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UNDER-HISTORY LESSONS

P.S. 1: basement, boiler-room: audiotape transcript.

LEFT SPEAKER (FRONT)

Let's say we do --

Go on: we -- do --
Again: we -- do --
Repeat: mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm --
Remember: we -- do --

Ready: let's say we do --

Again: mm -- mm --
Again: we -- do --
Remember: we -- do --
Repeat: mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm --

(Pause, 5 sec.)

Let's love it --

Go: we -- love --
Again: we -- love --
Go on: we -- love -- it --
Repeat: we -- love -- it --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm --
Together: mm -- mm -- mm --

Ready: let's love it --

Ready: we -- love -- it --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm --
Remember: we -- love -- it --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm --

RIGHT SPEAKER (REAR)

Ready: let's say we do --

Go on: we -- do --
Again: we -- do --
Repeat: mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm --
Remember: we -- do --

Together: let's say we do --

Again: mm -- mm --
Again: we -- do --
Remember: we -- do --
Repeat: mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm --

Ready: let's love it --

Go: we -- love --
Again: we -- love --
Go on: we -- love -- it --
Repeat: we -- love -- it --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm --
Together: mm -- mm -- mm --

Together: let's love it --

Ready: we -- love -- it --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm --
Remember: we -- love -- it --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm --

(Pause, 5 sec.)

Let's believe we're in this together --

Ready: we -- be -- lieve --
Again: we -- be -- lieve --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm --
Go: we -- be -- lieve -- we're --
in -- it --
Repeat: we -- be -- lieve --
we're -- in -- it --
Remember: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm --
Together: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm --

Ready: let's believe we're in this together --

Go on: we're -- in -- this --
to -- geth -- er --
Again: we're -- in -- this --
to -- geth -- er --
Now: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm --
Remember: we're -- in -- this --
to -- geth -- er --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm --

Everybody: let's believe we're in this together --

Ready: we -- be -- lieve --
Again: we -- be -- lieve --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm --
Go: we -- be -- lieve -- we're --
in -- it --
Repeat: we -- be -- lieve --
we're -- in -- it --
Remember: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm --
Together: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm --

Get ready: let's believe we're in this together --

Go on: we're -- in -- this --
to -- geth -- er --
Again: we're -- in -- this --
to -- geth -- er --
Now: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm --
Remember: we're -- in -- this --
to -- geth -- er --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm --

(Pause, 5 sec.)

Let's be suckers --

All right: we -- are -- suck --
ers --

Repeat: we -- are -- suck -- ers --

Again: we -- are -- suck -- ers --

Go: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Remember: let's be suckers --

Now: we -- are -- suck -- ers --

Say it: we -- are -- suck -- ers --

Remember: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Again: we -- are -- suck -- ers --

Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Ready: let's be suckers --

All right: we -- are -- suck --
ers --

Repeat: we -- are -- suck -- ers --

Again: we -- are -- suck -- ers --

Go: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Ready: let's be suckers --

Now: we -- are -- suck -- ers --

Say it: we -- are -- suck -- ers --

Remember: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Again: we -- are -- suck -- ers --

Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

(Pause 5 sec.)

Let's keep a good thing going --

Ready: we'll -- keep -- the --
goods --

Again: we'll -- keep -- the --
goods --

Go on: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Again: we'll -- keep -- a -- good --
thing --

Now: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Remember: let's keep a good thing
going --

Go: we'll -- keep -- a -- good --
thing -- go -- ing --

Again: we'll -- keep -- a -- good --
thing -- go -- ing --

Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
mmm -- mmm --

Again: we'll -- keep -- a -- good --
thing -- go -- ing --

Ready: let's keep a good thing going --

Ready: we'll -- keep -- the --
goods --

Again: we'll -- keep -- the --
goods --

Go on: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Again: we'll -- keep -- a -- good --
thing --

Now: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Get set: let's keep a good thing
going --

Go: we'll -- keep -- a -- good --
thing -- go -- ing --

Again: we'll -- keep -- a -- good --
thing -- go -- ing --

Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
mmm -- mmm --

Again: we'll -- keep -- a -- good --
thing -- go -- ing --

Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm --

Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm --

(Pause, 5 sec.)

Let's not give anything away --

Remember: let's not give anything
away --

Get set: we -- won't -- give --
Again: we -- won't -- give
Again: mm -- mm -- mm --
Remember: we -- won't -- give --
an -- y -- thing --
Repeat: we -- won't -- give -- an --
y -- thing --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm --
Again: we -- won't -- give -- it --
a -- way --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm --

Get set: we -- won't -- give --
Again: we -- won't -- give --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm --
Remember: we -- won't -- give --
an -- y -- thing --
Repeat: we -- won't -- give -- an --
y -- thing --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm --
Again: we -- won't -- give -- it --
a -- way --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm --

Once more: let's not give anything
away --

Ready: let's not give anything
away --

All together: mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Go: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm -- mm --
Again: we -- won't -- give -- an --
y -- thing -- a -- way --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Repeat: we -- won't -- give -- an --
y -- thing -- a -- way --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --

All together: mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Go: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm -- mm --
Again: we -- won't -- give -- an --
y -- thing -- a -- way --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Repeat: we -- won't -- give -- an --
y -- thing -- a -- way --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --

(Pause, 5 sec.)

Let's claim we care enough --

Go: we -- claim -- it --
Say it: we -- claim -- it --
Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
Go on: we -- claim -- we -- care --
Remember: we -- care --
Repeat: we -- care --
Again: mmm -- mmm --
Together: mmm -- mmm --

Right: let's claim we care enough --

Go: we -- care -- e -- nough --
Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
Repeat: we -- care -- e -- nough --
Remember: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

(Pause, 5 sec.)

Ready: let's feel pangs of
-- conscience --

Go on: we -- feel -- it --
Again: we -- feel -- it --
Ready: mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
Repeat: we -- feel -- pangs -- of --
con -- science --
Again: we -- feel -- pangs -- of --
con -- science --
Remember: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
mmm -- mmm --
Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
mmm --

Get ready: let's feel pangs of
conscience --

Go: we -- feel -- pangs -- of --

All together: let's claim we care
enough --

Go: we -- claim -- it --
Say it: we -- claim -- it --
Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
Go on: we -- claim -- we -- care --
Remember: we -- care --
Repeat: we -- care --
Again: mmm -- mmm --
Together: mmm -- mmm --

Ready: let's claim we care enough --

Go: we -- care -- e -- nough --
Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
Repeat: we -- care -- e -- nough --
Remember: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Lesson: let's feel pangs of
conscience --

Go on: we -- feel -- it --
Again: we -- feel -- it --
Ready: mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
Repeat: we -- feel -- pangs -- of --
con -- science --
Again: we -- feel -- pangs -- of --
con -- science --
Remember: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
mmm -- mmm --
Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
mmm --

Now: let's feel pangs of conscience --

Go: we -- feel -- pangs -- of --

con -- science --
Again: we -- feel -- pangs -- of --
con -- science --
Ready: nna -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
nnn --
Remember: we -- feel -- pangs --
of -- con -- science --
Go on: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
nnn --
Repeat: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
nnn -- nnn --

con -- science --
Again: we -- feel -- pangs -- of --
con -- science --
Ready: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
nnn --
Remember: we -- feel -- pangs --
of -- con -- science --
Go on: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
nnn --
Repeat: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
nnn -- nnn --

(Pause, 5 sec.)

Let's be happy with what we have --

Ready: we -- are -- hap -- py --
Again: we -- are -- hap -- py --
Repeat: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
Again: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
Go on: we -- have -- it --
Again: nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
Again: we -- have -- it --

Remember: let's be happy with what
we have --

Go: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
Again: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
Repeat: we -- are -- hap -- py --
with -- what -- we -- have --
Again: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
Remember: we -- are -- hap -- py --
with -- what -- we -- have --
Repeat: we -- are -- hap -- py --
with -- what -- we -- have --
Ready: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
Go: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
nnn -- nnn -- nnn --

Message: let's be happy with what
we have --

Ready: we -- are -- hap -- py --
Again: we -- are -- hap -- py --
Repeat: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
Again: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
Go on: we -- have -- it --
Again: nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
Again: we -- have -- it --

Ready: let's be happy with what we
have --

Go: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
Again: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
Repeat: we -- are -- hap -- py --
with -- what -- we -- have --
Again: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
Remember: we -- are -- hap -- py --
with -- what -- we -- have --
Repeat: we -- are -- hap -- py --
with -- what -- we -- have --
Ready: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
Go: nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn -- nnn --
nnn -- nnn -- nnn --

(Pause, 5 sec.)

Let's have some healthy doubts --

Go: mm -- mm -- mm --
Again: we -- have -- some --
Repeat: we -- have -- some --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm --

Remember: let's have some healthy doubts --

Ready: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm --
Again: we -- have -- some --
health -- y -- doubts --
Repeat: we -- have -- some --
health -- y -- doubts --
Ready: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm --
Remember: we -- have -- some --
health -- y -- doubts --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm --

Ready: let's have some healthy doubts --

Go: mm -- mm -- mm --
Again: we -- have -- some --
Repeat: we -- have -- some --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm --

Together: let's have some healthy doubts --

Ready: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm -- mm --
Again: we -- have -- some --
health -- y -- doubts --
Repeat: we -- have -- some --
health -- y -- doubts --
Ready: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm --
Remember: we -- have -- some --
health -- y -- doubts --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm --

(Pause, 5sec.)

Ready: let's pretend that we hate --

Say it: we -- pre -- tend --
Say it: mm -- mm -- mm --
Again: we -- are -- pre -- tend --
ers --

Get set: let's pretend that we hate --

Say it: we -- pre -- tend --
Say it: mm -- mm -- mm --
Again: we -- are -- pre -- tend --
ers --

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Repeat: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
mm --
Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Remember: let's pretend that we
hate --

Get ready: mmm -- mmm --
Again: mmm -- mmm --
Go: we -- hate --
Remember: we -- hate --
Again: we -- hate --
All together: mmm -- mmm --
Again: mmm -- mmm --
Get set: we -- hate --
Again: we -- hate --
Again: mmm -- mmm --
Again: mmm -- mmm --

(Pause, 5 sec.)

Now: let's not spoil the party --

Begin: we -- won't -- spoil -- it --
Again: we -- won't -- spoil -- it --
Now: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
Go on: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Remember: let's not spoil the
party --

Repeat: we -- won't -- spoil --
the -- par -- ty --
Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
mm --
Again: we -- won't -- spoil --
the -- par -- ty --
Again: we -- won't -- spoil --
the -- par -- ty --
Now: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
mm --
Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
mm --

Repeat: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
mm --
Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Lesson: let's pretend we hate --

Get ready: mmm -- mmm --
Again: mmm -- mmm --
Go: we -- hate --
Remember: we -- hate --
Again: we -- hate --
All together: mmm -- mmm --
Again: mmm -- mmm --
Get set: we -- hate --
Again: we -- hate --
Again: mmm -- mmm --
Again: mmm -- mmm --

Ready: let's not spoil the party --

Begin: we -- won't -- spoil -- it --
Again: we -- won't -- spoil -- it --
Now: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
Go on: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --

Lesson: let's not spoil the
party --

Repeat: we -- won't -- spoil --
the -- par -- ty --
Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
mm --
Again: we -- won't -- spoil --
the -- par -- ty --
Again: we -- won't -- spoil --
the -- par -- ty --
Now: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
mm --
Again: mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm -- mmm --
mm --

(Pause, 5 sec.)

Ready: let's feel repression --

Go: we -- feel --
Again: we -- feel --
Again: mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm --
Go on: we -- feel -- re -- pres --
sion --
Start: we -- feel -- re -- pres --
sion --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Remember: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm --

Right: let's feel repression --

All together: we -- feel -- re --
pres -- sion --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Repeat: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Remember: we -- feel -- re -- pres --
sion --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --

(Pause, 5 sec.)

Now: let's be oppressed --

Start: we -- are -- op -- pressed --
Again: we -- are -- op -- pressed --
Repeat: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Go on: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --

Remember: let's be oppressed --

Now: let's feel repression --

Go: we -- feel --
Again: we -- feel --
Again: mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm --
Go on: we -- feel -- re -- pres --
sion --
Start: we -- feel -- re -- pres --
sion --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Remember: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
mm --

Lesson: let's feel repression --

All together: we -- feel -- re --
pres -- sion --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Repeat: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Remember: we -- feel -- re -- pres --
sion --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --

Ready: let's be oppressed --

Start: we -- are -- op -- pressed --
Again: we -- are -- op -- pressed --
Repeat: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Go on: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --

Lesson: let's be oppressed --

Together: we -- are -- op --
pressed --
Again: we -- are -- op -- pressed --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Remember: we -- are -- op --
pressed --
Repeat: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Go: we -- are -- op -- pressed --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --

Together: we -- are -- op --
pressed --
Again: we -- are -- op -- pressed --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Remember: we -- are -- op --
pressed --
Repeat: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Go: we -- are -- op -- pressed --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --
Again: mm -- mm -- mm -- mm --