## **RAP NEWS 14 - Higgs Boson Unbound**

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Hello, Internet! It's Rap News with a brand new edition set to present views and events in this grand human experiment. And this week we hear of some hugely significant developments in the search for the ultimate origin of life, the universe and everything.

Indeed, this evening we're receiving the very latest prophecy, direct from the top physicists in Switzerland at the CERN laboratory, who are now about to come out with a major announcement about a tiny discovery: welcome, Doctor Scott Ripley. - **Robert, thanks for having me.** 

- Will you make a statement? - This is an epic win!

After decades examining the Standard Model to explain everything we finally know what gave mass to all the crap in the universe,

This is the big-bang climax to all of our huge research.

- It certainly seems to have caused Mass-debating...
- Can you blame us? We had a hard-on for the Hadron as a way to connect with our Makers, the Quantum Mechanics; our MASSters.

  We followed the signs they left us: leptons, photons and quasars.

Big things have small beginnings, and we're getting close to getting answers to our questions Today's advances could be the key to unlocking the cosmos and its vast dimensions Our inner-space-ship, the Large Hadron Collider, will take us higher than Mount Olympus, where we'll finally grab and acquire the divine fire....

- What answers do we require? - Well, listen closely we've spent four decades of intense focus, travelling deep into this ocean patiently thawing out the intricate coding that's been frozen, all because our storyline was missing a key particle component

To explain how it all holds together for more than a slim moment without which there'd be no planets, galaxies, life, just endless chaotic motion so we recreated the prime explosion, eventually exposing The prophesied and postulated, legendary Higgs boson

- What people call the "God Particle"!?
- Oh, Science, don't *call* it that, you fool Our holy boson is not like God at all. That's heretical. God doesn't exist, he's invisible, and theoretical

We have evidence: at the level of 5 sigmata, forget these cults! We've found the Mass-iah! And Genesis; come and check our results in the mass region of a hundred and twenty six gigaelectronvolts!

- So can we see this remarkable object in the depth of your vaults?
- Errrr.... no. None can see it with their mortal eyeball, only in our mighty temple can we detect its presence passing before it decays and dies to give life, sacred mass, to us all.
- We stand in awe: but tell us: what is it all for?
- Various practical functions: interstellar travel could become like grabbing a cab at a junction or we could always make a brand new weapon of MASS destruction.
- Actually, I meant, what is our overall purpose though,

as a civilisation what is it we're searching for? - I'dunno.

- Is this Big Bang story our creation myth to believe in?
- Don't take the piss! myth? stop behaving like a heathen in this age of reason, bitch!
- But what was there before this Boson came around?
- Silly Robert! Everyone knows by now: It's turtles all the way down.
- Thanks, Professor, for coming in this momentous evening to tell us about anti-matters of Life, the Universe and Everything to explain clearly the latest theories in our grand quest for meaning in which we attempt to tell ourselves what's Real and what's Dreaming

Isn't it easy to forget, as our Odyssey continuously unfolds that the answers which the Universe eventually elects to disclose appear to depend entirely on the Questions we pose? ...That's it for the show. See you all for more next episode.