

## Conversation with Jean and Raminder

Jean= J and Raminder =R

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**R: So, yeah, I mean, in terms of admin stuff then, want your name withheld?**

J: Oh, no, don't mind.

**R:OK.**

**R: Yeah. it's a 50-50 thing on that one. Some do and some don't.**

J: Well, I've got nothing to hide.

**R: Yeah, I mean, others feel as though they do.**

J: Sure. I can understand that. And that's the you know, you got to respect their choice. But yeah, I mean, I've got, I've got nothing to lose.

**R: That's, that's fair enough. All right, then. So yeah, once we transcribe, or once I transcribe, and my arms don't fall off, you'll get a copy of the transcript. And I'll start, like, doing what's called a thing called "coding," which is where you look into this, this stuff and look for common themes between people.**

**So that'll be on my own. But yeah, we can work through the transcript, and then we can just take out anything that you don't want to be made public, so to speak.**

J: OK. I don't think there'll be much.

**R: No, no, no, I understand that. But, you know, some people, they they kind of, they get into a bit of a flow on and they talk about, like, I don't know, all the rules that they've broken, or whatever, and because you've got a written record of that, that you've kind of assented to, that can backfire. So it's important, I think to be like, "well, you know, here's what's gonna be out there." Like, just just be happy with what you're putting across of yourself.**

J: Yeah, Fair enough. Fair enough.

**R: So yeah, I mean, that's that. So thanks very much for inviting me into your lovely home.**

J: Keep your eyes closed over a lot of things! [we're] Not tidy people.

**R: Oh, I could do far, far worse. Yeah, so we'll start off with, you know, section one then. So tell us a little bit about yourself. Who are you, in your own words?**

J: Who am I in my own words? Well, I am a retired lady. You wanting ages?

**R: Tell me as much or as little as you'd like.**

J: OK, I'm well...well retired (laughs). And, yeah, just live in together with daughter, and various animals. And the animals are very very important to me. So if anybody wants to come after the animals, they are they're going to have a fight on their hands, I'm telling you.

So yeah, been here five years, in this particular house. I don't really know what else we need to say.

**R: Oh no, that's it. I think it's important because-**

J: That's current, that's my current position.

**R: Yeah, it's interesting, because when you ask "who are you?" Some people can kind of go, "Oh, I'm an aspiring artist," or whatever. One good one I got was "failed millionaire!"**

J: (Laughing) No. I've never aspired to that!

**R: Yeah...it's good because it is an indicator of literally what somebody thinks of themselves. And it's sometimes about...well it is about what they don't say, as well as what they do say, you know, it's all to the good.**

**So, yeah. And then, so yeah, you said you live with daughter. And it's been a bit of a strange time, so to speak. I wouldn't know why.**

J: Well, it is strange, but, you know, I think it's, it's a lot stranger for a lot more people than I personally have felt it. Because I could literally not leave this village and not have things bother me.

**R: OK. Yeah.**

J: But it's reading about other people, and what they're suffering, that really, really upset me. And, although I'm not personally at the moment, you know, bothered...I'm not affected enormously by various things? Because I've, you know, I've done my time. I've done my travelling, I've had my kids, you know, that sort of thing. I'm not aspiring to do great things. I'm quite content to stay at home, and have been since I retired, which is 2012, the wonderful year of the Olympics which I've never bothered watching.

And so you know, it's been almost 10 years where I have been quite happy pottering along, because I've done my travelling as well, travelled a lot, early on. But it's, it's, I'm doing this for other people. I'm doing this for *my* kids and I'm doing it for my grand kids, because I now have two little babies.

**R:Excellent.**

J: Two and a half and a six month old. And I don't want them having to live in the life that it's looking like they're promising us. We don't know what that is, because they've been a bit a little bit vague about it, but you know, we think we know where we're heading.

**R: OK. And where is that?**

J: Well, it's the Chinese system isn't it? you know, total and utter control. Can't leave your house without being spied on. By all accounts, all the things within your house, if you get them, will be spying on you.

**R: Well, there are things like Amazon Alexa, and there's increasing centralization of data for sure. So, yeah, I can understand those reservations and those doubts those concerns. If I**

**showed you my phone, you can understand why my replies are often short [shows a feature phone].**

J: I have a better one than that.

**R: OK, wow!**

J: I struggle with the with the text on the phone that I have at the moment, because it's got very little memory. So yeah, I'm not into all this stuff. I don't want to be tracked. But I know we are and we're going to be even more tracked as time goes on.

**R Yeah, I understand. You know, everybody has their lines in the sand and things that they do not want to do. And it's fine, that there are lines that you draw, and certainly that I draw. [R starts playing with Jean's Border Collie, a wonderfully mild-mannered dog.]**

**Yeah. Anyway, um, so, yeah, you've read about the suffering [caused by lockdown] and so on- and is that what kind of compelled you...into action?**

J: Yeah.

**R: Right. OK.**

J: One person in particular. And I don't know if you want [me to mention] this obviously, but you could take it out couldn't you? [redacted]. [redacted] from lockdownsceptics, right at the very beginning. You don't know about Arnie?

**R: I don't know about Arnie, no.**

J: Whoa, he was the one who really really got me started. He, he was posting a lot, you know, obviously a lot of people did. And he you know, he was explaining what he was going through...he's ex-services, I'm not quite sure whether it's army or not, but he's ex-services and was making a life for himself with his wife and I think he had a young family.

And his business partner who obviously he was friends with, I don't know if they were in the service together, but he got a phone call one night, gone midnight from his business partner's daughter, screaming down the phone. "Dad's hung himself."

**R: What!?**

J: "Dad has hung himself." Hanged, or whatever the terminology is, in the hallway. She came home with their boyfriend from the pub.

**R: And found him?**

J: And found him. Obviously it affected [redacted]. He told us about it, and that really, really affected me as well. It was just horrendous. That was very early on...when we were locked up. And it turned out then that his business because he owned you know, he'd started a business with the partner, with a business partner. And...[because of the lockdown] they were stopped from from trading. He was furloughed and of course, you know, he's got 1000s and 1000s of pounds worth of debt. Now he went off the radar, so nobody knows what happened to him. Sadly. But yeah, he was very early on in lockdownsceptics.

**R:OK. And so for there on [in], I mean...I was reading the site since March, whenever it was, because I just couldn't believe what was going on. It was nice to have a web presence that was-**

**(Harry, Jean's dog confuses the windshield I'm using for a cat, the conversation diverts to this subject for a little bit.)**

J: Are we going to interview you now? Can I ask you how you found out about Toby Young's site?

**R: Just googled "anti lockdown."**

J: OK.

**R: Because at that time, the voice was so unanimous. And I was just finding myself more and more kind of like, "What the fuck is going on?" Right? It was nice to see that there was something expressing some degree of doubt. I never really read the comments, they were a bit unhinged for me, and now I've ended up on [common forum]. Go figure that one out.**

J: Yeah. That's funny, because I was trying to think how I got there, and I think I got there via "independence daily," which is sadly, just [in] the last fortnight, no, not even that, last week, I think. It used to be, I can't remember what it used to be because I didn't know it then. I obviously came to "independence daily" via the Brexit debate, because that was a you know "Brexit views for Brexiteers."

And then they they must have mentioned it on there? I'm sure that's how I got to Toby Young's site. And then I, you know, sort of used to read all the articles, and then the below the line. And then it got eventually where I didn't even bother reading the articles. Read the headlines and then I went straight to below the line.

**R: Yeah, I mean, there's so much data one can take before it's kind of like, well, actually,**

J: You get swamped.

**R: You get swamped and also, it's kind of ancillary to the main debate, because yeah, OK. We might agree about the numbers, and so on and so forth. However, what you've just told me about getting more and more vocal is not about numbers. It's about hearing about a chap, dead in the hallway and going, "Wait a second...this is a policy that has killed people."**

J: Yeah.

**R: Right?**

J: Yeah. And I think you know, if you go back through the whole of lockdownsceptics and possibly even the swamp because we'll never know for sure, but people just disappear, don't they? I'm pleased to see that [redacted] has recovered [redacted].

But you know, there are a lot of people who have just fallen off the radar,. And you know, we'll never know what happened to them. Quite a few people have said they can't take anymore and unfortunately, there was...who was the guy who supposedly had COVID and his girlfriend got on and told us about it. (We talk about people we both know). "there's other things other than COVID going around there always was and there always will be."

**R: But yeah, so what's the relationship with your family and household like? Strong difference of opinion?**

J: Yes. It's quite difficult. Quite difficult, because daughter's double jabbed, as is son, as is his wife, as is their dad and his new wife, I mean, everybody I know is double jabbed. I haven't got very many family members left now, to be honest, though. They were all much older and they've all died.

But those who I am still aware of: I've got a couple in the States, two cousins in the states, double jabbed. Fully believe. Falling over to get a booster, as are their children. I Have a sister in Bermuda, who I haven't spoken to since last summer.

**R: What caused that?**

J: Guess what- COVID (laughs)! Yeah, just a difference of opinion. You know, it's just [that] some bad words were spoken. Just couldn't go back, I'm not going back from it. That's that's pretty much it really.

But the thing is with son and daughter, I don't see my son very often. He only lives in Aldershot, but you know, he's tied up with his family and his wife and his wife's family. That's fair enough, but of course, you know,[daughter] living here, it was very, very difficult because I tried as much as I could to persuade her not to go [get vaccinated], but she fell over herself, and I don't know who was doing the coercion. But I don't think that from what she says...she just read about it. You know, it's doing it for the good of everybody else.

**R: Hang on, is this your daughter?**

J: My daughter? Yeah. I mean, she was working from home, she came, you know, she came home and started working straight away from the 23rd of March. And that was it. And she could stay working from home if she'd wanted to, but she wanted to go back into the office, with all the tests and sticking them, you know, poking sticks up her nose and down her throat to be tested everyday to begin with...but I'd say she's volunteering for it, and I've asked her if she's going to get her booster and she says "probably." She doesn't believe my sources. I've asked her for hers. She gave me six, six pointers. "BBC, Guardian, full fact."

You know...Bryden Byron [ed. Bryam Bridle] was he...an American guy who came out with some points of view that obviously, was in our favour, but some somebody, some people had taken his name because he hadn't he hadn't put a you know, whatever you'd have to do to make a website your own. They came, they put out in his name, a whole load of, you know, detrimental stuff, it was awful. And people believe it. As my daughter did.

When I tried to say well, "you know, Brian Bryden says this." "Oh, yeah, he says this." And, you know...and, you know, another another piece knocking Judy Mikovits, who I think is quite an exceptional lady.

**R: But so, I mean, you mentioned about the Guardian, the BBC and all those other sewer press. Yeah, I was listening to Radio 4 not through any activity of my own, but it was on in the car and yeah, I'm glad I don't listen to it anymore.**

J: Yeah. I used to. I had a radio in every room. I'd go from one room to another and had it playing all day.

**R: Yeah and it was very...very, very good. So where do you get your news from now? And how does it differ to it from being before?**

J: Well, I cancelled the TV license, so I've given my daughter my television. She's got it in the far corner over there. We share the bills here, you know, because we co-own...and then I cancel the TV licence. So I checked it out with her and she doesn't watch television, but she has the screens on because she games or she watches videos, DVDs or what have you. So, she was in agreement that we cancel the TV license, because I just, I did not want to fund the BBC, because of, you know, the propaganda that they were putting out.

Sadly, she wants to watch the Formula One and so took out a TV license again. And I said: "OK, well, it's up to you, because this is half your house, but you're paying for it." So I do not fund that. So, I used to have the television on, I used to have the news on pretty much all day. 24 hour news, and it got [to] where the BBC just wound me up so much. Again, with the Brexit [debate], it's

exactly the same thing that happened with the Brexit [debate]. It's not balanced, I don't think. It's all...they were remainers, every one of them were remainers back in the day and everybody now is a lockdowner..."we've got to lock down harder, faster."

So I couldn't watch BBC, so I used to watch Sky (laughs) for a while, until that got to the point where I thought "my televisions are going to be damaged at this rate." So, I stopped watching. I get my news now, believe it or not, from the website. From lockdownsceptics. Because there are so many references to other other pieces, I go on to other web websites from lockdownsceptics' recommendations really.

**R: Yeah, there's certainly a lot of stuff there. And yeah, I do feel as though the BBC has been complicit in promoting the message that is wanting to be promoted.**

J: I think it's obvious that they're paid for skills.

**R: Yeah. I mean, on that note, what do you think the messaging around the pandemic is? How do you think it's been handled?**

J: From which point of view? because there are two. It's not a pandemic, is it? It's a PLANdemic. You know, you won't hear this on the BBC, you won't hear it on Sky, or the mainstream media or any of the newspapers. You know, you have to go on the web, I suppose, to find out that this has all been planned for so many years. It's not just suddenly this, this bug turned up.

I'm in two minds, I cannot in all honesty say that I believe that there is such a thing as COVID-19. I have my doubts.

**R: OK. And so yeah, by way of definition then, what to you is COVID-19?**

J: A scam, quite frankly. Yeah. I mean there is obviously...something that is affecting people's breathing.

**R: Yeah.**

J: But I now believe that the biggest problems are from the so called "vaccines," that's doing more damage than "the flu," the flu bug, which is called COVID-19, is doing. The figures are out there in the 99.97% chance of, of surviving it. Yeah, it just does not make sense. Why we're going through this. Why everybody's so far on, so long gone. Are we 20 months now? 19 months and counting.

**R: 19 going on 20.**

J: Yeah, I mean, it's ludicrous.

**R: And so what is "this" again, for the purposes of the tape?**

J: Oh, what the situation or the-

**R: Yeah the situation. So can you tell me what you understand by the term "lockdown" and then-**

J: Well, I refuse to call it lockdown. I don't use their terminology. It's being "locked up." we are being forced. Most people are being forced to wear masks. I am exempt. And I have been from the beginning. And anybody can be exempt. Everybody can be exempt. But people are putting on these face coverings because they're told to. They're just going along with it. And that for me is perpetuating the myth that there is a big problem out there, because they don't work. And it's been proved they don't work.

But you know, we could have an argument which my family have had. I say they don't work. They say they do. There is information on both sides.

**R: Yeah.**

J: And it's what you...what you believe. I believe they don't work, because I followed the science.

**R: Well, that's a-**

J: Moot point.

**R: It's a whole different kettle of fish isn't it. I mean, so being locked up. It was a couple of interviewees have actually said well, a lockdown is quite an easy thing to describe, because before 2020 what it was, was a terminology belonging to prisons. When there was a prison riot, the prison was locked down. Nobody's allowed to get out of their cells for recreation or anything like that. That is a lockdown.**

J: I think a lot of the language has been militarised, hasn't it? You know, I mean to be talking about "deploying" in the health service, various things. I mean, where are they getting this language from?

**R: I don't know. But I think I might be down to the messaging. So yeah, we've been locked up. Is that then just mandatory business closures; You not supposed to be outside your house? Is that your understanding of part of the "stuff" [to which you refer]?**

J: Initially. Initially, until we were slightly slightly more released. But again, from my point of view, I didn't really notice it, because I have a dog. And he needed walking. We were allowed "allowed" inverted commas, to exercise. Even though we were only supposed to do it once a day. For an hour. Exactly. Some of us didn't...Some of us don't have a watch (laughs).

**R: No, I don't know what you're talking about.**

J: No (laughs)! And, you know, obviously, you're not allowed to leave the area. How far away is [area]? Yeah, we passed our anniversary on Thursday. The first time I went down.

(we talk about certain journeys that were made)

Yeah. No...I had a task to do...I think we've been luckier in this country if you can be lucky in a situation like this. But you know, compared to other countries, I think our rules and demands have been a little more relaxed than a lot of other countries.

**R: certainly with regards to masking and reasons to leave the house. Yeah.**

J: So far, we've not had to provide papers like I think Spain did, didn't they?

**R: France did as well, with the "attestation." Spain, you weren't allowed to leave for anything other than to go to the supermarket.**

J: And then you needed papers to show it I believe?

**R: Yeah. You needed receipts, I believe, that's correct. Italy: much the same thing. Yeah, that that is true. That is true.**

J: Yeah. So we have been "if you want to play the game, there are ways to play it."

**R: OK, and then so often, when I talk to people, the subject of masks comes up, as ever it does. So, what then, is the mask? What is your take on the mask? What's it for? What's it doing?**

J: It's doing nothing. As far as the science goes, it's not keeping any, any virus out of a person and it's not keeping the virus in a person either. So you know, as a form of...what's the word?

**R: Source Control?**

J: Good enough, yeah. It doesn't do either. But you know, when you see people now, since is it 19th of July, I don't take any notice of the dates, but from about the summer when we were allowed not to...We weren't forced to be wearing wearing them anymore. I've just been out and through the village and people are still walking into the little mini market. They're slipping their mask on before they go in.

Yeah, they're brainwashed, totally brainwashed. It's a symbol of subservience for me. I want to see people's faces, I want to be able to interact with people. I want to be able to see their expressions. I was at the vet this morning with my poor dog. I thought he was ill. I've spent so much time with the vets with my poor bunnies, which is the strange noises you can hear, scrabbling away every time I've gone in, they're all masked up. And you know, some of them I've never seen without and you know, it's just sad.

It's turning people into machines at the end, which is what I think it's all about isn't it? Turning them into machines. I don't like it. I don't go along with it. I'm exempt. I will remain exempt.

**R: Yeah, I understand I...I communicate a lot non verbally. And so yeah, micro expressions which involve the use of the mouth, just simply are not possible with the mask, which actually cuts out a lot of how I speak.**

J: Yeah. You're not the only one.

**R: Not the only one, no but seem to be one of the minority actually cares.**

J: It's also very difficult when you're wearing glasses, because it means them steaming up. I wore them before long, when it first hit the headlines, "we have a terrible virus out there., it was almost like it was Ebola. I mean, if it had been Ebola, you know, I think all these restrictions would have been acceptable to a certain extent. But the fact is, that it's been proven that it's not.

But you know, I went to the supermarket and I happened to have some medical masks. I've had them for years, not that I was anything to do with medical, but I'd bought them off Amazon because I used to walk around a lake that had a lot of bugs flying around and I thought "Oh I'll wear these".

**R: So you don't eat them [the bugs]?**

J: Yeah. So I got some off Amazon and trying to walk around with these things on and my glasses, I just steamed up then, so I stopped walking around the lake, basically. So I had these masks anyway, and I put them on to go to the supermarket on two occasions, long before there was a mandate. And both times, I ended up with them under my chin because I couldn't breathe, I couldn't see. I...just it was a non goer for me. So I've never worn one since.

But yeah, I think they are a sign of submission. And yeah, they're just vile. And the fancier they are...People buy them to match their outfits Argh! Like goodness sakes, I'm fortunate I haven't seen so many of them because they don't walk around my village, and I don't walk around town.

**R: No, I can understand it is Yeah...You know, I've got to stay fairly neutral, but you know, my opinions on these things.**

J: Of course. I think we're all pretty much in the same boat.

**R: I mean, to me, they're a marker of absurdity. It's all a bit silly. That to me is kind of where it goes and ends, you know, it's silly.**

J: Pointless, very, very pointless.

**R: Yeah. Which I lump into the same category as "silly." So then how do you navigate like, the difficulties in your familial relationships that this has caused? Do you just avoid the subject? Do you give it both barrels, what do you do? wait till the next argument?**

J: Well, I think daughter and I have come to an impasse on things. It's obviously difficult for her as well, Because of the things I've said to her. The names I've called her.

**R: Oh, gosh!**

J: You know, but it all...it depends. If it had been my son here, I mean, he's more like me, we probably would have fought and probably would never be speaking again. But my daughter is very much like her dad, and she's not one to argue. You know, she'll take it on board. She'll internalise it. And she'll stay calm.

Me, I'm the fiery one. And I think you know, now she's...she's some, many weeks now past the second jab and so far, touch wood (touches wood), nothing. But that's not to say that nothing is happening within, because we just don't know. We just don't know.

And I...I worry every day, quite frankly, but I've had to keep my mouth shut. I throw little snippets out every now and again, when I can't help it because that's me. But yeah, we've agreed to disagree.

My cousin came last Sunday. I haven't seen him in four years. And we've spoken on the phone. We both know how each of us feels. I'm very pleased that he has not said you know "you're not jabbed up, I'm not coming to visit you." You know, he came, and we had a nice couple of hours together and agreed to disagree. And we didn't talk about it much.

**R: Yeah, I mean, if only we could put this behind us, like a bad game of football.**

J: Yeah (laughs), that's a good analogy.

**R: If only we could. And maybe in time we might.**

J: Yeah, I think we, you know, obviously with, with some friends, with some family, I think, you know, a line's been crossed.

**R:I've had my own casualties. I think we all have.**

J: But do you feel like we are made to feel that we're in the wrong? Because you know, there's a right and the wrong in all this, isn't it? Because, you know, we are totally polarised. And we can't both be right.

**R: Well, that depends on your definition of right and wrong, right?**

J: Because obviously, I think we're right.

**R:** Yeah, I mean, I'd say...I'm a bit more guarded. And what I say is, "it doesn't really matter, who's right here, This is what we stand for." And that's the long and short of it. Reality will tell us which line of argument was the most successful in whatever it is we were trying to do. If we were trying to usher in a totalitarian slave state, those guys are doing pretty well.

If we're trying to preserve what's left of human dignity, at, you know, at the expense of some life, then well, we're right. And it all depends on what it is you want out of life and I think the problem is the right and the wrong are defined by what it is we want and those who want such radically different things to what we do, that there's just going to be no agreeing. All I can say is we're outvoted. And that doesn't bring with it any connotations of morality, or any like that. We're just outvoted. We're not wrong, we're just outvoted.

J: There aren't enough of us yet. But I think there are...I was talking to somebody on Wednesday evening, when I came back from the the protests, our roundabout protest, and it is a chap who, he was a Brexiteer along with with his wife, during [the] period we were locked up, they exercised around our local rec, you know, village guy, and, you know, we got stopping and talking, heaven forbid, you know, we stood close, things like that, you know, we had this conversation.

And well, it turned out he...better not say where he works, but he felt the need- he didn't believe in it, you know, he believed what we think, but because of his job then, and we're talking now, right at the very, very beginning, he felt he had no alternative, but to go and get stabbed, because he didn't want to pass it on to the people that he worked with. And he believed what he was told. And he's a member of a church. And he believed what I don't know what you call them, top dog in the in his church, said to him, about you know, "it's the right thing to do."

And you know, of course, there was a problem over the human embryonic kidney. And this church man said, "no, no, no, no, no, it's not in this. It's not in this so called vaccine. [Ed. It isn't, but was used in its development]" So he went ahead and got it. And then he got the second one as well. Now, I haven't seen him all summer because he's changed job and you know, we've not been over on the field at the same time, but I just happened to bump into him, He was waiting for the bus two weeks ago. So I recognised him and I stopped and talked to him, and we were stood for a while. And in the end. I said, "you're going back home?" He said, "Yeah."

I said, "Well, do you want a lift?" So I gave him a lift back. And he is furious. Furious about what's happening, because he now feels that he was conned...but he didn't believe that at the time because he believed what the people in the church and a lot of the stuff that was on the telly because he was watching the telly at the time.

But he, you know, he now said that he doesn't believe it and he will not be going for a booster. So that's another one that has joined. I don't know if he's going to be active about it, but he's not going to take the booster. And he's mad as hell. Which was good to hear really.

**R: Noncompliance in all forms to me is what is needed. So then what is your spiritual outlook? Churchgoer?**

J: Oh, no, no, no, no, no, no. No. My church history was I went to Sunday school when I was a little child (laughs). My first marriage was in a Catholic church because my first husband was a lapsed Catholic, but his mum wasn't and she kind of made us get married in the Catholic Church. And that's, that's been it really.

I don't have any, I don't have any at all. No religion whatsoever. But I am open. I am because I'm reading a lot at the moment about this being a spiritual war. And I could be tempted to believe it. And if I thought that it [spirituality] would, it would help us and it would show us the way out, I would throw myself into it.

**R: That's quite some conviction.**

J: But I would have to be certain.

**R: Yeah, yeah. Look before you leap.**

J: Yeah, definitely. Yeah.

**R: So then, what is the role of sickness and death in life?**

J: Oh, do you know, I've never, never really been a deep thinker on that line. I'm too flippant. I've always been flippant, I'm afraid. I've always lived for now, and to hell with the consequences, I was a very, very heavy smoker for too many years, very, very heavy drinker for too many years. And, you know, thought that if I didn't stop doing both, that I was going to kill myself. And so I stopped. It wasn't easy.

**R: No. Quitting smoking is no walk in the park.**

J: It isn't. But, you know, I got to the point where I knew very well that if I carried on smoking, that I wouldn't have much of a life. And I'm pleased to say that I managed it and you know, now do not feel any...I can be in the company of smokers and not, feel like, "oh, I'm missing something or I really need" I'm not tempted at all.

So yeah...death, I don't want to die. I'm not ready to die yet. I don't know what's beyond, I would hope, I would like to think that once I am dead, I'm going to meet all of the people, all the spirits or whatever it is that we move on to, if we move on to anything at all, I'd love to meet all my family members again.

And all the pets I've ever had, you know, it's one of those crazy things. I absolutely adore my pets. And I want to meet them all again. I want to be one big happy family again, which, you know, I feel like we had when we were children when we were growing up.

**R: Yeah, I think different people have different responses to it, and it's always fascinating to hear what people make of their own mortality. It really is. And then so what about a human? What's a human? Is the human a bag of meat?**

J: Again, that's too deep for me. I guess...this is what we are. This is what you see. You know, I've never gone into, I mean, you know, I did do a course of psychology and all this. I was teacher trained way back in the 70s. And, you know, that was all part and parcel of what we were supposed to be finding out about. I probably was trained right at the very end of what was a decent training teacher training course. It just went downhill after that, I think. Sort of, as you say, like, when would it be 70s? Mid mid to late 70s.

So no, don't ask me deep questions, because I can't answer them.

**R: They're on the list I'm afraid! Thing is-**

J: I'll pass!

**R: You know, the answers or lack thereof are just as informative. Again, what you don't say is as important as what you do say. So to me that's ...I don't want to call it useful, that's too calculating.**

**(R and J talk for a bit about the depth of some of the questions.)**

**R: Yeah. OK. So you say about teacher training, then? Were you a teacher? Job history?**

J: I taught for a year.

**R: Which is I think the minimum you can take before you can jack it in right?**

J: Yeah. Well, you can jack it in before, but you don't...back in the day, I don't know now, it's changed. But when I was teaching, you know, you spend three years teaching in teacher training college, I had the year which I saw through. And it's that one year, which is what did they ? You qualify, you know, you're qualified.

**R: Yes. An NQT.**

J: That wasn't a thing back in my day. Newly qualified teacher. But yeah, it's that one year is the period that you have to do in order to be able to call yourself a teacher. And, you know, I...have a history. I did that year, and then thought "oh, I can go back to it anytime I want, because I'm now qualified." But I never did. I never had the desire to, because that year was the year, so it was '74 to '75.

That was the year that they increased the school leaving age to 16. And they were called ROSLA kids, the raising of the school leaving age. And so all these kids, where they should have should have left at 15, I'm talking about South Yorkshire here, where I lived at the time. I think that it happened all over the country, but you know, geographically, I think people are different. And these kids really did not want to...they were forced to stay on school another year. It was a very difficult year. I mean, I was a PE teacher. PE teacher training. So I was trying to teach them PE. They weren't interested. Neither was I to be honest.

That was the 75. I always remember that '75 was the year before the drought, which you're way too young to know anything about, but in 76, we we actually had a drought and the reason why that was a drought was because the summer of 75 was as good as it was. So you know that helped to drain all the reservoirs and we didn't have much rain during the winter either.

And '75 was my last year at school. PE teacher, the sun was shining. I said "Oh, come on." I was teaching just the girls: "let's go and play rounders. Let's go out and play cricket." So we just went out out onto the field. and we just played all day long. Lovely.

**R: So then after teaching, just job to job, or?**

J: Bit of a hobo. Bit of a hobo. Yeah, that's, that's when my first husband and I got married and we had a little boat on the canals and rivers. And we were off grid, which was so easy to do then. I don't think you could do it now. But we spent two, three years just cruising. Stopping where we wanted. Got jobs where we could. Again, you couldn't do that now. We'd rock up and we say, you know, "you got a job in this factory?" And they say, "Yeah, where are you living?" We'd say "we're on a boat on the river or the canal there." "OK, start tomorrow."

So it really was as simple as that. And then we ended up in the Vale of Evesham and we did a lot of fruit picking. Of fruit and veg picking, you know, we worked the land, basically. So yeah, I've had had a varied life. I could be here all night telling you all the jobs I had, which I'm sure you're not interested in. Let me just say there were many and varied.

**R: Put it this way I am ,but not at this juncture.**

J: Let me just say by the time I got married for the second time, I had had more jobs than I'd had birthdays (laughs).

**R: Yeah, that's definitely gonna be in double digits. Nice. OK, so social situations then. You talk about your daughter being a bit more introverted, shut in as it were. And how about yourself? You more of a group person or more of an "on your own" person?**

J: Well, I was always a group person really. I like being in company. I like the buzz of groups and people. But when I retired, I became a bit of a loner again, I guess. I moved house. I've moved house too many times and yeah, I tend to lose touch quite easily with people I've. I've known.

**R: Yeah. OK. Such are these things.**

J: Yeah, you see, I mean, at the moment, I'm a little bit wary of contacting a lot of my previous friends, because I don't know where they stand. Yeah. And I'd rather not pick up and find them-

**R: Yeah, I mean, I was gonna ask, like, how has it affected your interactions with the friends that you have. You've talked about your family but-**

J: The friends I have now are the ones I have met since this started. And they are...they are many. My email list of current friends far outweigh the previous friends.

**R: So what's become of them then? just not talking?**

J: We've just lost touch touch touch because they're living somewhere else. You know, I was the one that moved? I've moved a few times, I guess. I haven't changed my email address so we could...be in touch. They might have done, they might have died, I don't know. I mean, this is the point, we don't know about these things, you know, we're getting to the age now where.

You know, we could all just be popping off and unless somebody actually posts it because you know I've never done Facebook or anything like that. I don't know what would happen. You know, I kind of think, well, I'm not convinced, shall we say that? [that] I'm not going outlive my daughter, which worries me.

But if I don't, I'm not sure who she's going to contact then I finally fall off my perch. I've told her "look this is my email list, send an email and tell everybody." So I don't know. But now, friends, old friends, I'm not in touch with.

**R: And that is just because that's how you run things [your relationships], as well as the COVID thing?**

J: Yeah.

**R: OK. So if you weren't invited to a party, you know, what's your take on social ostracism? How would you feel?**

J: I don't do parties. I've usually refused them anyway. But I know that one of your questions was, "how would you feel if you weren't invited to the party?" Wouldn't bother me. I'm not bothered by-I don't need to be included. With our Stand in The Park group now, it's my choice that I don't go to the evening events because I don't see in the dark. So I've been invited to them, which is very nice. I've been invited to be part of them, but you know, I have turned them down. Sadly. Because I just can't see. I'm a danger on the road [at night]

**R: I see. OK. I mean, that's as good a reason as any, isn't it?**

J: I mean, that's from you know, an evening point of view. But no, I don't do parties. I don't like- because I don't drink anymore. I'm sociable in a different way now. I can be sober and outrageous.

**R: There's a lot to be said [for that]. I was teetotal for a long time. And there's a lot to be said for being that way.**

J: Well, I mean, I think you're far better company when you're teetotal or when you're sober. Especially...I did find it very difficult when I was still...being in a pub situation shall we say, with everybody around me getting drunk, and me not being, I was just thinking "well, this is ridiculous. Do you know what you're saying? Do you know what you look like?" Scenes like that do not appeal to me now. I don't like to go to parties and see everybody getting drunk. So don't invite me to a party. Thank you!

**R: Don't worry, I'll make sure not to. Yeah, so we'll get get through the next of section two's stuff.**

J: Was that only section one?

**R: Well, we've been jumping between all three. That's where the semi structured aspect comes in. Yeah, so you talked about you...could have just ignored lockdown, or "locking up" as you call it, as you wanted, because of your situation.**

**So what was your kind of reaction when Boris did say "you must stay at home?" You know, what did it look like when that was on the telly, or your mode of media consumption?**

J: Well, I didn't see it on the telly...No...I think I was still watching it, that that was March wasn't it, 23<sup>rd</sup> of March when he decreed? I think at the time, I thought "fair enough." You know three weeks to flatten the curve, made sense. "You know, we've got an Ebola out there, let's all stay at home and stop spreading it, fine." I went with it. But I had the television on in the background and I was looking at stuff on my on my laptop, and the thing that did it for me was the numbers. You know, goes flopping between BBC and Sky and the number of deaths I guess...I think they were putting the death figures out at the time.

Now it's cases, back in the early days, it was death figures. I think that's what made me get a little bit suspicious, because depending on where you listened to the news, there were different figures and my first thought was "surely, 10 people dead are going to be 10 people dead, regardless of who was reporting it." And, you know, that happened a few times, because I was keeping a track, and that's what made me start to make sort of fall onto the sceptic side. Because I didn't believe it.

So, yeah, to begin with, I was quite happy to go along with it. You know, daughter had come, brought all her equipment from work. She didn't have to go out, so we didn't. I think I was still going to the supermarket though because I remember saying to a couple of young girls in there: "Blimey, you need a medal to carry on working here, with this awful disease that's going around." And they all smiled and laughed and nobody was ever ill. Nobody at the time was wearing a mask. So nobody ever died.

**R: We were working through as well. On site. No outbreaks. And then so when you saw other people react to the lockdown measures, what did that look like to you? I mean, now what does it look like to you? Do you think of them as collaborators in this shit, or as misguided people who are being unfortunately, however well-intentioned they are, shepherded off a cliff?**

J: I think they're stupid. Because the information is out there, if they care to look for it. I have said terrible things to my daughter. And fortunately she's not flared up about it. But she's remembered it. She throws it at me every now and again, because I really do think that she's...she's an intelligent girl and she doesn't watch television, so I don't know where she's been brainwashed. Shouldn't say that because she's in the other room. I just can't understand it because, you know, my son's done the same. They've both swallowed the mainstream view.

**R: And these same phrases, don't they? They all do.**

J: Yeah. Yeah. And so what do I think? Well, I'm furious. I can't seem to get through to them. Because I've sent them various articles. Really important articles. But now they've not taken any

notice. They...Well my son doesn't discuss it. He's just not interested in discussing it. He just ignores me. But my daughter is on top of me. We're on top of each other.

**R: It makes for some uh...[tension]?**

J: It did do. It was very very difficult in the beginning, but no we've kind of come to a bit of a balance now that we just chug along to get along and let's just see what happens.

**(R has to send a text), conversation ensues.** J: "Like I say though, you know, I mean I am, I am far too flippant. I have never, never gone deep with with any of the crowd. Probably this is deeper than I've been, except for [redacted] maybe, than anybody else.

**R: Well, I kind of think, you know, as for the ties that bind us, a lot of us seem to kind of tend to read a lot, we have some degree of intellectualism.**

J: I don't...you know, you were talking about whether I was going to be the, the rule or the exception exception, I will be the exception, because I don't enjoy reading. Not books, I, you know, scroll through Reddit.

**R: It is still reading,**

J: But it's different. Different reading.

**R: No, I understand that. But, yeah, I mean, what do you think that the ties that bind us are?**

J: I wish I knew. I wish I knew, because we are all so different. You know, most of the people that I'm closest to now, I'd say, I wouldn't have met them before. Probably wouldn't have been friends with them before. I don't know what it is. This is what, you know, I had this conversation with CGL in London.

You know, we just don't know. You can't put your finger on it. But it's just knowing and I think it's that that idea, though. It's a bit like the Brexit debate, sorry, keep going back to Brexit. You know, you have this idea of an end goal, maybe. You know, in a way, it doesn't matter how you get there, but you know, if you're going to get to the end goal with these people, or whoever it is, then you must pretty much like the same things. You must pretty much think the same way.

**R: A foundation must exist...yeah.**

J: I mean, how you get there, because I mean, obviously there are there are there are frictions amongst our Stand in the Parkers at the moment over certain things.

**(We talk about experiences at stand in the park. J talks about reservations she had in participating in the interview series.)** J: "because I wasn't sure whether I wanted to do this, which is why I was sitting on replying to you. Because it's like baring your soul, isn't it?"

**R: And then, so, being against lockdowns and vaccine passports, is this down to the greater harm?**

J: The harm that they will do?

**R: Or are doing. So people have their own reasons for opposing these things. Be that the precedent that they set, be that the ancillary damage, be that their belief that they don't work or so on so forth. So why the root of your opposition? I think we we kind of kind of covered it, because-**

J: Yeah, because it's not me personally. I mean, I'm not overly affected. I can go under the radar at the moment. I mean, obviously, it will come to me, it will come in the end, if they stop my pension from going in to my bank account, or you know, when you go shopping, and I can't go into the shop. That's not happening at the moment...It'll be a different prospect when that does happen, obviously. But, you know, at the moment, I'm not overly affected by, it's just, I'm thinking of other people who are.

And I think it's just so wrong. I mean, we're supposed to live in a democracy. And you know, we are heading towards, tumbling towards totalitarianism. And we gotta to stop it.

**R: Yeah. Some people like the sound of totalitarianism, though.**

J: I think my daughter probably does. She In fact, she probably that I think she likes the idea of the transhumanism as well. That's just horrendous.

**R: Well if you spend your life in front of a screen, expect to become a machine. So...then vaccination, vaccinations, vaccination as medical practice in itself, what's your take on that?**

J: It should be voluntary. I don't believe anything should be mandatory. I don't think anybody should be forced to put something in their body that they don't want. And, you know, aside from the fact that this has been proven to be dangerous, you know...I don't want people telling me that I gotta have it. I put a whole load of nicotine in my body years ago, I put a whole lot of alcohol in my body. years ago. That was my choice. And if I've damaged myself, so be it, that's on me. Fortunately, I seem to be OK at the moment, I've got no health problems. I am not on any medication, having got to the grand old age that I have. I hope it continues. For the record I'm 70.

**R: For the record, you don't look a day above 21.**

J: Yeah, thank you. I'm glad you said that. Yeah, we should not be forced. We should not be forced. And you know, this particular [vaccine], I am anti-vax now.

**R: As In anti-all vaccines?**

J: Yes. Because I had a conversation with my wonderful GP, back in the day, when my kids were of the age where...my daughter had the measles jab when she was the right age, because it was only the measles. Two years later, my son's two years younger than she is, when he was the same age, the MMR had come out. And, you know, I took him and he had the MMR. And I think that was the time that Andrew Wakefield was being pilloried, it might might have been a little bit later actually but I can't remember now whether I got my son with the booster, but my daughter had had the measles.

I then took her for the MMR and then they were talking about having a booster for both of them. And I went to see my GP and I said, "Well, look, she's had the measles, she's had the MMR. Is it necessary to have another booster?" And he said to me, "No, it's not." He said, "It's just big pharma." Now, that would have been if she was born in '86, 1990?

You know, he's a wonderful GP, I doubt whether you'd be allowed to say that now. But he told me that it was big pharma, that were forcing, you know these, this medication on to the kids. And he said, "just give them a good diet, give them you know, good food, fresh fruit and veg." And for years, I told my son that if he didn't eat his Brussels sprouts, I would take him to the doctors and give him a jab. He ate his Brussels sprouts. So you know, I have that. And also the same with the dog actually, you know... I had a wonderful vet and he told me it wasn't necessary to give your dog an annual booster.

Again, Big Pharma. So I've kind of been anti-Vax for a long time and *absolutely* dead against this one because of the damage. It's doing, it's been proven to be doing.

**R: So the issue stands in vaccination as medical practice in itself?**

J: Yeah, I could say, I mean, I know people call us “anti-vaxxers.” You know, “anti science” and you know, bad people. Yeah. I'm not a bad person. I don't consider myself a bad person, I would consider you know, all life is precious, whether it be animal or human. And by shoving poison inside them, which is what it is, I think it's, it's just vile.

**R: OK. So then going back to pandemic messaging momentarily. You had said it depends on how you want to what job you want to do with it. So if the job was to minimise harm from pandemic and fallout let's say, and to actually give information about the pandemic, or whatever you want to call it, did it do that particularly well?**

J: Yeah, I think they did. I think everybody you know, was on board with it. They didn't have a lot of choice. And that's what I can't understand. How a small group of us, or a small number of us didn't buy into it. I don't know the answer to that. I couldn't even hazard a guess as to why we didn't swallow it.

**R: It just seemed absurd.**

J: Yeah but why is it absurd to us, and not the majority of the rest of the country, or the rest of the world? Who knows?

**R: I mean, to be honest, I see a lot of things that people see a perfectly fine as being absurd. So I'm not really one to ask.**

J: I'm not either, because I'm like I say, I've never really followed the crowd, or I've always been a bit of a, I'll give you another example, quickly. When I was having driving lessons I've got an older sister as well who I fell out with even longer ago than all this. But before we fell out, she was a nurse. And of course, you know, being a nurse, you should get taught, you got to do certain things, because that's the way you do it. And she was having driving lessons and the driving instructor would say to her, “put your right foot down, on or your left foot down on there,” and she would do it because he said to do it.

But then because I am the contrarian that I am, when he said, and this is what he told me. He said, he would say to me, “put your foot down on here.” And I'd say “why?” while I'm driving along, and he's saying, “because if you don't, we're going to crash.” And that's the thing, I needed the answer before I could do something. Now, you know, that's the way I've always been. I want to know why first, and I don't know where I got that from. I'm the middle of three girls, right. So I don't know whether it's the eldest was put on a pedestal, the baby was babied. And I was left in the middle to just get on with things. So yeah, I mean, I don't know if that helped.

**R: It can't have harmed, It can't have harmed. OK, so you know, what can you tell me about this current range of vaccines then? I mean, there's different vaccine technologies around.**

J: I wouldn't touch any of them with a bargepole. I wouldn't want any of them near me. And I would wish none of them would be near my family.

**R: It's a bit late for that.**

J: Yeah. And also, I was horrified to find out what our childhood vaccination programme is as well, because I had no idea it had taken off to the point that it has done. I always knew the Americans were, you know, pharma city, you know, with having relatives over there. But I didn't know how far into the pharma cult we were. I don't know if you you're aware of how many vaccines our poor babies have these days?

**R: I don't know because I had the MMR, the booster. The polio.**

J: BCG?

**R: Meningitis, it wasn't that many.**

J: No, it wasn't. I mean, that's more than my kids had, because I don't remember that many more. But then yes, one by one they've started to, you know, give the teenagers, all kinds of things. But it's the babies. I mean I didn't realise, I mean, my grandson he's two and a half. He's obviously had them. But at the age of two months, so eight weeks of age, they have a six in one. Yeah,

**R: Wow.**

J: Six in one, and they were talking about the MMR being a triple and one being, you know, being a damager. Six in one, plus a separate jab, plus a drop on the tongue.

**R: That's the polio.**

J: I don't think it is.

**R: OK.**

J: No, I think the polio comes in later than that. But that's eight weeks, 12 weeks, and then 16 weeks the same things. Yeah, I mean, it is a lot of chemicals going into a tiny body. I mean, it's disgusting. And I've sent various things to my son saying: "please read this. please take them out of the programme."

**R: But of course, everything you say is wrong?**

J: He don't believe [me]. Well, I don't know because he's never responded. I don't even know if he read it-

**R: So, I mean, there's a lot of censorship about these views though, isn't there? Like where do you think it's kind of coming from and why do you think it's happening?**

J: Well it's Big Pharma! back to my GP it's Big Pharma paying everybody off, because there's big money in it.

**R: Oh, there is.**

J: Huge, huge sums of money. I mean, when you think back to what we were actually told on the mainstream media, the amount of vials that Hancock bought, it's enough for what, six-

**R: It was enough to do everyone [in the UK] 4 times or something, right?**

J: Was it four? I thought it was six.

**R: OK.**

J: Yeah, maybe it was four initially and then later but yeah, massive massive numbers.

**(J and R talk about the drive back to where R is staying)**

**R: Which then brings us to it [the situation] going on for quite a long time. So what do you think motivates us all? Is it just money or is there something else?**

J: Motivates them?

**R: Yeah, what's motivating the agents that are causing the situation to perpetuate itself to make them perpetuate itself?**

J: Money. They're obviously getting...I believe they are being well paid to keep their mouths closed. Because I heard the latest interview by the undertaker John O'Looney. I mean, he's the only one coming out, speaking about it, but he...he's had 50 other funeral directors around the country, reach out to him and talk to him. So, you know he's not alone in his views, but he's the only one who is actually going on the press.

And, you know...he said that he was given money, he was offered money. Sorry, no, he was made an offer. I can't remember who it was by, but, you know, a substantial amount of money. Oh, RT it was, RT, you know, Russia Today. They, they wanted to give him this sum of money to do an interview and then to go quiet...just let them have the interview, which they were going to put under the table and then he had to keep quiet and not do any more. And he just refused to do it.

So you know, that's going on. It's like that with Dr. Sam white. Is that his name? The GP that came out and said, you know, came out to tell the truth and now he's rescinded everything (Ed. I can't corroborate this, see: <https://www.americaoutloud.com/failure-of-vaccines-and-truth-revealed/> and <https://www.dr.samwhite.com/> see also <https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-england-hampshire-59174846>).

**R: He's rescinded everything?**

J: Oh, gosh, yeah. Didn't hear?

**R: Yeah. I heard that he'd gone quiet, but that's not quite the same as rescinding everything.**

J: Oh, he was forced. He went back. And he apologised for what he said and he's removed everything and rescinded all of the things that he said and he's gone back to work. Yeah.

**R: So what do you make of that?**

J: I think he's been bought. He's been bought on the promise, or the threat of something to him or his family. It's obvious. You know, there are so many people who have taken the hit if not necessarily in this country, but abroad as well. You know, Brandy Vaughn. I mean, she was a pharmaceutical worker who blew the lid on it. And you know, at the age of 40-

**R: She died didn't she, or she was killed?**

J: She was killed because she knew that she was being got at. She was trailed, trailed around. She put a you know, she put tweets out saying, "I am not suicidal. I'm, you know, I'm very well and blah, blah, blah. If I'm found dead, I'll be murdered." And exactly, that is what happened. And then of course they did. Somebody did an autopsy and said, "Oh, no, it was, she died of blah, blah, blah." But don't believe it. I Just don't believe it. Don't believe it with Sam White. I know he was got at.

**R: Yeah, I mean, it takes one thing to say sort of, say ivermectin works and then to say it doesn't. Quite odd.**

J: Well, it's very odd to that two of the ivermectin factories burnt down as well. One in India, one in the States, I think. I can't remember where the other one was, but certainly a big one in India. All these really weird goings on.

**R: I mean...that's caused the prices to rise. Which is kind of understandable. Also demand. So what would you have done differently as regards the management of this stuff?**

J: What, if I'd have been in charge (laughs)?

**R: Yeah.**

J: Well, I wouldn't have mandated what they have done, I wouldn't have locked everybody up for as long as they were locked up. That's not been necessary at all. I mean, you know, they they've known from pretty much day one that it wasn't the killer that it's been made out to be. It's not Ebola. I mean, I believe Ebola was something else that that they released. Maybe I'm reading the wrong kind of things, but you know, it's another virus that kind of coming out of (inaudible).

**R: Are you talking about the Marburg Haemorrhagic fever? Because there's viruses, called Ebola and Marburg.**

J: Right, well Marburg's the newest one that's gonna hit us, isn't it?

**R: I mean, yeah, I'm sceptical of that. Mostly because those hemorrhagic fevers because they're so deadly, they don't don't transmit very far. And Ebola, one of the reasons that you had an Ebola epidemic in certain places was because of burial practices. So somebody died of Ebola they'd [survivors] get all close to the corpse, and then you've got a whole bunch of people infected with Ebola.**

J: Yeah.

**R: So the public health there which mitigated the epidemics was just to sort of say "If you're going to bury your dead can you just do these things [beforehand] please?" Yeah, so I kind of think something that deadly probably isn't all that transmissible. Don't get me wrong, like because yeah, those are diseases that you genuinely want to be afraid of.**

J: Well, like I say, you don't know what you're reading, whether it's true or not, but the Marburg it's a blood disease, isn't it?

**R: Yeah.**

J: And it's you know, due to the coagulation which is what these so called vaccines are doing. And that's what I believe that this latest threat of the you know, the latest virus, deadly viruses that's due to all that, you know, the reincarnation so to speak, of COVID-19. Is this Marburg virus?...No, that's not a coronavirus, is it?

**R: Marburg's not, no.**

J: But they're going to call it Marburg, which is what the so called injections are doing to people's bodies.

**R: So you're sort of saying that vaccine damage is going to be painted as Marburg?**

J: Yeah.

**R: OK.**

J: Yeah, that's that's how I read it. How I see it, because who the devil is gonna say "no, it's not?"

**R: Yeah, I mean, I guess, you know, if I was looking into that, I'd sort of go "well, what's the disease course? What does a traditional case of Marburg look like?" Because we do have that on record. You know, we've got cases of Ebola and stuff like that, that we know like, how it goes and how it looks. And you compare them to what they're saying is happening.**

J: Yeah, but are they being truthful to us? See, I would be open and honest and consistent. Yeah. But they've been all over the place haven't they.

**R: Oh, totally. Yeah.**

J: All over the place. And you know, it's one lie after another after another. And they are just looking after themselves. Which is, you know, politics, I suppose. But I've never known it in this country to be as bad as it is. You know, they're they're looking after their own families, their own friends.

**R: Matt Hancock's landlord.**

J: Oh, the pub owner?

**R: No, Matt Hancock's pub landlord or something like that, or his former landlord was given like some sort of NHS contract, there's all kinds of kickbacks in this debacle. It's everywhere.**

J: Well, they had all that decided before the pandemic was announced.

**R: So what is a pandemic, then?**

J: What is it?

**R: Yeah,**

J: It's supposed to be, you know, an infection that goes around the world and is killing a lot of people. The WHO-

**R: They got rid of the "mass deaths" definition didn't they.**

J: They redefined it completely just to suit this.

**R: I mean in reference to this pandemic.**

J: But it's not pandemic is it? I mean, there are a lot of people dying, but they're not necessarily dying of, or even with COVID-19. Because let's face it, the PCR test shouldn't be used for diagnosis. But it is been and it will find anything. I mean, we all know that. But you know, you try and tell somebody like my daughter, she just won't go there.

**R: OK, so yeah.**

J: Yeah, it's a joke!

**R: Better not to. OK, and then. So, how do you think all of this will end? We seem to be circling the drain with the Coronavirus Act being renewed with not as much as a whimper. That was not good.**

J: Oh, it was appalling. There was just a handful of them there and they laughed it through.

**R: They laughed it through.**

J: Yeah. It's disgusting. And you know, and I have given up writing to my MP because I just get the-

**R: Boilerplate?**

J: Yeah. We know quite well...that's what's going to happen, what they're going to say, because obviously, she's a Tory, I just couldn't be bothered wasting my time putting an email together. It's not even a letter but you know, it's an email. Couldn't be bothered, because she's not going to read.

Appalling. Where is it going to end? Who knows. I just hope that our numbers grow enough to be able to have an insurgence. You know, we don't need violence. You know, sadly on a lot of the forums, you know, the people, I'll not name anybody in particular. But people are trying to get everybody to go in there and go in with the pitchforks. ( we talk about people we know on a shared forum).

Anyway, yeah. So where's it going? God, I hope it. Oh, here's me praying to God and I don't believe in even believe it. But you know, I'd say I'm on the point where I could be...if I thought it would make a difference, then I would. But yes, I just really hope that we can stop it and we can be free again.

Because the way it's heading, we are not going to be able to walk down the street without being tracked, traced and locked up.

**R: So is that the new normal then, as if things carry on down the trajectory?**

J: Oh God. Well, it is going to be, isn't it? And this build back better, if they hadn't broken it in the first place, they wouldn't have to build it back better, and it's not going to be better. Won't be better for us, that's for sure.

**R: Well, if you like having your arse wiped your thoughts thought for you [it will be].**

J: Well, that's true. But I was gonna say Do many people actually want to do that? But they don't know that that's where they're heading, do they? This is the point.

**R: Who knows? Who knows ? Useful idiots, I mean, they've existed throughout history, but I think it's very difficult to call yourself ignorant or unaware when it takes an afternoon. More people spend more time reading about the football or whatever, then the greatest upheaval that I've ever lived through.**

**I mean, obviously, my life has not been so long as many others I've talked to. There seems to be a common thread that something very big is happening.**

J: It's a massive, massive upheaval, upheaval in everything that we've ever known.

**R: And so when you look at people now, let's say you just saw people-**

J Walk down the street?

**R: Yeah, one what do you what's your kind of default thought I kind of used to be kind of, "they're probably OK. You know, they're just wanting a life for themselves."**

J: Yeah. Well, I I've always been, you know, very open and friendly, smiley. Say hello. If anybody wants to stop and say a little bit more than great. Obviously I'm never in a hurry these days because I'm retired and if it takes me all day walking the dog then fine, that suits me.

But now you find people don't want to stop. They walk in the middle of the road still. And I just think "You idiot. get run over. Don't bother looking," because half of them don't. Yeah...I don't know. Obviously, If they're wearing a face covering then obviously I know which side of the debacle they're on and I don't even look at them. You can't make conversation with (muffled noises). Can't understand them.

**R: So what what kind of has changed within you, a degree of suspicion almost? Or just not really wanting to engage with these people just because of-**

J: I've become intolerant. Very, very intolerant of idiots I suppose. I do find it quite difficult with my daughter, but I'm trying not, to just for peace. Just you know.

**(We discuss some people we know)**

**R: So, yeah. Why then? Do you think you've become a bit more intolerant? Is it just because you feel there's a level of complicity?**

J: Yeah.

**R: OK.**

J: Yeah, that they haven't taken the time to look beyond the television and the newspaper...They haven't thought for themselves. They've just been fed the information, and they believe it. And there's absolutely no way you can get anybody to change their mind.

**R: Yeah.**

J: I mean it happens like with this chap I met [refers to individual refusing booster described earlier].

**R: Yeah. I mean, that's just because they get their ass kicked by experience. Yeah, that's just the way it goes. And then your relationship to the state? I mean, you made (inaudible) about Brexit-**

J: I've no time. ...I've never really been into politics, to be honest, because they did what they were supposed to be doing. Until we found out about the duck, you know, the duck pond, you know, the duck house, and, you know, the the expenses scandal.

And even then I didn't really go into it, It was just something that was rumbling. I had other things in my life, that I had more concern about than you know, MPs screwing us over, as it turned out.

And they're doing it again, big time.

**R: Big time now. And with some degree of violence, you know, there's something much darker about that. So, is there anything that you want to ask me? I mean, you've asked me a couple of things throughout, but like, is there anything you'd ask me for the record or?**

**(R and J talk about where this project is going)**

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