

you know, to try to learn. Just like going to school you know, you get higher and higher. Well, when you do it so severe and so great, this fella they call God. He's going to help you, and make you be that way. And that way the Indians, they know that person could be that. They respect it. They depend on Him, and let Him be a leader and so on like that, and those things that happen that way. Course the beginning of the time is what I'm trying to tell you was when they lived on the water. There's no date or no records just year to year. Well that's Osage story now that's what I hear when--

(The story about how they found land when they hit the water. Did they just walk on the water and found land?)

They walked on the water. When they lit on the water they said one man whooped four times. This water disappeared four ways.

(One man whooped four times?)

Four times, and this water disappeared four ways. Whey they lit on the land the water, I mean the land and trees and everything was already there. That man standing over there, that's the starting point. Yeah, they had power then, not be pointing at one another. You know kept it Holy. God was close to 'em. but not white man tell you that you was born over there and then they come across on the land and the water dried over the land. No, it's not that way in our land. I always believe in my people. What made me believe that way and white people makes a study about it, you know, have a doubt or maybe could be, you know. Just like Adan and Eve were born over there and created an all that stuff. Nobody around to put the notes down or nothing, but what they imagine it was. Imagine they come along, you know to write it down. 'Course God can do anything if believe in Him. He destroyed His own world and whatever He wants to do He could do it. We're lucky we're so little, still we're so--we have that life to live and see. Well, go on like that and I was going to start on something to talk about and it just come off of my mind, right so quick. Does that thing go on, you know, when--