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I think once you treat your hobby like a job, that's like a recipe for failure.

And that's what happens to a lot of people.

All right.

We just recorded this episode.

I think you guys are going to like it.

We touched on a bunch of different topics.

We talked about the Bitcoin rally very briefly and what was causing that, AKA the short squeeze, we talked about this idea called Swimply, which is an idea that Sam thought was really

done before, but now he's kind of a believer in, which is renting swimming pools.

We talked about this idea for Lambda School for smart contracts.

I gave an update on my course, how much money I made, what worked, what didn't, what lessons I learned there.

And then we talked about the future of gas stations.

So Elon Musk just filed a patent around, you know, something around gas stations for charging.

And so we brainstormed, what does that look like?

And Sam had kind of an old school idea and I went off on a tangent about, you know, some crazy futuristic stuff.

But all right, I would give this episode, I'm going to give it a solid 8.7 out of 10.

You let me know what you think.

You can always tweet at me.

I'm at SeanVP on Twitter.

Sam is at the Sampar.

All right.

Enjoy.

All right, quick break to tell you about another podcast that we're interested in right now.

HubSpot just launched a Shark Tank rewatch podcast called Another Bite.

Every week, the host relived the latest and greatest pitches from Shark Tank, from Squatty Potty to the Mench on a Bench to Ring Doorbell.

And they break down why these pitches were winners or losers.

And each company's go-to-market strategy, branding, pricing, valuation, everything, basically all the things you want to know about how to survive the tank and scale your company on your own.

If you want to give it a listen, you can find another bite on whatever podcast app you listen to, like Apple or Spotify or whatever you're using right now.

All right.

Back to the show.

All right.

What's going on?

What's up, man?

So we're going to get into some ideas, but let me tell you something that I did this week and I cannot give detail.

I actually have gotten in trouble three different times where someone was like, hey, we had this conversation and you just talked to me.

Well, I'm like, well, I don't.

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I just, when you and I, the way that you and I talk now is how we talk all the time.

Yeah.

And yeah.

And so they're right.

So I'm going to try and keep this one vague.

I had this dinner and I was with a guy who has 8,000 employees in China as well as many thousand in America.

Wow.

Okay.

Yeah.

Impressive person.

Like a factory or something else in China?

Tech related.

Just like some huge company.

If I gave you 100 guesses, you likely wouldn't guess it.

It's just some big company that exists and in the tech world.

And it's impressive, but it's not like a mainstream thing.

And there was this other guy there who made a comment where he was like, China's going to crush us in the next five years or something.

And then a couple other people love to say that, by the way, don't people love saying how China's passed up America?

A bunch of other people pounced on that.

And then this guy, it was this guy, he lives in China.

I believe he, he, he, I don't know what ethnicity he was, but he looked like he, I mean, he's probably maybe born and raised in China.

And then there was this other woman there who actually was born and raised in China.

And this guy with the 6,000 Chinese employees goes, I'll