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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:17,150

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00:00:17,150 --> 00:00:18,130  
[INAUDIBLE]

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00:00:18,130 --> 00:00:21,590

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00:00:21,590 --> 00:00:25,100  
How long have you been  
held as a prisoner?

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00:00:25,100 --> 00:00:28,756  
I've been held as a  
prisoner since three years.

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00:00:28,756 --> 00:00:29,568  
Three years?

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00:00:29,568 --> 00:00:31,160  
Three years.

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00:00:31,160 --> 00:00:32,822  
Why are you held as a prisoner?

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00:00:32,822 --> 00:00:34,666  
Because I am a Jew.

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00:00:34,666 --> 00:00:39,480  
That was the nature that  
I was taken in prison.

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00:00:39,480 --> 00:00:44,410  
Before I've been in  
Poland, in Lemberg.

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00:00:44,410 --> 00:00:48,280  
I am from Kraków but I was  
in Lemberg to escape from

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00:00:48,280 --> 00:00:49,850  
the Germans from Kraków.

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00:00:49,850 --> 00:00:54,640  
Then [INAUDIBLE] [? went away ?]  
from Lemberg but I

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00:00:54,640 --> 00:00:59,355  
lived in Lemberg, and  
then I was taken to prison

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00:00:59,355 --> 00:01:04,190  
in a, lived in a concentration  
camp that was a working camp,

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00:01:04,190 --> 00:01:06,682  
but the working camp  
was the same thing

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00:01:06,682 --> 00:01:12,310  
as the camp to kill all  
the people that were there.

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00:01:12,310 --> 00:01:15,170  
Have you a family?

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00:01:15,170 --> 00:01:19,680  
My father, he was in Warsaw.

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00:01:19,680 --> 00:01:21,740  
He was killed by  
the Germans there.

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00:01:21,740 --> 00:01:25,304  
My sister another thing.

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00:01:25,304 --> 00:01:27,664  
She was [INAUDIBLE].

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00:01:27,664 --> 00:01:29,552  
Transports.

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00:01:29,552 --> 00:01:32,986

What was your  
occupation in Kraków?

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00:01:32,986 --> 00:01:39,551

In Kraków, I was a lawyer and  
I was a counselor for some

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00:01:39,551 --> 00:01:41,900

industrial [? camps. ?]

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00:01:41,900 --> 00:01:44,780

Tell us a little bit  
about your treatment

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00:01:44,780 --> 00:01:48,454

while you've been in  
the hands of the Nazis.

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00:01:48,454 --> 00:01:51,940

The treatment in  
general was very bad.

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00:01:51,940 --> 00:01:54,146

In the [? first time ?]  
when they searched

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00:01:54,146 --> 00:01:56,530

the [? packaging ?] but  
it wasn't for me the thing

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00:01:56,530 --> 00:01:57,280

of great interest.

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00:01:57,280 --> 00:02:02,458

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00:02:02,458 --> 00:02:04,793

The [? moral ?]  
treatment was dreadful.

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00:02:04,793 --> 00:02:09,500

One was beaten on every place.

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00:02:09,500 --> 00:02:10,850

You say you were beaten?

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00:02:10,850 --> 00:02:13,198

Yes, they've beaten us.

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00:02:13,198 --> 00:02:17,076

We couldn't speak  
one to another,

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00:02:17,076 --> 00:02:22,720

without [INAUDIBLE] 50  
times around [INAUDIBLE]..

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00:02:22,720 --> 00:02:25,090

They treated us as worse  
than the worst beasts.

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00:02:25,090 --> 00:02:27,980

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00:02:27,980 --> 00:02:29,810

Every night and  
every day, he was

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00:02:29,810 --> 00:02:33,530

afraid not to be taken  
to the crematorium

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00:02:33,530 --> 00:02:41,100

or to be killed by hand, or  
the everything you could be

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00:02:41,100 --> 00:02:43,080

[INAUDIBLE].

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00:02:43,080 --> 00:02:48,503

If the SS man had  
drunk too much one day

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00:02:48,503 --> 00:02:51,790  
he would come to you in  
the block and the men

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00:02:51,790 --> 00:02:54,763  
that he didn't like or one  
that opened the window.

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00:02:54,763 --> 00:02:57,675  
The other didn't like  
that [INAUDIBLE],,

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00:02:57,675 --> 00:03:02,590  
and so he pulled us out and  
can be hanged or shot down

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00:03:02,590 --> 00:03:04,890  
as they liked it.

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00:03:04,890 --> 00:03:10,420  
And it's your special  
kind of treatment.

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00:03:10,420 --> 00:03:14,630  
Have you had many friends that  
have gone to the crematorium?

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00:03:14,630 --> 00:03:19,910  
No, no one of my friends were  
at the crematoriums or in--

56  
00:03:19,910 --> 00:03:22,210  
the crematorium, that  
was the best way.

57  
00:03:22,210 --> 00:03:24,390  
Many of your friends have  
gone to the crematorium?

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00:03:24,390 --> 00:03:24,890  
Oh, yes.

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00:03:24,890 --> 00:03:26,470

All.

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00:03:26,470 --> 00:03:27,020  
All have?

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00:03:27,020 --> 00:03:28,470  
All have them.

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00:03:28,470 --> 00:03:29,637  
Not only to the crematorium.

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00:03:29,637 --> 00:03:33,230  
I mean, the crematorium that  
was the nice place which

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00:03:33,230 --> 00:03:37,046  
our friends and our  
family were killed.

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00:03:37,046 --> 00:03:40,360  
They tortured us in  
other ways much worse.

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00:03:40,360 --> 00:03:47,822  
You were hanged, you were  
beaten 150, 200 times with--

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00:03:47,822 --> 00:03:48,322  
Whips.

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00:03:48,322 --> 00:03:50,682  
--with whips.

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00:03:50,682 --> 00:03:53,690  
That was dreadful.

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00:03:53,690 --> 00:03:57,415  
They had other guards for  
everything, for bread and for

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00:03:57,415 --> 00:03:57,920  
[INAUDIBLE].

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00:03:57,920 --> 00:04:00,686  
They had also a guard  
for hanging they had --

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00:04:00,686 --> 00:04:04,640  
in Auschwitz OÅ>wiÄ™cim They had  
their special kind of killing

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00:04:04,640 --> 00:04:10,049  
when, instead of hanging, they  
had [INAUDIBLE] take a piece

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00:04:10,049 --> 00:04:13,910  
of wood. they put it  
on your neck here,

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00:04:13,910 --> 00:04:17,754  
and with their foot  
they break you.

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00:04:17,754 --> 00:04:20,499  
And so you have [? hanging ?]  
[INAUDIBLE] in other way.

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00:04:20,499 --> 00:04:22,625  
They break your neck here.

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00:04:22,625 --> 00:04:25,390  
That was a special  
way of killing men.

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00:04:25,390 --> 00:04:28,940  
I noticed this morning when the  
American chaplain, the rabbi,

81  
00:04:28,940 --> 00:04:32,794  
held the service, you introduced  
the meeting of Jewish community

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00:04:32,794 --> 00:04:33,730  
here.

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00:04:33,730 --> 00:04:34,250

Yes.

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00:04:34,250 --> 00:04:34,905

Is that so?

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00:04:34,905 --> 00:04:40,170

Well, I'm our  
community [INAUDIBLE]

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00:04:40,170 --> 00:04:43,497

here because we are  
of different nations

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00:04:43,497 --> 00:04:45,603

and we were destroyed  
here, but now we

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00:04:45,603 --> 00:04:48,472

have come together and from  
today [INAUDIBLE] open to us

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00:04:48,472 --> 00:04:53,010

as a unit, and we're going  
to [INAUDIBLE] together

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00:04:53,010 --> 00:04:56,480

and we hope that we can  
include the different ones.

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00:04:56,480 --> 00:04:59,240

What did you have to  
hold on to as a hope

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00:04:59,240 --> 00:05:01,550

during the time of  
your confinement,

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00:05:01,550 --> 00:05:03,010

if there was anything?

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00:05:03,010 --> 00:05:04,190

Sorry.

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00:05:04,190 --> 00:05:08,276  
Could you look forward to any  
future such as being released--

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00:05:08,276 --> 00:05:11,180  
That was the only hope,  
and therefore we lived.

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00:05:11,180 --> 00:05:12,620  
In other ways, we hadn't a hope.

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00:05:12,620 --> 00:05:16,800  
We would kill ourselves all  
because all these materials

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00:05:16,800 --> 00:05:17,780  
that we had.

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00:05:17,780 --> 00:05:21,620  
It wasn't worth the risk under  
these conditions, you know?

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00:05:21,620 --> 00:05:24,000  
And only we hopes  
that we'll be free

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00:05:24,000 --> 00:05:28,256  
and that the Allied armies will  
one day come and make us free.

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00:05:28,256 --> 00:05:30,940  
That was the thing  
that [INAUDIBLE]..

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00:05:30,940 --> 00:05:33,050  
How did you feel when  
the Allied soldiers

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00:05:33,050 --> 00:05:35,000  
came to Dachau last week?

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00:05:35,000 --> 00:05:39,330

Oh, we didn't know  
words for [AUDIO OUT]..

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00:05:39,330 --> 00:05:42,323

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00:05:42,323 --> 00:05:44,295

[? Tell us ?] [INAUDIBLE].

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00:05:44,295 --> 00:05:55,660

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00:05:55,660 --> 00:05:58,150

What were your  
feelings like when

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00:05:58,150 --> 00:06:00,460

you heard the artillery  
fire and the rifle fire

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00:06:00,460 --> 00:06:04,270

get closer last Sunday and you  
knew the Allied soldiers were

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00:06:04,270 --> 00:06:05,012

coming?

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00:06:05,012 --> 00:06:10,078

We feeling at first  
we were nervous.

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00:06:10,078 --> 00:06:14,410

We didn't know whether the  
Germans will at the last minute

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00:06:14,410 --> 00:06:17,080

kill us here, but  
then as we have

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00:06:17,080 --> 00:06:20,623

seen the white flags

on the towers here,

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00:06:20,623 --> 00:06:22,748  
and then as we have seen  
the 1st American soldiers,

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00:06:22,748 --> 00:06:28,716  
we think that we're free and  
then our joy and our happiness

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00:06:28,716 --> 00:06:30,500  
was with our [INAUDIBLE].

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00:06:30,500 --> 00:06:34,730  
But our happiness, the  
happiness of the Jews

122  
00:06:34,730 --> 00:06:40,180  
was freedom There is a limit  
because we do not [INAUDIBLE]..

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00:06:40,180 --> 00:06:44,680

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00:06:44,680 --> 00:06:48,630  
We are free, but we  
don't know what --

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00:06:48,630 --> 00:06:54,000