

'Transcript: Show: THE RACHEL MADDOW SHOW Date: January 22, 2016 Guest: Lindsey Smith, Linda Lee RACHEL MADDOW, MSNBC HOST: And thanks to you at home for joining with us this hour. Happy weekend. Happy Friday. OK, this goes in an unexpected place but trust me, you're going to enjoy the ride. In May 2008, John McCain had all but wrapped up the Republican presidential nomination. At that point, it was basically just a march to the convention for him. But sometimes candidates hit obstacles in their campaigns that we haven't put there by their opponents. It's not because one of their rivals for the nomination or a candidate from another party has hit them with something particularly hard. Sometimes, candidates just make their own unforced errors. And John McCain did that in the spring of 2008 when he momentarily hopped into bed with a sort of high-profile guy who it turned out had very, very strong and strongly stated beliefs about among other things the Catholic Church. (BEGIN VIDEO CLIP) JOHN HAGEE, TEXAS PASTOR: This is the great whore of Revelations 17. This is the antichrist system. This is the apostate church. God says the day is going to come when I'm going to cause this beast to devour this apostate system. (END VIDEO CLIP) MADDOW: That man's name is John Hagee,