

to him you know, telling him he didn't know his tail was all scaly and all that and his legs and all that you know. And throwed at him and hit him on the tail and he got mad. He said "Uuuh." And when he said that he opened his mouth. (laughter). Boy, he missed that stick. Boy, he started falling. And this crow trying to grab him you know, but this old turtle had went into his shell, see. He knew he was gonna hit down there, so he was protecting himself. This crow couldn't grab him no where. And instead of hitting you know, on the ground, he hit on the top of a piece of rock. Oh man, he just scattered! And the crow he said, "Now that's what I meany my friend." He said "I told you to keep your mouth shut," he said, "Not to say a word." He said "I told you to keep your mouth, he said "That's what I meant." (laughter) So these things are stories that have meaning to it you know. And just like you say that even our people knew of these things. This flight you know. They talked about this flight in the air you know. So I'm real happy that these things can be heard you know. And true, you know things our old people told us you know, passed on to us.

(Yeah. You know like some of these tales that are related, I think--they have a what you call it, they have a meaning like you say, kinda a lesson you know. Like white man, he's had these lessons too you know.)

Right. Right.

(As we come to think about our old people too. I know they used to send these missionaries out you know and they would try to talk to these older Indians you know. And it seemed like--the way I hear it you know they couldn't tell these Indians anything.)

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('Cause they had it.)

They already knew it. They already knew these things, right!

(And--but just like I say, some of these--like these people and this medicine