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Jude: Hi.

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Evan Taylor: Hello.

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Jude: Can you hear me or not.

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Evan Taylor: I can hear you just great too.

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Jude: OK, I can hear you too.

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Jude: How are you doing?

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Evan Taylor: Fabulous. It's wonderful to meet you.

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Jude: It's nice meeting you too. What a project what a project, you've got going.

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Evan Taylor: Thank you very kindly I think yours is great as well. Definitely something that I've been thinking about myself as as I as I, you know, get into the end of the age of seeing older trans people, which is not something I had the pleasure of when I was younger, so

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Jude: Yeah, it's forgotten - it really is, as many other people probably will tell you it's a pretty forgotten group not only our own community but old people at large. Really, uh, there's a time when you become invisible and just because you are, let alone invisible. If you are successful in so-called passing. So with that, I've been to, I go to conferences, a lot when I can. And usually, I'm the oldest one there, or at least amongst the oldest but usually the oldest and, um, And the things I was had done that I had some little bit of credit for before when I was younger are long forgotten. And I'll give you one, for instance, before we start.. This has been about 10 years ago maybe when Cher's son came out and wrote his book. He was at Gender Odyssey in Seattle sitting in the authors table. James Green was next to him and I approached the table. I've known James a long time, of course, but I'd never met uh, Chaz before and I was going to buy his book, and I asked him to autograph it for me and he said what's your name? And I said Jude Patton. So he wrote it, you know, and he wrote a little something and and I thanked him and paid for it and left. And James told me later, he said, you know what happened after you left the table? And I said, no, what? He says, Chaz says, "Who is that old guy, anyway?" And James said something like, "If it wasn't for that old guy and people like him, you wouldn't be here."

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Evan Taylor: Absolutely.

Jude: Yeah. So we, I suppose, as you talk to other people. You may or may not here those same sort of reflections depending on who they are.

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Evan Taylor: Exactly what this project is trying to do. I mean, there's, there's, there's, It's one thing to start, you know, looking at historical documents and so forth. It's a completely other thing to remember, the people who did the activism that allowed history to change and allow that the the certainly the changes that have happened for trans folks to take place. So I think it's really important that we get these stories just exactly like yours that we need to get these stories preserved for future generations to know where they came from.

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Jude: Okay, my partner is just telling me. Goodbye, she's leaving to run some errands. So we'll, we'll be here with my little dog all the two of us and her.

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Jude: It will be a. Yeah. And there's a lot. I know my stuff and I have about 60 of Ð sorry - 60 office boxes full of materials I've collected over the years. Okay. I mean for almost 50 years now. It'll be 50 years next year that I started transition. So.

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Evan Taylor: Wow.

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Jude: And those are going to Aarons collection at UVic, but he keeps every time he sees me, he says, "Jude, when are we gonna get your stuff?" I say, "Aaron, I'm not dead yet!" and I'm doing some research on my own trying to do a little writing, although I'm not an author or writer, I can write a little bit, but I'm not good at it.

Evan Taylor: Yeah Ð I'm gonna need my boxes, Aaron!

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Jude: I tell them I don't want to have to travel 1200 miles just to visit my own stuff. So there you go. You can have it where you know later on when I'm at least when I'm finished doing what I want to do with it. And then it may still happen before I'm gone, but I'm not so sure, these days. (laughing) So I do have your list of questions and thank you for preparing that and I'll look - I of course want you to take the lead and guide me through what you do want to ask and what what can be left. I do have more time it's then the two hours use said, but I know I'm also conscious of your time as well.

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Evan Taylor: Well thank you kindly for that. So the first thing I didn't, I didn't receive the consent form back for me. And we can do the signing of that and so forth later.

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Jude: Okay.

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Evan Taylor: But you know you're being recorded, and that's the one thing I need to make sure that you consent to before we get going.

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Jude: Yeah, and that's fine. And I expected that. We, um - I'm not computer savvy. I didn't know how to turn a PDF form that I can't sign electronically into something that I can.

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Evan Taylor: Okay, well I can send it to you as a Word document to make it easier then.

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Jude: Okay, that would be great because then I can do that. Because I can't here - I don't know how to do convert a PDF into something I can sign electronically. If you know how you can teach me but that's out here, they're here for this time. So.

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Evan Taylor: No problem, no problem. I can take care of that.

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Jude: So, you have my verbal consent and I'm on tape saying that yes you can tape me and you can use it for the purposes that you have listed and I really don't care if you use it for other purposes at all. I have nothing to hide. I've been out and open all my life. I'm not - And I appreciate the chance that you said that once you have things transcribed or however you have a way to get it back to me before it goes into the records, just for errors that might be there.

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Evan Taylor: Exactly, exactly. It's nice that you get a chance to review it. So you need it for your own records as well as you know if you had a second thought about something, and said, oh, edit that piece out then we can do that.

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Jude: Yeah. Okay, great.

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Evan Taylor: So let's start. And as I talked to you a little bit about in the letter and so forth, you probably know, but we're looking less of a sort of a life history and what we really want to get to know is how people did activism. And so I'll start off with some, just a quick demographic questions like, you know, just fill in the blank sort of ones and then we'll move into some of the good, the meatier bits where we're going to talk about, you know, the change processes and things like that.

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Jude: Okay, great.

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Evan Taylor: So your name and pronouns, I know you as Jude Patton and I know you go by he ð is this correct?

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Jude: Yes. Okay. Yeah.

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Evan Taylor: And how old are you right now, Jude?

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Jude: 79!

Evan Taylor: 79.

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Jude: And counting.

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Evan Taylor: A long way to go. And when were you born?

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Jude: July 8 1940 in St. Louis, Missouri.

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Evan Taylor: And where do you live now?

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Jude: I live in a little town called Yuba City. Y-U-B-A City, California, which is about 50 miles north of Sacramento.

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Evan Taylor: Small town?

Jude: Yeah. Especially, I suppose it's about six, I call it small Ð about 60,000 people Ð we're right on the edge. This is an area in the valley area of California that has we grow fruit and nuts locally. So we have and rice. So we're right on the edge of orchards, literally, where we live, and all along the route that we go into work to Sacramento, the whole highway is lined with plum and prune and walnuts and all kinds of fruit and then rice fields. This time of year, we have the flocks of ducks and geese coming down from the north that settle in the rice fields are flooded for the winter on purpose, and the ducks and geese move in for the whole winter and settle in.

Evan Taylor: Oh nice.

Jude: So, it's a really beautiful area.

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Evan Taylor: That's where all our Canadian Geese are going then.

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Jude: That's exactly it. Plus, even we even have the honkers from (?) Conchunga island in Russia that come here and the snow geese and just a wide variety of waterbirds of all kinds. I mean literally all kinds. We we have snow egrets all year long that run in the canals along the you know they they sort of live along the canals and the waterways, but they stay over winter and all the rest of the move in.

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Jude: And it's mild enough here that we have hummingbirds over winter and some other birds that around your around there. So,

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Jude: I'm a, I'm an animal nut is, you know, one of your questions was, what else do you do besides trans

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Evan Taylor: I'm starting to gather that from my my online research, have you that you're

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Jude: You're quite invested in the

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Evan Taylor: Animal relationships.

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Jude: I am, I am. Yeah, I'll tell you more about that when you ask more about what I did for a living. Okay.

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Evan Taylor: Well, I'll ask you right now. Are you employed or retired and what was your line of work.

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Jude: I'm semi retired. I work one day a week at a community mental health center as a physician assistant in psychiatry, so I prescribed medications.

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Jude: I can do all the duties, a doctor does the differences in California. We have to have a sort of, you know, an agreement with a doctor as a supervisor, but I never see a really

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Jude: It communicates with me by electronic means. If he has to. But that's rare so community mental health waster homeless.

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Jude: chronically mentally ill, the highest tier of mental health issues. So they're schizophrenia psychosis.

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Jude: Long term bipolar disorders and all things with most of them are very unstable. Unfortunately, even with meds because they don't follow through the other part of that is about 85% of my clients are

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Jude: Drug and Alcohol dependent long with their mental illness. So

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Jude: We start by getting

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Evan Taylor: It, you need to do to do that job.

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Jude: Well, I, I've been doing psychiatry. I graduated from USC school of medicine physician assistant program in 1982 and I've been doing psychiatry ever sets.

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Jude: And all kinds of settings. Usually, for the most part I did 10 years of drug research, believe it or not, psychic research.

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Jude: I've done everything from Adolescent Medicine to adult medicine to geriatric medicine I've worked in hospitals and clinics.

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Jude: Community Health clinics, you name it, because it's been a long career again almost 40 years and I have more I'm older and have more experience than all the doctors. I work with so

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Jude: You know, we, you just learn. It's kind of like when they say practice medicine. That's what you're doing. You learn what to do when you're in school or

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Jude: Most let's say a good Park, but then you have to practice. They keep learning and learning and you know we're required to have

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Jude: continuing medical education. I go beyond that. And since I especially. The other thing is people don't know. But just because I specialize in psychiatry doesn't save me from every six years, I have to take a national exam all over again.

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Jude: To keep my certification and it's not in psychiatry. It's in family practice stuff.

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Jude: Though I have to make sure that I'm keeping up by education there to even though I'm not writing prescriptions for that.

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Jude: And

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Jude: It's okay.

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Evan Taylor: And moving along into the next couple of questions here. What's, how do you identify your race, ethnicity, your cultural heritage.

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Jude: Well, unfortunately, I say, unfortunately, I would. I was hoping I would find even some alien DNA in there of some sort.

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Jude: I am 99.4% white, white, white, white Scottish Irish English and Western European

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Jude: Per my PR my ancestry com DNA test.

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Evan Taylor: And you have any visible or invisible disabilities.

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Jude: I do I'm basically totally mine in the left I I look healthy because I'm always I always been heavy. I look as if I'm healthy. I am very hampered by movement of my shoulders.

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Jude: I have had hip replacement and both my shoulders need to be replaced. That was five years ago when they told me that I haven't done it. I can

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Jude: With pain there. So it's, it does hamper me and then about a year about almost three years ago now, I had a

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Jude: What can only be termed a mini stroke, although they didn't find any lesion on my brain that showed that there was a stroke. I had had to be

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Jude: Like a TI because for about 36 hours I lost the ability to express myself. I could speak, but it was not what I wanted to come out. I knew it, I knew it wasn't

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Jude: And I had some confusion that went away within 36 hours. No, no residuals of any of that no physical thing from this that event, but it keeps me I have chose voluntarily giving up driving, which I hate

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Jude: Because I thought if it happens, it can happen at any time and repeat itself. And I don't want to kill myself or somebody else my partner is

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Jude: Basically has to help me with some dressing. So you know I can't reach my shoes and socks. Besides, I don't, as she says you never tie your shoes right your places are always crooked.

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Jude: And helps me with putting putting my shirts on. And I can still button them and it takes me forever. So she helps with that. And sometimes if my pants are too tight. I have to suck it up and let her

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Jude: Get the button to reach to play.

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Jude: So, but other than otherwise. I'm pretty independent I'm no good at anything that requires lifting carrying long distances walking long distances. I have always been very heat and tolerant and I don't think anybody understands that unless you are yourself.

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Jude: With we have here in the valley in the summer, up to 110 temperatures for three or four more days in a row.

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Jude: The humidity is not so bad here. But if I went a couple years ago to Philadelphia was 99% humidity and 97 degrees. I thought I was going to die walking a block.

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Jude: Wow, that's just a really, it's a, it's a, kind of, if you want to call it a handicap. It certainly is a hindrance that not a lot of people talk about, but that has been lifelong not something new.

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Evan Taylor: As a red hat I sympathize quite a lot.

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Jude: Oh yeah, you do. You know your bare skin look a little like my grandson, who's has red hair and and he he had a lot of freckles. He didn't have the fair he had the Ferris good, but he had

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Jude: He was had some his records were so big, when he was a kid. They were almost like blotches. The almost over. So

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Evan Taylor: What's your, your family status. So I hear about a partner is there. And then there's grandchildren.

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Jude: What's the answer so

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Jude: Technically I'm a widower, I was married for 26 and a half years. My wife died almost six years ago from complications of kidney failure, congestive heart failure and a whole bunch of other illnesses. She was

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Jude: Basically incapacitated for 10 years before she died on dialysis for 10 years, line five years into that bedridden for most of that time and she died at home, which is what she wanted to do. The interesting thing though we don't, I don't want my partner is there's a reason for

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Jude: My partner does not want her name first or last name using anything I do. There's a reason that I won't go into that for a reason.

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Jude: But it's not because she's. I mean, we go everywhere together our close friends know about our relationship, but it's got to do with an old an old ex partner of hers, who

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Jude: Is still around the area and probably would create a see if he ever saw her name connected with mine. So your story with that goes my wife was dying. About six

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Jude: Or seven weeks, six or seven months before she passed away knew she was close to the end.

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Jude: She was talking with me say, you know, I don't want you to be alone when I die. And don't be afraid to go out and be with somebody else. I don't want you to be alone. I want you to be

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Jude: feel loved and taken care of. And she said, and I know just the first and for you.

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Jude: And so she chose my present partner in a way we had her my partner's ex husband.

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Jude: And my partner and my wife and I have been good friends for years. We rarely saw each other because of the distance we live from each other, but we kept in contact, all those years, and my partner then divorced about 15 years ago and

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Jude: And then

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Jude: So she still kept in contact. He didn't

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Jude: About a year after my wife passed away. My partner and I

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Jude: We realized that we really didn't care for each other, you know, and we need to be lot. We've we term ourselves life partners, we're not going anywhere. We don't want anybody else you're very compatible. She's a retired.

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Jude: School she retired from over 35 years almost 40 years of being everything within a school practice as a teacher first summer superintendent principal

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Jude: Head of migrant education program in California. So that piece matches really well. And in fact, I'm set up at a computer that faces out of our kitchen. She set up one just back to back. Computers facing me so we're just over the table apart.

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Jude: Part of the time during the day and we're saying, oh, did you see that, oh, let me show you this. Oh, let me read this to you kind of stuff. And we really, really do have similar interests, I am very happy. She, she says she is too, and it is I'd never thought, I thought I'd be living in a

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Jude: 500 square foot senior low cost income apartment by myself for the rest of my life.

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Jude: She's done financially better than I ever did. I am us been thrift, if I if I got it. I spend it still

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Jude: She, she's more practical and has really had a good investment counselor. Nobody's rich, but she's comfortable and what we do to make that fair is financially as we each pitch in 1500 dollars a month.

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Jude: For possible cost mortgage expenses food dog food and all that and what's leftover goes into a slush fund for trips are our fun stuff.

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Jude: And then we're pretty fair. Otherwise when we like it. I might buy tickets to a concert and next time, she'll buy the tickets, that sort of thing.

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Jude: So we didn't. I didn't myself. She said, you don't have to do that. I've got plenty, it's not gonna hurt me. I give you everything you need or what I can't do it. I've never done it start now.

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Evan Taylor: That's a beautiful story. Thank you for sharing that. Yeah.

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Jude: It's a long one. I'm sorry.

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Evan Taylor: Oh no that's that's that's the purpose. That's why we're here.

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Jude: And the other thing is that she supports me in this, so did my wife, when she was alive and my wife.

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Jude: Had been married before for 22 years was unhappy. She told me all of that marriage and said three months be after she got married to realize you've made a mistake.

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Jude: She came from a Catholic Hispanic family went to her mom mom's oh no you can't divorce. It's never happened in our family went to a priest. Oh no, you can't divorce you are his subject you are to listen to your husband.

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Jude: They had three kids, so I have had three stepkids they were 16 17 18 when I met my wife. Don't ever marry somebody who's got kids that age.

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Jude: We all survived it took about five years of survival tactics. By the way, to get them into enough of it adulthood, where they were better people than they were when I met them.

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Jude: Two out of three aren't bad this the middle one was drugs, alcohol by the age of 16 was already gone and stayed gone. He died three months or after his mother did

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Jude: Have a heart attack, of all things, and we were all guilty of thinking died of an overdose. So

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Jude: And I have nine grandchildren eight girls and one boy two great grandchildren one girl and one boy who are just over a year old now. Oh.

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Jude: cabling distance relationship, a good relationship long distance with all of them that I we do rarely see each other. My daughter lives in Washington State, my son lives in Southern California.

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Evan Taylor: Yeah, bit of a bit of a track but

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Jude: Yeah, and what they told me was your dad was kind of a flight. He was a bad guy who just a flaky just flaky guy cut room. I don't know how I could describe this too much to describe and they they never respected him.

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Jude: And they told me, said you know we love our dad because we have to meet our dad.

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Jude: But we love you and we respect you.

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Jude: Which is a very big difference to their

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Evan Taylor: Different

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Jude: Things so that that and the fact that they knew their mother was happy with me.

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Jude: And so they've already offered that if something happens.

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Jude: To Chuck and she can't help me in my old age that they will let us and really want. So we're, we're at an impasse there. Oh, that's six years younger than me, my partner's

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Jude: name is Charles so so our nickname is Chuck, but she's six years younger and much better health than I am now and I unless there's an accident or something unforeseen. I'm sure I'm gonna be the first one out the door.

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Evan Taylor: So sounds like that's your plan anyway.

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Jude: Yeah, I don't wanna I'm not ready yet. I stay as long as I can. But it sounds like it was more like more likely than not.

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Evan Taylor: Now, I don't think you're done your work yet. I think there's, I think we still need more from June, so

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Jude: Well, I hope so.

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Jude: I and that part I'm enjoying to I never had that my marriage, especially that last 10 years when I had to continue to work, try to take care of my wife at home and then her mother moved in on us. My stepmother. I had

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Jude: A barn full animals and chickens and ducks and turkeys and all that and to work, continue to work full time. I don't know how I did it.

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Jude: But that also kept me from doing many of the things that I'm doing now that I wanted to do, then, or for most of my life. It was always having to work full time.

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Jude: And my partner and I are these people who are driven about taking care of ourselves and other people and so both of us put ourselves through college. Nobody helped us both of us believe it or not, I work five part time jobs to go through college.

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Jude: And she did, too. We didn't know each other. Then, but she was doing the same thing in her life as a younger person because there was no help available because we were so driven to get to get something done.

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Jude: And and so there was a while during my marriage. I was only able to go to conferences, maybe two or three times a year, my wife would go with me. She was very supportive of what I did.

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Jude: And very out of that. But, and she and all that and her brothers knew her parents never knew about me at all, most of her cousins and the extended family did not know about my past, but we weren't being we're simply not asked if anyone had asked us would be very open about right.

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Jude: And they just never get my only question I got from her Mexican family was

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Jude: uncle who said, Hey Jude. How do you like being around all those green goes

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Jude: I love it so so

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Jude: You know that that's another it's almost like another life when I look back when people talk living you know into your 80s or 90s, or so even late 70s.

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Jude: You have it seems like there's, there can be almost definitive periods. So I had a period from maybe my birth to 16 or so and other period from 16 to 30 other period from 30 to

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Jude: You know,

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Jude: Seven, eight, and then now and each one is almost like a marker or a benchmark of what was happening at the time, and how my life might have dramatically changed because of certain events. And then there's the continuity of always having the gender issues.

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Jude: And I will say,

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Jude: Go ahead.

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Evan Taylor: When you were when you were born. You were assigned female at birth.

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Jude: Is that correct, yes. Yes.

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Evan Taylor: And then what have been the gender identities that you have inhabited and

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Up till now.

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Jude: Well, gender identities always been the same male that has never changed.

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Evan Taylor: Okay.

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Jude: It will even as a small child I can recognize, you know, the psychologists do this test about draw a person. And so most males will draw a male most females withdraw female and so on. And I was always my characters. When I do

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Jude: Were male characters. I always thought of myself as male i didn't know i mean i had long hair until I was 10 I looked like a feminine little girl. Very, very thin. My mom was a girly and but I dress and boys clothes.

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Jude: Except at school and church where I was forced to wear girls clothes, but I never knew. I looked like I did in beside my head, my image of myself was as a boy.

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Jude: Right, well, and actually not even as a boy, but as a young man. It was almost as if I had another lifetime before or something.

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Jude: I never thought of myself as a child, and I don't know where that comes from. I'm not going to go to blue stuff, but I didn't ever think of myself as a child. Then, from the time I was eight years old.

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Jude: People adults would come to me to ask my opinion about things and even my advice, sometimes and I and so

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Jude: My early dreams. My I never thought of. I want to be a veterinarian. I never thought I'd be doing what I'm doing now.

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Jude: But it was always about rescue and keeping people and animals for from harm.

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Jude: I would dream about it at night in my dreams I would daydream about it during the day and I would act on it when I was called to do so, or even if I wasn't called to do so.

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Jude: And and most of those early years, of course it was around rescuing wild animals or having a puppy or kitten and carrying around for hours at a time.

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Jude: And

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Jude: I will say one thing about that years later at a conference, I met a two spirit person who was people. The subject was about people feeling lost it while they were in their middle aged like they had no direction now. And the person said, go back to when you were a child.

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Jude: You knew who you were then because you were closer to the spirit.

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Jude: And so I then began to interpret my childhood feelings which continue to today.

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Jude: As

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Jude: Perhaps a little insight and some source of sword, and I do believe, at least I hope that I like this. I come closer to believe in reincarnation than I do any other aspect.

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Jude: About heaven or hell or any other thing after this life. I'm not saying I believe anything fully I will leave my options open. I come closer to that because it sounds and can also explain a little bit of what I think maybe a former life was about and I have been to

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Jude: With guidance counselor is guiding for past life regression kinds of experiences to delve into possible for more lines. And so I don't know.

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Jude: And how was

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Evan Taylor: How was that sexuality as a general identity. How is that played into the evolutions.

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Jude: Well, I always all yeah I was always attracted to women and so early on my sexual orientation. And that's not ever changed, and I'm not an

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Jude: I'm trained as a sex therapist and sex educator. So, believe me. I've been exposed to a lot of ideas that my clients and other people have

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Jude: But I've never wavered and I, and if I don't, and I'm not even can put that curious about what would it be like to buy

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Jude: Good care for both sexes are the options open for me and it's just the matrix for me is female. I love women. I love being around women. I love their bodies.

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Jude: I didn't want you know but I love their bodies that has not changed. I know many, many of my clients have and and i'm i can say, truthfully I had never had even a romantic or

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Jude: Relationship with a male, let alone the sexual relationship with a male I had Roddick feelings about a meal. I have had good close male friends, many of whom are gay men.

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Jude: And again, it's the feminine it, the ones who expressed more feminine entity that I was friendly with than the ones who are, you know, tried to appear more masculine being

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Jude: The, the realization of what the orientation, was it was just always there, but I never acted on it. I knew for sure, but the time I was I was 14 before I had any

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Jude: And then it was a dream that I had a relationship with one of my schoolmates. And this wasn't even somebody that was interested in was just a dream, but it almost confirmed

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Jude: That yeah I do like girls. And then I had 16 I had my first real love sexual relationship with a girl my age who attended a different high school

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Jude: That lasted about a year I was heartbroken is the time in those years 56

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Jude: You couldn't go with your partner and hold their hand or hug them in public or gaze into their eyes do all these loving things you couldn't brag about having a girl. I couldn't brag about having a girlfriend.

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Jude: Or a love interest. It's all hidden and, well, you know, all those things that we take for granted that we are able to do with someone we care about.

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Jude: And that continued through the time until I transitioned in 1970 I was always a he. You know, I go out in public by 14 I had my hair literally in a crew cut about a short I had all my hair than that it was shorter as it is now, didn't have a beer. And of course,

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Jude: Voice is high, so I if I didn't know if my mouth. People would. Is that a boy or girl or isn't it if I open my mouth. My voice will give me away.

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Jude: Right. And it still is, it, it, or he, she, and the name calling. And all of the things you can possibly think of about someone assuming that I was lesbian and I assume that to

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Jude: There was no label. Then I knew I was 12 when Christine Jorgensen story hit the headlines. I read it, I remember reading it in a in a Sunday paper or something.

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Jude: And my only wonder, was G. There are people who feel that way we'll need their the opposite. I wonder if they do these kind of surgeries for people like me.

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Jude: Right. But then I thought, oh, I'd have to go to Denmark. And I thought, oh, it must cost at least \$200,000 it didn't then but any amount would have been too much for a 12 year old child.

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Jude: Home, the good thing and this is something about it. People don't have the good thing is, my mom and dad, my mom mother and dad, by the way, adopted me

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Jude: And I have one brother born about 15 months after me to them is their natural job.

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Jude: They treat. They never let me know that I was adopted, they treated us both as kindly as they could, you know, we're trying to keep this equal balance of who got, what are the effects that they were very affectionate again.

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Jude: With kiss. Our both our parents goodbye before bedtime until the time we were in their late teens was that kind of an affectionate family and

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Jude: And no matter what I did or how I looked, and when the words came to them and the tots, and the

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Jude: Their own friends that they've had for a lifetime started calling started blaming them for, you know, why don't you make her, let her hair girl. Why don't you make her wear dresses. Why don't you make

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Jude: And their response was, she's our daughter. We love her. And if this makes her happy. That's all we want

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Jude: Why they didn't. They're not. Neither of them finish high school leave ever had an education that would have. I didn't have the education report to and they wouldn't have. They didn't read books they my dad. Read the sports page. And if he called it the funny papers, the cartoons in the

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Jude: I never saw my mom read a book till I was 25

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Jude: So their intellectual understanding of it. It was purely from the heart of right that my kids a good kid. And I love this kid, no matter what they are.

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Jude: So I had that when others didn't. What I didn't have. By the time I got into high school. It was, I had the vengeance, or the, I don't want to say vengeance couldn't pin that because intuitively, the

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Jude: I had to work two years in a row, I had two different PE teachers.

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Jude: Who

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Jude: Were trying to force me to take a shower and a public, you know, shared shower huge power that they have the gyms. Yeah. And I used to do it. And they were going to give me x. And I was a high honor roll student with straight A's.

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Jude: So I wrote to the state city schools.

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Jude: I couldn't tell them about myself of what the real reason was

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Jude: But I did they aren't enough about my academic stuff and I was getting A's and the health classes that were attached to that and everything else. And that was good in sports, they actually came in investigating the school and and

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Jude: Made them stop doing what they were doing. I also had a school counselor who called me in the same kind of questions. Why do you dress the way you do.

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Jude: Of course I was still in women, girls, clothes, but they were rather like a jacket and actually boys jacket were what were called fruit boots at the time, those little

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Jude: Ankle high boots that were boys would wear skirts at the if you put it seemed like the middle would look like pants. Instead of, you know, and on and on and on and

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Jude: And so they would just constantly needle me or call me in or trying to find something that they could do shamed me with I guess they would never come out with a word precious word

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Jude: So I couldn't wait to get out of high school, I got a scholarship to go to college. It's the first year that Illinois gave scholarships, I would have had four years of school for free tuition.

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Jude: And I didn't go because I would have had to wear a skirt or a dress to college, they still had dress codes there.

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Jude: And and then so what you ask yourself, you can think about a dyke. The boy he died a bushy woman managed looking woman, but kind of jobs that they get

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Jude: Back to work driving a delivery truck whatever something, you know, something that allows in the dress the way they want and still get by. That's what I did.

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Jude: Funny thing was, for me, was I was so well liked my neighbors and friends as a human being. Nobody was upset that everybody wanted me to babysit for their kids.

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Jude: Like if I was such a terrible person, you wouldn't want me around their children. So I did a lot of things that were almost no pay whatsoever, or very low paid very menial jobs and still didn't go to school, I

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Jude: But I read it, I, I read at that time, even while I was still in junior high, I was reading four books a day without fail sometimes more than a fast reader. I have good recall

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Jude: In

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Jude: And so I so I instead of reading books for fun. I read all nonfiction and most of it was in the sciences or history or something that the geography and on and on a wide range with interest. And so

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Jude: When I wasn't working. I was reading books. I also at age 21 when it was now legal to go into the bars. I was living i by the way I grew up in St. Louis. I grew up in a little town across the river Mississippi River called Alton, Illinois, a town of about 40,000 people then

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Jude: St. Louis was 22 miles across the river in Missouri, and that's where the, where I've had gay bars to go to. And now, now that routine shifted still working every day.

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Jude: And

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Jude: When the whistle bloodwork have run home to teach us at Dr. The St. Louis, and I would say most all till the bars closed at one o'clock in the morning and then the routines.

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Jude: Same thing. Like I would croak. If I couldn't get to the bars. Those were my people, those three people identified with and we all thought that I was just too much died. I say, just not there is no such thing as just

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Jude: But the trans thing was not known by either one of us. I did learn, though, when I talked to other very much with people, much more books than I could hope to be in appearance.

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Jude: Or physical appearance.

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Jude: At they didn't not want to be women. They just, they just didn't like men and they often didn't like being around in it. All right. Um, and my again my

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Jude: I spend about as much time with with a feminine game in his friends as I did with that. The other women who might be looking for a butch as being as a partner.

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Jude: That was a time when

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Jude: It's the time early 60s, the bar would go to what's called Shelley's circus bar, is it a bad areas, St. Louis.

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Jude: There's a walk in the barn and down at the other end, there's a short bar, you know, and so we could face the door. I see who's coming in every evening, right, check them out before they get it.

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Jude: And when I can remember saying to a friend of mine when they were too feminine looking women coming in together as partners and obviously partners, the way they were behaving, we would say, well, who's the butchered, who's the film, what's going on here.

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Jude: It was that

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Jude: That timing right and

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Jude: Just and I met someone I dated. I didn't date at first because of very shocking didn't know how to go up and approach. Anybody didn't. And finally,

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Jude: Got desperate enough that I did. Thank goodness. It was a successful approach and I ended up with that person for about a year, but she was much younger. She was actually he lied to me about her age, when we met. She was only 17 I was 21 and but we were friends and lovers and

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Jude: Never live together and then there was a series of dating this net and other and series before and after that person.

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Jude: none of whom I was serious about, but they, it was an interesting thing. It was usually a friendship or quasi friendship that got sexualized and romanticize

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Jude: So when the sexual part of the relationship might end or never happened at all the friendship was still there and I've still got friends from that period of my life who are lifelong friends who are ex girlfriend, if you will.

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Jude: When I was 22 I met someone who has 20 name is Jean Klein, she's passed away about four years ago.

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Jude: I gene is to me.

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Jude: ranks as probably the love of my life and my partner knows that, too. I can't even my wife.

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Jude: She's someone I really, really, really, really cared for and we never lived together in St. Louis. I moved to Southern California in 1965 to get away from

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Jude: The middle Western

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Jude: Oppressive great environment to go to California. I used to joke I say Solana fruits and nuts and flakes. And that's where I want to be and

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Jude: And I, I came out and gene stayed there and St. Louis for about a year before she joined me and then we live together for about five years. And right about that time, but not the reason she left

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Jude: I became aware that I could start home you know about trans people.

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Jude: And in fact, she left before I started my transition that she left by the way, because she had become addicted to methamphetamines

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Jude: And she had a sister living in Nigeria on a rubber plantation. And she thought that she went there for six months she could get off. Get away from her addiction and she did succeed, but we never got back together and we did stay friends for until she passed.

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Jude: But my emotions were so caught up in that relationship that for about 13 years I didn't

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Jude: Although I dated. I never could let my heart go to anybody else. It just didn't happen. I was so

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Jude: There was always this thing. And the last thing she had said to me is, maybe if we don't end up with anybody else we'll get back together some time and it was as if that look, I always wanted that to happen and and never been

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Jude: So,

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Jude: What

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Evan Taylor: We learned about the concept of trends.

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Jude: Is actually let me there's yeah there's a

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Jude: It happen all at once. By the way, I had begun to meet a few male to female trans people that I never had an opportunity to talk to that knew about

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Jude: Saw them, some of them were female so called Female. Female impersonators really because they got themselves as female

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Jude: But that's how they made their living as a female impersonator. Some of them were taking hormones and only a very few had surgery. This was in the late very late seven. I'm sorry, very late 60s. Okay, and

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Jude: The hand.

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Jude: I when I before I went to California, while I was still in Illinois, and then after I went to California. I worked as a dog groomer and veterinary assistant. I was certified as that assistant and as it doing anything around Animal Care Pet Shop manager, you name it.

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Jude: And I was watching this grooming shop in a little place in Culver City, Illinois, California Mar Vista.

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Jude: Near MGM Studios and that Christmas, Christmas 1970 month

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Jude: We're let that go to ring again.

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Jude: Okay, they

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Jude: They

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Jude: Had been on this inaugural bus, they say.

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Jude: So that winter just before Christmas, when it gets really busy all the people with their little poodle the pool. Today's everybody had booze when they were little dogs to look nice.

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Jude: Christmas is like triples the number of people coming in to get their dogs group. And so my employer where I've been about five, five years.

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Jude: Said hired another rumor and he came in that day and

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Jude: CB a really nice guy. And we started talking and he is asking me a little bit about myself and he was telling me about some of his life, but nothing specific was said about anything.

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Jude: Until that evening before we left from work. He said, You know, I've got a book that I think you might like to see

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Jude: Why don't you come by my apartment tonight and I'll show you the book.

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Jude: That

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Jude: Was my introduction. I went to his apartment and it was Harry Benjamin's the transsexual phenomenon.

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Jude: Which you didn't read a couple years earlier know about and he himself was a trans guy.

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Jude: And he was people think that the first people in the United States that hadn't done at Johns Hopkins were male to female. That's not true.

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Jude: There was a cohort of six female to male trans people who were the first. He was one of the first in 1966 he had had his top done in Van Horn hormones for about four years. By the time I met him, and he had come, specifically to California to get the bottom surgery done at Stanford.

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Jude: I knew nothing about

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Jude: Me, was he a public figure is he, he's he's not ever been in public. His name is David field. I'm not sure that he's still alive or not. He had been

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Jude: How he found all this, I have no clue. He didn't ever tell me, but he had been an heir to a 40,000 acres of desert land in New Mexico.

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Jude: Along with his sister, and the two of them leased land for people to run catalog. So he had the money to do what he wanted to do.

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Jude: And

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Jude: So any rate he applied to Stanford I applied. It's almost as he gave me by the way that that very evening the name of the endocrinologist, he was seeing in Beverly Hills was Gerald, though.

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Jude: He

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Jude: A call Dr. Love the next day.

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Jude: He made an appointment saw me within a week he says to me, You know, I think you're a classic case, whatever they thought those days that the classic transsexual history.

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Jude: He says, I have no problems with the starting on hormones, but I need to have a psychiatric evaluation. So he gives me the name of this he picks up the phone calls actresses. No person sitting in my office that I'd like you to see it. So, Lucy K

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Jude: And so I saw him within two or three days, and he picks up the phone about 45 minutes later he picks up the phone, new Docker loads and you're right. I agree with you, no reason not to start on hormones and that was my introduction

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Jude: Then within about with it. I was lucky I you know at the time. My hair is not white are missing. It was all dark, dark ram eyes are dark beers didn't have a beard yet.

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Jude: But my beers started coming in within about six weeks, little hairs sprouting out here and there, moved from here up instead of from here down

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Jude: Within six months, I had a full beard.

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Jude: I always

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Jude: usually wear it shorter than what it is now just pretty short. And I had

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Jude: My voice, it started to drop to about the same time so literally within a period of two months. It went from that book from that. What is it, is it a he, she or get to definitely heat in other people's minds. The other thing that happened.

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Jude: As part of that. Yeah. And the other part is

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Jude: It was funny, but it wasn't funny. So now I went to the same bars. I had been to as a butch

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Jude: Lesbian and was rejected because I wasn't a female

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Jude: Because I was a dirty old man walking into a lesbian bar.

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Jude: Right. Same people I played softball. I guess the year before wouldn't serve me didn't recognize me and wouldn't serve me. So what happened then, which is sometimes still happens today.

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Jude: Is that my own that community that I embraced that embraced me that had become my family, no longer embrace me. I lost my family. So I learned how to live as you know there's a science fiction novel or an anthology that was Robert Heinlein wrote a chapter in there called heroes are

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Jude: Called a stranger in a strange land.

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Jude: And so that's been my personal

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Jude: THEME SONG. So first I go in a straight world were born, where I'm not. I'm a stranger. I go, then into the gay world where I'm no longer a stranger. I'm familiar I both had become a guy, and now I'm no longer

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00:51:46.410 --> 00:51:48.720

Jude: And I'm a stranger in both lands in some way.

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Jude: And now I have lived a vast almost 50 years of my life.

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Jude: And I'm not saying this in a pejorative way or any way at all, except it's exciting.

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Jude: I remain a stranger in a strange land in my own mind. I am and other

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Jude: I will always be an other for some reason. And that's not a negative feeling on my part. It's actually a very positive feeling and boys. It gives me strength.

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Jude: And it's as if I can move between these worlds and I've heard some of my two spirit friends talk about what to spirit people do within their communities, which you have this capacity to move between the masculine, feminine. The two spirits. The men's camp and the women's camp.

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Jude: Right and and whether you find acceptance or not. And some of them are all of them, you still have that capacity.

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Jude: To do that, because while you're while I'm saying it's an other it all becomes familiar. Why, why, when I was licensed as a counselor.

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Jude: marriage and family therapist. I remember way back when somebody say well what could be better than having a trans person you know all about women and all about men, you can do both sides, or you can see both sides of what's going on and heterosexual relationship.

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Jude: Yeah. And of course, that's not true either. But

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Jude: We, you know, I don't know what you're getting from other people but and I will say this openly and this is something to me that other people see as being. And the other is, and I'll say this openly to

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Jude: In my personal opinion, this is my personal opinion and it only applies to what I've done myself.

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Jude: I can think of nothing better than shouting to the world about who I am out open and proud as who I am.

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Jude: I think that people who choose a non anonymity out of fear. They have a good reason to fear, but I think they're giving away their so

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Jude: They're giving away, who they are. And I'm not to please other people that way.

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Jude: That's not me.

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Evan Taylor: And would you say that is at the core of your, your activism as well.

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Jude: Is that, yes, it is. It's very much so. Now, I also understand because I've had as many people are more people who prefer to be

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Jude: Nobody wants to use the word stealth anymore, but in effect that's what they're doing is hiding a coping dead.

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Jude: Or preferring to live out their life as a male. They go always thought they were the female. The egos and that anything else is not

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Jude: Necessarily not okay. But it's not them. It's not that how they want to identify and I understand from working with kids and teens are a lot more of them are in that face. Now then, then even when I was younger, that I i'm I'm, I'm not a trans. Boy, I'm a boy.

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Evan Taylor: Right.

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Jude: You know,

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Jude: I proudly wear the label trans man because to me it says how I got here to where I am now and and and anyone who has any knowledge about

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Jude: All that goes into that would at least understand in there. There are few more people who are not trained at any means not even consider themselves allies that are educated enough about it that they do understand that it's the different place.

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Jude: Even with the therapy that counseling of couples that I done

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Jude: I might mention here. You remember Mario Martino that name.

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Evan Taylor: I do know that name now.

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Jude: Look at

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Jude: The book called emergence. He was a nun, who became a was a woman who became a man wrote a book and I think it was 1977 or 1979

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Jude: Okay, that he

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Jude: He he he he left he left the Catholic nun and eventually became an episcopal priest by but, by the way, in at much after the time that book was written.

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Jude: I met Mario

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Jude: I was already out and open and I don't know if you want to get into that yet but me as well. So activism. So I met David, I got my information.

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Jude: Soon after, and I'm doing my own thing, trying to get to where I need to be surgically and hormonally and I'm just doing it live my life, blah, blah, blah, still coming with it and

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Jude: And I began to Matt meet other people I met another deaf TM guy within a year.

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Jude: Who was who lived in Oakland with his mom and so that David and and

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Jude: The other guy won't mention his name for a certain reason

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Jude: The three of us applied to Stanford. It's almost the same time.

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Jude: I had not had any surgery, nor had the other guy, but David had had the top surgery turned out I was the first one, getting in the door for much the same reason that

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Jude: My endocrinologist and the psychiatry is to evaluate. I went up to Stanford and they their psychiatry is fake Fisk Noren Fisk

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Jude: And Dr. lab was there and they both interviewed me just briefly as part of their protocol and they said, Well, as far as we're concerned, there's no reason for you to wait two years.

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Jude: We require. How about September as your first surgery coach eight that was September 1972

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Jude: Wow, and

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Jude: And I begin course. No, no internet no computers, no cell phones, no nothing, no air, but because I read a lot. I should have thought about this much earlier. But I started having a direction to search

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Jude: And so I would go to UCLA and USC libraries and other medical libraries and go in the stacks and find books side they're mostly

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Jude: medic medical stock and some psychiatric stuff about it. And unfortunately, a lot of the pages have been the razor blade away and they were no longer in the book, but I started copying things that were there.

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Jude: The other thing is, is I was already interested in. And frankly, I must give Dr. Loud my surgeon part of a good deal of credit for for my budding

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Jude: Wish to become involved in all this. He they were they were. This is 1973 even before I finished my last surgery. And I said to him,

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Jude: I said he had a brochure or something in his office about a big gender conference. This was before he big was so it was a precursor to the Harry Benjamin

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Jude: And that they were going to have it there at Stanford. And I said, well, I'd really like to go to that you think there's any way I could. He says, If you come as my guest.

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Jude: Who do I sit next to the audience but John Money. I swear to God.

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Jude: That at that time John Money was still ok ok at that

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Jude: And I was so impressed my own doctor me this little nothing. Nobody in my own doctor. Let me come to this for free. And who am I sitting next to, but the John Money and who denied names from these other people on these papers they written

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Evan Taylor: Wow.

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Jude: And so

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Jude: I also was asked, early on to by a colleague by a friend of mine. One of the other guy that was that I didn't mention his name.

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Jude: To take his place, apparently a college professor contacted him.

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Jude: Again, this is 19 right after my during time was going through a surgeon and asked him to come to his class to, you know, give a little talk about trans stuff.

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Jude: Whereas humans. What's while any class and he wanted to teach me. And I said, Well, I'm pretty shy and I don't know if I could pick I do this or not but

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Jude: So I got the guys number call them up and he reassured me that he would introduce me and he'd be there and he had asked data ask appropriate questions he would interview.

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Jude: That was the beginning within the next two or three years I was doing 200 classes or more every year in Southern California. The reason for that. Remember women's lib.

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Jude: Birth control coincided with women's live with the sexual revolution in the early 70s and the college's the one college I went to had 22 classes every semester in human sexuality.

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Evan Taylor: 1010 my

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Jude: Goodness orange coast college Nathan. I was in Southern California. And so I talked for every single one of the instructors and

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Jude: And everything from San Diego from the Mexican border UP TO TO THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA running around the classes to speak, nobody else was doing it in

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Jude: And certainly no fit in, people were doing and you have to look at this this early 70s 7372 73 Jane's green did not get started. Until 1988

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Jude: So now you've got 15 years ahead of anything he did at all. But when it started doing and he came on strong and he's done. You know, you know, he's done very good work. Excellent work all the way along.

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Jude: And so I began writing to Mario Martino who was the was the author of that book emergence in 1977

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Jude: I also got in contact with Rupert Raj, you probably know him from Canada. He was 19 when he started, whereas I was 30 so he's 11 years general the line, but I got in touch with him, so I in the interim I Rupert I correspond, and so on. And I've gotten to meet and only a few times at conferences.

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Jude: Mario Martino whose real name was Tony Tony beanie.

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Jude: Was a friend of Harry Benjamin in New York City, and he's since passed away a few years. Well, so just the three of. That's it, just the three of us in those years were the only people who were out in the open and really in the F TN community known enough for other people to contact now.

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Jude: Then in the late 70s. I started well from the very beginning. I started helping people. I didn't have a professional license.

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Jude: I wasn't accounts or I wasn't a PA, I was still dogs, but I would meet other people they get my name, or I'd be a classes and somebody's listening and contact me later.

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Jude: And I began gathering information myself, but I used to subscribe to the Erickson newsletter Erickson Erickson foundations delegates of he was writing

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Jude: Okay.

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Jude: I don't know how to tie all this together. But anyway, so I was terribly. This wasn't enough for me. My God, they only had a little four page newsletter and an order came out every six months, and it was very, very

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Jude: tight lipped and it really didn't say anything. And I didn't think I can do better than that. I thought I'm going to do something myself.

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Jude: In the meantime, with all those invitations and the classes that I was going to. You may not recognize these names because many of her already gone then you didn't live in Southern California.

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Jude: But Vernon Bonnie bolo who had a lot of books on sexuality and the history of sexuality or in LA at the time.

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Jude: And I was speaking to their classes and they took a liking to me. So they were in to groom me to be an academic working in the fields of sexuality. Alright, so I wrote a couple of chapters and couple of books, they did.

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Jude: The other two who really were kind to me and mentors were bill William Hartmann and Maryland fithian who at the time were called the West Coast masters and John's sex therapist, they had a

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Jude: Center for sex research in Long Beach, California. So all this ship was going on that field of sexuality.

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Jude: There were all kinds of newsletters and new in and even a few magazines like sexual psychology and stuff. So I became interested when a sector, the American Association is sex educators counselors and therapists, I joined them as a member, even before the degrees. I was, I met

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Jude: Mickey diamond enjoying the Society for the scientific study of sexuality somewhere in all this, this, I'm the things the personal things that have held me back probably the most in accomplishing what I really wouldn't do even now.

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Jude: Is a I'm basically shy, you wouldn't know that I am. It's just a chore for me to initiate anything

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Jude: The I don't have the typing skills that whole two fingers. See when computers came along, i don't i can i can get into them and I can research, but I know nothing about the mechanics.

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Jude: I don't know how to set up a website. I've never had enough money to pay somebody set up a website and and the last but certainly not least is while it may not sound like a high enough failure at promoting myself.

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Jude: So the people that you get in my estimation, the people that are very good at promoting themselves are the names you here today.

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Evan Taylor: Right.

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Jude: You know, and one is James green and what is there are several but they're very good at self promotion, they're very good at what they do, but they have that as an asset as well. So they'll make it, you don't. You've never heard them, they'll make sure you know who they are.

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Jude: And that and that sort of thing, they're named which handle also either can afford to have a website or or or or or know how to know how to advertise

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Jude: I've never known how to do that. So I sit here in my little house enjoy my little house, my little dog and my very great partner and I do my duty every week and go to work.

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Jude: And I at the end between I'm researching good right he did and and I'm the only one that my partner sees me doing this stuff, but I really the only one that knows that most of the time, so

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Jude: Early days again. Good, the newsletter was doing it for two or three years in the interim, I had met Joanna Clark right you have made seek Me seen are

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Jude: You I interviewed her. By the way, who who live locally and we met at a trans a group support group for street queens in Hollywood. Okay.

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Jude: And and most of them were prostitutes and so on and so forth. The street girls and we met there and and both of this is driven from Orange County. Do you get there and join as a very politically minded. She's very into politics and very into that sort of thing at law.

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Jude: Even though she's not an attorney.

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Jude: She was going through a lawsuit with the

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Jude: US Army at the time I met her. She had served in the Navy as a woman for 16 years in the army is a woman for two years and then they kicked her out.

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Jude: Right, so we lived. She lives in still lives in San Juan Capistrano I lived in Santa Ana maybe 15 miles apart. So Joanna and I and a person by the name of feral cats.

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Jude: And carols now stealth so she doesn't want anybody to know about her and another person named Jerry Smith came on later. So at first it was Joanna and I, we work together.

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Jude: Joanna started doing a lot more writing while I was more involved in earlier, I wrote most of whatever was in my little newsletter called Renaissance

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Jude: And then I called my service Renaissance Gender Identity Services, and then I had a friend who actually gave me a defunct, or non operating at the moment temporarily

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Jude: Foundation called the John Augustus Foundation and its purpose was sort of broad enough to include doing thinking about trans issues so

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Jude: Variously I was known as Renaissance Renaissance Gender Identity Services.

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Jude: The John Augustus Foundation. And then when I moved to

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Jude: When I got married and

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Jude: We had to drop out a lot, lot of the things I was doing his family issues we

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Jude: Okay. So Paul Walker gave us what was left of the Eric said, educational foundation when he knew he was dying. Okay. And we Joanna made up the name Jay to CP information services that was from Joe and Joe to Jay Jay to Clark and patent CP

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Jude: And so, Joanna took over a good portion of that after my wife and I moved from Santa well El Toro Santa Ana, California to

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Jude: Oregon and into Washington state in 1993 and Joanna took over portion of that. And then later you'll find in Joanna story she gave up most of that and turned it over to Dallas Danny, the J to CP that will have been parsing what we had done, and certainly partially what he had done.

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Evan Taylor: So it came from Erickson came into Jay Jay to CP, and then

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Jude: We're them to Dallas getting yeah and her her work, of course, Dallas is still doing her work of Dallas. By the way, I absolutely love, doubtless, I think she's a most amazing person.

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Jude: So Joanna and I are still in touch Joanna's health is worse than mine. She's has an eye condition that's pretty bad. And she's

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Jude: Orthopedic stuff going on. Heart stuff and you name it, but she's still working Joanna eventually found her calling and her funding, which nobody could get those days for anything trans, she found her funding from services for HIV positive people.

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Evan Taylor: Right.

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Jude: She developed that website Aegis

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Jude: For that purpose, and then had some really good fun at not at first, but eventually got some pretty good funding had six employees alive develop that huge website.

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Jude: was focused on that. Not on trans at all. And then, more recently, after she lost her funding and then her health was starting though she's basically retired now.

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Jude: And she spent her retirement years she and I share, not the animal stuff she's never had pets environmental issues, climate change anything to do with saving the earth we both share that. So she spends her time right

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Jude: Filling the mailbox email boxes of every congressman and Senator president on up every environmental group that you could think of. And I agree with her with that, that's a big thing. We share

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Jude: So we do keep in touch and we we try to Skype when we can. When she feels well enough to do it. In the meantime, when I got married, as I said, that was 1988 November 12 1988

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Jude: I had an instant family when we married and I just got

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Jude: If you I've married into a

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Jude: My wife was

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Jude: Hispanic

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Jude: Second generation parents were born in states grandparents and Mexico. And there were 350 blood relatives living within 25 miles. Oh us

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Evan Taylor: Oh my goodness.

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Jude: And it was births, deaths and funerals and parties and birthdays and anniversaries and weddings and this it was family. Family. Family. Family. There was no room for me and my friends and I will. There's no say it says eight mama happy. Ain't nobody happy so mama was happy.

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Jude: Because I tried to remake myself into a family man. I had never had this experience before I'll tell you, I don't want it. Now again I would I don't fit in really well. I was a good

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Jude: Step father that my kids tell me that all the time my grandkids adore me

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Jude: And I haven't had a chance to meet my little great grandchildren very much yet they're not old enough to express themselves in that way.

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Jude: So I fooled. Everybody, I guess I'm there, I'm not putting I enter into the conversations. I love being around the different people like me.

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Jude: But my heart is in another place. My soul is in another place my interest is isn't in another place. I, I prefer

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Jude: The life I have now, which is my partner gives me every bit of Freedom I want we trust each other. We both require on a personal basis fidelity. We know we have that kind of trusted family we love each other very much but she's not going to keep me from going anywhere. I say about me.

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Jude: I mean, there's, there was a very different dynamic going on those 26 years I was married, and unfortunately with my wife had health problems, all the way through. So there's a reason for her fears about not having someone you know there with her a majority of the time.

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Jude: And I loved her very much. She was very, very good to me as a wife, very, very, we were

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Jude: Best friends to just like my partner now and

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Jude: And I have no regrets about the marriage. The only thing I have regrets about is not being able to

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Jude: Take you know if you make a commitment to a person and I made my commitment to be with her and I gave up everything except what I had to do, which was work and then the few places I got to go.

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Jude: She went with me to support me and the reason she would even agree to that to be away from your family because she had never been in these places before it's a chance to travel and see new places here. No. So during those years from

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Jude: 19 let's say from 1961 in St. Louis to 65 there I was, as I said before, in that place where I thought it was lesbian butch lesbian doing all that the next two years from 1969 through now identified as a trans man the wording and terminology, as you know, has changed a great deal from

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Jude: I'm saying, I'm sorry.

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Jude: I'm wondering just

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Evan Taylor: Some of the changes in terminology how how's it how

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Evan Taylor: Well, do not work.

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Jude: Yeah, well, it, it, okay, I'm going to add something into this but it starts out

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Jude: In the literature being spelled transsexual two S's right it transforms into transaction with one s, then it trans forms into

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Jude: And I have had, I've heard the argument about who said transgender first and everybody gives Virginia Prince credit

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Jude: And she may have, but I also did the same thing and the differentiation. For me, maybe a different reason than she had we were both doing about the same time.

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Jude: Not learning that from each other. My reason was, I was, I think, cursed to turn back to be somewhat of that that transgender was not an umbrella term.

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Jude: It was meant to differentiate somebody who was a transsexual who was getting surgery and hormones from a person who simply living in that sex full time.

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Jude: Maybe with hormones, maybe without but it was that difference, then it transformed into transgender umbrella, which is supposed to include everybody else.

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Jude: That had any any permutation about gender whatsoever at all. And now it is still keeps going in another you know in another direction.

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Jude: We

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Jude: And I met virgin. That's the other thing I mentioned willows, and

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Jude: The other pair of partner fithian that last my little heart. I got to meet door leg, who was a head of one incorporated, which was the oldest TOMO file organization.

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Jude: In LA.

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Jude: About the same time I met Virginia prints.

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Jude: And because I was training at wanted and thought I would become a sex therapist right and did get certifications as a sex therapist and sex educator. I was going to everything and anything that had anything to do with any kind of sex as an experiential thing. Now, the difference is

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Jude: Some of the places I went to were experimenting with things that I wasn't interested in, but I got a lot of invitations and so if they invited me to come

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Jude: And sit with them or give a little talk about trans issues when it got time to pairing off to go in another bedroom, I excused myself and go home.

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Jude: But it was a way of learning and many people who come at this now who are either psychologists

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Jude: Counselors doctors who are psychiatrists

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Jude: Are not sex therapist and sex therapy. People are taught to approach therapy itself.

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Jude: And their explanations of things and in more inclusive questions and people who are geared up to be a marriage and family counselor.

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Jude: Or any other kind of counseling. They just different kind of Outlook questioning it does make a difference.

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Jude: In people's life I would, if you're interested more in that I would say this is the person who's trans. She's a sister woman, her name is Patricia father FA w e r and I can get a contact if you want it. But she's a sex therapist to who sees a lot of trans people in

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Jude: That Tacoma near near Seattle, Washington. Just south there. And I remember her bringing this up that one of her

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Jude: Talks that I went to last couple of years about her experience with that too. It's just a whole different way of approaching

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Jude: Gender and Sexuality than most people. Even the best training of those who are interested in transit us who are in another don't have that additional training. Yes. Yeah. So let me see. I'm trying to the activists, go back to about the actor was part

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Jude: So there are various assumptions. I also at some point after the fact. But before he passed away was able to meet loose over in San Francisco. Remember, he had a little parakeet at the time.

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Jude: And we talked, and he had not

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Jude: Yet written his book.

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Jude: He was helping other people, but I don't think it formed any group stuff yet the James mean took over was before that.

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Jude: It was also

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Jude: Have to tell you that my cousins fits in my president partners husband is a train was a trans man. Okay.

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Evan Taylor: So you're pressing partner now.

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Jude: And yeah.

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Jude: Was it yes my present partners previous husband was a trans man.

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Jude: Gotcha. Well, that's how we all met. I was not. I was, it was I think we met 1976 or 78 anyway. And they had

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Jude: Her Chris or ex husband had confessed to her that he thought he was a man and so she's well you need to find out what to do about it and they put on a therapist down in Southern California who

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Jude: I lost. Can you hear me. Yeah.

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Evan Taylor: I can hear you just fine.

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Jude: I somehow I lost you there.

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Jude: There you are. Okay, so

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Jude: So they were looking for someone for help and they found this therapist to talk with them, and the woman. They were the

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Jude: Ones that has been was also a therapist. He was retired. So she said she didn't know anything about. So she sent her husband off to go to the medical libraries to find something out about and then he found the seller was its name, right, and then

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Jude: They go all the way to San Francisco to meet with loose over and talk with him and then Lou said, Well, you've got one of the most knowledgeable people in the world about this in your own backyard. Here's his name, Jude patent.

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Jude: So they came back and a couple of weeks later contacted me and I know it was, it had to be before

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Jude: It was before I had a license that was 1980 when I got my license as a counselor. No. Yeah, so, um, that we met at a restaurant. I told them all. I could, at the time, and help them get that started in the meantime Joanna and I and started again.

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Jude: in an odd way. It was a group that had developed in San Juan Capistrano that was a counseling support group or trans people. One of the first call and it was William heard was the psychologists name. It's called gender dysphoria group of Orange County.

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Jude: And how I heard about it was, what am I not so

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Jude: Kind of on the same one of the street people, women had told me that you know there's this group right down by San Juan Capistrano and I heard about that doctors sending all that his clients to

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Jude: Dr. Brown, who was a well already known for being a butcher type of doctor. Okay. And so, okay, look at up to. That's quite a story, but

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Jude: Who is this guy, who is this guy, what's he doing that for I've got to go there and infiltrate the group and find out what's going on when I go to the first meeting and there's like four trans women who were all pre off.

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Jude: He had met the first one, when he was doing prison work and she was in prison and he was called the come in and counsel her. He didn't know a thing about this either to talk

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Jude: So I go down to that meeting and I stay. He asked me to stay and he actually fill me in early days of the video camera and film me because he had never met somebody like me before an F TN guy.

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Jude: And I was willing to talk to him and I found out that he wasn't referring anybody anywhere but the very woman who had been in prison was the one who was now in this group.

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Jude: OUT OF PRISON. But in this group support group. And she was referring people so she could get her own searching for free.

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Jude: And that was another that Brown had had promised these down and out gals who had nothing. I'll get to you, surgery, if you can repeat to 10 people will pay

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Jude: Okay, so I thought I in fact I before that long evening was over after they had all left that I sat and talked with him another two hours. I fell in love with it. I thought, oh, man, what a nice guy. This is he's a wonderful guy and he actually

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Jude: Allowed me and then later Joanna to become peer counselors with that group before I got my license and then after that, my license. I joined it as a licensed person.

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Jude: And so we were with that group, maybe 12 years I think oh 15 years almost all together and it was still going. And Carolyn, I got married and left to move to Washington, Oregon and Washington.

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Jude: And Dr. Heard, is it was a lovely person, he just died. This past year or this year earlier, but he I considered him a great mentor.

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Jude: People that group at times has as many as 40 people there and one evening it met every two weeks. There was a charge for it.

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Jude: People were expected to pay something at least and

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Jude: We call them graduates. So if someone had finished their time with the group that went on to acquire

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Jude: Hormones and surgery and we're as complete as they thought they needed to be personally. They were invited to come back to the group and to

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Jude: As for their own needs and to share with our clients. There's successes or warn them of problems and so on. So it worked out well.

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Jude: We also had a number of would be sorry. People who were already licenses therapist or psychologist who would come to the group and one use some of the anonymously, because we would

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Jude: Release any names. Use a battery of our psychological tests that we were reviewing did some research on the group and so on and so forth. Different reasons I was still meeting other people I met
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Jude: at UCLA, who was the head of their training program for sex therapists, they had a PR professionals who are doctors and psychologists, they had a six month training program that I was on the sex information hotline in Los Angeles.

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Jude: As their specialist on transgender issues that was all volunteer were

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Jude: We I in the process in those early years because I had a newsletter somehow we can't leave out

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Jude: Some of us found out about each other, some of the earlier publishers that you'll find in the in the in the mid 70s through even the mid 80s before the Internet.

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Jude: Was people tiny little mimeographed or newsletters had anywhere from four pages to 16 pages. There weren't any slick magazines or big thick booklets that people had the information. Often I was willing to share everything I want to help people.

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Evan Taylor: Can you remember the names of these specific ones that these these newsletters or another one called Renaissance, which was back east

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Jude: And

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Jude: You know,

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Jude: There was one from Georgia for me young woman, I think, Dallas later had hers. I could. I've got them all in my thing. I just can't bring them up.

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Jude: And then I was collecting newsletters and other things too, like other sexuality. So they also collected a lot of LGBT stuff that had nothing to do with T which Aaron tells me he doesn't want

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Jude: And so, but I was interested in the whole gamut. So

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Jude: I'll come across to the

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Evan Taylor: Sort of because there's a lesbian and gay activists and then became the LGBT LGBT. What's your relationship to these sort of evolving LGBT Q, etc.

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Jude: Well, I tried to stay with the whole alphabet soup because

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Jude: While I may have been treated in a different way. Now, as a trans person rather than a so called lesbian, whatever.

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Jude: I still had friends who were in that community. I still felt comfortable enough for the most part, to go in and out of that community. And I also wanted to stay up on the information, which is why I go to conferences now i i have

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Jude: I can teach the stuff I usually see when I go, I've been doing it for so many years, I'm hearing the same old stuff. Same old, same old stuff, same old stuff.

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Jude: But I still go because the value is there's a pearl there that every once in a while. That's absolutely knew or thought provoking or challenging or whatever you want and

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Jude: The networking and the people I get to me is the most invaluable part of being there in person. I can't get that otherwise I'm so but but

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Jude: And I'd like to keep up. I think that

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Jude: My clients and people that meet me who don't know my age and all that. So while I may look my age, they never think of me being that whole

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Jude: And I think part of it is because I do keep up on things, because I do have a mind that's up to date.

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Jude: That I can speak the language that they're speaking now and not use the old fashioned terms or where it was 20 years ago or it's just that my way is the right way and that you know what they're doing is a bastardization of what the real truth is, there's something

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Jude: Otherwise, I don't know, but I have all this stuff. I still collect it everywhere I go, my partner gets mad at me. I have to take an extra suitcase and pay another \$50 to get it home.

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Jude: before I wrap it up at a box and spend 65 and ship it home before I leave the conference city and I have right now. I'm not going to turn my computer and show you but I have

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Jude: Just in the last. I'm going to say two months between what I print off at work. I would say that

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Jude: My print off at home. I've got a

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Jude: Three foot stack and a two and a half full stack of papers sitting on another table over and the other side of the room and two boxes that I had just clean the table off before I started collecting those sitting on the floor.

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Jude: And so I'm an avid collector of information is never enough, even when I was a kid, I used to have this team paste it on my desk. This is two things. One was, if you're so damn smart. Why didn't you rich

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Jude: And the other one was what I don't know my hurt me.

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Jude: So this constant need for acquiring more information and more and more, more.

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Jude: I can easily get you a

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Jude: list that I can send you later. But won't have now have some of the earlier things that we were interested in or I was interested in some of the ones I collected, what we did was exchanged newsletters.

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Jude: You know, to save the costs and, you know, I'll give you a copy my subscription mind if you union subscription to yours, kind of idea.

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Jude: Iran long before. And I'm going to say this because we can take our MTM conferences back to what 1995 in San Francisco, or there may have been a couple other smaller ones, but that was the main one first FDA and competence of the Americas.

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Jude: And I was there, but

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Jude: Long before that though Jude with his variety of interests.

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Jude: Virginia prints allowed me to come to her try meetings as a yes.

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Jude: There was another group in Los Angeles coach sheep CH IC cross dressers heterosexual interest social club, which was a branch off from

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Jude: Try us in the LA area, which were mostly younger people in cheek, but all of them identified is absolutely straight arrow heterosexual cross dressers. And God forbid gay or bisexual men get in there, but the truth was 6% were

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Jude: Just they just weren't gonna say it. And so knowing some of these other groups I there was no other fit in person for years and I mean for years.

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Jude: Who hung around with straight cross dressers and when I became a counselor, most of my clients were not trans people, they were stuff identified straight cross dressers and then then the rest started to come in as well.

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Jude: And still, at that time, James, green, and blue Southern started running some groups up there. I was already having people to my home.

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Jude: The difference, I think, was is Luke deliberately did it and run it as, as it's been said by him and other people and by James as a support group or FTS

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Jude: I ran groups at my house and every year had a large party to have we're using 150 people at the party, but the social group. It was her guys to get together to soak that wasn't run

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Jude: As a therapy support really as a peer support group. It was run for three people to have a place to go.

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Jude: And just get to know each other. And in that way, it became a peer support group.

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Jude: So, there weren't regular meetings, there were just as I got the idea or had the time oh okay next month. I'm going to have a group meeting or a potluck party at my house, you know, such and such a time, and so the first time I put out that word. I had 40

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Jude: Trans men.

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Jude: Who were. This is FDA moment I had Gordy trans men who were identified as heterosexual and four who identify as gay and their partners male partners and all of them had sis GENDER Male current at that

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Jude: Then I opened the group up to both male and female and female to male, then I opened up the groups for

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Jude: The people in the community to come, but also with their permission, buddy. In know there would be a professional guest or two there, they will for them to ask questions or

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Jude: Talk with them. So all the what was going on in his pro bono. I mean, you know, people I'd say potluck, and I'd get a call at the last minute and coming that I don't, I can't bring anything you might enjoy doing 12 other people who also be

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Jude: So it was really a

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Jude: labor of love for me and for my partners at the time my partner at the time.

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Jude: It was

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Jude: Fun. It was revealing. I kept doing it as long as I could. And as I said, right up until the time I got married probably

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Jude: But there were no formal, other than mention or so in

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Jude: Some of my newsletters about doing that.

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Jude: There was no

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Jude: You know, there's no, there's probably no history of a whole lot of this stuff that you're getting from me and i and i would have to go back and pull these things out and actually look at the history

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Jude: I found a few of my old newsletters, I didn't find them all by the way in which I i remember Jacob hail at Cal State Northridge would say when he first saw some he's

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Jude: My god, dude. Where did you get all that information. How did you do that when there was no internet and that stuff. And I don't know how either. But I'm talking about kinds of the broad field of sexuality, not just transitions.

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Jude: Right, but the the i i

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Jude: I give it to

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Jude: Again, the bellows. The other couples sex therapist Dr heard so much he mentored me and other ways that the people I met who told me this and i right again go look it up.

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Jude: And it just became that thing. And then when we did communicate certainly Rupert to this time was communicating with me about what he was doing, and also Mario was communicating with me. And it wasn't until later when Dr. Bob had a couple of guys who had

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Jude: Been clients of him as well as surgical clients who opened up their home to trans guys. He didn't live in California to stay there temporarily after their surgeries. So I met people like that by having people begin to network about who did this. Who did that.

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Jude: The that first MTN group was what it was. And then the and then a paid and key started doing them in Seattle, and until the last two or three years. I went to every one of his conferences, because I was mostly in Washington state, then

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Jude: I was as many times as I could with if G conferences which, in the beginning, had no FDA guys there whatsoever. Just meet. They know they didn't even invite him until it got to the point where they needed more bodies become, you really shouldn't say that, but it was and

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Jude: And and some of the other

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Jude: Straight cross dressers there's one

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Jude: Northwest Washington state that's held every Memorial Day, they're going to Montana Colorado and back east and you name it.

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Jude: And those are the bigger conferences and then I got to meet people who would correspond. We were all in those days.

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Jude: For the most part, there were some, as I said, who held everything close to their chest. They wouldn't give you

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Jude: One, I would have information, but they had very protective of that you might take it away from stealing or something new, something, whatever.

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Jude: And then there were others of us who shared every bit of what we could find this because we are mission was our activism. See, I only marches and prayed a few times. I'm not an in your face activist and you asked her definition of activism versus whatever else. Right.

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Jude: Yeah, I see myself as an advocate.

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Jude: And within that advocacy.

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Jude: accomplishing something that might be done alternative the activism. So I always see myself as the guy behind the scenes, who has

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Jude: Been uses reason

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Jude: Intact

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Jude: I will convince someone that these things need to be done to help people well

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Evan Taylor: In the US information to convince people as well.

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Jude: Yeah, yes, that that pretty much and and support.

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Jude: But I've never been in your face, kind of, and I learned early on the hard way.

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Jude: That

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Jude: Probably some things are better left unsaid. No matter how strong

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Jude: I'll tell my partner, I trust, it's going to work out the rest of it. I don't want anybody to hear because they're going to use it in a positive way. Years ago.

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Jude: I went to my newsletter. I wrote something and it was Angela Douglas I don't ran across her name, but she was an early really in your face activist in LA area. I mean, in your face in degree and she was, she was bipolar and off the wall and really

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Jude: later became psychotic, but I said something that tipped her off in her new in my newsletter and next thing I know she she I think she had a little newsletter or something, she was

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Jude: Here's a picture of a gorilla with label Jude and IT SAID RUDE Jude and she called me and threatened, she was going to send some of goons to kill me for six weeks, six months I was actually worried enough. I used to wear boots. So I could the taller know

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Jude: So I carried a hunting knife. Step down and one of my boots.

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Jude: Because she was that crazy to follow through with some of these threats. They had to happen. Other people not getting killed. But certainly getting as. And so, you know, there's this contingent

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Jude: I feel personally, we need us all, we need the ones who are researching who are trying to find some semblance of truth or information to share. We need people who are just nurtures and hold us and

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Jude: Take care of us in that way. And our emotions and our feelings and we need people in your face with signs and fits

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Jude: We need them all, but in my instance, I guess I don't do it well enough, and I get more accomplished by being the quiet voice behind the scenes, who tries to use that reason and that experience and that bit of optimism that somebody finally will this and Sunday.

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Jude: Right. No, I also haven't been successful with this. I have to interject what we're talking about that.

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Jude: The last almost 10 years or so I've been advocating to W path, particularly for a separate section on aging in tenders bowl. They have done. It's been 43 damn years. I'm sorry. It's been 4140 years

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Jude: Since I was

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Jude: Voted to be on the board of directors for Harry Benjamin in 1979 and that's the first year when the standards of care came out, I did not even help to write those Paul Walker wrote. Most of them. Most of those two pages worth my time.

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Jude: But other people had an input to but Dr. Lao again was instrumental in getting me

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Jude: On the board and he they were the meeting and

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Jude: It had a couple of other meetings before where a bunch of very in your face straight cross dressers Virginia prints included would come to their meetings and insist

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Jude: On being included in Harry Benjamin because they deserve to be there too long with all these transsexual folks and they were literally kind of scared to death, and they were that vocal than that.

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Jude: You're attaining

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Evan Taylor: Right.

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Jude: To mobile to ask for this stuff or demand.

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Jude: So,

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Jude: That in 1970 at the meeting. There were Dr. Rob suggested

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Jude: It was about time that they selected a consumer advocate to represent the people. The people we people and

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Evan Taylor: All of the people.

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Jude: All the people he has a one one person to join the board okay we recommended me and that was

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Jude: Not um

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Jude: And the vote came to

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Jude: Date on a Sunday morning. Most people have left their only

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Jude: 30 people there, including me, so I don't get to vote.

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Jude: And the vote was 15. I'm sorry. The boat was 14 to 14

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Jude: And the end there were words said by the dissenters that were very nasty.

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Jude: Implying that we were all crazy people. They didn't want a crazy person on their board of directors.

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Jude: And Dr.

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Jude: This glass and the

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Jude: Same goes for me. Yeah.

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Jude: Okay. All right. Good, maybe being kind and considerate taking care of these poor crazy people.

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Evan Taylor: COME EVERY TWO PEOPLE.

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Jude: Gotcha. And so now raises head and becomes 1514 and I get put on their board for six years okay years went by before there was another known out trans. There may event.

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Jude: But there was nobody was out if they were a years long before there was another trans person on the board. There were some trans persons who did join

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Jude: Barry Benjamin who were on a couple of committees and things like that, but they weren't doing that. So I did that for six years from 1979 to

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Jude: Letter was 1985 and then I was on a lot of committees and things in the scientific committees using excuse you helped put this conference together for the next time.

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Jude: I was on those several times and we'll answer some other committees and and then in 1999 when Richard green was president and still there's no other in in that interim once my time term was up there was no other consumer advocate.

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Jude: ever suggested again 1999 comes along and I'm still very act i voted what i k. And then we're inside the United States. I've never traveled to Europe and Cambodia and wherever else

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Jude: Richard green was president and he came to me and to Sheila Kirk.

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Jude: Who's a well known FT or MTF Dr trans woman, and he just privately said to us, he said, you know, you know, there's just too much going on that community isn't involved in

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Jude: And I want, I want to form. I want to have you. And Sheila run for being board members. I want you to get yourself elected to this and we work

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Jude: And we became we became the along with being on the board.

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Jude: Co chairs of the consumer advocate committee. So we were on the board of directors, be able to do all the other stuff. But then we had to head this committee as well.

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Jude: About a year into a cheetah for personal reasons decided she wasn't gonna she stayed on the board, but she gave up the committee co chair and I had we had several people want to be on the committee which most of them may want to do that too.

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Jude: And James green

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Jude: Kit rachlin we're on a committee well

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Jude: Well, pretty soon.

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Jude: Somewhere in that period of time. Both of them were not very happy with what I was doing, as the now single chair.

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Jude: And so they wrote being asked, you know, it's all

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Jude: I said, I'm sorry. You know, I wanted to say, well, if you can do a better do it yourself.

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Jude: I just said, I'm sorry. I'll try to do better and

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Jude: And and but we all have maintained. Cool. The you'll ties through the years, you know, all of us and they have gone on to do such great things of course then later.

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Jude: Stephen widow with whom I also was in contact with. And here's a little story about Stephen told me years ago when I finally met him, he said, I was on the Phil Donahue show very early on as a guest, you know, to be interviewed is one of those things.

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Jude: And

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Jude: That's at the end of the show still living in Santa Ana, California had a P. O. Box. So I did this show, and it was shown in different timeframes over a cycle of almost a year in different parts of the country and repeated.

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Jude: Apparently I went to Europe to because Stephen told me he'd seen the show. At some point, there's so much other than

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Jude: And it just young guy kind of like revising when I met him, and he managed to scribble down my name and address and wrote to me and I answered.

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Jude: He said he'd written to so many people. And no one has ever taken the time to answer him back. I was the only one. And I thought,

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Jude: You know, thank goodness, I answered. I got, I can remember the number 341 letters.

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Jude: From people

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Jude: Podunk everywhere.

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Jude: Mostly in the United States, wanting help wanting information and I sat there down there again, everyone I screamed, about two weeks.

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Jude: Later, when I got my newsletter going I invited them to that tell them everything that I knew how invited them to keep up correspondence with a lot of good

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Jude: So for me it's always been this feeling of what a gift.

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Jude: To be able to do something that

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Jude: Look what happened with me. Had I not met David in those circumstances that they did. I don't think that was serendipitous. I think these

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Jude: things always happen for a reason. And it was the right time, I had been searching for years and it and it would have come later sure at some point.

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Jude: But it was the right time for me and here's this man who revealed Himself and was kind enough to take an interest to invite me to share information that he had

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Jude: And that's, to me, to this day, what it's all about. And we say, you know, and I know we still have unquote poker, folks.

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Jude: Who are just, I've got one of my people writing for me now just started transitioning. She's 65 or 67 just started her transition last year and in 2018 and so we still have a new story I'm reading that she said to me.

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Jude: This is like she's known for years, which couldn't do anything family, the staff something else. But then the information she needed the time came together, which he could

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Jude: Be dead results in a divorce. Unfortunately, but apparently she and the x and our kids and grandkids are all okay about her being her but still we still have people today who

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Jude: Certainly big heard about it, most likely, but they don't know where to go and start, who do you see, yeah.

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Jude: And

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Jude: I also think the conferences I tried not to miss as they as they continued and developed. I went to the

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Jude: American boys conferences on the East Coast. When I found out from when they started the first few years. I didn't even know about it with all way.

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Jude: And I've been I started going and I was at their last conference, and they had a goodly number of people had they would still probably be going on but a few people range.

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Jude: For everyone

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Jude: The vast conference. I can't remember which year was very 2000s.

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Jude: I'm there. No, meet my friend Hawk stone. So were there at the conference.

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Jude: Along with a whole bunch of other people. And my wife and come with me because our kids were living in near DC at the time and she was staying with our adult children. My son older son, and I'm at the conference at the hotel.

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Jude: But going back and forth to the Masons. Well, that

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Jude: That the next morning after the conference started it snowed 22 inches overnight and the freeways were closed in the airports were closing the roads were closed and the Washington DC was shut down.

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Jude: And nobody could get in or out. And so everybody was stuck at that hotel, including a whole bunch hundreds of young people with no money.

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Jude: Okay, are very little money, who had just come for the day.

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Jude: Right. Who do you could not afford a room and didn't have enough money for food or just were there for three days are running out of food. The workers can go home. They were stuck in the hotel room with us, who else what happened was too early for the rest of its

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Jude: Of eternity is

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Jude: About 50 young people under the age of 25

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Jude: Where

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Jude: They did everything from still food and drinks, right into your nose to having sex in the hallways in the pool room. They had our orgies one the whole time during the night they tore art off the walls, a dedicated in the hallways upstairs.

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Jude: Just made the thing and no other hotel, whatever, have them.

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Jude: occupy their hotel for conference again with that.

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Jude: Okay, I thought, you know, well, just a few people.

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Jude: Mostly doping and drinking and then you know I like sex too but I used to doing it publicly or anything like that. And I don't think I've ever shit in the hallway.

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Jude: But

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Jude: But I thought how sad that here's all these people come together for so many years with all this benefit for these young people and you take just a few of them and it's gone because of what they did.

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Jude: The other thing that is going on.

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Evan Taylor: Operational the difference there and how people assume acceptable behavior.

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Jude: Yeah. Well, the other end. It was a part of what seemed to

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Jude: Be going on in the early 2000s to maybe like tech everywhere I went to a conference where I don't know how to put this there was the assumption by young people, there's less of that today. They're still there. So,

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Jude: You owe me You owe me. I don't need or want to work. I don't have to. And I don't want to, but you owe me being here because I need your information you need to give it to

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Jude: And I'm not going to give you anything back for it. I'm not going to volunteer. I'm not going to be grateful at all. I'm just going to take what you have

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Jude: And it's not enough. So, people began crashing the conference. They crashed when they had one in Vancouver, or W path. There was a group that crashed that conference, not as big of a group, maybe 20 people

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Jude: demanding to be heard, which is enough, they were allowed to be heard, but demanding to the interest for free. When I have to pay \$450 to get right. And I can no more important than them.

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Jude: Stealing again stealing the food that was are being fed for free.

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Jude: And then stealing the program pamphlets and other materials of people on their seats overseas.

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Jude: Right. What this stuff where this certain groups of yet. And they're all young. I didn't see any 65 year olds are middle aged people doing it this way, empowering this generation of

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Jude: Gimme gimme gimme

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Jude: And no, I refuse to do anything.

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Jude: Of any sort of help to you.

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Evan Taylor: And the sense of

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Jude: Community, the

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01:56:32.850 --> 01:56:33.180

Jude: Person.

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Jude: I'm sorry.

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Evan Taylor: Not the same sense of community that you would work so hard to foster to

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Jude: build those No. Whoa, whoa, and

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Jude: And that has changed a great deal. I think part of it is that

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Jude: Many they'll, they'll many groups, still don't have enough funding people like Philadelphia is free to get in great cost me \$3,000 to fly from my in my partner to fly their rent a hotel for five days and eat \$3,000

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Jude: If I lived in Philadelphia. I could go for free, but I don't live in Philadelphia and they're never going to change. I've been to the I've been to. It's called creating change a couple of times.

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Jude: I

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Jude: Couldn't believe myself. The first time I went, it was in Chicago. They were having me and I still do have a lot of trouble with Chicago cop some

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Jude: People color.

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Jude: And it was a the Black Lives Matters more to the hotel where I was, who were many of the conference attendees. They were very well behaved. It was well organized. They were simply carrying flags and then placards and chanting, you know, somebody cops hotel security calls the cops.

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Jude: Which just created, whatever it was. And so now this woman who had been organizing this for 30 years gets all the flack from the people of color communities and everybody else who support them about my golf.

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Jude: She didn't call them cops nobody in their group who put it on call the cops right there's hope and security, who come and the cops really did do it. They didn't Hall people they could, they weren't doing it.

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Evan Taylor: They weren't doing anything wrong.

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Jude: But it did create this fear in people who already had here. The other thing that happened is they tried to invite

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Jude: A speaker.

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Jude: Oh, from ice. They tried to the ice wanted to come to try to communicate and learn what they needed to do with people who were trans right you know that was their reason for coming. Oh my god, you're inviting ice. My God.

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Jude: Your audience, you know, the same thing. And I understand the fears, but they didn't listen to. They weren't even willing to listen.

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Jude: And how are you going to learn. They were afraid that if we invited or they invited. I said, I guess, they'd be arrested on it would be an excuse for them to arrest anybody they found there.

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Jude: Right. Right. Yeah. And that was, and I know that wasn't there. I know that people that organized. Some of these things. Thank goodness and if so they got in touch with ISIS. I'm sorry you can't come. We've got too many objections to it. So there's been all along this behind the

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Jude: Scenes of people who are very, very well meaning and trying to serve trying to serve everyone if they can try and to be diverse. I don't know. Did you go to, or you us path meeting W path this us path meeting this past year. No.

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Evan Taylor: No, not me. Last, last one. I went to wisdom, Netherlands, for

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Jude: Okay. Yeah, well I the US path meeting was here this year earlier and I was there and I was on

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Jude: The last day. It was a panel of is supposed to be three people on the panel and moderator and one person didn't show up. It was Marci Bowers of me who were

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Jude: The two vets on the panel, but

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Jude: They decided the US path committee was putting this on decided to pay for, they call them.

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Jude: repertory rapper rapper rapper rapper tours.

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Evan Taylor: Yeah. Yes, I know you're talking

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Jude: About yeah

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Evan Taylor: Yeah, so

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Jude: We funded, I think, was five, I don't think I'm 75 funding full funding meals. No BS hotels travel to come there and speak for the community and they wanted to make sure that they were people of color and they were

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Jude: And they get up there instead of speaking and they're nasty there hounding they're blaming, they're all this crap in your face about what's not happening for them. I thought you ungrateful little wretches here you could approach this.

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Jude: You were invited

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Jude: You weren't invited to be nasty.

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Jude: You're doing the very same thing to these well meaning people that you claim this happening to you every day of your life and i understand i mean i'm DON'T GET ME. I'VE HAD MY NAME CALLING AND ALL THAT MY LIFE, too. And it was very hurtful.

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Jude: But I thought doesn't anybody get it, and most of the people on the panel were educated young

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Jude: People who held responsible positions. Is this the only way you know how to present your, your, your position is with finger them in your face stuff and it wasn't met very well with, I can tell you behind the scenes with those people run the organization who are other Members.

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Jude: It's not a place to behave like that. It's like I

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Jude: Understand the bitterness and anger. No one should be treated that way ever. But if you want to negotiate a different way of being treated don't act like we're trying to keep. I mean, if you're being treated that way for the very reason you're acting this way. Don't, don't.

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Evan Taylor: Farm pigs in the kitchen.

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Jude: Yeah, so I might want to cut out a whole lot of these things that I'm saying about things like that, because if it gets out public is old dudes GOING TO BE TRUMPED under the under the mud.

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Jude: In some ways, I might want to be more or less direct about that. That's more again personal feelings that I don't often share

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Jude: But I see my mom I'm old fashioned I listened to my mom's old sayings and one of the most prominent saves was said by my mom and the other one will have said by Thumper Bambi spread

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Jude: Like

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Jude: Thumper said

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Jude: If you can't say something nice. Don't say nothing at all.

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Right.

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Jude: My mom said an old saying you can catch more flies with honey than you can with vinegar.

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Jude: And if people listen to that little bit of homily little bit. I think it's more relative than we think to how we present ourselves to people. We are more likely

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Jude: If I thought I was going to have a meeting people who immediately attacked me on what often seem like a more personal level and ignored.

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Jude: The attempt at least making some kind of peace or making an opening for people to be there and speak there.

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Jude: Right when the just can't resist be civil. Yeah, my little granddaughter when when Holly, who lived with us for seven years before mom got married again she and her mom.

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Jude: And she got so attached to me and my wife and when her mom met the president husband.

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Jude: Was about seven and she'd been with me almost six years. I remember her crying and wanting a group hug. And she says, Can't we all just be a family.

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Jude: Together.

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Jude: And and maybe that's my plea to is. Can't we all just be the family and love each other and take care of each other and look out for each other. And when we're unable to do something that we think we should be able to do instead of other mining

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Jude: Or self lightning. Can we all just work together, pull together what you know to have good things happen for all this i don't know i i would hope so, but I get a kind of a dreamer.

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Jude: All of my life about stuff like that. And I do see change. I do see I have seen change my partner and I agreed in 2015

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Jude: When the marriage.

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Jude: When marriage was made legal route to country that we thought we would never in our lifetime, see that happen. Right. And I've spent every year since this last election wondering what happened.

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Jude: And every day. I'm at my worst when when the news comes through on my computer or my TV set about something that the current administration, particularly our

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Jude: Trump

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Jude: Right, I just gag. I'm so angry and so

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Jude: The words I may say, would you don't want to hear my partner says, well, you turn that off, you're going to have a heart attack or another stroke.

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Jude: Here, it's still an eye out. Can we have

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Jude: In this country, the kind of viewpoints that support.

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Jude: Him or anything because Hello people. How can so called good people. If you will believe that tripe, and that rock in those lies yeah and and and stand up for it and people see. Oh, he's just like Jesus Christ. He's like the god god to us.

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Jude: Okay, I

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Evan Taylor: In the center blind faith. Okay.

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Jude: It is well, that is, the other is

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Jude: We see already what's happening in other countries. And what has happened in our own country before it doesn't take much more and what's happening now to shift the balance so that the law is passed that I'll be hanged, simply because of who we are. Right.

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Jude: Or shot. Get ready. Yeah, we put on this.

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Jude: And I, you know, I'm not saying that.

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Jude: openly and I think in some ways that worry will be there. Well, I'll go down. I will be another Joan of Arc, I will be tied to the state. I will never event.

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Jude: But what we shouldn't have to

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Jude: The earlier years

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Jude: Were for me were filled like I told you the ones I started doing a lot of guest speaking about coincidentally, then in 1980 I got my license as

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Jude: Marriage and Family therapists, I opened up my own private practice and most people I saw it and I was certified already a sex therapist and educator

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Jude: I did a lot of that for straight people and LGBT people about their sexual lives and so on.

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Jude: And what might be going wrong there. But mostly, what I did was counseling trans people, and anyone under the transgender umbrella.

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Jude: And anyone who was LGBT whatever who wanted to come to me for some sort of support or help or information. I will say there are an area on the Kenyans one of them.

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Jude: Those who relied on the that population for their living

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Jude: By 1990 were decimated right by the Internet. Now you information was at your fingertips. Because most people came to me initially came for work and I get hormones.

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Jude: Where can I find a doctor who will see me. We're going to get surgery. How long is it

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Jude: That you live as a trans person. And what was it like for you. Can you give me any advice. Can you tell me what to do. You know, can you give me support. It wasn't about oh, woe is me and I need counseling for my depression.

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Evan Taylor: Or right

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Jude: Once the internet opened up, I would say.

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Jude: The numbers of people just instead of skyrocketing. It went the other direction, even though you know appointments were hard to come by. When you specialize in that

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Jude: The wife, my senses of marriage and family counselor and as a mental health counselor and as a PA and as a Gretchen beach pictures. My

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Jude: Mother as a marriage of family counselor. I'm eating it was hard for me to be a family person and I never would. And never want to do family counseling with kids and adults, trying to get everybody to go along and I never did that. In fact, as part of my title as a counselor, so

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Jude: I and there wasn't certainly wasn't much other than sometimes some contributions occasional a small stipend from a colleague that would support me and only doing guest speaking, but the truth was, I cobbled everything together. I was still living in a house that my

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Jude: And a house that my payments were only \$206

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Jude: And I was making a lot more money than that. And so it got to a place where, oh, and then when I got my pa license. Two years later. Now I could make five times the money I made as a counselor. Okay, by being a PA literally

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Jude: Since I was getting by. And practically nothing earnings on a private practice. So I still kept my private practice. I went to USC School of Medicine. I was

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Jude: It's a two year program for the PA training. And then when I got out. I started working in toxicology device first job and then I did some family practice which I knew I wouldn't care to do because you got to see about six to 10 people every hour.

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Jude: And somewhere in there. And then he did some other specialties here and there. And all through this. So they may begin work.

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Jude: In California, which was very lucrative working in workers comp clinics where people get injured on the job and then they sue their employer for medical care and compensation for their injuries.

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Jude: And I work both sides, I worked the insurance side and it worked at plaintiff side. And they also did other legal medicine stuff.

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Jude: And it was lucrative we got to a place where my wife Carol, and I got married. We didn't even have a computer internet, it just started going off really big and people were using it to work at home.

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Jude: And so our employer gave us a computer work with at home, which he set up on a table in the bedroom taper off.

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Jude: We ran a business for about three years that it had we had the laws not changed in the circumstances around workers comp not change the first nine months, we did this, we made \$370,000 working at home.

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Wow.

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Jude: We had

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Jude: 12 transcribers he worked part time for us in their own home. I taught and Carol was with us within the medical transcribers so she

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Jude: We send all our tapes out I dictated all the histories and stuff I addicted. I taught her how to dictate some we put things we made templates, we did this, we did that to simplify. So we charge them \$85 every port. The doctor. They got

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Jude: 1200 and \$50 for the report from the state.

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02:12:19.890 --> 02:12:35.400

Jude: In our transcribers got \$15 a report that are 85 and they could do these for an hour, which gave them a \$60 dollar income and they couldn't get more than working in a home. Everybody was happy. Everybody was working on this now.

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Jude: And then kaboom. They changed the laws and we hadn't Gregor put our tails between our legs of drag back. We were either job. We didn't miss spinner money. We've got a different house. We had a paid cash for Dan that we could use that was on sale we did

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Jude: Spend for four cruises within a year, but everything else was put aside or winter. The kids are paid for their education or more education for us.

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Jude: And then we just didn't have the same money anymore. We had to go back to that ordinary pay a Carol was sick, more than she was well and then things got work that we did via form the 19

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Jude: I'm sorry 2003

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02:13:24.690 --> 02:13:28.860

Jude: Which was my lifetime green to have my own little corn and the five acres

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Jude: I had three llamas 14 sheep.

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Jude: Six boats to Turkey or three turkeys six ducks about 75 chickens. And they might say that I had three llamas to guard on I go to my land in the right side and and Carol.

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Jude: Two years later Carol's kidney

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Jude: And then the next 10 years was basically she couldn't work.

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Jude: I had to continue working trying to take your mommy animals.

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Jude: Like could have the farm and sell

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Jude: Their mother, her brothers dumped their mother on us.

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Jude: But we can't possibly help with them.

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Jude: For a year, and she was in that middle stage of dementia, where she was just a mean bitch to Karen.

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Jude: And I had to

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Jude: do my best to keep that

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Jude: Open

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Jude: And Carol.

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Jude: had several accidents falling at home. Had she had osteoporosis and broken bones easily

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Jude: she'd rather we're on an escalator.

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Jude: JCPenney store. Her mother missteps fell backwards on Carol mother didn't get a scratch Carol in stuff with

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Jude: meniscus tear

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Jude: Let tibia fracture that a fracture.

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Jude: And back stop Carol later she gets you that six months.

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Jude: Or eight months in a long they cast and someone wheelchair so then a couple years later.

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Jude: In

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Jude: You know, Carol had

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Jude: That sepsis in her neck and the bones in her neck. They were rotting away.

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Jude: She almost died from the census was hospitalized for movie period of time.

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Jude: Was put in a nursing home for rehab after that happened and

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Jude: Well, in a nursing home fell and broke her neck and nobody knew after six weeks.

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Jude: They should set to go home.

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Jude: They took it finally took an x ray of her neck and they found that she had broken her neck in two places, two, and three. I mean,

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Jude: See, two, and three. Right. So now she's operated on that one, and has to wear one of those Halo devices for six months to try to get her neck to heal the answer doesn't heal. She has to go back and get

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Jude: neck surgery through the front and the back and all kinds of wires and supports her neck.

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Jude: She falls and breaks the collarbone at my daughter's house she's constantly has these times when she's doing that the whole time. She was an advocate. Oh.

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Jude: She was at home alone without any help. Well, I had to go to work. So we still have a house to live in. So it was really pretty much how we get it. I don't know. Now, Chuck talks to me, my partner about some of the things, she'd been through her husband.

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Jude: Without going into a lot of detail. The reason he divorce her.

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Jude: He became psychotic had religious delusions. He thinks he's an apostle. He saw demons coming out of her mouth on and on.

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Jude: So she's going through all that well, Carol, and I are going through all the illnesses. This that family this that on on on

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Jude: And still we persevered and still I tried to do what I could you know within the community. And now I had the computer where I could do a lot of things behind the scenes. So there were a lot of the earlier even have to computer part when there weren't, you know, until the

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Jude: The F TN groups. The only two until recently, only American boys and gender Odyssey were regularly occurring.

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Jude: Things they really work. There may have been some somewhere else that I didn't know about and Philadelphia health came along later right well night and I didn't go to it for several years. Just because I could travel with Carol, the way she was and

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Jude: And I didn't, I will move into changing

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Jude: When I was telling talking about creative changed twice. Right.

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Jude: But there was there just wasn't you go and I will, and I W path. I haven't been since 2013 because I already have the money to travel.

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Jude: To the Netherlands or to Thailand or to now they want to have in China or dance and they haven't had it United States I did get to the first to us staff meetings this one. They had the first one and this one.

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Jude: I have gotten to a couple of see path meetings and I actually like what see path is doing more than I like what us path or W path is doing.

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Evan Taylor: What is, what is it that you're seen as the main difference that you liked it.

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Jude: Well, I think that the people themselves are more there's more camaraderie when you get there amongst the people and I don't even know them and they're very inclusive reading first time I went there as a member of see path I felt welcomed right at home. I mean, they were just

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Jude: W path has gotten bigger than it was. It's off in a different direction. I like some of the things they're accomplishing I did have a good time last time with them to 2013 out of school there was W path glamour and Southern Comfort all in the same 10 beliefs, I would all have

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Jude: Ad Hoc stone was going to come with me and couldn't get there, but my friend max Spearman, who's a psychologist in LA. He was that at one of them and so

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Jude: And then

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Jude: He had to go on to another conference later. So we spent a little time in Atlanta. I'm a Coca Cola got

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Jude: It. So I just had to go to the Coca Cola original Coca Cola headquarters in Atlanta, while I was there and get my picture taken with the polar bear and all that good stuff.

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Jude: Would you see like

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Evan Taylor: It says we're a major part of how you are able to access community and and feel that family feeling

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Jude: Yeah, it is. It's almost like going home again to me if I don't have. It's like, I get that. And the materials I drag home.

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Jude: Okay. And then if I can't get

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Jude: This here's a little scoop. If you

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Jude: From the very beginning, if I can't get to a conference, but at least now that they're, they tell you address that computer with your program is I'll pull off the program off the computer if I can't get there. And same thing with conference, I go to, but I can't get to every

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Jude: You know, because the four things going on at once.

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Evan Taylor: Right.

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Jude: I make I make up a letter and I send it to the speaker and I said I wasn't able, I was at the conference. I wasn't able to attend your session. Could you send me a copy of your what you presented

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Jude: Often they're very invested in their own work, of course, as they should be very often them successful with that.

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Jude: And so, yeah, it's like these pumps me I come back, high but I get I'm high right now just talking with you.

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Evan Taylor: It's all the information to really drive you in that way.

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Jude: Yeah, it drives me as if it's a drug.

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Jude: Yeah, I was like,

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Jude: I suppose my epinephrine or

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Jude: Whatever all those endorphins are just sky high. But we've always I've always been that way when I had those people over to my house. I had a set of friends that would come over once a month, we did silly things like playing charades only made it really complicated.

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Jude: We have a dictionary look up the most god awful words. We could think, try to call but when the nighttime King

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Jude: And the big parties and everybody had left the same core group to sit around I had big pool with fire at patio and a fire pit with sit around the fire pit toasting our toes not nobody drank nobody's drugs and there was no smoking in my house.

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Jude: My there might be 150 people there in the daytime and my neighbors only do I have that many people because there were cars parked. They said,

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Jude: You guys were so quiet.

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Jude: You know as because there wasn't driving alcohol problem that people got high on conversations and this core group, we would sit around there till three o'clock in the morning and some would say overnight, because we just didn't want to drive back on and we'd still be talking and

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Jude: laughing and joking and entertaining each other with just sharing information. Yeah.

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Jude: And I think I, I have to say this, if I were stuck in a place right now and didn't have a partner, I would have to go out and get that somewhere. And the only reason I can survive this. I have a partner at home who is is that kind of person who has interesting conversations and can

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Jude: And is supportive and and not that she never challenges because she does, but

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Jude: I'm sure I challenged her log but

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Jude: It's like a high and it's necessary, and I stayed pumped for three months and then where's the next conference and if it can't go. I am just in the dumps on just

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Jude: Don't even talk to me. I don't want to be here. I've got to do something to get myself out of this, I get a project Lloyd. So now with this stuff going with Margo having the publishing companies. She's supportive enough to as long as it's halfway

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Jude: She doesn't want to be

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Jude: We want to say publish crap, she's not interested, please. You just anything but she's supportive enough to work with people who don't know how to write like me or have never been an offer.

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Jude: To hopefully publish something is halfway decent that some people want to read that is worthwhile if nothing more than preserving history like that your oral projects, trying to

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Evan Taylor: Do something meaningful right and

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Jude: Yeah, and and and we do have self publishing. Now, which I think is a boon to many people who don't have a marvel in there, you know, in their, their range of friends, but

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Jude: But the reality is it for someone like me, it would never get published, unless I self published. Right. And so knowing that there is a

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Jude: That it can be and that will create is that it might be useful to somebody who's looking for some of this history. Now the luxury. You and I don't have right now is

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Jude: I can't go over there in that corner and run through papers to say, oh, here's security is that was the name of that new newsletter that I told you.

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Evan Taylor: That I'd be very happy for that.

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Jude: Yeah.

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Jude: But I can do that later to add to this and then you can just interject it somehow they say well, or we can make another settlements shorter session sometime, and here I am. Here's the stuff you've been looking for.

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Evan Taylor: Definitely, yeah. If those things come up definitely can either let me know about that we could do another recording, you can just, you know, send me a photo or we can

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Evan Taylor: Definitely it's like into the video later. So no, I

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Jude: Don't know if you've had, I haven't. There's a photo of Joanna and me evaluated Saunders, who was with the ACLU

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Jude: She was

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Jude: Not an attorney, but I think like a week later, and

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Jude: To other people

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Jude: Joy Schaefer

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Jude: And Candace brown and it was the first

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Jude: A LLC transsexual rights committee.

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Jude: And as an LA. Well, there's a picture I can send you a reference to get to a website where that is. And then I have an interesting when I can easily. I don't. You might have seen it, but it was a picture that was taken in 1970s

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Jude: In June, must have been earlier than June, because they publish it in June. It's a picture of the Black Canary Khan, who was at that time and out

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Jude: trans woman who had been a musician as a male and who wrote her book called canary and Canary was asked to do with an article for the leader not Playgirl advisor.

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Jude: Which was a competitor of Playboy things, but it's a smaller, smaller little magazine. So she did her story and then they asked her if she knew. Anybody else like me.

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Jude: And she did we knew each other. And so she interviewed me for a story and I have picture. There's a picture there of Canarian me sitting on the sofa in my house and I think it's in that June 1977 issue of Playgirl advisor. So I have that I'll send it to you will not recognize me whatsoever.

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Jude: It's probably the best I ever looked wonderful forehead dark, dark hair nice back beer and skinny hairy chest

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Evan Taylor: When I first saw you. It was that

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Evan Taylor: We didn't, we didn't meet her are talking all but I first saw you at gender Odyssey, which was not yet called gender Odyssey.

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Jude: Yeah. In 2005 yeah

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Evan Taylor: And I don't think I don't think the beard gone quite quite some quite yet. I think you're still had some good

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Jude: Will say I have a little bit of black yeah my hair started to leave my head about

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Jude: By 1977 I was getting really been back here and then it started thinning here. And then finally met the middle and now it's just moving down the sides.

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Jude: Really gone there's hardly anything there. My hair turn pepper and salt. And then it turned gray pepper and salt. And now it's white and gray because there's hardly a black hair.

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Jude: Well,

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Evan Taylor: I've got two questions that I would like to make sure that we cover and get to today that that kind of bring us to a nice clothes, I think, um, so the first one I want to make sure it run by you is

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Evan Taylor: Is it's how do you see trans rights and trans activism changing into the future either idealistically or hopefully or how do you see that

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Jude: I'll say well idealistically, I would like to see less

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Jude: Negative

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Jude: Presentation that usually don't get

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Jude: needs met. Right.

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Jude: And I do, I would like that to see that that people learn to be to negotiate.

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Jude: Despite

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Jude: I know we all have strong feelings. I'd like to see better negotiation skills. I want to see everybody at the table I proceed one inclusiveness and diversity to the utmost to the nth degree to light goes off the edge, frankly, and I have, by the way, this is an inside

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Jude: Some of the people like that and to agree to write stories for me in my it when it, when a stray little bit. I've got at least one unit. Who's going to write their story about

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Jude: gender issues at night, I have

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Jude: A couple intersex people for sure.

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Jude: I have. I'm trying to get a woman who's there's a group of women who have breast surgery after for cancer purposes, who choose not to get breast replaced

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Jude: CALL THEMSELVES flat toppers yeah we can get somebody there anyway, stuff like that, which I'll probably be digging for by somebody wanted to

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Jude: But I'm doing it anyway. So, but I would like to see that through out

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Jude: Period more diversity more inclusive it less the

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Jude: Less of a reason for people to feel left out to like got a voice and that goes for young and old people.

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Jude: The way of doing it is I said would be more like

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Jude: More positive stuff, you know, not blaming somebody else for your misfortune. I went back in my once I got my DNA my ancestry com shit I found out one of my ancestors ancestors as a slave owner

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Jude: I would never honestly I don't believe in it that I'm not responsible for what that person did hopefully I've learned from that.

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Jude: But to hold me responsible for killing Native Americans are black people or this or that or the other. I've never had the same attitudes, but I can't reassure people

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Jude: Because it's been so much done by other people. How do I erased that that would be my idea. How can we erase and losing. Can't we all just be and can we all just care for each other's if you're a piece of gold, I would understand to this day.

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Jude: My mom was an angel. My mom made me feel so loved and so precious and so good and so fine.

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Jude: And so much. Have a great human being that I can't understand why other people don't think the second thing.

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Jude: I mean the utmost of unconditional love.

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Jude: My partner doesn't have that she's close my wife never had it at all there was. Boy, if I didn't do whatever she wouldn't speak to me for three days. I mean, life was like can be difficult. Yeah, well, what if I could wave a magic wand.

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Jude: Then that's what I hope for.

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Jude: What I think will happen. And I'm sorry to say, is this backlash will continue much longer than it needs to, and it's already done so much damage here there and everywhere.

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Jude: But I do think will survive. And I really think will climb on the pilot ashes are dead bodies or whatever you want to say. And we'll go. We'll go a better one. With that, eventually, at least that's my hope. And I said, good luck if it comes to

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Jude: Go guarding my little piece of heaven, my little piece of territory or whatever. I think it should be that I've achieved for myself and my loved ones and hopefully help other people achieve somewhere during my lifetime.

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Jude: That it will be there. I asked people in my little study, what do you want to be remembered for

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Jude: You know what legacy. What is it that you your life.

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Jude: What do you see the meaning or what you've done, or however you then.

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Evan Taylor: You're reading my mind that's really my last question I want to make sure to run by you. So I'm not

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Evan Taylor: Exactly the turn right back on. Yeah.

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Evan Taylor: So, what, what is that legacy that you want to be remembered for

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Jude: Well, I think mostly just

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Jude: kindness, compassion is the key word for me at least, I think I've been capacity. I haven't had to work at it. And I think that's because my mom was the kind of person. She was everyone to her.

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Jude: Was family and she evidence that and everything she did in her life.

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Jude: I have almost to a fault, then that way sometimes my own emotional or financial cost is you can well imagine if you're sometimes you help people who will take advantage of that time or the energy or that actual money sometimes who overstay their work, or who

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Jude: Simply may be a pest in some ways, but

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Jude: But

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Jude: You know, so you set up what I was in instill them.

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Jude: Discuss with several different people. Hard to set limits with other people.

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Jude: Until I had my license as a therapist, which made me have limits right clients I was an easy

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Jude: Mark Right, right. Oh, you mean I remember somebody called me from somewhere. They got my number from somewhere. They're driven to California from Arizona and they'd run out of money and they need gas for their car and they were hungry.

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Jude: So I drove 25 miles. The two sacks groceries stopped just before I found them and got six meals from a drive to replace gas and \$40 for gas and then I found out that they were going to use the money for cigarettes.

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Jude: And I, and they were full pack a day each smokers probably spend \$40 a day or more and cigarettes.

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Jude: Not done that would have plenty of money you get back home and I have. Well, what

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Jude: My wife used to say we'd be downtown and somebody be honest trade panhandling and as I say she had had always reaching a person comes

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Jude: To caraway to do that. She says, well,

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Jude: She says they said they were hungry, and I don't you know they're just going to stand for cigarettes or drugs or alcohol.

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Jude: She says, I'm getting the money with my heart what they do with it. That's their choice.

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Jude: I couldn't even be as good as my wife because I still think to this day. If you tell me you're hungry. I'll go and I offer you food and you say, No, I want money you're getting neither one because I know what you're going to do with that money not

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Jude: Really to add to your addiction.

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Jude: But my mom and Carol are deaf those kinds of people. I give my heart right when I give them chips uncle used to say the same. You know, we say the same thing to his wife and she say don't you are going to do with it. He says all let him die happy.

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Jude: When user for alcohol or drugs, let him die happy.

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Jude: So I don't know the further answer to that. I would like to be thing that I'm a compassionate person and I haven't had to work real hard at it. So there is no

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Jude: The other part is what

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Jude: In the end,

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Jude: I guess, is there anything that I'm

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Jude: Especially happy about that. I that I didn't do. And the one thing, again, not one thing, but many things in terms of

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Jude: Being able to do more.

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Jude: Is being able to do more. I'd like to be that person who had, you know, we sit up my daughter and I used to sit around dream about oh if I won the lottery. This is what I do. I say,

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Jude: First of all, I'll take care of my own family make me

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Jude: Share my children financial education and decent home to live in. But what was left over.

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Jude: Would go to definitely my interest which is

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Jude: You know,

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Jude: Food Insecurity animal welfare save the earth. These kinds of things.

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Jude: For supporting other causes. I don't. I wouldn't never need all of that. I don't need 50 shirts. You know, like these stars have by \$2,000 pair of shoes and by six pairs of them because they don't have or one of every color.

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Jude: And what I don't even care if I have a new car anymore. But part of that comes with aging and being more experienced in life and what is important. So for me.

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Jude: At this time in my life. Looking back, and now it's the relationships that I've made with people that are very important. And let me tell you last very last thing that has nothing to do with legacy, but

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Jude: I will run that table joke.

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Jude: Is an address book I bought in 1988

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Jude: And there's no more space left and then I found out the other day to put in a new name.

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Jude: There have been made, I didn't. Fortunately, unfortunately didn't write it and cancel. So there are many, many Mark outs and restructuring of addresses and phone numbers over the years.

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Jude: But the thing that stands out most is that so many are deceased and I've written the date of death or something by their name.

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Jude: And I think even my first that first girlfriend. I told you about the under age one she died when she was 35 ovarian cancer.

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Jude: Gene, the love of my life, so to speak, is dead.

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Jude: My wife is dead. My mother's dead.

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Jude: So many other relatives and friends all of Carol's aunts and uncles are gone.

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Jude: All my aunts and uncles are gone all the grandparents, and so it's with great joy that I see that I still have

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Jude: 50 there. So Christmas cars, people who are still alive that I feel close enough to to actually still send Christmas cards they mean

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Jude: And it's the losses that seem more prominent right now than any gains. I will ever have. And the one thing I did realize and part of the reason I started writing and sharing information at this point in my life is that

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Jude: As long as your name is remembered by somebody, they'll still be alive. Somebody told me that once

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Jude: And so a generation later. For instance, I have only two little trinkets that my mom had

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Jude: Well, she was

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Jude: I have

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Jude: Nothing of jeans I had nothing that anybody else's

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Jude: I had memories.

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Jude: So one of the things that my goal is, is to once I'm through with whatever it is projects I'm working on now is actually to write their stories to not just a little entry in my life, or when I'm going to do my supposed to my home.

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Jude: Markets out but that I write about Carol's life as much as I interview the people that are still left

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Jude: Right about my mom's life. My dad's life as much as like

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Jude: And those things as well, because nobody else is going to do that when I die. Some of those memories will be gone. My kids don't even know the memories about your mother that we shared a lot of them right you know and and and what's important about that. Well, I really don't know.

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Jude: We

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Jude: Did you you start wondering at some point in your life. Did you did you leave a footprint.

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Jude: And

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Jude: If you did, does it matter.

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Jude: I you know I don't know I, those are philosophical existential

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Jude: Questions, I suppose. But as long as I'm alive. I'm going to keep doing the work that I'm doing. And for the same reasons I one thing I can say I've never given up my dignity.

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Jude: And I hope I never I'm in a place where I feel that I have to

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Jude: It's not sometimes, it hasn't been an easy decision to maintain that I've never sold out, if you will, I think, and I've always been me.

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Jude: Always know who you think i and i remember even though the day seeing a reference to pose writing a story that will go in this elders book. I have a friend of mine, Teri Jo.

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Jude: And in the reason I wrote her stories because I was very close to her, but winner curves sister in law, her sister disowned her after she told her at a 74 that she was going through 16, sir.

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Jude: I knew Teri Jo 15 more years till she passed away.

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Jude: 13

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Jude: At her funeral.

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Jude: Or memorial service.

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Jude: The month they sister was there and sister. Oh, I didn't know I was trans myself. She thought I was Terry Joe's therapists. Okay.

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Jude: And so she listened to all of Terry Jones friends and it was a mix of people, people who knew her own these Teri Jo.

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Jude: People who are only as Thomas and people who knew her both ways. They all had wonderful things to say about her because she was wonderful person and her sister said, and like this, he said.

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Jude: Well, after listening to you people

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Jude: I began to realize maybe I made a mistake.

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Jude: And I was so angry. And I thought, and there it is. You people

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Jude: For people using not a pronoun, but I don't even know what my remember all the rules with English with your call anymore.

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Jude: It's like using he, she or it right. Yeah, or that is an inanimate object or nothing, and on human

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Jude: And it and it's those kinds of ratios that matter to me. Yeah. So when people are so insistent on the correct pronouns and someone's not using it. That's what it is. That becomes in a ratio of identity upsell yeah and people should fully understand that sometimes don't

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Jude: And I can manage more with relatives that the fight, my brothers mother in law, Ruth just love me to death, she did. She did. And yet she could never get used to saying she or he

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Jude: And she often would call me Judy instead of June, we saw each other, but what you guys, said Ruth, do you know that you're going to get in trouble for doing that someday. They're going to wonder, What's this crazy woman. Calling this guy she

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Jude: Later.

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Jude: But it didn't help her. She wasn't being mean about it. She just said no me for so many years.

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Jude: With the other stuff that she. It was all she could do to make herself. She not make herself to remember the correct pronunciation but pick some truth to all this, I don't know how I one thing I know

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02:44:24.570 --> 02:44:30.900

Jude: I want to say that though I use my brain a lot. What's the most important to me is what comes from my heart.

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Jude: This, this, whatever.

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Jude: And in that way, I want to believe the final word I want to believe in reincarnation I there is more work to do in this life. There's so much work to do is config several lives.

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Jude: And I want to be able to have those other lies with the knowledge I have now, for instance, Chuck. And I say to each other. What would our life be locked out as a couple that we had met each other when you're 16

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Jude: We wouldn't have been ready for each other, I suppose, then, you know, the lives we had been back in those days.

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Jude: Right.

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02:45:13.260 --> 02:45:13.770

Jude: Yeah.

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02:45:14.910 --> 02:45:22.260

Jude: But what would it have been like, and you can ask all those questions all the time. The difference in timing.

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Jude: I, I, I would wish a whole lot of things I wish I could push back i would i said today, we were talking cousin, we're both chubby who were standing up there giving each other a hug. And she says,

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Jude: She says that about back to fat people

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Jude: Yeah, I had said that

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Jude: I am not overweight. I'm under tall. If I were six inches taller i would i would be

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Jude: So I said, I've adopted that is my standard bearer for being back

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Jude: On your

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Evan Taylor: Round is a shape right

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Jude: Yeah that's right round is to shake in our house, even our little dog is round.

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Jude: And then I didn't go into all that. But it is true that animals are my second club in terms of where my heart goes to and our little dog like many people who love animals runs the household.

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Jude: She's unusually quiet right now. Usually if I'm talking to somebody on the phone or here on Skype or zoom

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02:46:29.190 --> 02:46:32.130

Jude: She'll be what we call putti she does a little

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Evan Taylor: Right.

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02:46:35.220 --> 02:46:40.380

Jude: In your kitchen right but she's been unusually quiet and napping while mom has gone

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02:46:41.970 --> 02:46:43.740

Evan Taylor: Yeah, that'll change. So she got some

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02:46:44.220 --> 02:47:01.710

Jude: Yeah, well, we, I know you don't have much, but I'll go over some of the questions we didn't get to, I will also seek something that I have a perhaps a summary of I kept things. I don't think I was quite as driven as new sovan with I certainly never did journals like

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Jude: But I have I have kept shit for years that probably nobody else would keep and I've got a collection. I remember when it was I was going to go ahead to have some thing.

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Jude: Letter to phase two times ahead have at Stanford University. They asked everybody in the V anybody kuna program to get to have people in their life, write letters of support for them going into the program for the treatment. Right. Well, not to be outdone, I think I have 25 or so letters.

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Jude: Then

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Evan Taylor: On to know a little bit in the last couple of hours. Yeah.

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Jude: So then

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Jude: Years later, when I was going into a master's program and marriage and family counseling school is kind of something similar on only on a more professional level from people that worked with La, la, la, not a letter reference, but just the letter of support.

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Jude: Wow, you know I spoken to over 200 classes and least

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Jude: Having probably

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Jude: 60 or 70 letters from different from asked everybody I've ever spoken to, or help to do a class with or

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Jude: Or our creative class or a film or anything else. And I said, well, I need this. This is what I need you know it. Would you mind writing letter for me. Well, I've got all those metrics and I walk on water.

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Jude: But they knew I was going to see the letters they send them to me not directly to whoever it is, yeah.

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Jude: They did say nice things I did get some letters from people about the program like my best friend high school who looked like a little darker South but wasn't is married straight like Costa

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Jude: Hello.

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Jude: dovetail haircut or gene and shirts, mostly like I didn't we were close friends.

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Jude: Her response to Stanford. Well, well, I know God isn't a homosexual. I know that for sure and something else that was off.

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Jude: And my aunt. My mother's sister wrote one and said, Well, I believe that Jesus probably messed up because he was, she was adopted and she was a skinny little right when my sister brought her home and

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Jude: Look like she was starving to death. And this net and then maybe maybe that's what influenced her to feel the way she does.

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Jude: But that's telling stories other people's versions and their history of things I would never remember and everything myself.

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Jude: Yeah, so I know included those that are I didn't hold them back, send them all to Stanford. I think also the challenging ones are that are the ones that didn't

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Jude: Appear particularly supportive. That's a time

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Jude: That's, I think, in the end, that's

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Jude: That's another massive we can't always with Moses Abraham Lincoln be

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Jude: Right part of the time and you can't be this.

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Jude: You can

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Jude: I don't know what is.

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Evan Taylor: The time that you can

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Evan Taylor: See some of the

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Jude: Time you can do all the people all the time.

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Jude: Yeah, and and you can't do that as a human being either giving of your faults are giving of your mistakes that you didn't really want to make. I want to be an

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Jude: Asshole. But some people think I am. I don't want to be thought of it in a negative way, but some people do, and I don't know what I did wrong and they will tell me

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Jude: Probably this stuff and say not nasty things to me and about and I think. What did I ever do to deserve. But then that comes back from my mother's

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Jude: I used to tell classes. Get, get this, if I were a mass murder at the end. I was standing in that tower with my automatic gun and shot down 30 people. My mother would be would believe there was a reason that should be done. That's how

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Jude: Much she is protected.

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Jude: It's Jude did that needed to be done, and he did there was the study they did for him to do anything like that.

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Evan Taylor: Well that's, that's something that's really struck me about your about, you know, the all the stories he told me there's the there's a thread that I feel runs all the way through that and that's the the love of your mother.

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Evan Taylor: This gave you this ability to unconditionally love yourself and and be able to withstand with with what I see you know my compliment is with great resilience to understand the oppression that you have seen and faced and been subject to your whole life.

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Evan Taylor: So I see that I see that credit that unconditional love and how it's completely shaped everything that you've been able to do

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Jude: Oh, I agree with you. Absolutely. And the people who know my mom like Chuck me, my mom. She's still alive. My friends would call her friends from the south Southern states would call her Miss Lillian

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Jude: And and it was. She's a kind of mom and my friends. I've got some friends left to live that I grew up down the street from and when I interviewed her for my biography thing.

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Jude: She says,

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Jude: I can remember your mom's hamburgers why she made the best HAMP we always love it when she invited me to her house and fetus and your mom was just the greatest at Chuck too. And my mom was

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Jude: When I finally told her about what I was about to do, and then

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Jude: When I was going for the initial surgical stuff.

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Jude: And she learned about the people that met some of my friends. So, in those days, and still now.

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Jude: The people whose moms and dads won't let them come in.

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Jude: That people have been thrown out of their houses, who have no friends to support them on on. We're at our house.

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Jude: Or we would have our traditional family type holiday dinners and everyone was welcomed with 25 or 30 people there and when they went and everybody laughed.

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Jude: And and when they wouldn't be and she would we had time to talk, she'd be crying. And she said, I don't understand.

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Jude: Your people your friends are such lovely people enjoy them so much. I can't understand why their family did this to them.

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Jude: And that's just the way she was. She, her heart was open to everyone. I could never be as I have striven all my life to be the person that my mother was. And the example that she gave to me and I have failed and the end. I think I failed. I've done as much as I could.

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Jude: And still keep on trying. But I will go to my grave, knowing that

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Jude: The example she gave I wasn't quite to meet and

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Jude: You know I

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Jude: Her own mother was bitter and depressed.

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Jude: Poor

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Jude: At a third grade education. I think

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Jude: And she grew up poor my mom quit school in 10th grade because they had, they were supporting me close that he felt comfortable wearing to school.

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Jude: My dad was raised in an orphanage too is 14 and then adopted by a family to put them in, put them to work on their farm is a farmhand so he had this poor existence.

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Jude: So I had two parents who had shared in their childhood some awful repressing cold press in and just add a tour and then when they met in their 20s 1930s. I've just started

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Jude: Prohibition era not prohibition, but just after the prohibition, so everything was loose as a goose. So they had a grand time for 10 years didn't ever have any children and then adopted me and then they just turn your whole life around

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Jude: From being party party.

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Jude: And they had my brother, and then they just turned into the most ideal parents

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Jude: And we were poor.

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Jude: I heard some Christmases we got gifts that were used toys. We report and my dad was sick a lot and died when I was 20 and he had his first heart attack. When I was 14 and sick every year after that he had three heart attacks a year at least kept on living my mom was depressed.

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Jude: Very she became psychotic

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02:55:53.970 --> 02:55:58.020

Jude: From her depression was about 16 that lasted for a while.

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Jude: She was more depressed after he died. She was a middle school. We have it's 25 per year.

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Jude: And it's all those things, then shaped again my existence and then one last thing that you're going to find, I hope, funny.

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Jude: When I finally found out there for me. I did finally get to meet my birth family. My mother was still alive. I met her when she was 93 and I was 69

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Jude: I met a half sister to have sisters had proceeded in depth that I never got to me, my half sister put together this whole takes maybe 50 or 60 people and had a almost like a family reunion in a hotel to introduce this bastard child to the family.

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Jude: Okay, and they all welcome me with open arms.

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Jude: And

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Jude: And my sister told me that my mother had been a nurse and that she had worked

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Jude: For 30 years in a psychiatric unit.

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Jude: Oh wow, as a nurse in a Catholic Costco.

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Jude: And it was the same hospital with the story came about.

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Jude: Is that movie.

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Jude: A movie was based on the

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Evan Taylor: Jack Nicholson.

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Jude: No, no, no, it's not his movie as the other one was around earlier on it, we

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Jude: Actually can't think of what it was. Oh. The Exorcist.

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Jude: Okay, only the real person was a little boy and not a girl, but the whole story about that and the exorcisms that took place it taking place at that hospital.

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Jude: So that's why that's my mother's family's claim to fame mother worked at the hospital, years later after while she was there, but it didn't happen.

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Jude: So, so I thought, well, the apple doesn't fall far from the tree.

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Jude: Exactly. No. And so we don't I again don't know the end. I never knew that. I knew she'd been a nurse, but I didn't know she looked at that guy.

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Jude: And I'd never known that and never pushed a decision did my mother's mental illness and my grandmother's depressed and have what influence

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Jude: My grandmother's mother, the soul of the story goes with also depressed and her method of dealing with her depression. When they didn't have hospitals and they didn't have medicines was a woman would take to her bed.

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Jude: Right. Okay. Not to be outdone, and not to be unproductive she would take a clutch of eggs in a basket and put them under the covers with her to hatch the eggs from the warm body.

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Jude: Well, I might as well be used for something, you know, so he waved in again you weave in the generations of what has been going on jack and I were talking with her.

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Jude: Our grandparents were small children and born in the late 1800s. There were no cars telephones. There were no

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Jude: Cities, the way we know them now 50% of people more live on farms there. We certainly didn't have cell phones and the internet and this and that.

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Jude: And yet most of our younger generation that are going to these conferences have never lived without them. Absolutely. And as I went to a one room schoolhouse.

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Jude: For parts of two different years. We didn't have a bathroom. We had an outdoor outhouse, and really

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Jude: Well with the pump where you had a Dipper hanging on a string hanging from it. So you could feel the dipper and everybody drink out of the same different winning. Nobody got sick. Nobody died.

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Jude: If you wanted to use the outhouse. You were in the classroom. Anyways, one finger. If you had to pee in two fingers if you had to be

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Jude: So everybody knew what you were doing with the teacher when you are going to be gone.

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Jude: You're gone. Exactly. I know, but that was first grade, third grade first grade, I was writing cursive when they were still teaching how to print. I could spell.

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Jude: Most words that third and fourth graders couldn't because we had all these one through 12 in the same room.

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Jude: With one teacher. Wow. Well, the other older kids and work with younger kids too. And so I got to the I was pretty smart. Anyway, but

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Jude: I use that it just put me everything was about learning and these influences to and I see kids today say like my own green kits. I sit here. I wanted to take

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Jude: I know you're working and I know you have a child at home. I am time but can't you just take one evening a week and go to a class. Well, now you don't even have to do that. Can't you just go online and take some classes.

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Jude: Well, I don't wanna I too tired. I think

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Jude: This year, by the way, I finished.

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Jude: A certificate course in gerontology the certificate course in geriatrics

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Jude: To certificate courses in animal hospice and

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Jude: Palliative Care for animals to certificate courses for the same thing for human beings, another certificate course for grief and loss with pets and another

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Jude: animal companion is called all online at all through through reputable university courses that you can do online their college level courses.

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Jude: Wow. And I've finished my course with

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Jude: Seroquel some others to that have nothing to do with anything else but just me and a lot about some animal care to I'm not working in animal that is now, but it just means a lot to me again. So

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Jude: Really

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Evan Taylor: The only thing I was gonna say to you in terms of like looking at the the threads that I feel like we've been weaving in this in this conversation is

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Evan Taylor: There's, there's two other words that I think just really defined so much of what we've talked about and and that's both the word compassion that I think has been so

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Evan Taylor: You know, just any leaving your mother's example that's really

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Jude: led into so much of the work you've done

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Evan Taylor: That network compassion and then also the word learning and

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Evan Taylor: Knowledge. I feel like that's something very unique to to to he was a person that you're you're very eloquently

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Evan Taylor: imparted to me today is that the importance of

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Evan Taylor: constantly learning and and seeing knowledge as a as a fuel for life.

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Jude: Yeah, thank you. That's very well put very

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Jude: Summarizes and I and I thank him okie for that. I'm glad I could communicate

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Jude: Years ago I went to a conference and I had with a my wife and other relatives in my way.

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Jude: Not a kind of the conferences about animal this therapist and one of the gals came home with this book about translating, it's almost like tarot cards that he used him to identify your totem animals, the ones that

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Jude: Are spirit animals. And one of the ones. There are several that this all has meaning, I can write those to you because I think it's funny buddy and poignant

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Jude: Because they all the cards I turned up for my companion animals are things I strived to be have accomplished or wants to want to be and they all and one of the ones that made me cry was antelope.

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Jude: And Angela says take my hide to keep warm

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Jude: I'm you eat my meat to sustain life.

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Jude: And it's about this self sacrificial sort of ideation about

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Jude: Not only wanting to make a difference, but be willing to give that much, including self.

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Jude: And even your own life to accomplish.

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Jude: I guess better a better world for other people.

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Jude: And I've never been to a war that would tell you right now, if I were born male, and there was a draft where I had to go, I would be a conscientious objector I'm right. I would agree to be a medic that what that's it.

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Evan Taylor: Well, thank you so much. Dude, I've really just appreciate this conversation and immensely. If you're somebody that i've you know known around the community for

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Evan Taylor: The second I understood what trans was I knew who to patent was so

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Evan Taylor: I've been looking forward to this conversation. AND YOU DIDN'T DISAPPOINT ME THE LEAST I am very, I feel very motivated for the rest of the project now and very excited to just start to add little bits of the stories that you've told me to what other people tell me so

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Evan Taylor: Thank you so much as I'm most most appreciated by me and I am sure that the there will be multiple generations that will be listening to your stories from the archives for a long time.

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Jude: Well, thank you. I still made when they added a couple of those things. I shouldn't have said.

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Evan Taylor: Absolutely. That's, that's part of the process, not a problem at all. I'll send you a copy of it and and you can let me know just which whatever pieces you don't like we'll just yank them out.

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Jude: Well, I shouldn't say as

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Jude: Sometimes I say things and I realized that I just don't want to flap one so they can bad mouth me initially

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03:05:29.790 --> 03:05:33.120

Jude: Enjoy the rest of your day. Have a happy holiday and

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03:05:34.410 --> 03:05:36.900

Jude: I hope we have a good 2020 and beyond.

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03:05:38.040 --> 03:05:41.370

Evan Taylor: Thank you. I'll send you the consent form by words so you can easily add it

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03:05:41.850 --> 03:05:46.830

Jude: Okay, thanks. I'll get it right back to the other is, you know, thank you for doing this project. It's

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03:05:47.820 --> 03:05:52.920

Jude: Needed to be done. I have some names. I can give to you, probably, I have to get permission first.

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03:05:53.430 --> 03:06:06.510

Jude: Even though most of them open out i are the other alternative would be to give your contact information. Tell them what you're doing and that you might be. I won't say Oh, definitely, you're going to use them, but but here's a project.

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03:06:06.720 --> 03:06:14.130

Evan Taylor: Yeah, you were more than welcome pass along my contact information and if there folks to give you a give you a thumbs up, then definitely send their, their emails. My way for sure.

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03:06:14.340 --> 03:06:15.300

Jude: We have a good dinner.

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03:06:16.710 --> 03:06:17.040

Evan Taylor: You too.

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03:06:17.160 --> 03:06:18.510

Jude: Bye bye.

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03:06:18.840 --> 03:06:20.280

Jude: Thanks, dude. Well, welcome.