

Rabbi Dave

Aye, who be a wise scallywag? He who looks to the future. Good morning, America. How are you? I'm Rabbi Dave.

Friar Rod

Boy, in the beginning, old Ebony floor had created the sky in the dirt and the land was a mess with nearer speck of shape. To all, the sun shouted in darkness over the deep abyss. I be Friar Rod

But then. The spirit old God sailed across the water Sybbie Friar run.

Rabbi Dave

The spirit of God sailed across the waters. Yeah.

Friar Rod

I got my pirate.

Rabbi Dave

Bible. Apparently he got his pirate Bible which? We discussed at some length was that two weeks.

Friar Rod

Ago. Yeah, something like.

Rabbi Dave

That we did get a a response to that show this week and. It's pretty positive, I thought.

Friar Rod

Yeah.

Friar Rod

That's good about.

Rabbi Dave

Thanks for thanks for talking about that in the manner in which we did. So there you go. You know that that whole conversation came out of another conversation that he and I were having about.

Friar Rod

Alright.

Rabbi Dave

Apples new iOS, iOS 17 four. I guess it's not a new iOS, it's an update. And if you use iOS, you can now get show transcripts.

Friar Rod

OK.

Rabbi Dave

Which is a. Great idea. I mean I I can't. Say enough about that from that aspect of it.

Speaker

It.

Rabbi Dave

They, from what I've seen of them, they're really good. They're really complete.

Speaker

OK.

Rabbi Dave

But I can't find any way. To move it from there. To an editable file to use in any kind of useful way.

Friar Rod

Interesting.

Rabbi Dave

If you try to copy it, it only copies the first couple of paragraphs and then gives you the dot dot dot thing and a link that goes back. To the podcast. I'm told that on a MacBook you can do this. But of course. Not being part of the what is it like 1% of people that uses Macbooks? I'm. I'm lost. I own a MacBook. I do own one. I do too. I had this great idea one day that I was going to I was going to do this.

Speaker

Yes.

Rabbi Dave

It's gonna learn it. I even brought. I even bought a book. Which I have. No idea where it.

Friar Rod

Is searching diligently for.

Rabbi Dave

I don't know. It was. Right there. And I don't know where it went. About how to use magnets like that thick, yeah. Yeah, I made it through the first couple of pages and went. You just can't teach an old dog new tricks so.

Friar Rod

Yeah, well, I replaced the operating system on my MacBook with a Chrome OS, so it's just a glorified Chromebook, but the MacBook Air I have is 2012, so it's old hardware, really old hardware. Well, one of the things about the MacBook is they're supposed to be able to run the most modern, the most updated software, so. Yeah, you can't it. Mine was slowing down on the using the Mac OS. So right, that's why I replaced it with the Chrome OS Flex, which installed pretty well and actually it's going to extend the life of this thing.

Rabbi Dave

For a while, if I get the time and this will be a busy week for me. I may fire up the MacBook and see if I can. Get it to yeah. Because it would be very useful to have those transcripts.

Friar Rod

It would but.

Rabbi Dave

They're not in a usable format right now, and I can't figure out how to. How to get?

Friar Rod

Him out of there. Did it transcribe our pirate talk?

Rabbi Dave

You know, I didn't even look at that episode. Let's let's go back and see here. Let's see library.

Friar Rod

I'm curious.

Rabbi Dave

Dot dot dot what the frock, the Bible? Pirates. Ohh, listeners this week on what the IT does, but it doesn't do it in the voice obviously of course. So it did transcribe it and from what I can see it does a really good job. Of transcription. Now you just.

Friar Rod

Need to be able to export it right which I have not been.

Rabbi Dave

Able to figure out how to do. So if by some chance someone out there is an expert on how to and again I know how to copy and paste, I know how to do that on an iPhone. What I'm telling you is, even if you select the entire transcript and copy it. You only get the first few paragraphs and then dot dot dot and a link back to the. Podcast. Which is not helpful.

Friar Rod

Hmm.

Rabbi Dave

And it won't let you Scroll down. Copy to sections of it. So that sounds. Yeah. So and and of course, I guess I could photograph it, take a screenshot of it and import it to Adobe doing OCR. But you know, at some point it's like. Is it really that meaningful?

Friar Rod

Welcome to pirate tech. Talk with Dave and Rod.

Rabbi Dave

So are you enjoying the Pirate Bible?

Friar Rod

Yeah, it's actually pretty interesting. The the print is a little too small for me, right. I had a hard time reading it.

Rabbi Dave

Now the question the.

Friar Rod

I don't have.

Rabbi Dave

Question that I have and see. We didn't even get into this when we were. Talking about the pirate Bible. You do know that the LDS Church and the people who wrote this pirate Bible are members of? That.

Friar Rod

Yes, I I do realize that. And I do realize they have a different.

Speaker

Right.

Rabbi Dave

Corrected version. Yes. So the question is. Is the Pirate Bible based on the Joseph Smith Corrections or is it based on what everybody else uses?

Friar Rod

Probably but, but the reality is, Dave, if you're gonna rely upon a pirate Bible to like, you know, strengthen your faith and do study, I think you got some problems. This is purely entertainment. I got it for purely entertainment.

Rabbi Dave

OK. How big is it? Hold it up there so I can see it. That's not too bad, and it's the whole.

Friar Rod

Thing. Yeah, it's the whole thing. It's about. I'd say it's about two inches thick and it's.

Rabbi Dave

Thought the size of my Mac OS book.

Friar Rod

You know, if you can see that one, yeah.

Speaker

The.

Rabbi Dave

See, once you start using green screens and stuff it, it screens the backgrounds. It's hard hard to see that, but at any rate it Rod got his pirate Bible.

Friar Rod

That's that's small. And and.

Rabbi Dave

He's pretty happy. He's been texting me pirate messages all week.

Friar Rod

There writing. There you can see it there. Really that's correct.

Friar Rod

Yeah, that's the problem I.

Rabbi Dave

Have with a lot of things right now is trying to see. Stuff that's too small.

Friar Rod

And I don't have reading glasses. So.

Rabbi Dave

I'm to the point I'm going to point now where the most useful function of my. Phone.

Friar Rod

Is to take what?

Rabbi Dave

When we were doing the great washing machine shop, which by the way still has not been. Installed. Just want to be clear. About that. I would bend down with the phone, take a picture of the label and blow it up because I couldn't read the damn thing. So.

Friar Rod

Yeah.

Rabbi Dave

It's getting getting frustrating. It's also getting frustrating getting ready for the surgery. I was gonna save this. I was gonna. Well, I was gonna say this for the end.

Friar Rod

How's, how's that going?

Rabbi Dave

Of the show. But we're here, so we might as well do it now. It is getting better. But not as quickly as I would like it to get done. So I have my pre-op physical tomorrow. With my famous. Personal care. Private What primary care physician was gonna see your personal care. What so?

Friar Rod

She love you long.

Rabbi Dave

Time, Dave, you know, based on my last. Based on my last physical, which lasted a grand total of 6 minutes, I'm hoping this will be done by 1:00.

Speaker

Hmm.

Rabbi Dave

But. I've gotten into this. My head has gotten into this place where I'm expecting everything to go wrong. So long story, relatively short.

Friar Rod

The TLDR ERS, yes.

Rabbi Dave

For many years. TL semi colon Dr. yeah.

Friar Rod

No, nobody says semi colon in the middle of saying that though.

Rabbi Dave

They don't.

Friar Rod

No.

Rabbi Dave

Do they say Winky face?

Friar Rod

They just say TLDR.

Rabbi Dave

Alright, so like the kids, say TLDR. For many, many years I have had a. I wouldn't call it a heart issue. But my heart beats. Oddly, after many discussions about this, they decided that this is what they call a branch.

Speaker

MHM.

Rabbi Dave

Bundle block or a bundle branch block? I'm not clear. And what it means is. Because of the way my heart grew. The electrical current that goes through my heart has to go farther than normal.

Friar Rod

Mm-hmm.

Rabbi Dave

And so my heart beats slower than. Nominally.

Friar Rod

OK.

Rabbi Dave

Which I don't believe because there are times when my heart is discountable.

Speaker

Boom, boom, boom, boom, boom, boom.

Rabbi Dave

Boom and I can't get it to stop. But. Mm-hmm. That's another story. So this caused a bunch of panic. Before one of my knee surgeries, I think it was the third one. They looking at the EKG from the pre OP and they were gone. Oh my God, there's something wrong with your heart. No, there there isn't. But you know, OK.

Friar Rod

So.

Rabbi Dave

They sent me to a cardiologist. They put the whole surgery on hold to make sure that I went to see a cardiologist first.

Friar Rod

Oh.



Rabbi Dave

Which I did. Made the appointment. Got in there. Literally spent from the time I walked through the door of his office. To the time I left his office. Was a little bit less than 90 seconds. He looked at the EKG and said you're fine. Sign the piece of paper and send me on my way. And ohh if it just ended there. So a few years later, 2015, 2014, now it would be 2015. I have to have my nasal surgery. This one does not require a pre op physical. They just figure well, if we're going to operate on him even though his at the time blood sugar was 609. Yeah, it was a mess. That was a mess. We got through that. If we're going to operate them on that, then you know, who cares about a physical? So I'm on the table. And they go out and tell my wife that they think I had a myocardial infarction. And she's like what? Well, we're getting this weird EKG thing and she says you guys know that he has a branch bundle, block and bundle branch block and they were like, no.

Friar Rod

Mm-hmm.

Rabbi Dave

We didn't know that.

Friar Rod

See, they didn't read. Your file no.

Rabbi Dave

So then they decided, well, that's OK, that's perfectly normal. So we don't need to have him in the operating room. Waiting to pass. So there's that. So there's that by the way, my brother had to go through the. My brother has a A-fib something. And so he underwent a procedure a couple weeks ago where they had to paddle him, not because he was having a heart attack, but because they were trying to get his heart.

Friar Rod

Clear.

Friar Rod

Yeah, and it didn't.

Friar Rod

Has to straighten it out.

Rabbi Dave

Didn't work, so he's not real happy.

Friar Rod

It's like a control alt delete. Reboot.

Rabbi Dave

So Needless to say, I'm approaching this event tomorrow with some trepidation because one of the tests that they have to do is an EKG. Umm and I have subsequently relocated from California to Washington and this will be the first EKG I've done. That wasn't in the emergency room. When they thought I was having other.

Friar Rod

Problems OK.

Rabbi Dave

So. So I'm fully anticipating them to look at this and go, Oh my God. He's got a problem. Put everything on hold.

Friar Rod

It's a good talk to a cardiologist.

Rabbi Dave

To go talk to cardiologist, who will say. I'm I'm looking to see if he can break the record of 90 seconds I really AM. On the plus side though, the dental stuff is all all but done. That wasn't scheduled to be done till the 26th, but that's been moved now to Wednesday.

Friar Rod

OK.

Rabbi Dave

So.

Friar Rod

You're getting your root canal on Wednesday.

Rabbi Dave

No, it wasn't a root canal turned out not to be a root canal. Just turned out to be a remove the remove the old Crown, clean things up and put.

Friar Rod

A new crown on. Ohh. OK, well that's much easier.

Rabbi Dave

But that's well, say that, but. Look. I don't think it's a I don't think it's an unspoken truth that Dave has dental PTSD, and I had a full blown case of it while they were doing this. I OK came about as close as I've ever come in public to a.

Speaker

Mm-hmm.

Rabbi Dave

Meltdown.

Friar Rod

So laughing gas, do you get laughing gas now?

Rabbi Dave

They did not do laughing gas. I wish to God they should. I almost stopped and. Said. But then part of me took over. Again, and I went, I want to spend the money on. I kept asking how long do you have to do this? Cause if I know in my head how long this is going to take, I can steal myself.

Friar Rod

Mm-hmm.

Rabbi Dave

But he kept saying, well, I don't. Know. And it just it it caused problems. So anyway so that, but that's almost done.

Friar Rod

OK.

Rabbi Dave

So get that done. Get this physical done tomorrow, hopefully fingers crossed. And my my endocrinologist has already. Sung my praises to the to the surgeon saying, hey, is it his A1C is fine. So. Well, hopefully. We'll have a date here by this. By the time we. Meet next week. We'll have a date, OK? But who knows what that day will be? My understanding was that they were reserving a spot for me in the first week of April. Cammy is unconvinced that that's the case, so I don't. She's a medical professional and they know about her.

Friar Rod

What makes her unconvinced?

Rabbi Dave

More than I do. Because I may have misinterpreted what the doctor said, the doctor said. Yeah, I'm scheduled out about six weeks right now, which I took to mean. OK, six weeks from.

Friar Rod

Now so is this what they do? Like when they overbook a flight, they just, like, schedule a bunch of. Things and see what kind of rattles out.

Rabbi Dave

Well, they figure somebody's gonna. That's been this whole dental thing, this whole dental thing has been ohh, we had a cancellation. Can you?

Friar Rod

Come in right now. So you're on standby? Yeah.

Rabbi Dave

Well, when they did my nose surgery, that's what happened. I was supposed to be at 6:30 in the morning, but my, my. Blood sugar was like 360 or something, so they couldn't do it. So they literally had me sitting in the waiting room, the pre op room for like 6 hours flooding me with insulin. Kept bumping me back, bumping me back, bumping me back. So I was supposed to be first one of. The day ended up being. The last one of the day. Ohh geez, which actually worked out better because of the way the turn around was.

Speaker

Wind.

Rabbi Dave

So anyway, nobody's tuning in for Dave's medical history, so, but the same time, this is what's going on with.

Friar Rod

It's so the short of it is that it's sometime in April. More than likely you're going to. Be out of Commission, yes.

Rabbi Dave

I will be out of Commission for some time. I went ahead and signed up for one class at school during that time because I thought. I gotta stay busy, somehow or another. Mm-hmm. So I took what I thought would be a relatively easy class. U.S. history since 1865. Thinking to myself, you know I've been alive for 40% of that. I I should, you know, pretty much handle that fairly easily. And then I met the instructor, the professor.

Friar Rod

Hmm. What? What? What's going on with the professor?

Speaker

Well.

Rabbi Dave

First off, the professor and and I realize that I'm biased and judgmental. And if this offends you as a listener, I'm sorry, I don't. I don't really give a \*\*\*\*. Just I have this. Pre biased position about people that wear nose rings. And it's not a good pre pre assumption on my part. I just assume that. For to put it. The best way I can cause I. Don't wanna put. It the way I normally but I I presume you. Have mental issues. Well, of course she does. Her studies are about and I'm not making this up. Her her doctorate, I guess, was about gender studies during the Haitian Revolution of 19.

Friar Rod

01 ohh my freaking word.

Rabbi Dave

And I went.

Friar Rod

Because during war, that's what you're really concerned about.

Rabbi Dave

I said to myself, this is not going to be easy. So we have to do this introductory thing, right? You have to introduce yourself to people. So I made sure the introduction made it very clear that. One, I'm old. Two, I'm a cold warrior. And three, I'm a submariner. So I don't give a \*\*\*\* what you think.

Friar Rod

About anything. Did you use that term?

Rabbi Dave

No, because no, because that that be.

Friar Rod

Appropriate.

Rabbi Dave

But but I did do that.

Friar Rod

So, OK. How'd that go over?

Rabbi Dave

Well, one of the things that they ask you is why are you doing? Why are you studying history? And I have all these answers for one of the answers is kind of the title to my. My book someday that I'll write. Planting trees I'll never climb and I want to teach history. I want to.

Friar Rod

Mm-hmm.

Rabbi Dave

Teach my. Son, which is all high sounding good stuff.

Friar Rod

Oh yeah, it sounds.

Rabbi Dave

Tense, but the reason I put on all these papers is because I want to be a professional interviewed by Philomena Cunk.

Friar Rod

Altruistic.

Rabbi Dave

So if you don't know who that is, sorry. You should Google Philomena conk.

Friar Rod

I don't.

Rabbi Dave

Or actually don't Google Filomeno Google Kunk on. Anything it doesn't matter conc. UNK on. But whatever. And you will begin to understand anyway the the professor wrote me back. She said I had no idea who that was. But I went down the YouTube rabbit hole. And she said. That now I'm laughing my behind off so.

Friar Rod

A mockumentary television series.

Rabbi Dave

It is. She's the one that come up with the. Term. Dark ages, which I just. Love.

Friar Rod

OK.

Rabbi Dave

I I think that's the greatest term in history. The darkages, you know, the time when, when the lights went. Out. Anyway, that's what I'm putting on all my all those things that I I want to be interviewed on, Flamingo Kunk so.

Friar Rod

OK.

Rabbi Dave

Anyway.

Friar Rod

So so you actually got the professor to laugh at you.

Rabbi Dave

I did. I did. Uh, that's a good sign.

Speaker

So none of.

Rabbi Dave

This has anything to do with what we're. Going to talk about today not.

Friar Rod

It doesn't mean this is a total. This entire intro has been a total outside.

Rabbi Dave

Which is weird because I do have. Kind of an outline, which is, you know, as we've talked about before is. An issue but, but since it has nothing to do with us talking about and, we've managed to ramble on for nearly the entire segment about it. And you know it's. I just want you. To. Know things are going. Surgery is going to happen. I'm having anxiety about it. Because I keep the first knee replacement. About a week before I started having real anxiety because I started thinking the \*\*\* \*\*\*\* TV shows. There's a line in the very first episode of The Big Bang Theory where Sheldon is telling Leonard about how did you know that if a stairway is off by as much as a?

Speaker

Mm-hmm.

Rabbi Dave

Millimeter people will trip. I don't know if that's true or not, but I assume that it is because they fact checked all the scientific facts that went into this show. But I started thinking, what if my knee replacement is a millimeter off too long? Too short? How do they know they've never measured it?

Friar Rod

I think you know people have gotten along just well with, you know, prosthetic limbs and stuff of the past, right? Right, you.

Speaker

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Friar Rod

Know peg leg. Pirates, you don't hear about them tripping and falling.

Rabbi Dave

You don't hear about it, but you know what's happening. Anyway, so now I'm having that same anxiety again, because they're gonna rip this whole thing out. And put in a new one. And I'm like, well, what if it's off?

Friar Rod

Slightly, you should ask them if they use. Like laser leveling gear.

Rabbi Dave



I should I should ask him the the weird part is I want. To ask. Him like like you when you go to an auto mechanic, can I have the parts back? I'm debating whether I should ask for the parts back I did pay for them, so I.

Friar Rod

I don't think you. Wanna see?

Rabbi Dave

I have pictures of the first one being done.

Friar Rod

Well, you know David.

Rabbi Dave

I asked him, did you take the?

Friar Rod

Pictures, you know, so let's look at this. Let's think about this right. If the Egyptians can build the pyramids that were, like perfectly aligned and perfectly fit together, stone doctors nowadays can perfectly do your knee surgery.

Speaker

Even worse.

Rabbi Dave

You know, I'd, I'd agree with you and then. But then once again, I was on a. Operating table Once Upon a time when they thought I was having a heart attack because they didn't. Bother to read? My files. So you're not. You're not filling me with any. Anyway, much like the dentist, I'm starting to get nervous. So. OK, well and it.

Friar Rod

Was how can we help you, Dave?

Rabbi Dave

See, here's the problem. The best solution for this is off the table. I can't drink because of the A1.

Friar Rod

C stuff, yeah.

Rabbi Dave

So I don't know. In fact, I said that to them because she was threatening me with having to go in with the needle again to aspirate my knee, to see if there was any infection in it. I was. Like there's no way you're doing that. Unless I get a drink first started laughing. Just. Well, I can't recommend that. But I could give you a Valium. Well, a Valium with a drink would be a.

Friar Rod

Better stay with us. We'll be right back. Welcome back. I'm Dave.

Friar Rod

I am. Rod.

Rabbi Dave

Did you watch the state of? The.

Friar Rod

Union I did not. No, I just. I saw clips. He looks like an angry old man.

Rabbi Dave

Does anybody actually? I suspect that my sister did because she was. Posting about it and I kept wanting to say to her, why are you watching this? Do you not know that there's college hockey on do not know that there's reruns of Star Trek available?

Speaker

Mm-hmm.

Friar Rod

There's got to be reruns of America's Funniest Home videos somewhere on.

Rabbi Dave

I ended up with CPO. Sharkey is back on.

Friar Rod

I have no idea what that is.

Rabbi Dave

You you have no idea what this show is. OKCPO Sharkey was one. Of the. I I don't know if it was one of the funniest shows ever written. But it was Don Rickles. As a boot camp. Drill instructor at Navy Boot

Camp in San Diego was made back in the 70s seventy 6 to be precise. And for those of us that have an interest in the Navy. And particularly RTC San Diego, it's it's nostalgic because it. Was filmed there. OK, so we see US recruit and all the buildings and stuff like that and and it is kind of funny because you know, let's face it, boot camp is pretty funny. Anyway, when you get right down to it in retrospect.

Friar Rod

In retrospect, not while you're going through.

Rabbi Dave

It, but it's no case shell. But it gave us one of the greatest moments in in late night history. When? Don Rickles hosted The Tonight Show for Johnny Carson while he was doing CPO Sharkey.

Friar Rod

OK.

Rabbi Dave

OK, so it's the same studio. It's the same building, it's this.

Speaker

Mm-hmm.

Rabbi Dave

So Rickles hosts the show, and I happen to be watching it that night because I used to like The Tonight Show. And do you remember the pencil box that Johnny Carson used to have on his desk? Yeah, little brown pencil. Don Rickles that night broke that pencil box. OK, it came apart, and they had a big deal about putting it back together again, so that maybe nobody would notice. The next night, Johnny's back. And while and and the the key to this whole thing is, they filmed The Tonight Show, which is broadcast at 11:00 at night. They film it at like 3IN. The afternoon, yeah, so? Anyway, Scipio Sharkey is being filmed in the studio, literally across the hall. At the same time. So during the monologue right after the monologue, when Johnny sitting there, he's talking to to Doc and. He touches the pencil box and it falls apart, and of course the audience all knows what happened. Yeah, Doc knows what happened. And everybody's like ohh.

Friar Rod

Production crew crew knows what happened.

Rabbi Dave

Right, right. Everybody knows what happened, except Johnny, who probably knew what happened. Cause you know? Yeah, he's like me. He was watching the show anyway. Anyway, he he decides that he's

going to confront Mr. Rickles about this. And he gets one of those long microphone cables, those 200 foot microphone cables and a television camera that rolls. And he just busted on. CPO Sharkey, right in the middle of filming.

Friar Rod

It says you broke my pencil box.

Rabbi Dave

I guess you had to be there. Who knows, but.

Friar Rod

Johnny Carson was great though, man. Ohh God.

Rabbi Dave

I watched these clips of him and I think to myself, you wanna know what what happened to civilization? Yeah, you know, we went from Johnny Carson. To Bill Maher. Yeah. Who interviewed Robert De Niro, who explained to us that Trump. Is going to apparently imprison them.

Friar Rod

That's what it sounded like.

Rabbi Dave

You're not going to be on this show anymore. Because the President of the United States decides what's on HBO. Or Comedy Central, or whatever channel as he's on now.

Friar Rod

Yeah.

Friar Rod

Thing is on HBO.

Rabbi Dave

The President, United States, can sit out, I guess, at his desk and write out a memo saying Bill Maher cannot be on television anymore, signed the press. Oops, sorry, love and kisses.

Friar Rod

And The thing is that Mars is so concerned that because Don said that he's gonna be a dictator and and you know, these people take what he says so literally, which is.

Rabbi Dave

Hysterical in and of itself. But even funnier to me is the fact that. Conservatives, for some reason, think Bill Maher's on their side, and I do not get that. He says some things that you like.

Friar Rod

It's some he has some moments of of being cogent, right? But clear. But it's not. What are they?

Rabbi Dave

That does not mean that's under sign. Just because something is intuitively obvious, it doesn't mean that we could say the same exact words and have completely different meanings.

Friar Rod

Yeah.

Rabbi Dave

You know, kind of like the Supreme Court looking at the Constitution. And Bill Maher is the same way. He'll say things to consider that the concern is. We love that. But you notice he never comes out and says, see, we can get along. See. We're all one big happy. We kind of see things the same. He never says that. You know why? Because he doesn't. Think like you do. He says these things because he wants to use them against you. And when you listen to. This Deniro clip. Does he say the audience laughs at De Niro when he says Trump's gonna come after me? They laugh at him, and De Niro's serious does Mauer. Laugh at him. No, he agrees. In fact, he agrees he. Says I've said. That all along. So which is the real Mauer? The guy that says the couple of sentences that you like? Or the the guy that wants to destroy you. Which one's the real Mauer?

Friar Rod

The former pornstar guy.

Rabbi Dave

I know which one it is, but she had the failed soft core \*\*\*\* star. For those of you that grew up in the 70s and 80s and. Had skin a. Max, I'm not kidding. You can go. On the Internet you can go.

Friar Rod

Look it up. Wow. Go. Wow. Wow.

Rabbi Dave

They were not great movies. They were and. And by the way, he never got to be the stud dude. I don't think he did.

Friar Rod

Anyway, let's he just.

Rabbi Dave

Here's the here's the comic the plucky Comic Relief in most cases. OK, but but not. Very good at that. Anyway. The the failed comic or the the failed \*\*\*\* star failed anyway. He's not on your side. I don't know why people listen to him. I really don't. On the conservative side, I know and quit sending me clips going, Bill Maher says. We we Bill Maher, agrees with us. Bill Maher. No, he doesn't. He's saying things that you like. That doesn't mean he agrees with you. They're two different things and you have to take the entirety of him in context and the entirety of him in context. Is. Clearly on display in this conversation with Robert De Niro, who explains that Trump is going to jail them or disappear them or whatever.

Friar Rod

And he's never going to leave office.

Rabbi Dave

Right. He's never going to leave office. He's he's never going to concede power. Ever. Except that he did. Well. He he says he didn't lose the election. Well, that's not the same thing as not conceding power. He's not there, is he?

Friar Rod

Yeah.

Friar Rod

No, he left.

Rabbi Dave

So what do you care what he says?

Friar Rod

Yeah, it's, it's, it's funny how, I mean, and I do admit there's sometimes that that Mauer, actually, when he derides still with the wacko side of the left, which tells you how far the wacko side of the left has gone. Because Mauer is, is is left, but he is not as far left as. Some of right.

Rabbi Dave

Right. But even when he does that and we all love that, we all go. Yeah, they're those people are crazy, but he's not doing it for the same reason we do it.

Speaker

Everything is.

Rabbi Dave

He doesn't believe that those people are mentally ill and need to be institutionalized. He believes that they are their hearts are in the right place. They're just doing it the wrong way.

Speaker

Well.

Friar Rod

That's exactly right.

Rabbi Dave

He wants what they want. He just doesn't want to do it their way, which is completely different from their wrong. Mm-hmm. And you know, I, I caution people about this all the time and. People still send me Bill Maher clips. Did you see Bill Maher? He's a conservative. He's no, he's not. He's not even that. But of course, this was all on the heels of the the state of the Union address.

Friar Rod

Not a conservative.

Rabbi Dave

Which? I don't even know where to begin on state of. The. Union addresses. I don't think I've watched one.

Friar Rod

Hmm.

Rabbi Dave

Sense. Not in its entirety. I don't think I've watched one since George Herbert Walker.

Friar Rod

That. Booth. Well, this is just a stump speech. Anyway, that's what it.

Rabbi Dave

It's all right. So political speech. It's a party. Political is what the British would call it. Yeah. Which should technically be illegal.

Friar Rod

Became. It is, it should be.

Rabbi Dave

Because you shouldn't be able to talk about politics while you're standing in the well of. The Senate. Or the house, whichever was the house, but but somehow or another. The the existence of this whole thing has become so politicized. That we've even although I got to be. Honest with you, this does not bother me. You ever watch Prime Minister Question Time in the House? In, in, in, in. OK, this is awesome. Just when you get, you know, an hour of free time, you got nothing else to do. So the Prime Minister of England. Has to go to the house once a week. And answer questions. It's called Prime Minister. Question Time, OK now. The key is that some. Of the questions are tabled in advance. OK, so that the Prime Minister can have time to prep for stuff and.

Friar Rod

OK. And so he's not talking off the cuff and right either, saying we're gonna get back to you on. That, or they want to get answers.

Rabbi Dave

But eventually you run out of. Those questions. And then what are known as the backbenchers who have who are party members, who are either so new that they don't count or they've been demoted because they were, you know, problematic to the party, have been moved to the back bench? And these people have no sense of loyalty or anything in it or to tell.

Friar Rod

So.

Rabbi Dave

Them. Or anything and they can ask anything they want and they do. And it's hysterical. It's well worth your time to watch. One of these if you.

Friar Rod

Wow, the the British humor, you know, and and British Parliament actually can be a place of great entertainment if you want.

Friar Rod

Hello.

Rabbi Dave

Yes, it can be. So. In much the same vein, the state of the Union, since it's a political. Speech anyway.

Speaker



Mm-hmm.

Rabbi Dave

Has started to become this starting with Joe. What's his name? And Obama, you lie. Yeah. But we had new heights this week when. Marjorie Green Taylor. Taylor green. I yeah, I get him mixed up. Sorry.

Friar Rod

All like that in her MAGA gear.

Rabbi Dave

Ohh effect out in red. Which of course, everybody pointed out, but nobody pointed out that the Democrat women were dressed as KKK members. Started giving him Flack about. Illegal immigration. And he made the mistake of calling the accused killer of Laken Riley, not Lincoln Riley, who, by the way, as a major Oklahoma fan. I don't have any problem with calling Lincoln Riley, an illegal immigrant cause he's scum anyway. Yeah, the the whole point of. This is he referred to.

Friar Rod

Well, not Lincoln Riley Lincoln. Riley's a victim.

Rabbi Dave

That's what I said. Lincoln Riley is scum Lake and Riley is not.

Friar Rod

Ohh.

Rabbi Dave

He said Lincoln Riley and I agree Lincoln Riley is useless anyway. You say that as a Oklahoma fact. Anyway, he referred to him as an illegal alien legal immigrant from the well of the house, which of course this is what's got everybody. They're not upset that lake and Riley was murdered by this scumbag who should not have been in the country. They're upset because the president referred to him as an illegal.

Friar Rod

Because it doesn't fit the narrative.

Rabbi Dave

And he actually had to go on television, MSNBC, and apologize for this.

Friar Rod

The left will eat their own.

Rabbi Dave

It's absolutely amazing and I mean.

Friar Rod

You you have to toe their line. Dave, you have to, you have. To speak the mantra and the stay on the narrative. Otherwise you're you're gone and they can't really get rid of him per say that way, but it's just for their evidence to his brain. Is somewhere else.

Rabbi Dave

Well, and it's just like, well, at what point do you just go? Well, we've we've come apart at the scene. And that's when you pick up the New York Times. Now, I've mentioned this before. I do have a subscription to the New York Times. There's some reasons for it. One, I don't believe that I can be in this business without having one. It's it's just one of those things that. I believe. Plus, they used to have a really good sports section that covered the the baseball in New York, which baseball in New York is a huge deal now they. No longer have that. They have. Teamed up with the Atlantic or No, the athletic magazine, not the Atlantic. That's a political Mac. The the athletic, which is a athletic athlete magazine. And that's kind of become their sports section, which I'm not. A huge fan of but. For \$4.00 a month I, I can live.

Speaker

With.

Rabbi Dave

It OK. It's not the greatest newspaper in the world. I get it but. Sometimes you find things that so March 8th, what date was that? What day was that? March 8th. Would have been Thursday, right? Now Friday. So the day after the speech.

Friar Rod

Hmm.

Rabbi Dave

Fact checking Biden's 2024 state of the Union address this is in the New York Times.

Friar Rod

OK.

Rabbi Dave

Fact Check 15,000,000 new jobs in three years. That's a record President Biden quote. This needs context. He's correct that from January 2021 to 2024, we added 14.8 million jobs. But it's worth noting

that he came into office just as jobs. We're returning to after the COVID pandemic. So they point that out. Quote in fact, my policies have attracted \$650 billion in private sector investment, clean energy, advanced manufacturing, 10s of 1000. Jobs. Fact Check. This needs context.

Friar Rod

This needs. That's enough. That's another way of saying that he's slide.

Rabbi Dave

Officials calculated that number by looking at a public announcement of investment, not necessarily dollar spent. These include the chips program, the Science Act, the Inflation Reduction Act, 1 billion, part of the infrastructure law. He's counting that as new investment. Let's see. I'm cutting our carbon emissions in half by 20-30. Again, this needs context. He has a goal of cutting emissions, but it's not clear that he has policies that will get us there. No, they they Fact Check is is deficit. Then they did this one. Biden said. You know, there are 1000 billionaires in America. There are 1000 billionaires in America. You know what the average federal taxes for these billionaires, they are making great sacrifices 8.2% that's far less than the majority of Americans pay. Fact Check this is misleading. The White House study released in 2021. They used a quote more comprehensive measure of income than is currently assessed, but tactically the tax rate, that's not the tax rate paid under existing federal law. So under law now the top 1% of earners in the United States are currently estimated to pay a federal average income tax rate of more than 20%. So. But the White House has argued that its report is more accurate. Let's see then. They fact checked Katie Britt's. Response rebuttal, which was horrible from what I'm hearing, I didn't actually. Watch it. I saw clips of it. So. So we've reached the point now where? Even the New York Times.

Friar Rod

She's she's much better looking than Biden. No, that's for sure.

Speaker

Well.

Rabbi Dave

It's like the old Britney Spears videos. Back in the day. They are great to watch. But you wouldn't want to have to actually. Listen to them. So what you do is you put on the video, you turn the sound off and you put. On the stones. Or. Something else?

Friar Rod

Worth that watch, right?

Friar Rod

Yeah. I just, I just know that Biden was looking really old. He's just he's looking worse and worse.

Friar Rod

No, no. You look great, he.

Rabbi Dave

Didn't you understand? Keith Olbermann explained to us that he. Looked stronger than. Ever.

Friar Rod

Yeah, it's well.

Rabbi Dave

Which then again, this goes back to my theory about politics in this country, which is that. You need to listen to the speech. If you are a Democrat, you think it was the you're gonna tell me that you think it was the greatest speech ever. And if you're a Republican, you're. Gonna tell me it was terrible.

Friar Rod

I just, you know, I I. Just want a president. That where the the. The briefcase that's carried around and locked on to one of the Secret Service man's arms, isn't it? Defibrillator.

Friar Rod

Hello.

Speaker

Well.

Friar Rod

Come back to what? The frock I am fryer rod and it's now our time to talk about the WTF news story. So, Dave, I'm going to give you a choice here. Cute and cuddly. Things Korean. Or cult classic movies.

Rabbi Dave

You know, I didn't see dune this week, so let's go with. Cult classic movies, although this. I did look at the the Korean story and I'm confused as.

Friar Rod

Hell well. So the cult classic films. So this week, Dave 2 Ohio women got into some trouble. They had propped up a man's corpse in their vehicles, withdrew money from the dead man's bank account before dropping the 80 year old dead body off at the hospital emergency room. So prosecutors charged these two women this week with theft and gross abuse of a corpse, both felonies in connection with their alleged activities. The two women were not related to the victim, but lived with him at his home. And

then basically. The. One of them, one of them's reportedly with his girlfriend. OK, and that's that was something I didn't catch the first read through. So anyway, we we've got weekend at Bernie's day. If this is what it is this weekend at Bernie's, they're walking around with the corpse and.

Rabbi Dave

Wow.

Friar Rod

So I I I.

Friar Rod

Really.

Rabbi Dave

Rob, some of these three stories, so I did click on the Korean. 1.

Friar Rod

Of course I knew you would click on that one.

Rabbi Dave

Which which which again is. I I don't even understand it. It's so weird to me. OK, I I wanna read a paragraph and this is not what I. Want to talk? About, OK, OK. Pop singer Carina Issues groveling apology for having a boyfriend after furious fans accused her of betrayal. And drive to her agency HQ is sign asking. Is our love not enough? Now I I tried to follow this story folks, I really did it. It makes no sense to me at all. Near as I can tell her, fans are upset because. I don't know why. She had to promise. To heal the wounds she had inflicted.

Friar Rod

Which maybe something's lost in the culture. Maybe there's a I don't know. There's some expectation.

Rabbi Dave

Again.

Friar Rod

That.

Rabbi Dave

Or they threatened her. They threatened her that if she didn't apologize directly, she'll see a decrease in album sales and empty concert seats.

Friar Rod

Which is funny cuz she's actually in a group, it's just not like a solo artist that I know of.

Friar Rod

Right.

Rabbi Dave

Which of course I this, the Billboard says, rather than feeling sorry towards the fans, you should be sorry to yourself, who worked hard for seven years. You messed up your own career yourself. All your efforts have been designed by a single dating rumor. Are you satisfied? And all of this had me feeling like. Korea's freaking nuts, man, these people are.

Friar Rod

Well, it's it is a totally at WTF, right? Right.

Rabbi Dave

But then flashing up into this whole thing.

Friar Rod

Was another article which wouldn't.

Rabbi Dave

You read the Daily Mail happens. The article was how to get ahead at work without sucking up to your boss.

Friar Rod

What?

Rabbi Dave

Then I clicked on it because as a former boss, I like to know what employees are up to, right? And the whole article was about how. You 5 steps to to becoming all this without sucking up without seeming like a. Suck up, right?

Friar Rod

Mm-hmm.

Rabbi Dave

So is things like take on the jobs that nobody else wants. OK. Find out what you what makes your boss look good and do that. Well, sure. Seems like sucking up to me. I mean, I'm not. I'm not an expert on it, but.

Friar Rod

It sure so being a boss and this is what I tell my employees. You know, I'm here to help them do their job and to keep them on task and and to keep other departments from interfering with their work. Because when they do their jobs. I look good, right?

Rabbi Dave

But apparently they're just trying to suck up to. You man, OK. Which is what? I learned as I went down the rabbit hole of. Korea. Which I probably will not make that mistake again because it makes me say WTF. Welcome back. I'm rabbi. Do I have fire rod and I? Unfortunately, I have planned to do. There were like. 4 windows but I could have done. It this way. And each one of them slowly slipping till yesterday was the last window. And it was pouring rain here. Cold and miserable. I just didn't want to go. Anywhere. So I didn't.

Friar Rod

Say you didn't see dune.

Rabbi Dave

I did not see doomed to. So one of the things that is intriguing to me is that everybody that I know that has seen it has been thrilled by it. This can. But the general reaction, certainly online the general has been. There's no. There's nothing. It's it's not like people are going, oh, it was terrible. It was great. It was. It's just crickets.

Friar Rod

Well, so I think from what I've seen, there's kind of a split. So there's there's people that are familiar with the dune story that love it. They love, they love works on how it's how. It's. Progressed. And the the visuals are just amazing. Using. But then there's the people that there wasn't. You know, there's not a there's. I'm gonna say that that as far as the dialogue goes, there wasn't a ton of that in this. In this movie. Because there's a lot of visuals, there's. A lot of fighting.

Friar Rod

Right.

Friar Rod

More so than the first movie. And they do speed up the story a bit. It's a little slow at the beginning, but then at they speed up the story a bit. And then they go, they divert from the what the book does at some point. But it wasn't bad. It wasn't a bad diversion.

Rabbi Dave

When does Hollywood not do? That.

Friar Rod

They could have and what they could have done is they could have done it in the three parter instead of two.

Rabbi Dave

Yeah. Do you think there's a a trilogy fatigue?

Friar Rod

I think so. I think they're little gun shy.

Rabbi Dave

Kind of thing going on, yeah. I think they're, I mean.

Friar Rod

There could be a third movie, though there really could from the. Way they left.

Rabbi Dave

It right, the Lord of the Rings.

Speaker

Things.

Rabbi Dave

In three parts made. Sense because it's three books, yes.

Speaker

But when they.

Rabbi Dave

Took The Hobbit and turned that into a five part.

Friar Rod

That was.

Rabbi Dave



It was. It was like, why are you doing that?

Friar Rod

They probably could, could. Have done it in two would have made sense because there's a lot that happens in The Hobbit.

Rabbi Dave

1.

Friar Rod

Right.

Rabbi Dave

Not as much as happens in. Lord of the Rings.

Friar Rod

No.

Rabbi Dave

I remember rereading the I remember. Reading The Hobbit when I was in. High. School and being. It wasn't me. And then somewhere around 2009 to that, when did the the The Hobbit movie come out? 2009, 2010, Somewhere in there? And I was walking through the bookstore. And they had a leather bound edition. Of The Hobbit. 20/12/2012 OK, so it would be right around. So I thought to myself, you know, once again I can jump on the cultural hype here and I purchased this leather bound edition. Of The Hobbit. And I read it in an evening. And I remember thinking to myself. Why do people think that this is? Such great literature. It's it's just it's not. And I sent. The book to my daughter who I know. Loves The Hobbit. Here this is for you. I have a big a big leather bound in the Lord of the Rings. I've I've never made it past.

Friar Rod

The. It's it's definitely a hard read. It's not something. I mean, it's a college professor writing the story.

Rabbi Dave

First few pages of the second book.

Friar Rod

Is what it is.

Rabbi Dave

It is that, but then it's. There's more to it than that, because then he's actually. You're right. He's an English professor. This is something that I picked up this week, that is.

Friar Rod

MHM.

Rabbi Dave

Fascinating to me, it's Tolkein's commentary on one of my favorite books, Beowulf. And even that is hard to get through, but I'm slowly working my way through it.

Speaker

So.

Rabbi Dave

I don't know I.

Friar Rod

And see us. Lewis had a better writing style.

Speaker

All this.

Rabbi Dave

All this to say that. That's the first thing Rod said to me was it doesn't follow the book said. You know, I only made it halfway through the book, so. So it's not gonna bother me that it doesn't fall book. It's gonna be like, well, I wouldn't know anyway.

Friar Rod

Yeah.

Rabbi Dave

Although in this era. Of ChatGPT. I could just say the ChatGPT summarized for me the second-half of the.

Friar Rod

Book of Doone you could see that yes.

Rabbi Dave

And it would. It would spin it out for me, and I would go see, I'm knowledgeable now. Presuming that it gets.

Friar Rod

It's right, I'm loving Microsoft, Copilot. I don't know if you tried that.

Rabbi Dave

I fiddled with it, but I haven't. Really. Worked too much with it, but. But yeah, it's. I don't know. I haven't seen. I haven't seen the movie yet. And now I'm at the point. Where? The reaction has been so underwhelming. There's no lines to see it. There's. No. There's no chatter about it. There's no. Oh, my God. You got to go see this. It's it's on the weekly. Movie report on my local news. They didn't even cover it. They covered some other crap. So it's like, well, it must not be.

Friar Rod

It's it's not necessarily a happy ending, and that could be why.

Rabbi Dave

Yeah, people hate that. And yet that's the reality of the world.

Friar Rod

Yeah, it ends. It ends reasonably in the sense of the storyline, but it's not a happy ending. Feel good ending.

Rabbi Dave

So they didn't. They didn't natural this up then. The movie *The Natural* I hate that movie. Everybody that loves baseball loves the movie *The Natural* cause. You know Robert Redford, he hits the home run that hits the light tower and all the sparks fly down.

Friar Rod

Mm-hmm.

Rabbi Dave

That's not how the book ends. The book ends with him striking out. And you're left with his ambivalent feeling of did he strike out on purpose and take the money, or did he? Was he really trying and just couldn't? Do it, yeah. Not this glorious home run with Glenn Close standing up. And I hate that.

Friar Rod

Yeah, they they did. They did change it in the way because it doesn't follow the book. So there's certain relationships that are different.

Friar Rod

Well.

Friar Rod

And that kind of leads into the the rest of the other books, the way they left it off. So it's.

Rabbi Dave

I probably at this point we'll wait for it to come out on HBO or whatever and. I really enjoyed the first half. The first one was great.

Friar Rod

I IMAX is the way to see it, though I would I would still recommend seeing it in IMAX because. Of.

Rabbi Dave

Just I'm not going to Seattle for IMAX so well.

Friar Rod

The. You come visit me, we've got IMAX down here.

Rabbi Dave

Anyway, so there you go. If you've seen doing, let us know what you think if. You. Advice for my dealing with my anxiety. I'd appreciate that and by the.

Friar Rod

Way and that would be at WTF at what? Thefrock.org or face?

Rabbi Dave

Yeah. Either one of those those. Let us know what's going on. And on that note, I'm rabbi dance.

Friar Rod

And I be fryer rod.

Friar Rod

And this has done.

Friar Rod

What the \*\*\*\*?

