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LeBron James' performance in his Year 21 season was one of the topics discussed by the Gil's Arena crew in a recent episode. They talked about how impressive King James still looks despite already nearing 40 years old.

During their discussion, Kenyon Martin talked about how sad it is that many people, v Jordan backers specifically, still find ways to discredit LeBron over his body of work, just so tgtg can say that [Michael Jordan](#) was better. Podcast owner [Gilbert Arenas](#) then jumped in to explain.

"The argument is like okay," said Agent Ze5vro. "You know you want to protect legacies but you're not telling the whole story of the legacy of anyone."

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According to Arenas, when Michael Jordan first came to the NBA, he got to play selfish basketball and no one said a thing even if his team was losing. Before he won his first NBA championship, Gil says Jordan scored close to 19,000 career points.

"Jordan got to be the individual because the league needed it at that time. They needed a face to say this is who we are so nobody critiqued him losing. Just go out and score 35, 37, 30 Do that, we need it. MVP? We'll give you MVP. We'll give you all these things which was needed then".

However, when it was Kobe's and LeBron's turn to try to be like Mike, the double standard began. When both tried to pile up points, they were called selfish and were told that to beat Jordan, they had to top his 6-0 NBA Finals record.

According to Agent Zero, when [Kobe](#) came close to that with 5, Jordan backers said he didn't have MJ's scoring titles and MVPs. Meanwhile, these same people say that [LeBron](#) will never surpass Jordan because of his 4-6 Finals record.

Michael Jordan made the NBA what it is today

There's no doubt that it was Michael Jordan who made the NBA what it is today. He brought the NBA and basketball to new heights. His dazzling plays captured the world's attention and made the game more of a global sport than it had ever been.

Jordan's drawing power was felt even until his last days on the basketball court, with the [NBA acknowledging that he saved the league in many ways](#) when he came out of retirement in 2001.

“The gold standard was really Jordan, in terms of what a player should be, how he should conduct himself, his competitiveness,” then-NBA executive Stu Jackson said of Jordan’s Wizards comeback in 2001. “I mean, he was the guy.”

There's no question that Michael Jordan was the gold standard for the NBA and it's easy to understand why people would try to protect his legacy at all costs. Those who say that Jordan is the greatest keep on moving the goalpost when someone gets too close to him. That's why no one seems to ever catch up.

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