither here nor there. I
21 don't care -- should I tell you the truth? Personally,
22 I don't care if they ever did take this property. I
23 never wanted it -- you know, this is not my idea of a
24 good time.

25 BYRON: Well, okay. Then you and I can have
our lengthy discussion after you all come out in

1 Honolulu. That's not going to bother me either. Okay.
2 I agree with you. I mean if I've got a choice between
3 talking to you in Hawaii or talking to you in Waco, I
4 think you and I have already made that choice. But
5 what I'm looking forward to is how can we realistically
6 -- now that we've come to that understanding, how do we
7 realistically get you out of that particular situation
8 into a position --

9 STEVE: Well, let's --

10 BYRON: -- where we can discuss this.

11 STEVE: Well, I'm going to have to try to get
12 down on a piece of paper here, if I can find the time
13 around here -- believe it or not, it's -- it would seem
14 like I would have more time in the world than I've ever
15 -- you know, one thing I have liked about this and I --
16 I've actually had some time to sit down and read the
17 Bible which I haven't been able to do for a long, long
18 time because I was so busy with music, so busy with
19 people. So, I've had an opportunity to look at things
20 that I haven't been able to look at in quite a while.
21 So, I mean that's given me an opportunity. But I would
22 like to give you a real good answer for all the things
23 you're asking, especially -- we want to come out. Not
24 maybe. No, we do. And it still has to do with fearing
25 God and this program. But I want to make it as, as
clear to you as I possibly can so maybe when I talk to

1 | you the next time, hopefully, I'll give you a couple of
2 | real clear concise statements.

3 | BYRON: Okay. Let me, let me make a clear
4 | and concise statement to you, Steve, okay?

5 | STEVE: All right.

6 | BYRON: You had a great deal of time, that's
7 | a true statement. You've had 41 days. You are not
8 | going to continue to have time ad infinitum. This has
9 | got to be resolved, Steve, and I want you and I to do
10 | it without injury or placing anyone else in harm's way.
11 | I can't -- that's at the top of my list. That's what I
12 | genuinely --

13 | STEVE: I believe that.

14 | BYRON: -- want to be able to accomplish.

15 | STEVE: I believe that.

16 | BYRON: And I think you want it, too. But
17 | you've got to come to an understanding, a realistic
18 | understanding that, that this isn't going to go on and
19 | on and on and on.

20 | STEVE: No, it isn't. No, it isn't. God's
21 | got himself a time table of which this is not going to
22 | go on.

23 | BYRON: What, what do you think, Steve,
24 | realistically, what do you think is going to happen to
25 | you and the others in there?

 STEVE: I have no idea, honestly.

1 BYRON: Well, you've got to have some idea.
2 I mean --

3 STEVE: Are you talking about in the process
4 of coming out and going through the system, then what
5 happens to us?

6 BYRON: Yes. And what --

7 STEVE: I think, I think --

8 BYRON: -- what kind of time frame are we
9 talking about on that?

10 STEVE: You know better than I do.

11 BYRON: Okay. Then what -- let me --

12 STEVE: I mean you actually know better than
13 me.

14 BYRON: Let me give you the answer to it.
15 The moment you're ready to come out, I'm ready to have
16 buses waiting to move you from, from the vicinity of
17 the compound down to the process -- did, did you listen
18 to the -- you listened to the press conference today,
19 right?

20 STEVE: Yes, I did.

21 BYRON: Okay. One of the things that was
22 mentioned -- when there was a very specific question
23 asked about the processing, did you hear that one?

24 STEVE: I don't -- refresh my memory.

25 BYRON: Okay. He was talking about what role
the ATF -- I was hoping that you were listening to

1 this.

2 STEVE: Oh, yes.

3 BYRON: Do you remember that?

4 STEVE: Yes, yes, yes, I do.

5 BYRON: Okay. He specifically told you, told
6 everybody, but he specifically told you because you've
7 got an access to that -- to the press conference, that
8 ATF's involvement consists of assisting in, in stamping
9 part of the outer perimeter, check points along with
10 DPS, and, and working with the Rangers who are in
11 charge of the homicide investigation. And, again, I
12 stress with you that they're in charge of the homicide
13 investigation wherever that homicide took place. And
14 that includes deaths outside, deaths inside. You
15 understand that?

16 STEVE: I do understand that.

17 BYRON: That's a concern that you've
18 expressed several times.

19 STEVE: I, I don't like them involved period.

20 BYRON: You don't like who involved?

21 STEVE: I, I did -- the ATF.

22 BYRON: Okay. But what I'm trying to point
23 out to you is that it's not unfettered access to any of
24 this, it's with the Rangers. And with the check
25 points, it's with DPS troopers and --

STEVE: Oh, I think it's great that the

1 Rangers are themselves the ones that are spearheading
2 this.

3 BYRON: Oh, I couldn't agree with you more.
4 I mean I'm telling you honestly.

5 STEVE: But I heard him also say that the ATF
6 was in charge of processing those that come out here.

7 BYRON: No, no, no.

8 STEVE: He made that statement.

9 BYRON: He said that they are working with
10 the Rangers at the processing center.

11 STEVE: I heard him say that the ATF is in
12 charge of processing those that come out of the -- this
13 premises, this building.

14 BYRON: No, I, I took notes at the same time
15 he was, he was making those comments and I've got
16 written down here, processing center with Rangers.
17 Okay. And that's -- I'm guaranteeing you that that's
18 the situation because we've looked into it. I know, I
19 know your concerns, okay.

20 STEVE: Well, I know, you know, --

21 BYRON: Whether or not they're well founded,
22 Steve -- I need to mention this to you as well --
23 whether or not they're well founded, I know your
24 concerns. And I'm telling you that ATF -- that the
25 processing center is located within, within the, the
physical facilities that have been occupied by ATF from

1 the beginning of this thing but they will be handled --
2 the processing will be handled with the Rangers, with
3 the Rangers. Do you understand that?

4 STEVE: Yeah.

5 BYRON: Okay. So, that should give you some
6 assurance.

7 BYRON: There was an ATF agent that in the
8 process of taking Kevin Whitecliff out of here told him
9 he didn't -- he said -- talked to him about his looks.
10 Then he said to him, I hope you fry. I mean, you know,
11 that's why -- I mean, number one, I can understand why
12 the man would say that and I can't even blame him if it
13 was his buddies that, that went down under.

14 BYRON: Sure.

15 STEVE: And what about the six people here
16 that died?

17 BYRON: That's -- you've, you've got a valid
18 point, okay.

19 STEVE: We never knew --

20 BYRON: And I'm, and I'm not --

21 STEVE: But the whole thing is this, I
22 wouldn't want to say that to that gentleman or that man
23 in the first place.

24 BYRON: Well, you're -- Steve, --

25 STEVE: I, I -- that's why -- wait, wait.

That's why I don't believe the ATF should be involved

1 | in this because they've got too -- they're too
2 | emotionally involved. There's a biasness there.

3 | BYRON: You're right. That's why there is
4 | not a singular involvement of the ATF.

5 | STEVE: Well, why are they at all? You
6 | wouldn't want me to be in control over the ATF, would
7 | you, Byron? Of course, you wouldn't from my
8 | perspective and advantage point here.

9 | BYRON: Okay. But what I'm telling you is
10 | that the investigation that, that's going into the
11 | activities on the 28th is not purely by the ATF.

12 | STEVE: I -- it shouldn't be at all, though.
13 | That's the whole -- they shouldn't be involved in that
14 | they perpetrated this thing and from the very words and
15 | statements of David Troy. Man, that guy's got a
16 | biasness even though he wasn't even involved here but
17 | yet he acts like he's God and has all the facts and
18 | what he says is the truth.

19 | BYRON: Did you listen to his response with
20 | relation to whether or not there was an ongoing
21 | investigation as to ATF's activity on that day?

22 | STEVE: Yeah, and that bothered me. I
23 | expected it to be more hardcore ongoing right now and
24 | some names. I want to know something that's really --I
25 | don't really believe anything's happening, personally,
 | from what he has said.

1 BYRON: Well, I can tell you from my
2 standpoint that it is ongoing. Every single one of the
3 agents on the ground that I'm aware of that were, that
4 were involved, okay, let's say involved --

5 STEVE: I think Higgins, himself, ought to be
6 checked out all the way on down what the motives of
7 these men were right from the top on down. I do like
8 what I heard Clinton say. I'm hoping that the man
9 comes through.

10 BYRON: Okay. What I, what I wanted to tell
11 you, though, is that it is, it is ongoing, okay, that
12 the Rangers have interviewed everybody that's -- that
13 was involved in that matter. The other thing that we
14 need to do is just -- I guess what I'm trying to tell
15 you is, is just give you a little bit of a reality
16 check, give you the assurance that we are looking --
17 that, that the matter is being looked into with
18 relation to February 28th. But we're now looking at,
19 at April 9th. We need to look from now forward. We
20 need to look at, at what's going on now and what we can
21 do to protect the future as far as you and every
22 individual in that -- in the Mt. Carmel center is
23 concerned so that we can insure what's going to happen
24 in the future. What's already happened is history.
25 And the truth, Steve, --

 STEVE: Uh-huh.

1 BYRON: -- which I think is what you want to
2 come out, the truth will speak for itself. But you
3 have the control over what's happening in the future.
4 You have the control, David has the control,
5 apparently. But I'm thinking that you've got direct
6 input into what's going to happen in the future. And,
7 and we need to be working together to try to get that
8 resolved in the best interests for everybody. And the
9 best interests for everybody is to seize on the
10 opportunity that you all have right now. This is Good
11 Friday, okay?

12 STEVE: Uh-huh.

13 BYRON: It's Good Friday. Now, if you all
14 believe in, in Christ, as I, I would assume you do, --

15 STEVE: Of course.

16 BYRON: Okay. Then you need to realize that
17 this is probably the most significant holy season for
18 any of us that believe in Christ. It is -- in my
19 estimation, it's more important than any other, any
20 other religious holiday going is Easter. That's what
21 gives us all the, the strength.

22 STEVE: Well, see, I'm not -- you know, I,
23 I'm not into -- I never -- even as a Protestant, as
24 I've been all these years, I've never been into Easter
25 because, of course, it's from paganism. Easter doesn't
 have a place in the Bible whatsoever, not at all.

1 | Christ, of course, kept the Passover. He changed the
2 | sacrifice from animals to, of course, taking communion,
3 | the bread and the wine. But, basically, when -- this
4 | was what David was trying to explain the other night to
5 | John-4. I think it was John O'Neil. He was actually
6 | opening up a few things to him until Dwayne got on the
7 | phone and slammed the phone down on him. But I was
8 | hoping that he would have listened a little further
9 | more so he could have explained clearly the connection
10 | between Christ, the Passover, Lamb, and how this all
11 | was instigated and started, initiated by God himself
12 | with the Israelites.

13 | BYRON: Okay. I understand that but let's
14 | bring that a little bit further forward, okay? Let's
15 | bring it forward from, from the Exodus, which I'm
16 | hoping we will also see during this holy season, of you
17 | all exiting.

18 | STEVE: You know, Byron, it's possible. It's
19 | possible today.

20 | BYRON: Good. God, I hope it's possible.
21 | That's why I've been here for 41 days. If this was an
22 | impossibility, you know, we could have just gone, gone
23 | to other avenues of resolving this matter which nobody
24 | wants short of trying to, to sit down and reasonably
25 | working this thing out.

 STEVE: And I think you guys -- I know you

1 | know that these people because they fear God first,
2 | nothing -- you know, that's why when like the other day
3 | when whoever the agent was inside the Bradley, I was
4 | the one -- I was looking at the window. He brought the
5 | Bradley -- it was two days ago, I believe -- he brought
6 | the Bradley right up to the fence here and acted like
7 | he wanted to come running through. He kept on revving
8 | it and popping it and turning it and I thought to
9 | myself, you know, go -- you know, it doesn't -- that
10 | part doesn't -- you know, when you fear God first,
11 | Byron, when you really do, those kind of things don't
12 | bother a person. They really don't. People in here --
13 | I don't care if it's a frail little woman in this
14 | building or whatever, nobody's bothered by that kind of
15 | thing. You can play -- you can turn the volume up of
16 | the noises you people play here ten times the decibels
17 | and it wouldn't affect these people. I'm telling you
18 | the truth. Whatever you need to do, you go ahead and
19 | do it but I mean what it comes down to, they fear God
20 | first.

21 | BYRON: Steve?

22 | STEVE: Yeah.

23 | BYRON: So, do I. So, do I. And I'm telling
24 | you --

25 | STEVE: You see, that's why we haven't not --
convenience would tell me -- convenience sake would be

1 | to come out, do this, be done with it and you, you
2 | should know that. That's sensible.

3 | BYRON: But that's beyond convenience sake.
4 | You know, you, you sense that there's a lot of negative
5 | perceptions. You can turn that around. You and David
6 | are in the position to turn that around. As soon as
7 | you want to do something positive and give your side of
8 | the story, project the side of the story that you all
9 | wanted project, the world's waiting to hear it. I'm
10 | the one -- Steve, remember, and as recently as this
11 | morning, I'm still talking to the Christian
12 | Broadcasting Network. But I don't know how long all
13 | these options are going to last.

14 | STEVE: I really don't care. See, God --
15 | Byron, you don't understand that we've never really
16 | wanted -- God's got a way to get -- Dave -- if David's
17 | message is of God, like it shows in Acts 5 and 6, it
18 | will stand. If it's not of God, it's foolishness, it's
19 | vanity, it's a waste of time.

20 | BYRON: Couldn't agree more.

21 | STEVE: So, in the Bible, in the Old
22 | Testament, in the writings of the prophets it shows how
23 | God's going to work in the final days to get a message
24 | to the entire world.

25 | BYRON: Okay.

 STEVE: So, I could show you that but, of

1 | course, this is no time and place. I would love to but
2 | at the same time, we don't really have a strong desire
3 | to use like CB -- in the first place, I really don't
4 | have any respect for CBN, this guy by the name of Craig
5 | Smith. The guy, to me, -- I'll tell you the truth, I'm
6 | not -- I don't really -- I don't like him. I'd like to
7 | see him live forever. I'd love his soul. He might be
8 | a nice person. He may make it and I may not. But one
9 | thing is for sure, the guy judged without ever talking
10 | to me. He's never heard me. He doesn't know my
11 | experience. And to think he spoke in the manner he did
12 | as a representative of such a nationwide -- I mean I
13 | was appalled at what came out of the man's mouth.

14 | BYRON: Steve, --

15 | STEVE: He knows not -- wait -- he knows not
16 | the first principles of Christ whatsoever, the very one
17 | he says he knows and believes in. So, anything to do
18 | with his network, I mean I don't -- I'm not interested.
19 | I could care less. If you talking ABC, CBS, NBC, I'm
20 | interested in.

21 | BYRON: Let's step back for just a moment,
22 | okay. Let's just step back for just a moment. We're -
23 | - you and I are talking on, on April 9th, okay. March
24 | 2nd, you, myself and David, in particular, were
25 | extremely interested in what Christian Broadcasting
Network could do for him.

1 STEVE: Should I tell you the truth?

2 BYRON: Yeah.

3 STEVE: Let me tell you something about
4 myself. When David did what he did and said what he
5 did, that was David. Myself, I listened and because he
6 has shown me the Bible as he has and the truth he has,
7 I go along with what he does because I've told you I
8 believe he's inspired. So, for that reason he said
9 what he did and that was -- I'm, I'm -- I looked at all
10 the issues. He's not disappointed me up until this
11 day. So, that was fine.

12 BYRON: He did not disappoint you on March
13 2nd?

14 STEVE: No, he did not.

15 BYRON: David, -- I mean, Steve, do you
16 understand what he did for you on March 2nd? He lied
17 to the world --

18 STEVE: No, he did not lie.

19 BYRON: -- on your behalf, March 2nd.

20 STEVE: He -- remember now, this --

21 BYRON: Stop and think about it. In his own
22 words, in his own words he said that as soon as his
23 message was put out, you all would come out
24 immediately.

25 STEVE: From God's word I can explain and
show it to you so plainly and clearly and you --

1 BYRON: The perception of everyone out here?

2 STEVE: Oh, yeah, to your satisfaction. You
3 would not even -- I really don't believe you'd disagree
4 with me. If I -- why do you think Christ and John-3,
5 John-8 is talked -- he's telling Nickademias (ph) that
6 he must be lifted up? The only thing that was ever
7 lifted up and he's responding to, of course, in numbers
8 were a brazen serpent was put up on a pole by Moses.
9 Those that were bit by poisonous serpents, those that
10 looked upon that brazen serpent, that braze serpent,
11 lived. And Christ says, this is -- now, why is Christ
12 likened unto his serpent for? Satan deceived mankind
13 into death by lies, by deceptions. So, Christ comes
14 along and says, be wise as serpents and harmless as
15 doves. Now, why, why a serpent? A serpent was the
16 first symbol of Satan. But now how is Christ to use
17 that serpent in the final days? People who are so
18 self-deceived thinking they know God, thinking they're
19 on their way to heaven but don't know the first
20 principles of God's will as it's laid out by all the
21 writers of the book.

22 So, we come along now and, yes, certain
23 things appear to you to be so but be careful, be
24 careful because give us the time, we will show you
25 exactly the place for all these things. You've got to
remember that Jim Kavanaugh, the statements he made --

1 | and I don't remember yourself but Kavanaugh made some
2 | pretty straight plain statements to me on the telephone
3 | in regards to the perimeter of the property. Not
4 | coming onto the property, don't worry. We're just
5 | going to bring Bradleys, ACPs, right up to the very
6 | edge, the very edge of the property. Don't worry,
7 | don't be con -- we said -- and we agreed with him on
8 | that.

9 | BYRON: Okay.

10 | STEVE: But immediately they were in that
11 | garage right from the first night on and, and they
12 | encroached every day and night. And, you know, we're
13 | not going to go down through the whole list. But lies
14 | began and dishonor and distrust from day one from
15 | statements made. And you don't think we had a list of
16 | things already up until that Tuesday which was March
17 | 2nd? Of course, we did. I was wondering -- I'll be
18 | honest --

19 | BYRON: Steve, I can, I can tell you this.
20 | Everything that, that I've tried to enter into on your
21 | behalf during the course of the last 41, 42 days has
22 | been based upon my word. That's all I have to give
23 | you.

24 | STEVE: I believe you.

25 | BYRON: And I stand behind it.

 STEVE: I believe you.

1 BYRON: Okay. I also believe David's word on
2 March 2nd. I was the one that -- you asked whether or
3 not the commanders listen to me when I go in to try to
4 give them some input on your behalf. Yes, they do.
5 But how many times can I go in and give them the
6 assurance such as the assurance that I had from David's
7 own lips that he was coming out immediately upon that
8 broadcast being made? We put people's jobs on the
9 line.

10 STEVE: He was. I saw him. I saw -- I was
11 right there the entire time. I was communicating with
12 -- who was I communicating with that day? I can't even
13 remember now.

14 BYRON: Me.

15 STEVE: Was it you on --

16 BYRON: Yes.

17 STEVE: -- the 2nd?

18 BYRON: Yes.

19 STEVE: Okay. So, I remember all of going
20 back and forth to him. I remember the stretcher laying
21 right there. It was all laid out. The guys were
22 already over by him. And he was praying. They all
23 said, you know, their last few words to him and so
24 forth 'cause who knows who was going to go where and
25 what was going to happen. I'm telling you he meant
what he said. He was sincere. I went back, I waited.

1 He started praying. I heard him say a few things and
2 he -- what he went through, the anguish and so forth,
3 I've never seen anything like it in my life. I'm not
4 going to start telling you about it and explaining --
5 whether you'd buy it or not. But I was there. I saw.
6 In the process when he -- time was going by and it was
7 making me nervous, I'll tell you the truth, because we
8 had said what we said.

9 BYRON: Yes, you did.

10 STEVE: And for every minute that went by,
11 unsettled me and, and unsettled everybody. And it
12 bothered him. His God told him to wait. And he's --
13 and we're going, we'll wait. So, from that time on,
14 he's opened up some pretty deep things to us in showing
15 us what --

16 BYRON: But you know, Steve, the only thing
17 that you've told me about what his God --

18 STEVE: There's something that I have not
19 revealed to you, yet, though. That --

20 BYRON: Hold on. Okay, what is that?

21 STEVE: That what which he's actually -- he
22 got into something about the very attitude, the spirit
23 of the people. Certain things had taken place in those
24 first two, three days which he was totally unaware
25 about, totally unaware about. So, partially, it had to
do with us being ready, with God, having an experience

1 | with God, something you wouldn't understand right now.
2 | You would if you gave me the time and I'd open up the
3 | Bible to you but I don't see that happening.

4 | BYRON: But, Steve, see those things are not
5 | going to dry up. You're not going -- the Sheriff,
6 | himself, had given you assurances that you would
7 | continue to have access to David and to his teachings.

8 | STEVE: We don't -- I don't know -- we don't
9 | really --

10 | BYRON: And to the, to the following of the
11 | word.

12 | STEVE: It's a pretty big promise for you. I
13 | don't -- I really -- David and I, neither one of us
14 | believe that you could bring that about nor once the
15 | time we had come out, that that would happen.

16 | BYRON: Steve, I have not one time told you
17 | anything would be done unless I was absolutely
18 | convinced that it could be.

19 | STEVE: And so all of a sudden what would you
20 | say, well, I, I was convinced and I thought it would
21 | happen. Or you could say, well, you people lied. And
22 | I mean how do we -- I mean what -- if you -- I tell you
23 | what --

24 | BYRON: There comes a time, David, --

25 | STEVE: Put the seal of the President of the
United States on it.

1 BYRON: Steve, there comes a time when you
2 are going to have to believe what I'm telling you.

3 STEVE: Well, no, no, but that --

4 BYRON: And -- wait -- and more importantly,
5 I'm going to have to believe what you're telling me.

6 STEVE: Byron, but that's okay. I'll --

7 BYRON: Everything I've told you I've lived
8 up to.

9 STEVE: That's not keeping me from coming
10 out, though, understand that. That's not the reason.
11 I'd come out right today. It's -- number one, I came
12 here and I got involved with this man six and a half
13 years ago because of the Bible and I believe the man's
14 inspired some -- I'm waiting on what he has there. And
15 it's not like -- I mean, number one, things have been
16 opened up and revealed to me so I can see, you know,
17 something is taking place. And it's not, it's not
18 impossible or it's not unlikely that it could even
19 happen today or tomorrow even though this is the
20 Passover season. It's a holy time to us. There are
21 certain things that we're experiencing and so forth but
22 that does not negate the possibilities of us even
23 coming out today. If God says come out today or during
24 the Sabbath hours or whatever, we will do that.

25 BYRON: Steve, it's a critical time for all
of us, okay.

1 STEVE: I, I believe -- I know.

2 BYRON: It's, it's a very special time. It's
3 a holy time. The Passover, you and I all -- we both
4 know what it's about. It's -- it also is a time when
5 God embraced his own and brought them out of a, of a
6 position of potential hazard and oppression and so --

7 STEVE: I don't know about you but I'm
8 hungry. I haven't eaten yet today.

9 BYRON: Come on out. That pizza offer from
10 yesterday still stands. I was here when it was made
11 and I heard your action to it.

12 STEVE: Is it going to be delivered to me in
13 jail or where?

14 BYRON: Maybe at the processing center.

15 STEVE: Okay.

16 BYRON: I'll bring it --

17 STEVE: I don't think I -- I probably
18 couldn't eat it all (Indiscernible).

19 BYRON: I'll bring it in myself. I'll bring
20 it in myself.

21 STEVE: (Indiscernible) butterflies to be
22 able to eat.

23 BYRON: Let me mention to you, okay, and
24 then, and then I need to, to go check with the, --

25 STEVE: Okay.

 BYRON: -- commanders on a couple of things.

1 Every promise that's been made to you I'm privy to or
2 I've made them myself.

3 STEVE: Okay.

4 BYRON: I still stand ready to deliver on
5 every --

6 STEVE: Well, that sounds good, appreciate
7 it.

8 BYRON: -- single one of them. But you've
9 got to understand, Steve, I'm asking you, please, to
10 understand that this is not a limitless situation --

11 STEVE: No, I -- really, I under --

12 BYRON: -- as far as time.

13 STEVE: You know, even these attorneys that
14 came through to me loud and clear, I think it was
15 yesterday, that if we didn't come out by the 14th,
16 15th, whatever, that they were going to drop us. Well,
17 you know, I mean that, that would be a shame. That'd
18 be too bad. But if they would have to do that, I -- we
19 told them clearly from day one that we're going to put
20 God first under all circumstances no matter if it's to
21 our detriment even when it comes to this life and this
22 world. I can't -- I can do no other no more than --

23 BYRON: Steve, remember something, God is not
24 going to punish you for simply walking out of there.
25 You know that as well as I do.

STEVE: You don't know that. You don't --

1 | Byron, I can show you contrary to what you're telling
2 | me right now. That shows you that you don't know the
3 | same God of the Bible that I know.

4 | BYRON: Well, it's, it's a matter of, of how
5 | you want to read and interpret --

6 | STEVE: No, no, no. I'll give you actual
7 | chapters you can read aside from me, not having me
8 | around.

9 | BYRON: It says, thou shalt not leave Mt.
10 | Carmel compound, Waco, Texas?

11 | STEVE: No. I'll show you Nahum, Zephaniah.
12 | They were shown to me and I'll put -- we'll give you
13 | the chapters. You can reference each verse. You can
14 | look it up, look at it together (Indiscernible).

15 | BYRON: I want you to do me a favor, Steve.

16 | STEVE: What's that?

17 | BYRON: Do me a favor. Make sure that you
18 | are looking at the, at the word of God and not the word
19 | of David.

20 | STEVE: That's exactly -- any --

21 | BYRON: Do you understand what I'm saying?

22 | STEVE: Oh, yes, I do. When --

23 | BYRON: Think about that.

24 | STEVEN: When a statement's made, we have a -
25 | - we take him right back to the Bible. If it's not
there, we're out of here.

1 BYRON: Well, just make sure that the
2 interpretation is biblical and not Davidian.

3 STEVE: Well, the whole thing is --

4 BYRON: Do you understand what I'm saying?

5 STEVE: Yes, I do understand. I most
6 certainly do because you've got to remember I've dealt
7 with theologians, ministers, lay people, for 20 years.

8 BYRON: Okay. And I'm not claiming to be a
9 theologian or anything like that but I think you and I
10 are on a very close parallel as far as our personal
11 beliefs and our personal commitments. But make sure
12 that you're not hitching your wagon to the wrong horse.

13 STEVE: I'm glad you say that because I, I
14 really do like -- I, I actually like a good honest
15 statement like that because I'm not offended. If
16 anything, it's healthy. It's healthy for the mind.
17 It's good to relook at the issues, who's involved, how,
18 why and what the outcome could be or the reactions.

19 BYRON: Steve, that, that is as honest as I
20 can put it. It's as honest as the day is long.

21 STEVE: Okay.

22 BYRON: And, and the -- what follows up on it
23 is the --

24 STEVE: Well, --

25 BYRON: -- fact that I'm here. All you need
to do is --

1 STEVE: All right.

2 BYRON: -- is give us a call.

3 STEVE: Thank you.

4 BYRON: You let me know and I will, I will
5 move heaven and earth to try to, to get things arranged
6 just as we promised you from day one. We can get you
7 out of there.

8 STEVE: Okay.

9 BYRON: We can get you out of there safely.
10 We can provide you with the --

11 STEVE: Byron, aren't you hungry?

12 BYRON: Pardon me?

13 STEVE: Aren't you -- I'm starved. I haven't
14 eat yet since yesterday.

15 BYRON: Okay. Why don't you go ahead and get
16 a nourishing meal.

17 STEVE: I'll be in communication with you.

18 BYRON: And anytime you want a pizza, you
19 give me a call.

20 STEVE: Okay, I'll do that.

21 BYRON: All right.

22 STEVE: Talk to you later.

23 BYRON: Take care.

24 STEVE: Bye.

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(Phone continuously ringing)

1 STEVE: Hello.

2 BYRON: Hi, Steve?

3 STEVE: Yeah.

4 BYRON: This, this is Byron again.

5 STEVE: Yes.

6 BYRON: The noise on the line kind of
7 emphasizes what I wanted to tell you.

8 STEVE: Pardon?

9 BYRON: I said the noise on the line, again,
10 you hear it?

11 STEVE: Oh, it's bad again, isn't it?

12 BYRON: Right. What I wanted to tell you is
13 that we're going to be bringing some, some wire forward
14 and some instructions for Graham.

15 STEVE: Okay.

16 BYRON: They'll probably do that sometime
17 between now and 2:00.

18 STEVE: All right. We'll look for you.

19 BYRON: Okay. So, we'll just make sure that
20 we've got a clear line.

21 STEVE: Okay.

22 BYRON: All right, buddy.

23 STEVE: Okay, thanks.

24 BYRON: Have a good lunch.

25 STEVE: Bye.

BYRON: Okay. Be on the lookout, okay,

1 | that's what --
2 | STEVE: Pardon?
3 | BYRON: -- that's what they'll be bringing,
4 | though, if you see another --
5 | STEVE: All right.
6 | BYRON: -- one coming up.
7 | STEVE: Okay. Thanks.
8 | BYRON: Take care.
9 | STEVE: Bye.
10 | BYRON: Bye.
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12 | HENRY: Hello?
13 | STEVE: Hello. This is Steve. Who's this?
14 | HENRY: Steve, this is Henry.
15 | STEVE: Henry?
16 | HENRY: Yes.
17 | STEVE: I can hardly hear you.
18 | HENRY: I know, it's really bad.
19 | STEVE: Well, what's that -- they told me
20 | that before 2:00 they were going to try to get a line
21 | to me but I -- what's happened to them?
22 | HENRY: I went and checked --
23 | STEVE: Hello?
24 | HENRY: Hello. Can you hear me now?
25 | STEVE: Well, I can hardly. You're going to
-- it's going to really -- Byron, is he around still or

1 | is he in this area?

2 | HENRY: I can't hear you. What?

3 | STEVE: Byron, he wanted me to get back to
4 | him but I don't know -- is he around or --

5 | HENRY: He's not around right now.

6 | STEVE: Okay.

7 | HENRY: I'm -- I went downstairs to, to talk
8 | to our telephone guys that --

9 | STEVE: You know, I can hardly hear you
10 | because you got that noise playing on the outside.
11 | It's crackly on the phone. Between the two, it's, it's
12 | near impossible.

13 | HENRY: I talked to our telephone guys.

14 | STEVE: Okay.

15 | HENRY: They should be coming out, you know,
16 | shortly. They're going to give you a bunch of line to
17 | use, okay?

18 | STEVE: A bunch of what?

19 | HENRY: The line, telephone line.

20 | STEVE: Okay.

21 | HENRY: Okay?

22 | STEVE: Yeah.

23 | HENRY: So, they should be coming out to you
24 | shortly.

25 | STEVE: All right.

 HENRY: Okay. Whenever, you know -- when --

1 and they're going to have instructions so that you can
2 hook the thing up.

3 STEVE: Okay. Henry, I need to make a
4 request there, too, because it's -- like -- for the
5 Christian world, it's also a very high day for us.
6 This is --

7 HENRY: Today?

8 STEVE: Yes, it is. You know, Friday is when
9 Christ was crucified. In fact, --

10 HENRY: Yes.

11 STEVE: -- it was within this hour. So,
12 before the hour's up, from 3:00 to 4:00, is the time we
13 normally -- in fact, this time burn like seven incense,
14 cans of incense.

15 HENRY: Okay.

16 STEVE: And we've always done that outside.
17 So, if I could, I'd like to, myself, walk out, put the
18 seven cans right on the road in front of the building.

19 HENRY: Put what?

20 STEVE: Well, they're, they're cans, you
21 know, of incense.

22 HENRY: Cans?

23 STEVE: And there's seven of them as is
24 biblical. So, we -- normally, I put them just right
25 outside the building.

 HENRY: Okay. Let me check on that, okay?

1 STEVE: Okay. Let me hang on the phone
2 because I might not otherwise -- this has been a very
3 bad -- I can't even get back to you.

4 HENRY: Okay. Okay. Hold on, hold on a
5 second.

6 STEVE: All right.

7 (Pause)

8 HENRY: Steve?

9 STEVE: Yeah.

10 HENRY: I'm going to have to get back to you
11 because the commanders and Byron are out, okay. So,
12 I'm having somebody locate them so that we can get a
13 position on this.

14 STEVE: Okay. Keep trying because I've --

15 HENRY: I sure will.

16 STEVE: I've tried to call out for about the
17 last two hours and it's -- nothing's worked. This is
18 the first time I was able to get through.

19 HENRY: Oh, really?

20 STEVE: Yes.

21 HENRY: Okay. Let me ask you something.

22 STEVE: Yeah.

23 HENRY: You have to do this between 3:00 and
24 4:00?

25 STEVE: Pardon?

 HENRY: You say that you need to do this

1 | between 3:00 and 4:00?

2 | STEVE: Yes. In fact, before the hour is up.
3 | We've always -- in fact, about 10 minutes usually, at
4 | least, before the hour we always set them out front and
5 | -- it doesn't even burn that long but it's something
6 | we've done for the last years.

7 | HENRY: Okay. And you're going to get -- go
8 | like out right on the porch?

9 | STEVE: Yeah, it would be just right on the
10 | road. You know, just when -- you know where the fence
11 | is in the front there?

12 | HENRY: Yeah.

13 | STEVE: Where the cars are, I was going to
14 | set them in the road this time because of all --
15 | everything's dug and messed up right now so that way,
16 | you know, one can see and it's not a problem.

17 | HENRY: And tell me, what is it contained
18 | within?

19 | STEVE: All it is is smoke. It should --
20 | it's going to be orange smoke, is all that is.

21 | HENRY: But it -- what is it in?

22 | STEVE: It's in a little yellow canister.

23 | HENRY: Oh, okay.

24 | STEVE: Yeah.

25 | HENRY: Okay. Is it metal or plastic?

 STEVE: The canister, it's, it's metal. It's

1 | about one, two, three -- about six inches tall.

2 | HENRY: Okay.

3 | STEVE: About maybe three inches wide.

4 | HENRY: Okay. If for some reason I call you
5 | back and I can't get to you --

6 | STEVE: I'll try to -- if I -- if not, I'll
7 | try to get you then.

8 | HENRY: Okay. Call me no later than a
9 | quarter of.

10 | STEVE: Right, guaranteed. If you can,
11 | though, try to get to me before.

12 | HENRY: Oh, I will. Absolutely, I will.

13 | STEVE: Okay.

14 | HENRY: As soon as -- as soon as I get a --
15 | somebody calling in here, --

16 | STEVE: Okay.

17 | HENRY: -- I'll get -- I'll try to get you an
18 | answer. For some reason, we're not able to communicate
19 | with one another, I'll have one of the Bradleys come up
20 | to you.

21 | STEVE: Okay.

22 | HENRY: Okay.

23 | STEVE: Now, how do -- I couldn't hear the
24 | last part about a Bradley.

25 | HENRY: I'm saying if we're unable to talk to
one another, --

1 STEVE: Okay.

2 HENRY: -- okay. You can't hear me or I
3 can't reach you and you can't reach me.

4 STEVE: Right, right.

5 HENRY: I'll send a Bradley to you.

6 STEVE: All right.

7 HENRY: Okay.

8 STEVE: Okay. Talk to you later.

9 HENRY: Okay, bye.

10 STEVE: Okay, bye.

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12 STEVE: Hello?

13 HENRY: Steve?

14 STEVE: Yes. Is this Henry?

15 HENRY: Yes.

16 STEVE: Henry, I've got a message from David.
17 It's very important. I've got two items here. Number
18 one, directly from him, he wrote it down and passed it
19 to me, it says, "Please respect the evening hour of our
20 worship which is right now, from 3:00 to 4:00, meaning
21 they're playing these sounds. This is the hour in
22 which Christ died. We offer the seven incense at this
23 very hour to (Indiscernible) the spirit of Christ into
24 the hand of the Father which is Psalm 31 and Luke
25 Chapter 23, Verse 46. Signed David Koresh".

 And then he has a -- the second item is he

1 | has a letter that he wants given to the commanders or
2 | yourselves, yourselves and the commanders.

3 | HENRY: Okay.

4 | STEVE: It's actually -- it's for everybody
5 | but I doubt that it will get past you people but if you
6 | feel -- if you want, you can give it to the press or
7 | whoever else.

8 | HENRY: Okay. Steve, I just talked to, to
9 | one of the commanders.

10 | STEVE: All right.

11 | HENRY: Okay. And this is what he would
12 | like. He would like for you, as you said, to be the
13 | person that's going to come out with the, with the
14 | incense?

15 | STEVE: Right.

16 | HENRY: Okay. But wait until a Bradley
17 | comes, comes up there.

18 | STEVE: All right.

19 | HENRY: It should be coming up there shortly.

20 | STEVE: Okay.

21 | HENRY: So, when it, when it moves into
22 | position, you go ahead out by yourself and he asked
23 | that you not do it on the road but rather, you know,
24 | just off of the road.

25 | STEVE: Okay, just off the road?

 HENRY: Huh?

1 STEVE: I, I couldn't hear it. Say it again,
2 the last part, Henry, I couldn't hear it.

3 HENRY: Not on the actual road --

4 STEVE: Okay.

5 HENRY: -- but just beyond the road where the
6 grass is?

7 STEVE: All right.

8 HENRY: Okay. And --

9 STEVE: That's fine.

10 HENRY: But, but, you know, and he asks that
11 you please not pick up anything, you know, or move
12 anything --

13 STEVE: Agreed.

14 HENRY: Okay?

15 STEVE: If you, if you ask me ahead of time
16 and we agree, that's my word.

17 HENRY: Okay. Now, please wait until this
18 takes place. Now, --

19 STEVE: I, I can't, I can't hear you, Henry,
20 one, one more time.

21 HENRY: Please wait until the Bradley comes
22 up and is in position.

23 STEVE: Okay.

24 HENRY: Additionally, -- okay, I will make
25 your request known.

 STEVE: Okay, good.

1 HENRY: Now, the letter --

2 STEVE: What should I do with that?

3 HENRY: What I'll do is -- when the Bradley

4 moves into position, give me a call back.

5 STEVE: All right.

6 HENRY: Okay?

7 STEVE: Yeah.

8 HENRY: And, and let me --

9 STEVE: It's going to be hard because I had

10 to dial you again about three times minimum.

11 HENRY: Okay. Let me see if I can work out,

12 you know, how we're going to get the, the letter from

13 you or whatever.

14 STEVE: All right.

15 HENRY: Okay?

16 STEVE: Okay, real good.

17 HENRY: That's, Steve.

18 STEVE: Sure, bye.

19 HENRY: Bye.

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21 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Hello?

22 HENRY: Is Steve around?

23 UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Can't hardly

24 hear you.

25 HENRY: Is Steve there?

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: It's too

1 | staticky, I can't hear you. Can you call back?

2 | HENRY: It's not going to get any better.

3 | It's been like this --

4 | UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Oh, is that it?

5 | HENRY: Yeah. Can you get Steve?

6 | UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Yeah, just a
7 | minute.

8 | STEVE: Hello?

9 | HENRY: Steve?

10 | STEVE: Yes.

11 | HENRY: When the Bradley comes into position,

12 | --

13 | STEVE: Yes.

14 | HENRY: -- okay, go ahead and do what you
15 | need to do. Take the letter to about ten feet from the
16 | Bradley.

17 | STEVE: Okay.

18 | HENRY: And then stop and then they'll give
19 | you instructions as to where they want you to lay the
20 | letter.

21 | STEVE: All right.

22 | HENRY: Okay?

23 | STEVE: Sure.

24 | HENRY: And the Bradley should be coming up
25 | in just a little bit.

 STEVE: There's one sitting at the bend right

1 | now but apparently he's not part of that, huh?

2 | HENRY: Probably not because they told me
3 | that they would let me know when the Bradley was in
4 | position.

5 | STEVE: Okay. I think -- yeah, you're right
6 | 'cause someone just said to me just now that this one
7 | came from the other end, I guess.

8 | HENRY: Yeah.

9 | STEVE: So, you're right.

10 | HENRY: Okay.

11 | STEVE: Okay. So, which am I doing first,
12 | the letter or the incense?

13 | HENRY: Why don't you -- why don't you do the
14 | -- why don't you do the letter first and, you know, let
15 | them give you instructions and then go back and, and do
16 | the incense.

17 | STEVE: Okay, just so you let them know that.

18 | HENRY: I will.

19 | STEVE: Okay.

20 | HENRY: Okay, Steve.

21 | STEVE: Okay, bye.

22 | HENRY: Bye.

23 | * * * *

24 | HENRY: Hello?

25 | STEVE: Hello, Henry?

 HENRY: Yeah.

1 HENRY: Now, go about ten feet from the --

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