

but back there, you know, when they have those tents, living in those tents, you know, when the folks are going away visiting or somewheres when they leave that tent. Nobody there. You know how the doors are fixed, they have some kind of a hide, bear hide, deer, or buffalo hide and have a stick across there to keep that cover together. And when the folks are away, they put a pole. Sometimes, a short teepee pole, right against that. Right against the door like that, leaning against that. When the people see that, well, they don't wanna go near there. See, that means that nobody there. The door is lock. See, they respect that even that little pole leaning against that door. They respect that. They go way around. They don't wanna go near there. See, that's great respect for one another for their homes, you know. They don't go there. Nowadays, when nobody's home, well, they wanna get in. (Laughter) Well, those days, they used to stay clear away from there. That's respect there for one another's home.

(Yeah, I know, they, like people way back there studied the, today believed in the Almighty too through the Spirit, you know...)

~~Mmm-hmm-hmm~~

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(And of course, there's always some Indians as in all races don't conform to the majority of the people, you know. Mostly Indians have, that was one of their teachings, respect. (Pause) Just like you were saying awhile ago that you first come to know you come from the east coast around in Virginia's called now.)

~~Mmm-hmm.~~

(Is that the way that you heard that you were, you know, first coming to being? Was the tribe, was it all Indians of the United States come from that one tribe that way?)

See, the different ones like I heard not come to our house, but I heard