

Istvan and the future – Audio Script

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Well, for myself I err hope to develop as a person. Meaning, I hope to be able to erm...to take care of my mental health coz I think that's err an exercise that is...that needs to be done every day. I hope to become a wiser, better person, as a consequence. [Even more? Even more so than you already are?] (Istvan laughs) Err...I know myself well enough to know that I'm not err a wise enough person.

So, I had this idea that maybe I could...Maybe I'd like to invent a non-chemical propulsion rocket and build a rocket that will take me to the stars but I won't be able to coz I'm...I'm not a mathematician. [You might be able to...If you won the lottery, you could perhaps err pay somebody...] I could hire engineers and they would then umm invent some...[Would it be a one-way trip though?] No.

So, yeah, I think the plan for the future is to develop as a person. To become a better person. [And, do you think that your hopes are achievable?] Oh yes, entirely so. It's just, you know. It is possible. Question is whether one can do it.

[What about discover? Do you think that we will have discovered err, for example, the...the...A cure for immortality?] I think, we'll discover at best that history just repeats itself and there's nothing to do about it. Nothing you can do about it. We'll discover that human err. The basic human emotional profile never changes. Despite technological development, the human emotional profile stays the same.