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Overarching Questions:

- Will there be another world war?
- Who was Qassam Soleimani?
- · How did he die?
- Is America safer because he is dead?
- Was this strike legal?
- What is the larger diplomatic context to this strike?
- Why are we in Iraq still? and What is Iran doing there?

Listener Questions

- Was he planning these supposed attacks on his own or will the others just take over now? -Brian
- What was be doing there in the first place? Tyler
- Was he really brokering a peace deal with the Saudis? What's that about? Thaddeus
- How many Americans and American soldiers are dead because of him? Honest, non-Trump sucks answers only please! - Rob
- I don't doubt that he was responsible for some American deaths, but I also wonder if he also saved some American lives by fighting ISIS. Rex
- How does constantly creating war in the middle east result in peace in said region ? Casey
- I think the one at the top of the list that I'd like to nail down better is: "So we just let him kill people and get away with it?"
- Maybe another is: "If we don't stop them there, won't we have to stop them here?" Hodey
- How does killing this guy prevent anything? Paul
- After he was killed, they talked about him like he was the highest-profile terrorist on the planet. most of us follow the news very closely, and I don't recall hearing anything about him?
 Chuck
- Were there other casualties when he was killed? Jess
- The trump administration says he is a terrorist and is behind killing many of our soldiers. How
 long have we known this guy has been killing our people? And why is this now only a
 problem. Tom
- How does classifying the IRG as a terrorist group effect killing a foreign leader? Kyle
- So if Colombian officials are in the US can they assassinate someone from Honduras that they have declared a terrorist? Anthony
- Why does the news fail to mention the airstrikes across Iraq that precipitated the embassy takeover? They make it seem like it was a spontaneous incident and not retribution for airstrikes. - Russ
- What was Salamis connection to Biden? Why were they so buddy buddy, and why was he in the White House in 2012, rubbing elbows w Obama? Jeremy

- What would a 'Libertarian ' do when the US and Americans get attacked by Iran? At what point is it ok to fire back? - Christina
- Does the military allow drafted soliders to make meme while enlisted? Matthew
- Why do Democrats treat a terrorist better then the Americans he killed Steve
- Why do libertarians keep suggesting that Trump wants war with Iran even though he has clearly stated otherwise? Also why is it every time there is something to do with the military libertarians spew the same leftist propaganda as CNN? Gregory
- Any credible information that Soleimani was killed while on a mission to broker some type of peace, and did the President speak with the joint chiefs or pentagon, secretary of state or secretary of defense? - Kevin
- When Salami was torturing and raping protesters did the Democrats invite Jeffery Epstein? Ace
- Why are liberals so upset when a terrorist dies? Jon
- Why are we there to begin with? Gabe
- Do they use the petrodollar? Empress
- How often did the US overthrow their government? Fitz
- · Was the attack considered an assassination? RC
- Who is better equipped for combat? Iranian army or the Islamic Revolutionary Guard? Kyle
- Why has Iran been allowed to make Iraq a fist puppet? Hoosier
- What incident started their hatred towards America? Andy