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to get where he was going, where God didn't want him to go. So standing in that archway, as often happens, the ass saw what the prophet didn't see. The ass saw God's angel with a sword, and he was going to kill the prophet if he proceeded. So the prophet being blind, as these religious people always are, don't have the sense of a jackass based on the Bible, prodded the jackass, kicked him in the ribs and said go forward, go forward. So finally God got tired of this, so he loosed the string of the jackass's tongue, so the jackass could talk. And this ass looked up at the ass on him and said, man, what are you kicking me for? And the prophet was surprised. He said, because I'm the boss and I want you to go forward. He said, fool, don't you know that there is an angel standing in that doorway, and if I go through that doorway he's going to cut your head off and he might get mine at the same time? And at that point God let the scales fall away from Balaam's eyes and he too saw what the jackass had seen first. That's mythology. Jackasses, four-legged jackasses don't talk and there are no such things as angels. That's Old Testament mythology. Talking about a fish swallowing a human being and the human being living inside of a fish for three days, that's mythology. But when you're a little kid being brought up in this country, they teach you that that actually happened. They tell you that there was a big flood and everything drowned, except what was on the ark, Noah and his family. And by the way, he wound up having incest...well, no, he didn't, or did he? But there was one, that was Lot. Lot did in fact have incest with two of his daughters. Lot, the man saved by God from Sodom and Gomorrah, had incest, committed incest with his daughters, and he was not punished for it. But anyway, they say that everything except what was on the ark died, was drowned. Well what about the fish? Did the fish drown? D'd the porpoise? Did they all drown? Doesn't make sense. And the animals didn't just come two-by-two, some came by seven.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: In some cases seven were allowed to live, but that's not what they tell you when you're a child. You're not supposed to read all that and see how nonsensical it is. So I quote from all of them, it's all mythology. And the purpose is to try to give lessons and messages which people cannot absorb