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 Chris Harrison 00:03

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You have tuned into after hours queer radio with attitude or continuing tradition here on KPFT 90.1 FM. The crew of after hours is ready to bring the news interviews, discussions and music here to the gay lesbian, bisexual, transgender community and our allies. We are a diverse group here, but we all have one thing in common. We are out of the closet and urged everyone to come out of his or her closet as well. That means recognizing who you are standing up for yourself and your rights and being proud of who you are. We understand that this might not be possible due to age job or frame of mind. But remember, we are here especially for you. So kick back and relax and get ready for this week's edition after hours.

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Oh I love to be queer. Hello Houston and Galveston in the world. And welcome to the Saturday November 20 2004 edition of after hours queer radio with attitude. I'm Jimmy Carper. I'll be your co executive producer for the evening.

 Chris Harrison 02:34

And I'm Chris Harrison, the other co executive producer. Yeah.



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Yes, let's say okay. I'm going to start out right now. Because the music it talks about the music. Forget Yeah,



c Chris Harrison 02:45

come on. I've already been having chest pain. So you're trying to put me over the edge.



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Oh, you have you have discovered my nefarious plans. Because you've been over the edge a long time. Anyway. The first one that I played was a brand new Noreen Braun. And it's called conformity 451 Kind of, wow, kind of a protest song and they're going and then Houston's own Houston bride band, their 25th anniversary concert, did things like old times, I really liked that cut. So let's see what's going on in the community. Oh, if any of you remember that interview that we did last month, two weeks ago. Oh, so I'm just saying Buka sister. No, it was last week was



c Chris Harrison 03:39

the very last week because the one I was downloading. I was. I was downloading last week show. Yeah, it was. Okay. Unfortunately, Jimmy once or twice since?



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Only once. Anyway, their show is tomorrow, Sunday, Sunday, Sunday, November 21. Starting at 5pm at the BRB. This year's benefactors will be stone soup and the colt 45 eighths trouble fund that this will be the first year to have a silent auction. Who cool. I like that.



c Chris Harrison 04:14

I don't think I excited you know after meeting the San Buka sisters. I don't know anything about them that can be considered silent. Oh,



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that's true. That's true. And also the crew of the moons of Uranus will be providing Moon burgers and crew dogs out on the patio to help the Sambuca sisters raise funds. Are you scared?



c Chris Harrison 04:38

Moon burgers Yeah. Other bars that are known Warren Moon burger like



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I said last week that's where they make the patty they sit on them. What was that? About every time but there's this little ridge down the center and



Bobby 04:55

anyway, I walk into the studio at the strangest moment. Yes



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you do. Yes. You do actually, they've burned. Well, they should burn that interview. No, they put it on the CD. And that interview that we did last week. They're going to open the show with it. Oh, be afraid, very afraid. But that was a lot



Chris Harrison 05:18

of fun. Oh, yeah, it was.



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You've got to admit, so I'm gonna be there. Five o'clock. BRB. Sunday, Sunday, Sunday. Yes, indeedy. Let's see what else is going on? I see Rach Imperial Court of Houston had the cotillion this evening and I want to congratulate the new line of succession. too numerous to mention, and I wouldn't get it right. I wasn't taking notes. Okay. But I am a baron



Chris Harrison 05:50

Baron Vaughn.



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Hey.



Bobby 05:54

Sure. That's not Baroness

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Jimmy Carper 05:55

No, that's the title I wanted to. Oh, but next week, November 27. At EJ's Eartha and Shawn will be holding a show named Christmas in Africa. This is a benefit for children with AIDS. And Sarah Sholander will be your host holding a show on December the fourth at EJ's. Both shows should start eight ish you know drag queen. Okay. Then if it isn't enough Wow. sambucus are doing show at five but I see oh H is doing bartending this Sunday, Sunday, Sunday Sunday. At EJ is at three huh? Wow. Are Kroll Barker. I know I know. And they're going to be doing hamburgers there too. So before you can get your fill of meat this weekend, I'll tell you how to

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make the patties with the contest winner over there. Which means she's probably too light to flatten.

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Better cook those well done. Anyway, mark your calendars for the Thanksgiving recovery show at Mary's on November 28. Hosted by Montana Summers and Jessica van Shelton. The show along with half of Montana Saturday night bartending tips for the month of November will benefit pause Houston so please remember to visit Montana every Saturday night to like well no, it isn't too late. Is it know that you still got to? Yeah, there you go. Get over there. Get over there. Over at Mary's at 1022 West time Westheimer and anyway, this is the Thanksgiving recovery show and they were on 28th Eight o'clock Mary's and be there now if you've got some change in your in your some big change in your wallet. A Christmas song fest presents a Christmas in New England this is benefiting the Montrose Counseling Center and the Houston challenge foundation. This is being held Sunday Sunday Sunday December the fifth from 530 to 930 at the Edwin Hornberger conference center 2151 West Holcomb Boulevard casual attire, I can say the amount because it's charity. It's \$50. It's a bit pricey but you will get a very professional show because we've got music by Jerry Atwood for number one. Tiana Hall Mark Howard Tommy Lee Jackson, Glenda McGinnis Sharon Montgomery, Terry Pierce and our favorite here at after hours Marcy Ray yay mercy ray. So that's that you know I know you've got a bunch I

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Chris Harrison 09:02

was trying to figure out who you're saying our favorite was because we have so it didn't sound like you know the bootlickers we're going to be performing at this and you've been playing them a lot Yes.

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By her other name oh sweet mama cotton. Yes.

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Chris Harrison 09:17

Paws used to now has his own custom Christmas cards created exclusively for paws by well known Houston artists Kermit Eisen hut. The card only available from Paul's Houston key features currents classic style and his signature signature vibrant colors. The holiday cards are in packs of six for \$10. And or if you're looking for that perfect gift for someone who has everything just make a donation to pause Houston in someone's name, and they'll give you a card for a minimum donation of 15. All proceeds from the cars will benefit pause Houston. For more information you can contact us check out their website pause Houston dot O R G for more More information we're supposed to be the poster one Oh yeah, okay



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yeah cuz that's a big event every year in this room our friends over at Landmark landmark theatres Yeah,



c Chris Harrison 10:16

November is rapidly ending which means Christmas whether you're ready or not is right around the corner. Mom Dad easy buys but for that odd film fanatic in the family you need to reach deep down swallow your pride and purchase a movie poster. Why a poster just think the joy he or she will have on their face when you hand them their own authentic movie title movie poster of insert movie title here.



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I see.



c Chris Harrison 10:40

Insert I probably should have went robot authentic movie poster. Insert movie title here. I'm gonna get



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back 10 years.



c Chris Harrison 10:56

Sorry, I don't have the hair than that. I may have the hips for him. But I don't have the hairline for Mr. Lewis. Certainly. Don't worry, no poster over \$20 Oh, it doesn't say it's for charity. So oops. We discussed movies and tokens last night. Wonderful discussion.



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Paul Reubens.



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No, but that's a thought. Especially when we start talking about the meat wreck later on in the show.



Chris Harrison 11:29

This is on Saturday, December 4 at landmarks River Oaks theater from 11am to 5pm. Some of the Midnight movies over at the



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Yeah. I lost I lost it. I lost the Diet Coke here somewhere along the line. went somewhere.



Chris Harrison 11:51

Some of the Midnight movies what's coming up? What's next week? What is today



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today is the 20/20



Chris Harrison 12:00

Okay, we've missed that. Oh, Clockwork Orange next Friday and Saturday night at midnight. Stanley Kubrick's nightmarish satiric horror of a show has lost none of its power to shock. Oh, and that would be great on the big screen. Yeah, Mr. Willy Wonka on the big screen of the poster. I see. And that said all at the landmark River Oaks which is yeah, 2009 West grey. Also with December right around the corner. It's World AIDS Day. Yes, it



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is December the first December 1.



Chris Harrison 12:37

Some of the things will be going on the health department will be preventing what presenting, preventing Okay. A display of HIV information in the lobby of its building at 1000 North Stadium. The Thomas Street Clinic invites people to bring ornaments to honor friends and

family lost to aids for a tree of remembrance. Starting at 10am, the Houston GLBT community center we'll also have a tree continuing continuing the annual tradition took over from



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names project. Yes, I'm so glad they're doing that too.



c Chris Harrison 13:10

There will be an HIV information fair at the Thomas Street Clinic from 10 to two. There'll be a Latino information event, which is Fundacion Latino, I'm going to kind of comb through it, it'll see that I think I screwed up. I think I think I screwed up the first one there. I



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think you're Hispanic by injection.



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That would be the accurate know,



B Bobby 13:37

is that an injection or insertion?



c Chris Harrison 13:42

The closest the closest to claim injection there, I'd have to be able to start speaking Asian. We'll be hosting from 10am to 2pm. And it'll be at the Mexican consulate. And the big event is going to be at Yes. At rice Memorial Center grand hall. Starting on Tuesday, November 30. The AIDS Memorial Quilt will be unfolded. Oh that's great. Starting at 8pm.



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It's still here, folks.



c Chris Harrison 14:14

The Quilt display will be on display from Tuesday the 30th to Friday, December the third. Tuesdays from eight to 11pm. Wednesday and Thursday it's 11am to 11pm and Fridays 11am to 5pm. Good For more information, check out the website of www.rice.edu/service and that's

brought to you by the Community Involvement Center Wellness Center, office of Vice President of Student Affairs and the coalition of student health organizations. And also the pride organization at Rice will be distributing red ribbons. Nice and see when I think here if you're more into the religious side of it ah worship services will be held at Grace Lutheran Church and New Covenant Christian Church at seven. Whether that ecumenical service at Grace, obvious will participate in the 7pm mass at All Saints Church. And then on the second, there will be a candlelight vigil hosted by global on the University of Houston campus. And they'll be screening the movie and the band played on



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Oh, that's a great fit. Yes, it is.



c Chris Harrison 15:29

So, and you can find out more information on some of the A events for World AIDS Day in this month outsmart magazine on page 16. Yes, because that's



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what we're reading it from. Okay, we're lazy. Well, anyway, Joe was supposed to be here. Has there been any jewel sightings? No. Okay, well, here it is. First of all, I want to thank everyone who made a pledge of support for after hours in the last two weeks are meant for me ship drive. We thank you very, very much. We went over our goal. And that's always nice, always nice. We liked we liked that. We really liked that. But a couple of weeks ago, I was listening to Joe Montez show. And he always plays tennis. And you know, I haven't played Janice in a very, very long time. And this is he played this particular song because he he thought it was probably the best version he had ever heard. And I have to agree. So from our favorite bisexual Port Arthur gal, Janis Joplin Here we go. You're listening to it on after hours queer radio with attitude.



c Chris Harrison 16:52

Heard on listener sponsored commercial free Pacifica radio for the Gulf Coast. KPFT 90.1 FM Houston 89.5 Galveston and always the World Wide Web KPFT dot o RG.



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Man, that is so good. Kelly gray. She is from Houston. Kelly Gray from her CD called standards. And that is my favorite version of since I fail, because I played Joe Montez favorite version of little girl blew by Janis Joplin. So I thought those two work together very, very, very well. Well, we have not had a jewel sign. No, we haven't. But there's a Debbie sighting. There certainly is. High and it was we were talking about what we might do even with jewel because jewel raises has is raising a child. And it's talking about trials and tribulations in GLBT people raising children.

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Jimmy Carper 18:09

Absolutely. That's a big, big thing. You mean, being a parent period is hard. And you are absolutely I have two daughters. And you are I'm Debbie Debbie

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I'm sorry. Chris is back. And we've got rainbow we've got Bobby and we've got Scott and

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Chris Harrison 18:31

John boy and yeah.

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And so I don't know what what those turtle points can contribute to this but hey

J

Jimmy Carper 18:41

I'm sure they have nephews

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and nieces and nephews. That's right.

B

Bobby 18:47

That's in my in my capacity as Papa Merle and I seem to raise a lot of kids.

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Yes. It doesn't matter of fact, you populate the roundtable here. With with Yes. Briggs? No, it's got speeded up. They've been dropping off for the past couple of weeks.

B

Bobby 19:04

You know, they're young, you have to train them, right. Yeah. Takes a while.

C

Chris Harrison 19:09

— Yeah, you need to find more of the tired old queens who aren't getting any they stick around.

♀ 19:12

What When did you guys go in there?

Chris Harrison 19:15

Come check it in there. You want to kinda I know it's a female and maybe a little scary, but

Bobby 19:22

there's nothing scary about her.

J Jimmy Carper 19:24

Thank you.

♀ 19:27

She is wonderful. Fabulous. Yes, she is. Whoa, that's noisy. Oh, sorry. Is that me? That's okay.

Rainbo de Clown 19:35

That's a no chewing gum.

♀ 19:37

No, no eating potato chip

Bobby 19:39

Darnay

Chris Harrison 19:43

driven up headphones in there for everybody.

Bobby 19:46

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Bobby 19:40

Oh, we just got to plug somebody in. I'm plugging

 J

Jimmy Carper 19:48

them in. All right.

 P

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I can hear plug baby plug.

 P

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No breathing into the microphone. Thank you very much.

 B

Bobby 19:57

Hey, don't bag it is not here.

 P

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Not The big Roy,

 R

Rainbo de Clown 20:02

we're practicing a promo.

 P

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Well, we're also not all trying to swallow the microphone.

 B

Bobby 20:11

Doesn't have to be trying to swallow the microphone to sound like that.

 J

Jimmy Carper 20:17

I'm here to defend themselves.



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You've got a two pronged not problem. No, no,



c Chris Harrison 20:27

no two pronged. Well, I'm



J Jimmy Carper 20:31

not a problem. I'm sorry. That's an asset.



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That's on the other side.



c Chris Harrison 20:39

They're only an asset when they really drew



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when you start buying your bras, and 30



R Rainbo de Clown 20:46

I think this conversation God from



c Chris Harrison 20:50

I believe, Jimmy trying to be serious for



B Bobby 20:54

one who brought us in here don't complain.



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Okay. Well, yeah. What what I'm, what I'm meaning is that you are raising a child, and you're also a recent transplant to Houston. So you're raising a child in the city you're not familiar with?

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Oh, my God. Right woman?

J

Jimmy Carper 21:16

I'm actually we're transplanted from New York, which is like a culture shock when you move down here.

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Upstate New York? No, actually

J

Jimmy Carper 21:23

from Long Island.

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Oh, my God.

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Bobby 21:27

My neck of the woods. Yes, yes,

J

Jimmy Carper 21:28

that's right. From

R

Rainbo de Clown 21:30

the north shore of the big city to the little city

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I grew up on.

J

Jimmy Carper 21:34

Actually, it was a little city because I wasn't even in the city to the country, where my neighbors

are cows

R Rainbo de Clown 21:41

that have cows.

B Bobby 21:43

They have cows. No, he's

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talking, she's talking about the neighbors.

J Jimmy Carper 21:50

Got cows, where we live. So it's been it's been a culture shock, not just in the way that, you know, coming from the city to the country, but in population wise, and people and the way they think and, you know, the slower pace, pace and just, you know, I'm also working for an agency, which is not very opening, accepting to the GBL. T. Community.

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And that may be that may be kind of strange to you to.

J Jimmy Carper 22:23

Actually it's it was it strange, it was strange for my daughter. For my little one. I actually have two two kids. I have one that just turned 21. Oh, my Yes. And my little one just turned 14, two girls. They're still with you. Actually, my little one is my oldest state New York. Okay. That was her choice.

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I can understand. Yep. I would love to. It was

J Jimmy Carper 22:44

scary. It was scary. Leave her there. Because I'm not even in the same state. Yeah, you know, so it was kind of hard. And she's working and going to school and doing all that. And, ah, my partner in crime just walked in. She should be over here next to me. So it has been it has been

different. Let's put it that way. So you know, we're working things out. And she's learning about different people. And that not everybody thinks as openly we're very open at home. She has a very different family, not just having a mother who is lesbian, but her other mother is bi. So she doesn't even have two lesbians. She's got a lesbian, and then she's got somebody who's bi. So that was something Hi, honey. That she had to also learn, you know, what is that? What does that mean? What does that entail? So that has been different. This is my partner in crime. I say hello. Hi, I'm Lynn. You've heard her voice hear other times. And we're raising her, you know, as open as can be, but she cannot come out in school. We've had these conversations where kids are using that word. Oh, you're lesbian? Or oh, you're gay as a derogative? Yeah. You know, and she

 **Bobby** 24:13

may have much more colorful words than those. Absolutely. We

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don't need any FCC, you know, but the words I was thinking of would not Oh, it's

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a common thing, though, in many high schools to just say, Oh, just as not only just people but oh, that's so gay.

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It's really taken on a whole new meaning. Yeah, that's so dumb. Yeah,

 **Jimmy Carper** 24:38

you know, I have a hard time with people saying well, that's retarded. I have worked with children who do have mental retardation. So for me to hear somebody say oh, that's retarded. No, you don't know what that really means. You know you're not you're using that as a derogatory when it really is not. So she has those problems and not being able to be herself to be able to talk about her parents to be able to introduce us, you know, as to moms, and because it's a very small community, very small community. And Lynn being, you know, doing a lot of volunteer work there and doing a lot of things with the community. It's hard also for us to even be out as a couple. Sure. So,

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but she's lived there a long time. She's used to that mentality. Absolutely.

J

Jimmy Carper 25:30

So it's been it's been we've been here a whole year, would you believe? already? No, it's amazing, by so fast. So just being a parent itself is hard. But being a parent, who happens to be a lesbian, I think is even harder. At one time I was a single parent Lin wasn't in my life. So that complicated, everything, you know, even more, but we made it through, you know, and you do what you do. And I've learned a lot. You know, about the differences, looking for other families that are like ours, that have children and trying to get them to talk to have the kids to talk?

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No, no, no.

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Jimmy Carper 26:14

Okay, to get them to talk, you know, to just so that they have peers, because she feels isolated. Sure, no one else in the world like me. Yeah, you know, but I do have to say one positive is that even though she might she comes home, and she says, Why can't I have just a normal family?

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What does that mean?

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Jimmy Carper 26:33

To me? Why do I have to have this type, you know? Oh, she's she's very dramatic. She's she made? She got the lead in the

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school play. Oh, my God, your daughter's a drama queen?

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Jimmy Carper 26:45

Very much. So. But so is her mother. Proud of Yes, stage? Are you a stage? No, I actually Well, yeah. Well, it's better than I do the directing, okay. But um, she would say that, but then she'll come home and she'll say, You know what, I'll keep my family, because she will hear things that go on in heterosexual families where there's a mom and a dad, she will hear, you know, just the things that she comes home and finds out about these kids. I want to adopt them all, you know, but she'll say, You know what, I'll keep my family. I rather it be this way, then have, you know, all these other things that are going on? Things like that? Well, actually, there



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Chris Harrison 27:34

was a recent study that came out saying that children who are raised in a lesbian Cup by rent by a lesbian couple is no different than a heterosexual couple.



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Absolutely. And you really have the same potential for dysfunction, familial abuse, I mean, you know, people are just people who cares, you know, what rubber parts you're going for?



Jimmy Carper 27:58

Absolutely, absolutely. I mean, Linda, and I have our differences. We have our, you know, what's



Bobby 28:06

the second most priceless? Yeah, okay. Yeah, go.



Jimmy Carper 28:10

But, um, just that we do have that we do have our things that, you know, when just as any other couple has, you know, I don't see any difference. I hear arguments that she and I will have, that my friend and her husband will have sure you know, things like that. So there's there is no difference. And I don't care if anybody says that, you know, my child's going to be messed up because look at the type of family she lives in. And, I mean, she's loved, not just by, you know, one parent, she's got two parents, extended family. She's very bright. I mean, very open, I think I'm raising a more tolerant child. Sure. Now, not just to the GLBT, but just also to race to the world to different cultures and different, you know, being accepting, you know, my oldest, had a little problem with it when she was she, when I came out, she was about seven years old. That's my 21 year old and she had a little bit of hard time, because in her mind, she wasn't going to have a daddy. That was the big thing, you know, that said, I'm, you know, I'm not going to have a daddy anymore. You know? So, learning that No, it's okay. You know, you don't need to have a dad and sure, you know, and her learning and accepting and being open and live giving her that choice to come out to tell her friends. Again, we lived in even though it was New York, we lived in a small community. It was long island. And uh huh. That is Yeah. For sure.



Bobby 29:39

I know how that is. Yeah, I know what it was like to grow up gay in a small town



Jimmy Carper 29:44

or on the North Shore. So that's even more Yeah,



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yes. But I mean, half of marriages end up in divorce and no daddy around this



Bobby 29:51

is the thing. They have to be such a wonder. As normal to be you know, I don't know how they hold up normal to be You know, mom, dad, the picket fence, the dog in the yard and all this? When 50 What at this point, it's like the statistic is what? 52% of all married marriages. And this is heterosexual people because guess what? We can't get married?



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No, we haven't done anything to just file the institution of marriage yet. So,



Bobby 30:21

and I'm sorry, what I have not. The interesting thing is that it's, it's becoming more common. I think. I know a lot of people who are gay people, lesbians, gay men, who are parents,



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yeah, God will point I'll have a child because I mean, it's strangely enough. I really do want when I spent some time, living with an old high school friend of mine, and helping her raise her little boy and as much of a little bastard as he was, it was a really great experience, you know? And



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look at all of the bisexual people that are out there. So many have children. That's part of the reason why bisexuals are still in the closet because they fear losing their children.



Jimmy Carper 31:07

Oh, that was one of my biggest fears. I didn't realize I don't know. I was even though I came out. It was a very close coming. I wasn't out let's say in my community. So I didn't know very much what was out there. And when I realized that people were losing their children in other states, because



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because your sexual, yes. When you know, it just go through divorce. And the judge would give

it to the heterosexual parent,

J Jimmy Carper 31:36

even though that parent might be abusive, and they're still better off than Oh, you know, that gay one over there? You know, they're mentally ill because you know that one time,

♂ 31:44

one time, it was? Oh, gosh.

♂ 31:48

It was stricken from the record and psychiatric illness at least 30 years ago. Yeah,

♂ 31:53

yeah, that's right. late 60s, early 70s, wasn't it?

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Thank you. Thank you, Dr. Kinsey.

B Bobby 31:59

Isn't it grand? That the gay parents will be loving and kind and wonderful. The straight, the straight one will be will someday possibly go psychotic and kill their child. But hey, let's leave the kid with the straight one. Yeah, that makes so much sense.

J Jimmy Carper 32:15

Absolutely. There's why a lot of them go into ground here. Yeah, cuz

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that's a lot of the rulings in Florida in divorce

J Jimmy Carper 32:23

was a movie with Valerie Burton le. That was the one that first opened my eyes that, hey, I can lose my kids. Yes. You know when I moved here from New York that was one of the first things

lose my kids. Yes. You know, when I moved here from New York, that was one of the first things you know, linen. I was afraid to come down here. And how about if somebody comes in says, you know, you're an unfit mother.

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What about the child's father?

J Jimmy Carper 32:45

Oh, no, we're not involved. He she's never been involved in her life. Okay. You left when she was about a year old. He did me the favor. And I wish I knew where he was due. I could give him a great big hug. And thank him. He did me a favor. But um, it's okay. I've been raising her. Linda and I have been together for three years now. We just had our third anniversary.

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Congratulations.

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Thank you. It was a long distance relationship for a while.

J Jimmy Carper 33:10

Yes, it was it survived long distance it survived a husband and survived.

C Chris Harrison 33:20

whole nother show.

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We have talked about that. About how the how do you cope with a bisexual spouse?

J Jimmy Carper 33:29

Very carefully. Yeah. You know,

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I'm sure much of the same way that you cope with your Yeah. Amory.



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Yeah, that's right.



Jimmy Carper 33:37

Well, we have talked, you and I have talked about that. And things like that. Right. You know, it's so on top of being, you know, having a child and you have this and, you know, and all this.



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It's a big juggle.



Rainbo de Clown 33:52

Father, actually ever asked about her father, and I've seen her father or



Jimmy Carper 33:57

she has seen a picture of him. It's not a yes or no, there's no, she was a year old when he left. But it's he's not a healthy person. So we don't want him anymore.



Rainbo de Clown 34:10

Because I was I was my, my family was divorced when I was young was like four years old. And just recently, I got to see my mother. After I'm 53 years old. In my life, I only saw her maybe 10 times. And they were like to our visits every two or three years. And it was sort of like a plan the budget. Just recently, like two months, I saw her and we spent the whole day she fix supper and all this stuff. And it was kind of a unique experience. I got to see other people in my family also that I had never seen before, like an aunt and stuff like that. And one thing when I was a child, in the third grade, we had to fake we had a class project about a family tree. We did one we had to do a family tree. No, that was what this is what happened It was for open house, and we had to put the family tree on the wall so everybody could see it. My stepmother said it is nobody's business. And all I had was a branch. My father, my brother, not my step sister, not my step grandparents, step aunts, uncles, who I thought were my real family, you know, because did you know back then that they were your step family? I didn't understand all that. And I like 678 years old, you know, back then. And so it was all a new experience for me. And that's reason I asked you if she's, well, no, it's either she wants to or anything like that?



Jimmy Carper 35:38

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No, absolutely not. She understands that. Well, she is probably going to come up and I'm dreading it right. Not a healthy man. He's better off as far away as possible. My oldest daughter, they're not from the same father. I have encouraged a relationship for her to have with him. He has made that choice not to have a relationship with his daughter. And I allowed that I allowed them to, for her to learn on her own. I was the worst. The hardest thing I ever had to do. I never said anything bad about him never said, you know, I never. I knew that one day she would realize and I was there to pick up the pieces. But well, one thing is I'm out.

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Rainbo de Clown 36:22

Wondering about being like, I'm about 50 years old. I'm over 50. Okay. And I was concerned about my health. Okay. Oh, okay. On the other side, such as my mother's health problems and the family's health problems. Indeed. I was just wondering if that

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Jimmy Carper 36:38

would come up. I know, that probably would come up. But then I think about children who were adopted. Right. Have to go, you know,

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Rainbo de Clown 36:45

so I'm asked for that. Right. Some of us some, some of them asked about those questions.

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Jimmy Carper 36:49

It's never been a, you know, we've had a lot of people. There's family that we have chosen to be family and they have been more family than anything else. I mean, people have been very supportive those who do know, you know, I got a one. Oh, you know, I'm so happy for you when I came out. And I said, others treated me like I just told them that I was dying of cancer. Oh, I'm so sorry. I'm looking at them, you know, but, um, you know, it's, it's just, they're

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gonna be happy they can be sorry.

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Rainbo de Clown 37:25

You said something about the family tree, which

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Jimmy Carper 37:28

we had that same thing with the family tree with the dice that you put down those who you see as your family doesn't mean, you know, I never allowed that. Uh, well, I don't use the word

step. They're half sisters. If you want to look at it, you know, technically, I won't we don't use that word. You are sisters. That is your mom. That is a mom that. You know, that is I don't care who the dad is. And you know, you have basically that's what we were raised to do. So you put down whoever you want, you know,

 **Bobby 37:56**

when I was I'm not in my family. I'm not the adopted member. The kid. Yeah, I'm the youngest kid.

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We need to take a break here. Okay, I'm

 **Jimmy Carper 38:06**

sorry. Go and keep on going.

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That's the need to take a break. First of all, big Roy called and he is at work and he's listening to the show and is breathing heavily in your eye. So Darth Vader strikes again.

 **Rainbo de Clown 38:28**

Can we do a Roy

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and you called to say she forgot it was Saturday. And she knows she's out in the boonies. So by the time she got here, this segment would be over. I really miss seeing my jewel.

 **Rainbo de Clown 38:47**

I came here last week thinking jewel was on last week. I know I got confused on my calendar.

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Anyway, you are listening to after hours queer radio with attitude. Right here on good old KPFT Houston 90.1 FM 89.5 in Galveston we'll be back in a bit.



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And here's a candidate for the KPFT Station Board.



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My name is Don Mack and I'm asking for your vote a vote for me as a vote for diversity. I'm a political conservative and a social moderate for instance, I am pro choice and pro gay marriage. Most importantly, I am a true believer in the message that KPFT is broadcasting now, I feel that for a civil democratic society, all sides of the issues must be heard. Unfortunately, the progressive viewpoint is very seldom broadcast to the detriment of our society. I bring to the board extensive experience on management of properties and buildings and making the hard choices necessary for the greater good. My reason for running for the board is that KPFT has lost a lot of support from the conservative contributor who generally listened to the alternative music. We need the support and must find a way to get it back without changing the current format, or increasing the ratio of music to talk. Vote for Don Mack



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ballots must be received by November 29. Not November 15 as printed on the ballot mail your ballot by November 24. Don't lose your vote



C Chris Harrison 40:17

All right, we're back that was started off that with Mary loft strim. With I'll do dot dot really? And I don't think she's talking about children's books.



J Jimmy Carper 40:32

children's books out families like



C Chris Harrison 40:36

last long there was Sophie B. Hawkins with beautiful girl



B Bobby 40:39

love Sophie says first



J Jimmy Carper 40:42

one that you were that first one that you had put on who did that when that was a beautiful

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Chris Harrison 40:48

very last from from the album. Ginger comes to stay. That was a good song.

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Jimmy Carper 40:53

I enjoyed that one. Very, very good.

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Chris Harrison 40:57

Yeah, I was actually I didn't put it on there. Jimmy. Jimmy put I'm trying to download this one song and I can't get it to come down on this computer. Okay, cute couple. Yeah, for some reasons computers fighting me.

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Rainbo de Clown 41:10

Didn't they get a new CD for you guys there. So why didn't they get a new CD player for y'all? No, I thought they said that this week, they got a new CD player.

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Bobby 41:21

Personally, when I think of computers and things like that, I think hit any key to continue means take a sledgehammer to the keyboard.

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Chris Harrison 41:28

Just for some reason, it's not letting me download I hate cuz I gotta try and get them to send me a CD.

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Jimmy Carper 41:34

Might be they have something like a firewall on it or something here?

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Chris Harrison 41:37

Well, it worked on the other computer was confusing me. Okay, I've been having trouble with firewalls and stuff there. I installed one on my computer. It was giving me nightmares and fits and cookies and then one of the 30 day trial and didn't I deleted the thing. Now it's taken my Internet Explorer with it.

J Jimmy Carper 41:54

It takes things and you should see it's like, it's like an octopus that starts putting things into other places. You can never delete a hole, bro. What

R Rainbo de Clown 42:01

are you talking about?

C Chris Harrison 42:06

We're talking to somebody who's who used.

R Rainbo de Clown 42:07

What program is that on? KPFT I can't remember Wednesday, Wednesday night, or something like that. But they have a great program. Yeah, every once in a while I accidentally be listening to it for some reason. Yeah, they

J Jimmy Carper 42:22

have a good program.

R Rainbo de Clown 42:23

So once I get on when I lit started listening to it, it's like, I like this, you know? Like it'd be at work and I'll be listening to different things out turn the channel to KPFT. Well, this is good.

C Chris Harrison 42:37

I'm a little different.

B Bobby 42:38

I listen to KPFT if I can get it to come in on my radio,

J Jimmy Carper 42:43

satellite radio. Now it's coming out. I've heard something about that. You know where you can get it anywhere? I think Howard Stern is going on?

R Rainbo de Clown 42:53

Yes, I heard that. Howard Stern. Yeah. Over the

B Bobby 42:56

years. They've done so much work in here. And on the computer,

R Rainbo de Clown 43:00

there's no regulations. Is there? No, no FCC regulations? Howard Stern would love it.

B Bobby 43:06

He'd have I feel

R Rainbo de Clown 43:08

ecstatic. He said he has. He's giving them away. He's giving a little radios away

J Jimmy Carper 43:12

as opposed to everything he's not allowed to say on regular radio. And that's all he's gonna do. He's gonna have one show. I'm gonna say everything and

B Bobby 43:21

I love it. That's gonna be priceless.

R Rainbo de Clown 43:25

I think we ought to have our own queer radio.

B Bobby 43:29

And we can discuss subjects without actually

C Chris Harrison 43:31

there is

R Rainbo de Clown 43:33

a satellite radio. Well,

C Chris Harrison 43:35

there's a channel on Sirius called out Q. That has one

J Jimmy Carper 43:44

is gonna be on Sirius Sirius. Yeah.

C Chris Harrison 43:47

I'm not sure if they've put one up yet on the competition, which is XM radio or not?

J Jimmy Carper 43:56

No, I don't I don't know too much. I'm taking you on a trivia game. What do you not know Chris?

R Rainbo de Clown 44:05

Chris is on the computer all the time. Smiley face, LSA all the time, our

B Bobby 44:10

lobby during the show or on to the studio. And at any given moment. You have a veritable Encyclopedia of miscellaneous knowledge.

C Chris Harrison 44:21

I'm not bragging or anything, but you know, they've got that one guy in jeopardy. Who? Yeah, you know, once a couple of million, 2 million plus dollars, and all that I'm sitting there one time watching it with my dad. He's sitting there going through, Man, this guy is smart, and I was looking over his head. Apparently you haven't been paying attention that I've answered more questions than he has. That's I'm one of those people that just kind of absorbs that kind of stuff. And

B Bobby 44:49

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we'll get you

J Jimmy Carper 44:52

to be the type of person that likes to learn you. thrive on on knowledge on pulling things out of my

C Chris Harrison 44:58

coming out process was I went I bought the books you know oh my I bought the gay almanac I bought the unofficial game manual

B Bobby 45:08

be of gay Where did Scott go? Is

J Jimmy Carper 45:13

being erotica Books Are My daughter found that when

C Chris Harrison 45:18

it was probably out back with Jimmy and Travis they're sucking on fags.

R Rainbo de Clown 45:24

Oh my god, can you say that? Yeah.

C Chris Harrison 45:29

Remember there's remember all sucking on all types of fags are well are loud. Except you know, I would wait. I'd put out the burning stick of wood before it starts.

R Rainbo de Clown 45:40

Well, you did for one, it's about an hour or so ago with your promo. Yeah, Warning, warning warning.

C Chris Harrison 45:46

And we we decided to jazz up a little bit when? Give some new music and

B Bobby 45:55

why are you hovering right over? You know,

R Rainbo de Clown 45:58

when is it over? You're hovering over?

C Chris Harrison 46:00

We've already cashed your checks. We don't have to cash. Hey, we found a liquor store. This stays open and without against the law.

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What about a lick him store when it comes

J Jimmy Carper 46:19

to this programming,

R Rainbo de Clown 46:22

we're usually BBs or the MBB. embb.

J Jimmy Carper 46:33

You but I'm here now.

B Bobby 46:36

You're such a delicate thing. No,

J Jimmy Carper 46:39

no, I just, you know, talk about we could talk about women. Oh, no, I wouldn't mind. Yes, I'm one of the things, two of the things that we were talking about here while we were on break. And it had I just had a hysterectomy about two weeks ago. And from day one, we told everybody that Lynn, my partner was my sister. And the reason we did that was I was terrified,

terrified by the thought that they would not let her and if God forbid, something happened to me. And just thought went to all these papers and things I had to get legalized that God forbid something should happen. She would you know, Lynn would be able to act on my behalf and any medical decisions. Yeah, medical power

 Chris Harrison 47:25
of attorneys durable power. I

 Bobby 47:27
mean, herbals and medicals.

 Jimmy Carper 47:29
And that's what I don't understand what the with the government, you know, what they say with the laws and things are, you know, well, you're destroying, you know, the institution of marriage. And we believe, you know, those who want to get married because there are those who don't want to get married in the gay, lesbian GLBT community that don't believe in it either.

 Chris Harrison 47:47
I'm bitter and jaded. Relationships. So you know,

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there was actually an open letter in the Houston Chronicle not too long ago that just really said about everything that I feel on the issue. Except it really didn't talk about removing marriage from the from the legal language when it concerns heterosexual couples, because I, I really espouse the belief that we need to quit calling it marriage when it involves government period. If it's a legal thing, you call it a civil union. I don't care if you're heterosexual. But what this guy was saying in the letter, it was an open letter that was published from Virginia. And the guy says, you know, you people have been fed a hole, but little lies about gays and what they want and you know, yada yadi Thank you. Haha, no pun intended, right? Unless you're behind closed doors. But when you said, one of the things that he said that just really stuck with me is what we want is legal, you can keep your religion and that's totally it. All I want is legal recognition.

 Jimmy Carper 48:53
I want to be able to walk out my door without having the fear that if I get hurt, hit by a car or something, my partner is not going to be able to be in there with me. She's not going to be able to take care of our daughter who we're raising together. It's It's scary. It really is a scare. It's really a scary thing.



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Well, and that is something really terrible happened that she would be able to, you know, inherit whatever there was and be able to take care of services and all the stuff that comes with it



J Jimmy Carper 49:23

have to read like all the fine print, you know, okay, what do you see as being the legal you know, and make sure on my papers at work, I attached a letter, you know, because it didn't say what I needed it to say. On this. I wanted to make sure that Lynne was able to take care of the girls and you know, if it needed be, so that's also a big thing about parents, you know, in the GLBT community, that do have children and not be able to have those legal recognition Without legal things that you need to be able to survive that everybody else has health benefits,



B Bobby 50:05

it's this is about gets me in as in a society that we consider ourselves in the world, you know, so forward in all sorts of thinking and all sorts of, and yet not



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in this country. But



B Bobby 50:21

but we we live in a, in a country where in the year in a new millennium, we still treat segment, a segment of versus a large segment of our society as second class citizens.



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Well, we just reelected ahead of Stump broken livestock to be President of the United States. So



J Jimmy Carper 50:44

I know I don't know how many people you know, are pro cared, but it's it came to the point where, okay, you know, which is the worst? Well,



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what's really funny, hey, Bush got less than 50% of the vote, he got 45% of the vote. And he's still calling it a mandate of the people. But I was recently emailed a link to a website, which, you know, if you really need something that just has the entire sentiment wrapped up, go to sorry, everybody.com is the most wonderful website.

 Chris Harrison 51:20

And there is a response from Europe called Apology accepted.

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Well, there's actually there's actually people from Europe and in other places around the world on who have posted on sorry, everybody calm

 Chris Harrison 51:33

and likes, I just saw the thing about the sister site of you know, saying, look,

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look at that, that we understand,

 Chris Harrison 51:39

you know, you know,

 Bobby 51:41

you know, four years may not sound like a lot to some people. Oh, but that's, that's four years in which this fool gets may get to pick supreme, you know, nominate Supreme Court just

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let's not look at it as we have to wait four years, in two years, there are a lot of seats opening up. Plus, you know, there's there's another website I got emailed a link to, and it's still very, very under construction, I was sent the the link to it, like right after the woman who's running it bought the domain. But it's don't wait till 2008

 Jimmy Carper 52:17

Oh, that's a good one. I like that.

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Rainbo de Clown 52:20

And besides, for years, it keeps saying four more years, four more years, it could be foreclosure years, because with the economy the way it is, when people are getting nothing but part time jobs. They are not going to be able to afford those homes that they said that they own. You know, they say more people are owning more homes now. No, no, no, wrong, wrong wrong. The banks own your homes for 30 to 40 years. And if you don't have a good job, in the next four years, there's gonna be closure years is what it's gonna be. That's cute. And that was that was that happened not too long ago here in Houston. I remember watching TV 1988 When George Walker Bush, daddy Bush, Herbert, whatever his name is every day, okay, whenever he was elected president 1988 on for the next couple of years, you seen houses, people left their homes here in Houston, they couldn't afford them anymore. And it was foreclosure years is what it was during daddy bush.

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Chris Harrison 53:22

I've been saying for more years for four years now.

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Jimmy Carper 53:28

The thing is, we can't get just hearted and we can't give up. You got to continue doing your advocacy work. Go to Austin, keep on you know, those who go up to Washington, Austin, wherever your state capitol is. Call your legislators. We've got to get out there. Keep on pushing it. You know, like you said, it's not marriage. But, you know, the civil union. It's being recognized legally to do that, you know, allow us to do that. We're trying to raise families. Yeah, we believe in it just as much as you do. You know, we're trying really hard to raise our kids, you know, get that stigma out, you know, out of there so that our kids can grow up. No, I

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don't want to marry I don't need a church. And

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Rainbo de Clown 54:09

marriages over and over. That's gonna be the bill. Texas got a bill heterosexual marriage bill. Okay, when it was okay. How many licenses should you get as a heterosexual? You know, was part that is part of your vows your holy matrimony? Oops, we didn't mean it. How many? How many? How many licenses should you get? You should get one. And if it fails, then that's just too bad. Well, there's want to do the heterosexual amendment.

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There's Britney Spears, who was allowed to marry because

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Rainbo de Clown 54:39

marriage is that proves nothing. I mean, it proves you can't you can't keep your bathrooms.

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Chris Harrison 54:42

There's one state that's actually moving it. Taking it a step further. I want to say Arkansas Governor Jim Huckabee pushed through a thing that's promoting what's called a covenant marriage.

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Rainbo de Clown 54:57

And so it was Oklahoma City, Oklahoma also sure Trying to do that which basically

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Chris Harrison 55:00

you when you get your license, you basically say, Okay, we're in this till death do us part, right? You it limits the ways that you can divorce and you can only divorce if you've gone through counseling, and you know, therapy and all this other stuff and tried for like, two years. And it's

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Rainbo de Clown 55:21

not a rush marriage also, you can't get married quickly. That's as part of the the what is the big problem with divorce or the heterosexual marriage is no false America, no fault divorce.

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Jimmy Carper 55:33

Something about the heterosexual marriages, we can't really say that bad because one of my biggest things was is that I wanted to find a lesbian couple that had been together for a long time. I mean, five plus years that they were still together, because in our own community, we do have those who switch partners, like they switch their underwear

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serial monogamy.

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Bobby 56:00

Did you happen to notice the couple in San Francisco when they were having the marriages, the very first couple that was good, it was a lesbian couple who had been married longer than I've been alive. I love it.

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Chris Harrison 56:13

But then again, you also have one of the lesbian couples in Canada. They've been together for 10 years. And they went up and got their marriage certificate. And one week afterward they go, one of them went, I don't want to be married to you. So there's some people, you know, it's it's kind of like a, you know, in a way, yeah, I can see the right the right part. But, you know, it's also this kind of a, you know, a scapegoat thing. You know, I, you know, I'd love to be seriously committed to you. But you know, what, there ain't no ring on this finger. You know, it's kind of it's kind of

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breaks down to that though, because you have, you know, you have heterosexual couples say like, Tim Robbins and Susan Sarandon who have never gotten married. I mean, they enjoy a lot of those benefits because they've been together forever. And they you know, they get the benefits of common law marriage, but they have never actually been years,

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Jimmy Carper 57:09

they are considered common law.

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Chris Harrison 57:12

It's even easier in Texas, yes, six weeks, it's six months. And all you have to do is introduce one another, you know, my, my, my brother and now sister in law were, were common Lord for six years. And then when their second child was born, they had to get an official piece of paper so that his insurance would cover it. And so you know, they came so it's one of those things have and you know, once they once they got the test results, they went down, got the license and called me on the cell phone going. What are you doing on Saturday? You want to come to a wedding ours, ours and I said, Yeah, I'm pregnant again. And then I go, Are you that blank and stupid? She handed the phone to my brother and I go are you that blank? And

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Jimmy Carper 58:07

it's it's a choice and that's what I think it's you know, we have people fighting over their the wars to keep democracy to keep so that we can have a choice

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Bobby 58:20

know what our democracy should apply to all of us

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Jimmy Carper 58:24

it's democracy it's to be able to have that choice if I do want to marry you, I can go marry you. You know if I don't want to marry you I don't marry you don't look at what you have between your legs.

 Chris Harrison 58:34

When you well you're gonna consider it can be so fun. Speaking of that, hi Stacey.

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Talking about the rubber parts, nothing metal ones

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the rubber parts between my legs willing is more than I can be in the mood to bottom every now and then.

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So now that I've made my introduction, I should say hi to my nephew who may be up and listening Christopher I hope

 Rainbo de Clown 59:11

there are benefits of marriage right? Benefits right? Okay, where in the Bible does it say you get so all these benefits if you marry so why are they you know,

 Chris Harrison 59:26

the biblical reason for marriage had nothing to do with love or any of that right? It was a contract of basically you know, why was like cursed with a female I need a male heir. So he pawns his girl, his daughter off to someone of hopefully higher status so that he can run the farm right or, you know, whatever the family business was to continue on as an error because a female couldn't be an heir

 Rainbo de Clown 59:56

gets made. So all these benefits that the government gives you to be made married are not biblical, right? Is that what you're No, no, no,

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no, no, no, it has nothing to do with the dowry,



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a biblical marriage.



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But they want us to have the government benefits or to encourage people to marry and stay married. That's the whole point is that they were trying to encourage people to stay married. And you know, while they



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were looking at the same country, people whose idea of promotion of marriage and pro life is to give tax breaks and incentives for married couples. Is that Biblical that there's no so basically financially screw over and deny benefits to single mothers, yet they want them to have these children because they're so anti abortion. You know, I don't get it. But



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well, these are also the same people who are teaching abstinence as a means of contraception and disease control.



Jimmy Carper 1:00:52

I'm going to tell you I have a 21 year old and anybody who has a 21 year old says, Oh no, my daughter would never is out of their mind way out.