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With great scarce and in the from not the I think you just sit here I think I can do it like a no you don't move your chin A was to get a Yeah And he wants to play the song that Yeah OK I'm doing this one Right Right I wish I could march Work on it work on it I'm sitting down that right now Roger Neil is in the Bill Six Well done a good day live If you are confused what that song is Big big Day That is the uh marine theme song We have a Major Day Major Major major Day But before we get into it I want to introduce myself Um If we've never met for the first time I'm Michelle Mira along with Kyle Trueblood Major major capers um will be in the building shortly Listen legend is used so lightly in Hollywood but today we have a real legend Yes Yes Yes I'm interested to see what he has to say Oh there's so much that we're gonna get into with him Um But yes he's got he's got a lot to say Um And what I what my takeaway is is that he's never said it was about him and his story It's about the collective of the of the men that fought And um I got so choked up when I watch this documentary It's got all the feels honestly you got to check this documentary out It's incredible And then they're making a major Hollywood film out of this documentary which is just it will And I'm going to tell Major Capra this when I see him is that he's won so many not one but received so many awards for his service with absolute reason But I believe and I predict the next award that will be awarded to him will be an Academy Award OK Yeah I wanna go to the park It this I can't I don't wanna curse but I mean he's he's just the absolute like he's tough as nails man I I saw some of this documentary and uh it it doesn't get much tougher than this guy right here You know what's interesting is that even though he's tough he also has a whole lot of heart And I think that was my takeaway is that there's so much heart with his his wife Dody with the with the men that he fought with um with what his father said to him There's just so much heart and I feel like it just has all the feels I you know as a storyteller I wanted to feel all the fields and I got it I cried Iii I smiled I laughed a little Um but yes this person uh has been through been through a lot Um and I you know I think it's just a love story to his country to to his family and um to God So I thought it was really cool Yeah Can't wait to see him And how you doing today I'm great I'm excited I'm excited to have him in How are you Good good good good so good Um I will say he is not a big person who curses So we want to keep that one and can control He said that um actually somebody uh in his uh in on the broad mind No I think we we

we we've had moments the two of us here and there Ok Ok Well um a couple of uh the people that were in his in his uh I don't I don't know it was the team group I'm terrible at this um that he fought with uh they said that the only the only word that he used Curse word was knucklehead And if you heard knucklehead you would never want to hear that again because it was like hearing your father and God at the same time Um so if you you knew you were called the knucklehead that you're in trouble I love that I love that Yeah No I'm so excited We got a lot of things to talk about other than um major capers Kyle Uh we were talking about this before we got in for marines Yeah best friend The next marine Um he's he's got his kid is my godson Um and I I got to see like the difference like I knew him for 10 years before he left for the marines And then when he got back on his first leave he was like looking at a different person He he had structured uh you know he he's not that major capri was anything like this but you know James needed the marines Let's put it that way Yeah Uh and but when he came back he was just so like he was pointing at me like this like when James would talk I was like bro I'm not in the marines I'm not I'm not I didn't enlist and he's just like you gotta we gotta and he kept giving me one of these and pointing at me like this I kind of wanna I wanna get this down I like it I wanna get this down Um You wanna get this down Uh This is going around I've been villainized I hear all the time You can't be present for all those Children So therefore I get this Deadbeat dad title What do we think It's so interesting segue Well I got a segue What how else how else would you segue that I don't know I wasn't really looking the segway I was I was on a point about the marines and you were like Nick Cannon It's like did he serve Well listen listen if you want to take control be my guest might have to Ok So anyway Nick Cannon uh what about him He's being villainized He's getting publicity He's just getting more publicity This is what what what what am I upset about Nothing Oh ok Yeah Yeah Nothing He's got a bunch of kids You make a bed you sleep in it you know Um This is cool Uh Nike co-founder Phil Knight donates \$400 million to benefit Portland's black community What do we think donates 400 million to benefit Portland's black community Ok Wow Uh Phil what are we doing with this 400 million Where's it going Yeah If you if you want to donate more to a studio in Los Angeles we know of one but like I'm just curious I'm not being facetious at all I'm just curious Very curious Where is \$400 million going into one community for one town Yeah it's a lot of money That is a lot of money Is he building a school Well I hope so Phil Knight and his wife Penny are donating \$400 million to a new investment fund called the 18 03

Fund designed to finance education services art programs and other initiatives for Black Portland residing in the inner north and northeast Portland areas historically known as Albina That's awesome I think that's great That is so ironic that they live in Albina like Albino hilarious Um And then we want to give a special congratulatory to Mr Robert De Niro Just had a baby at 70 nine and he is now a dad of seven years old that not seven years old and now a dad of seven it's so interesting that the segment we have for Nick Cannon and then the segment we have for De Niro is so different and there are only four Children away from each other Isn't that funny Kind of hypocritical But we'll let it go No coming after Nick Cannon like always a dead dad Robert is over here having a baby at 79 and no one bats an eyelash I know I think I think a lot of people are batting their eyes about it to be honest Well I mean it's all over It's all over the news not in a negative way Uh you know not in the like you'll see it's all over anyway Well I think you know I think a lot of people have their opinions of like when you can and when you shouldn't have like kids and all that you know everyone has their opinions We can have this conversation Yeah Even the day is coming up It is coming up Your dad's mother's day is coming up this weekend Right Happy early mother's day To all the moms out there Mother's day to Jeanie Oh yeah Happy mother's day to Jeanie Um who who else am I gonna pull up Um this is wait is that Cruz Cruz was Shakira Um and they were just like we're just gonna leave this here We're just gonna leave this here That's hilarious Um Is that recent Is that like that's really they both look great age ever I wait for him to get gray hair I don't believe so I've gone from infantile to gray and Tom has looked the same since Tom got I don't understand what's going on I think when you do he colors his hair Ok OK That's that's the thing I think I think when you do what you love you love what you do and you love what you do you stay young forever I tell you what that's a big win for Tom It's a big big win for Tom Have you ever heard of Tom dating anyone before What I've heard him married Kidman That's right That's right Katie Holmes Oh yeah Yeah Yeah Yeah That was a while ago though That was a while ago That was a while ago Um and then this is this is interesting because we are um you're a big fan of Entourage and and uh so is Andy um Jeremy says that Wahlberg is missing a piece for Entourage reboot I think he's the piece He's the missing piece What do we think that's well said Um I know a lot of people have tried to reboot the show uh in their own structure and with their own casting I haven't necessarily agreed with it Um but I think this is actually genius I think the person that is missing is Mark Wahlberg not

Charlie Sheen And uh let's go forward with that Ok All right Um so for like two months Yeah I mean what do we think Do you think that would actually make it a green light You know I I watched the whole well a couple of episodes and people label it misogynistic but I do think it's actually like rather contemporary It's it's it pushes certain boundaries but it's actually like it supports the Lgbtq community and this is 2005 right Like this isn't Will and Grace This is a dude's show and they got a you know gay guy on there and he's like one of the main characters also They don't really exploit women as much as you think they would Uh You know I watched a couple episodes It was not my cup of tea I get that But yeah a lot of a lot of chatter Yeah Gave me a bad taste in my mouth about about the industry and the metals coming from Yeah I am excited about that Um But that's exciting Um but I you know it gave a bad taste in my mouth about the industry I because I've always wanted to be in entertainment and always wanted to be you know um in writing and in front of the camera and producing all that And when I watched Entourage it made me very uncomfortable and said you know what maybe this isn't for me Uncomfortable Yeah Very uncomfortable about it because I was watching a lot of the behind the scenes of the way you boy chatter and what goes on behind closed doors And I was like yeah I don't think that's the industry for me Um so I stayed in I stayed in DC a little longer You're from So we got to give you Yeah I actually I actually I actually stayed in Bethesda Maryland a little longer before I came out here Yeah Yeah Yeah It deter you from a a little bit Yes I you know I was dating a lovely person for ever No No no he was not a priest He became a priest I did not date a priest Let's make it clear Let's make it clear I did not date a priest He joined the priesthood because that was his you know I say no more that I respect I respect Um actually it was his birthday the other day Um What his name father father Well his name now but you have to address him his father That's ok Well you don't have to do that You don't have to do that You don't have to do that Um Father Yes Um What was I gonna tell you about this Oh I thought this was really cute I'm really excited about this This is um the little mermaid uh comes out May 26th We're so excited Look at these adorable little uh princesses walking the adorable blue carpet Look how cute I'm so excited for this version of a little mermaid You have no idea That jacket is fantastic Yeah Look at that jacket If you watch it one more time look at look at these little princesses I love that so much Oh my goodness Oh I tell you I think that uh offset from the Migos Yes offset had a daddy daughter date night with these little ones at the little Mermaid premiere I mean look I I'm

just in love I'm in love I'm in love I'm in love also I I can't wait to see this movie I'm really excited I heard it's phenomenal Yeah Shout out to Disney for uh making it multiracial and uh you know being very inclusive I know you know a lot of people get a lot of backlash a lot of the actors get backlash the directors the writers get backlash Uh but they're actually very uh you know stern and and firm on having a multiracial or a black mermaid and we're getting to that period where it's like what what do they have to be a certain the next one could be Asian the next one could be a spa We have to have you know it's fiction you know you can make it any color any background What I love about Disney is that you know they they listen to people that have said you know what these movies have been so great for so long You got to do something about it You have princesses like fighting and and and it's pr move because it wasn't like isn't it like known that Disney was a little racist Um Yes but I'm happy that they're happy I'm happy that they're making a move Um Speaking of times I don't know How do we think about this Uh This is from brought to us by the friends over at today's show Um This is a note that was left on a neighbor's uh stoop Hello neighbor Could you please shut your side window when cooking please My family are vegan We uh what is it We eat only plant based foods and the smell of the meat you cook makes us feel sick and upset We would appreciate your understanding Thanks Can't they close that window Why do we have to shut our close yours What are you doing I don't know What do we think about this Do we think this is a little too much Yes it is Close your window I'll keep mine open because it's a free country Close Yours done vegan You need more air than us I don't understand I know you're going to say about God That's why I was interested to see what he said that No is not in New Jersey I'll tell you that right now At least they're not being snack shamed Right No I shamed the snack as well Yesterday I asked Andy year old he was he was eating Cheetos and I said are you going to get snack shaves He's a grown man He can do what he wants to processed food in a three year old's hand because he doesn't have a choice Now He has a job You know he doesn't have his own currency to go buy his own food Exactly Give the kid an apple I I'm going to show this adorable video and then we're going to have our amazing guest on This is so cute This is Prince Louis is reaction to eating a Smore and this is his this is the kid that hates the wave I'm nervous about Prince Louis He just throw a stick in the fire I don't know But watch this watch this So he's going in for it He's going in for it Ok Yeah I know I'm a little nervous about this kid I'm not gonna lie I don't know anything about him No No I know Just try it

more for the first time I I know Excitement excitement excitement Yeah Yeah Yeah And they get so much I mean if you're royalty you get so much attention We care how you eat a Smore Let's watch him Let's let's watch him eat a s more It's like a leopard in the jungle Yeah So fascinated by his movements You know what I'm really excited about Oh not yet I'm excited for it too I got so excited that like two or three days now I've been at least 20 times regarding 0 100% I've called you so many times Very excited I was like yes I'm very excited as well I'm not as energetic as you are but I'm definitely I'm very energetic and very excited I um I was just vibrating with excitement because this is just just so cool But we were talking about this before before they came into the building Legend is used so lightly in Hollywood but this is a real legend I'm so excited and and honored that he's going to be here on the stage with us Um So yeah I'm I'm I'm thrilled I mean love Ashley Coad who who came on the show not too long ago Um Yeah incredible actress She's a producer Um She's she's wonderful and you know she produced this incredible documentary and um when she was sitting here and telling us about the story I like got so choked up and I said I I believe this is going to be an Academy Award winning film I I struggle ingredients right Yes it it has all it has everything you want And as a storyteller because I tell stories and you tell stories it just I just had the feels and I had goose bumps Um So and I cried you know I cried I laughed when Ashley Guo was here or after I cried when she laughs But like you know what I mean I cried about the story because it's so touching and heartwarming and and just like so motivating to to you know know that like you're capable of incredible things Um And uh yeah he's a man's man you know he he sets a standard Yes Yes Oh I I mean and we'll get we'll get into it with them But uh you know this this one photo uh where it says ask a marine uh this is where I got really choked up you know he had come back and and and he was taking that photo and his leg was broken from what I believe and some of the marines were holding him up behind him That's cool And I just got like so choked up because it just shows how much heart and love And I and I said this and if you guys have not seen this you absolutely should see this documentary It's absolutely incredible But to me my takeaway was a love for the country a love a love for the the men that he he worked with and then and his wife and and and God and his son everything It just there's so much heart and I think a really great story revolves around the heart Yes very well written It wasn't this like action live documentary It was it kept coming back to the heart kept coming back to the reason he was doing it and how he affected his friends

and his and his comrades I felt like that was that was the biggest takeaway for me was his relationship with his comrades and his relationship with his brothers in arms Uh Being a football player My best friends are ex marine Uh I just I have an affinity for that that like facet of the whole function Me too You know I'm a big I'm a big softie So I'm like wherever there's heart I go there's one story I want to bring up but I wanna wait till it gets on the Yeah I wanna I wanna wait I'm excited Yeah Yeah Yeah But oh yeah OK We're getting a all right now We can get really excited don't there We got major capers coming to this stage I believe Ashley Coad is coming back So we'll be right back after this and we'll see you soon We got to work on this No it up It's gonna be a firm firm although I'm not sure sometimes they like open it up and sometimes it's the difference We go anywhere We'll be right back after this So here is our Jari unbox it you wanna get it charged up you use this fantastic charger over here This is the output over there and it has an extra cable like this with the ability to charge it in your car So that is really cool So we have it all charged up It has here you can press on the display you can see now that it is not drawing any power it is not bringing in any power and it is 99% charged which is cool So as you wanna use all your separate things you can turn on the little lights and it will show you as you can see there that now you can draw power out of them or you can turn them off just like you would at home if you do if you wanna leave something plugged in but not having a draw power there you can turn it off So let's have some fun and see what our Jay can fire up So in the past we have used the Jari to light up our lives with go We have charged our cell phones and we have done a few other things But oh we've even lit up the Arrow Garden How amazing is that that we were able to light up the Arrow Garden But today we're gonna push the query to the limit and uh we are gonna take a look at the this works What's this This works that car vacuum Awesome Very cool And we could even take a look at Tabi used it and uh how amazing is this Oh my goodness You can just keep on going and going and going You can get into every little look and cranny in your car with all of this How awesome So this is what we're gonna do We're gonna stick it into our Jari Let's do it this way So you guys can see what I'm doing Turn it on there's a little light and the display have gone on because we are about to fire this up Thank you Mr Jackie There we go That is cool So let's see what else we can fire up today I mean that you can I mean that is just so cool You see powerful vacuum Jay fired it up Let's have a look at some of the other things that we can um fire up today Let's see Here we go So let's try the LaVoy Air purifier

I mean this is a high power drawing eye item I think I would imagine So it's not something that you would generally plug into this little power port here Amazing if this works you know how incredible this must be So not only is the Jari used when you are camping or exploring the world in your RV or your car The Jakey can also be your backup power source for a disaster Um You know disaster preparedness the Jay is definitely something that you'd want to have in your home And like God forbid there is something and the air is not pure and now you're stuck in your home You've got no power You can't put your air purifiers on If there's a huge amount of dust in the air or if there's a big um you know like we are in California there could be a huge earthquake will bring up a lot of dust but you obviously want to still keep your lungs protected Let's see if the Jay not only will give us power but will also save lives So plug it in over here we'll turn it on and you can see let's actually put this up a little bit because you'll be able to see the lights So let's put that try and see if you can see that there this all in the name of OK there we go So the little light is on and we have the uh did you see that Ok turn it on let's turn on the light So you guys can see There we go That is it So we have our voit that is powered up You can see the lights are on over there and this is thanks to our query How incredibly powerful is this Tiny little tiny little ba like tiny little box That is amazing So these are the cool things that we can do Thanks to our Jackie Oh My goodness Look at that this powerful little thing can do all of that So here is our Jari Unbox it you wanna get it charged up you use this fantastic charger over here This is the output over there and it has an extra cable like this with the ability to charge it in your car So that is really cool So we have it all charged up It has here you can press on the display You can see now that it is not drawing any power it is not bringing in any power and it is 99% charged which is cool So as you want to use all your separate things you can turn on the little lights and it will show you as you can see there that now you can draw power out of them or you can turn them off just like you would at home if you do if you wanna leave something plugged in but not having a draw power there you can turn it off So let's have some fun and see what our Jackie can fire up So in the past we have used the Jay to light up our lives with go We have charged our cell phones and if you hear the music I'm working in please welcome Major caper Thank you Thank you welcome welcome welcome And Aisle Couso Of course Sorry for that Thank you so much Thank you so much Ashley for coming back And and and uh major capers for for gracing our stage Uh We we got to hear so much about you and your story and and meet Ashley not

that long ago and we were both absolutely captivated I mean Kyle was so in on every single word that Ashley was talking and I was on I would just felt all the heart behind the story And then when I actually saw it I it brought so much like I I I'm almost short of words because it's so beautiful and um you just thank you for your service Thank you for putting out these incredible messages You also have AAA book what it reminded me of the book title Faith Through the Storm which is on Amazon which you guys can purchase right now Um I mean so this is great First of all thank you both for coming in Um and the documentary ground moving I mean it's earth shattering How did you guys meet to make this film Oh thanks to recap Thank you for everything you just said But Major General Williams actually brought me this project and Major Caper's story and his men's story They were classified pieces of information until recently and their folders were empty right So the Marine Corps Museum brought all the men together that were still with us and they scheduled a time to actually take the accounts of everything that happened on these classified missions and created these files and folders now and and they and General Williams you know thought it would be wonderful And as did I to bring all these classified pieces of history to life made when you were living in such like an uh such an amazing life Did you know then you were like they're gonna tell the story People are gonna know this story at some point I didn't know if I would live or not So yeah that's an everyday thing I couldn't think about the story In the future day by day we survived and many didn't survive A matter of fact we lost 36 marines killed and over 200 wounded in a 20 day mission They never came home my condolences It's um it's gotta be tough to you know gain such camaraderie with people They were my my guys I trained them they were like sons to me and I lost one I grieved Of course that's that's um that's tough I was uh I was walking I was I was so taken back by the connection you had with your brothers in arms And uh I had I have to bring up the story There was a time when they were wondering when you first got to the marines if you could fight and you said maybe like two or three sentences you just blindfolded yourself and you're like I have two men attacking at the same time and uh you took care of them and they never asked again So like where did you get that tenacity Is that from your father or is that something you just well uh was not given to a large statue So I started studying uh judo at an early age you know which allowed me to uh handle myself pretty well And so it wasn't much of a problem Uh when I was blindfolded I had taken a picture mentally of the two men were there So I really wasn't blindfolded I knew who they were and

where they were situated So it was just a matter of uh going into motion Ok Ok You heard it here first The the the real one John Wick just put it that way I I have to ask um there's uh we would talk about this before we went live What your father said to you And how old were you when he said those words what is it If 10 men were to make it up a flight of stairs or if 10 men were to make up a flight of stairs and only one man can make it to the top you have to believe you will be that man and it will be so so those were the words that he he took with him around the world and and we were able to thread throughout the film because it's it's a great it's a great message It is right And um do you want to speak on how that is I was enlisted into the Marine Corps and back in my day everyone was expected to to serve in some capacity and I enlisted in the Marine Corps and was going to Paris Island which was a pretty much infamous training place And as I was about to get on the train uh my father took me aside and and told me that and um I never forgot it and it was you know it was something that I thought about in those dark days It was to come Right Right And uh do you know where your dad got that quote from Do you do you know like any life experience he had or something My father spent time on what they used to call the old chain gang in the South We were born in South Carolina back in the days when there wasn't parody It was not something that we could expect So uh he did time on a chain gang and got away and uh went on to Baltimore and that's where he got a job and sent for the rest of the family And so we followed him to Baltimore and he was never an educated man but a great man a great man a wonderful father Uh as was my mother you know a wonderful uh mom but it was during the time we didn't have much to look forward to So you had to really you know uh think about your future and what the parents said to you those days you know was you thought was going to happen You know if he says I can make it then I believe in that Ok Ok Wow It's incredible what words can do to the spirit When you're told the right words you can go through anything Apparently I know it's true I mean and and Major Capers was just barely 18 Right And he was 1955 volunteered for the Marine Corps And that was the moment that his father shared those words as he got on the bus right As a young man And even Major capers tells us the stories about um going through boot camp as a as a young 18 year old thinking I I think you mentioned can I break my leg and I got and then you stick it out because when things get uncomfortable right And and that's what it took to be you know that's what he's continued to do throughout his life and ultimately really became a hero and a legend in the process we never grew up That's our

motto Stick it through no matter how tough it gets and it you're going to get tough That's what happens in the Marine Corps with our our legend is that they fought some pretty good battles in World War Two He would and places like that and they always conquered their goals So we were expected to do the same thing that's so prolific uh profound Uh My best friend actually is an ex marine and uh you know we used to play together and the day he signed I'll never forget the day he enlisted and he told me he was like I enlisted I did it already so you can't talk me out of it Uh And uh it was it was a bittersweet moment for me because I was so proud of him but I was also very scared for him Uh Did you like I know you had a lot of camaraderie with your brothers in arms when you got to the marines did you have a lot of relationships before you went to the marines that maybe you had to separate from or took or carried it with you in your head Oh my best friend we went to high school together and went to boot camp together and he uh was injured about the last two weeks of our training And uh you know he was my buddy uh meant everything to me And so I was going to graduate ahead of him because he was injured and was put back a couple of weeks So I'm thinking now you know maybe I could like Ashley said maybe I can break my leg or something and I'll get put back along with him and we will come together But that was not the case And uh but he's gone now matter of fact most of the men that I started off with they're all gone now And most of the men that I serve with the survivors we have uh reunions every year we get together have a barbecue or get drunk or whatever else Imagine you know to celebrate life What's the drink of choice Whiskey Tequila We're on the top You sound familiar Well I talked about the best friend is an ex marine So yeah he likes his whiskey I think always a marine Right Did uh all of your uh comrades Did they have that same attitude Did everyone have that love for their their brother Right next to him and my unit we were a special un Uh we were called commandos or reconnaissance And so we had to be able to parachute and to swim long distances and you know blow up things So those were the kind of things that we would train you know regular infantry uh you know they had tanks and things of this nature and we went out uh with small arms we were to operate by behind enemy lines and do those types of things when when you entered Wasn't that the beginning of guerilla warfare essentially Pretty much Yeah pretty much Right Yeah that's so the small arms was like a new thing right Then wasn't it it wasn't like not for the Marine Corps but you know but you know we uh didn't have the tanks and the big machine guns And so we had to go out and and learn to uh you know

navigate by the stars and survive We eat one meal a day and survive you know pretty much nothing but it was that internal fortitude and do the things that would help save the lives of the other marines who depended on our information So when we come back we would say ok don't go here or go there and they had to depend on that If we were wrong then too many men would die And I'm I'm sure in the process of being good at what you did Yeah we were never um that's we never lost a mission that gives me chills because that's dire Um and you must have had so many people looking up to you you must be troops Uh I was a sergeant a staff sergeant and doing our mission All the officers who had been trained in officers Canada school and the basic school where you learn to become an officer Uh I was turned down you know they didn't accept me They said considered but not selected But during the war all the officers were killed in my unit I said I I went from staff sergeant to a second lieutenant in five minutes They gave me what they used to call a battlefield commission So they in the field they put the lieutenant bars on me and then my responsibility now was to carry the rest of the command and keep as many as I could alive Major capers was the first African American to be commissioned in the battlefield Yeah Wow Wow They didn't usually pick guys like me because of my color right Uh as a matter of fact in the Marine Corps the Marine Corps didn't allow African Americans in it until 1942 No I didn't know that you know Wow Hm And I mean I have so many questions I'm not sure at this point like which ones are even appropriate and which ones aren't because it's like it's it's such a dark time you know Yeah And I don't wanna look at it like some uh like a movie because it's real life honestly Uh I know I know you guys are making a movie and you have made a movie about it It's your life and it's real and we're thankful for it because without your life um you know we don't have this kind of a freedom and I think people take that for granted these days Well thank you for allowing us to tell this story It means a lot to us your generosity We appreciate it Uh thank you for coming on and hope in all of your service and um just thankful I was super thankful Uh and I have a clip that I would like to show we have a clip um play it right now Forbidden from dining with white marines an expert sharpshooter denied recognition due to the color of his skin Capers pushed ahead driven by his personal code My father said remember if 10 men start up a flight of steps and only one man makes it to the top you have to believe that you will be that man and it will be So I carry those words with me through battles and places around the world A man got to understand why he lives and dies not one but all of the

people got over there there's a curtain that's coming down that could close the show and see it but we don't have the country that we that's so so interesting So I my my next question uh after seeing first of all great job on the film it looks great That's a great great job Thank you very much Thank you very much It looks the aesthetic but the sound all of it is incredible Um And and like the the timing of the photos you have all this information it's probably hard to compile and put in order and effectively Um Well there's so much to tell right And um uh my producing partner Eric would just you know tight film you have you know tell a really thorough story and and have it um all the all the details matter and uh and also just the fluidity of the story and and again making decisions as to what makes it to the film you know within a certain time frame and not you know 90 minute 86 minute film It it's hard because there was extraordinary stories and uh we do have great um extra pieces that you know we could add to to the DVD just to see like more pieces of the story that I would have loved to have also kept in the film But um but yes I we we worked on it very diligently and yeah it seems like you wanted to be happy with the the cut definitely diligent Um It's uh you know well I you go what were you gonna say Uh My my biggest takeaway is there's so much heart in the whole in in the documentary You sitting here you can feel it that there's love for your country love for the for the men that you fought with love with for your wife your child and and love for God It was just to me I'm so captivated and and I'm I'm pulled by my heart in every way that I go So when I watched this I was just I got everything I wanted and more Um and and just it's so beautiful And I said this before you came here I said you've been awarded so many medals and honors which absolutely deserve every single one I believe the next one is going to be an Academy Award I believe it in my soul I believe it in my soul I really do I really do because it's an absolute beautiful story I'm getting choked up It's so beautiful and and so many people need to know this and so many people need to know about the the history of our country and and just what you've said and what I love is that you said it's not about you it's about the we it was all of you And to me that is just epic and and so legendary So thank you for for everything to piggyback on the all of you Um And I know uh being the first African American to be awarded or to to be basically promoted in the field Um CIA operative uh being the first African American Uh and in the field was there a push back from the and and they're looking at you like he's not supposed to be there and this is what the lives we're talking about here So it's not we're not talking about a CEO job here Uh How do you how do you deal with that

and keep them alive People that don't even think you're qualified to keep them alive How do you keep someone like that alive And you have to demonstrate that you have the ability you know to be in command then you have to command uh when troops are watching you they're mostly young guys and they watch your every move they watch if you can read a map or if you can read a compass or if you're making good decisions in the field Uh One example we made what we call a ship bottom search after we come across the Atlantic on aircraft carrier So one of the other ships the US S card had been blown up by saboteurs who had gone under the ship and put explosives there and blew the ship up and sank it So we were in a harbor there with the special forces and the seals guys there and my unit come across they asked me to go down and check and make sure if there there was no explosives on the bottom of the ship went down uh did our job but at the end of the uh almost 1000 ft ship uh one of my men came a loose from his buddy line We were all down below the ship uh surviving on oxygen and one of the men came loose from his buddy line and there were tiger sharks out there in the harbor And so you'll have to make a decision He's your man at this moment you have to decide will you allow him to drift uh toward the sharks and be eaten or do you take off your buddy line and swim out and grab him The rest of the men are watching Now now I had an option Nobody would have blamed me if I said let him go That's war But then again I wanna blame myself So I hope my buddy line it's not heroics It's just love for you man And I knew him He had six Children And so I felt like I got to do this So the risk factor make a decision right here You don't get to uh send out an email and say how do I work this make the decision right here And I made that decision and my men noticed that and then so I didn't have a problem no matter what the color of my skin they knew I could get the job done and I risked my life right And so these are the things that men take away when they watch your leadership building color goes out of the window That's probably a beautiful moment too When you saw the color go out the window and it was now real brothers humanity at our at our core we're all the same We all bleed the same color We all we all have loss We all have grief we happy sad we have all of it We're all the same I mean inside we all have our different struggles But at the end of the day we are all just human beings trying to do the very best that we can What do you think about those things Life is very precious especially on the field of battle At that time I had a wife I had a child So why should I offer my life now Right It's something in you you know you you're trained to do this He's an American I'm an American

no matter the difference of our colors or where who we pray to So you make those decisions And that was one of our first missions And throughout the year we were there I made a lot of decisions like that It was upon me now I'm an officer So I've got I gotta get right write those letters home to say this person died because I fail I didn't want that you know didn't want to deal with that It seems like the the bravery uh was just on another level And does that come during the act or are you like I I know I'm gonna I know I'm a hero I can handle anything I didn't think about being a hero You know you thought about living and you wanted your other men to live They they believed in you They were most of them were young men and I trained before the war and took the war with me So my job was to bring them home We lost a few on you know during the war And and also just to keep in mind when they were doing force recon missions these these classified missions there's anywhere from 3456 men at the most And so it it's very intimate um and being dropped behind enemy lines like there Uh and left there with just this small group of men the kind of I love the fact that you bring up the heart and the love and and Kylie you're bringing up so much of um also the military aspect what's what's involved in truly you know um being a marine and and and having this experience from that dynamic Uh because it's a blend of both right You're the perfect Yin and Yang to this to and and also representing the story Well because those kinds of moments when when you're in those circumstances and I'll use one example on the um B 57 they got dropped you know in in the middle of nowhere looking at this B 57 there was supposedly a nuclear bomb on this on this plane and they were not able they weren't the chopper was not able to get back into extract them they couldn't get picked up So now the this group of five men uh have to walk out which takes potential They didn't even know exactly how long I think it took five days Um and they didn't have enough rations they didn't have food but they they're surviving together And um and they are extraordinary experiences I mean five days through two minefields with no food no water 10 miles and we had to swim the river So these are extraordinary times and in enemy territory Uh but the men believed in me and I had to ask them I know where we're going We're going home now and just follow me and I'll get you home Didn't lose a man Elizabeth didn't lose a man and I lose my keys every Monday There is a place where you can keep putting them on II I um oh we got another in the house Mr Joe This is the I tell you uh my major capers a real legend in the building Two legends in the building Wonderful Thank you for your service Thank you Think I'm gonna come here come

here Joe keeps us Not only just keep us safe Smile on his face Good to see you sir Good to see you Welcome home Welcome home Thank you for your service Thank you Appreciate it Alright you let my hand go Now there's the heart a connection you know Thank you Thanks for thanks for dropping by Always come to the show Thank you Thank you You gotta check out the documentary in the movie that's coming out Um I I do I do have to I I have to um ask you when you came back from everything Um You came back to Bethesda Maryland I'm from Maryland Um Yeah I I lived in Bethesda Maryland for a good chunk of time Silver Spring Maryland knew that you grew up in Baltimore which I so I got excited by all of that Um And so when you came back to Bethesda Maryland I love how you give so much credit to dot And and and getting you back home that your body was here it was home but it wasn't fully home and you give so much credit to Dotty for you know getting you fully back What is it like to get when I left Vietnam I went from to to Japan I only weighed £122 I had bled out I've been hit a number of times and from Japan they flew me to Alaska It was 10 degrees below zero and refuel the plane and we come home to Bethesda No actually we got home to Virginia first and they took us all off the aircraft and laid us on the tarmac and I was lying on the tarmac you know thinking about what happens now the war is over but it's not really over And I was lying there and I watched the figure about three o'clock in the morning walked out of the darkness and looked down at me and urinated on my body as I was lying there bleeding on the sidewalk No Yes I wish it wasn't So but you know that was my welcome home There were no flags waving Nobody said good job or welcome home I'm lying there if I risk my life for my country But that was 11 person I was angry at first and obviously I would like to exterminate him Real quick I know how bad that is but it all passes You know you you pray about those types of things and you believe in your country And you know then of course I said I had a wife and a child at home and that was my focus then to get home and be a good father and a good husband They're gone now But you know uh I didn't get home by myself There are a lot of young marines and the guys who drove the trucks and the doctors and folks who attended me the nurses who attended me on the way home on the plane So there's a lot of factors there and it's a good country and we send our men to war We take care of them Me tell you when we come home we're better now The va is better now than it used to be So we're grateful but we all hope and pray that we don't have to do this every generation Hm This might be a tough one But how would you like the latest generation to express their

gratitude for things you've done Well we never got much Thanks I said the person who looked down at me lying there bleeding and urinated on me Uh I had to get rid of that had to pray about it because I had killed human beings in the worst way And now I want to go back to humanity and be that father be that uh to be that husband But it was very difficult because we had riots in the streets a lot of things going on that we didn't see during the war we fought a war But back in America you know American cities we wondered what is going on and nobody really seemed to care about us at that time That was our opinion that the newspapers the media turned against us excluding your media Of course Yeah we are all familiar with Walter Concrete concrete was it Yeah And even if you don't mind me jumping in and you were mentioning the riots and you were he was very specific major was very specifically asked do you want to riot the streets or are you a marine And he had the he had to make a choice I was going to say he has the opportunity to make a choice but actually he did have an opportunity to make a choice but I don't I don't know if that's the right way to say it But do you want to share a little bit about that I mean he well as a lot of the military men that uh that went overseas they come back and they saw uh you know of course segregation which was there when they left and there when they come home uh they were angry about this and they still couldn't this was in the you know in the sixties and the Martin Luther King days uh they couldn't eat in a restaurant uh due to things that the other citizens uh was able to do who hadn't fought the war So they became angry and groups like the Panthers and you know the weather men they all sprang up and there were riots in the streets and uh the anger uh about what about me Why don't I can't why can I get the good jobs or why can't my child go to this school or you know those types of things the questions and there were no real answers Uh Of course the politicians uh most of them didn't really care And so the guys I had PTSD uh post traumatic stress disorder and uh some of them went away and the suicide list was high So there were a number of things Uh There's been some good books you know on that subject Uh And I talk a little bit about it in my book Faith Through The Storm but it isn't something that lingers We've always had to deal with those things in our in our nation but we found a way to survive and when people would ask him why did you fight for your country Uh One of the most beautiful things he'll say to this day is I fight for my country for what I believe my country can be the potential of my country at that time because as he was sharing just now how challenging it was and and the disrespect and different aspects And you think well why do you

keep going back Why do you keep choosing to be a marine as opposed to riding in the streets And he did he kept choosing the Marine Corps and God and his country over and over again even when he felt like he wasn't being treated well And that's an extraordinary space to be in to choose to continue to fight for a vision you see of what the potential something could be right I had a son at home who was born blind and special needs who would take care of my child if I didn't fight for my country it it wasn't a big decision for me when I volunteered to go to Vietnam and I had a young wife at home and she's gone Now I had a son at home uh who's gone now but he was blind in special needs So do I stay home and nurse my child or I do or do I go and fight for a broader image But as a father there is no better mission and taking care of your family I did that Uh But I also took care of my country the best I could take care of everybody Um How did you keep your uh it seems like you kept your uh mind on the big picture and I I heard you say uh well these people springing up the Black Panthers the weather man It was the what about me Attitude And it doesn't seem like you've ever had that attitude ever looking forward to Yeah Um my father go back to little old dad again He was put on the chain gang which is a you know a situation in the south where if you uh did any minor thing you'd be put on the chain gang and you'd be there and all your property was taken Uh But he didn't commit the crime but he was able to survive that And my father was a patriot in his own way He was he was he was never he was bright of course But uh he never said you know I'm being treated badly whatever the situation was he said I'll overcome it I'll get better and I'll take care of my family and I learned from his example That's beautiful Oh God for your father man Thank God for you Thank you Thank you for your service Thank you for your service Your story Thank you Ashley for coming back Thank you You have to check out this documentary It is absolutely incredible and make sure you get Major caper's book the Storm I'm telling you this You will not be disappointed It will give you all the feels and the encouragement to go through whatever you're going through You can get through the other side of that Um It's on itunes and Google Play and other streamers So yes make sure make sure make sure you check it out and the support Yes of course So much support to both of you have a great rest of your day Thank you Thank you to everyone that's watching Um I hope you find the good in your days right At 200 We'll see you guys tomorrow Bye guys Thank you so much Thank you so much Thank you My favorite Oh a chance Good morning li with greater scarce and