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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:15,070

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00:00:15,070 --> 00:00:15,730
Mrs. Jeremias.

3
00:00:15,730 --> 00:00:17,680
We're continuing
now, and I'd like

4
00:00:17,680 --> 00:00:21,520
to ask you to retell
the story that you

5
00:00:21,520 --> 00:00:25,120
were telling about your
mother in Auschwitz

6
00:00:25,120 --> 00:00:27,190
after she was taken.

7
00:00:27,190 --> 00:00:28,510
Something about Kristallnacht.

8
00:00:28,510 --> 00:00:29,920
It was Kristallnacht.

9
00:00:29,920 --> 00:00:30,940
After Kristallnacht.

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00:00:30,940 --> 00:00:32,280
After Kristallnacht, I'm sorry.

11
00:00:32,280 --> 00:00:33,760
Yeah.

12
00:00:33,760 --> 00:00:38,110
My mother took the
Kristallnacht, the November

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00:00:38,110 --> 00:00:40,840
10th, as a fast day.

14
00:00:40,840 --> 00:00:44,750
She felt this was like the
destruction of the temple

15
00:00:44,750 --> 00:00:48,520
being that all the
synagogues in all of Germany

16
00:00:48,520 --> 00:00:51,910
were burned the same
night or destroyed.

17
00:00:51,910 --> 00:00:55,540
She felt this
warranted a fast day.

18
00:00:55,540 --> 00:01:02,320
So she fasted even when we were
in concentration camp that day

19
00:01:02,320 --> 00:01:06,630
from 38 until, I
presume, she got killed.

20
00:01:06,630 --> 00:01:10,290
She felt that was a very
important date for her

21
00:01:10,290 --> 00:01:14,971
as far as the
Jewish people went.

22
00:01:14,971 --> 00:01:15,471
Yeah.

23
00:01:15,471 --> 00:01:18,220

24
00:01:18,220 --> 00:01:20,500
Let's get back to

your own story.

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00:01:20,500 --> 00:01:23,410

You were taken in by
a family, you said.

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00:01:23,410 --> 00:01:24,310

In France.

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00:01:24,310 --> 00:01:27,790

A non-Jewish family.

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00:01:27,790 --> 00:01:32,560

The man was a scout leader
in the non-Jewish scouts.

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00:01:32,560 --> 00:01:36,400

And this is, I presume,
how the people found him.

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00:01:36,400 --> 00:01:37,720

I was taken in--

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00:01:37,720 --> 00:01:39,730

I was taken as a maid.

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00:01:39,730 --> 00:01:41,660

They had six children.

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00:01:41,660 --> 00:01:47,680

And I had to do, you
know, the work of a maid.

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00:01:47,680 --> 00:01:52,030

I had to eat in the kitchen as
a maid, and so on and so forth,

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00:01:52,030 --> 00:01:55,810

which made me feel very bad.

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00:01:55,810 --> 00:02:00,910

After three months,

when the people knew me,

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00:02:00,910 --> 00:02:03,590

they made me part
of their family.

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00:02:03,590 --> 00:02:06,640

I was able to eat with
them at the table.

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00:02:06,640 --> 00:02:10,150

The children had to help me
whatever I asked them to do.

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00:02:10,150 --> 00:02:11,418

And they were very nice.

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00:02:11,418 --> 00:02:13,210

They knew, of course,
that you were Jewish?

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00:02:13,210 --> 00:02:15,550

I don't know what they knew.

43

00:02:15,550 --> 00:02:18,380

They did not know
the whole story.

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00:02:18,380 --> 00:02:20,440

I think they knew I
was Jewish, but they

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00:02:20,440 --> 00:02:23,170

believed I came
from Alsace-Lorraine

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00:02:23,170 --> 00:02:27,680

because at this point
I had false papers.

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00:02:27,680 --> 00:02:29,945

I had them already
in the convent.

48
00:02:29,945 --> 00:02:32,030
At that part I'm already there.

49
00:02:32,030 --> 00:02:35,960
Did you have a feeling that they
didn't want to know perhaps?

50
00:02:35,960 --> 00:02:38,600
They should not have known, no.

51
00:02:38,600 --> 00:02:41,810
Because the less they
knew, the better off they

52
00:02:41,810 --> 00:02:45,063
were as well as I. They
should not have known.

53
00:02:45,063 --> 00:02:46,730
How old were the
children in the family,

54
00:02:46,730 --> 00:02:48,230
and how many were there?

55
00:02:48,230 --> 00:02:50,370
The oldest was 10
when I got there.

56
00:02:50,370 --> 00:02:51,725
There were six of them.

57
00:02:51,725 --> 00:02:54,125
And the little one
was three months old.

58
00:02:54,125 --> 00:02:57,590
And being that I always wanted
to be a baby nurse, that's

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00:02:57,590 --> 00:02:59,570

the one I took care of.

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00:02:59,570 --> 00:03:03,540

I was supposed to do
all kinds of menial work

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00:03:03,540 --> 00:03:07,010

as they were both
teachers, English teachers.

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00:03:07,010 --> 00:03:09,110

And I took to the
baby and I bathed

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00:03:09,110 --> 00:03:12,020

the baby, which she was going
to do when she came home.

64

00:03:12,020 --> 00:03:15,500

So they, as I said,
after three months,

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00:03:15,500 --> 00:03:19,190

I basically took care of
the children and the baby.

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00:03:19,190 --> 00:03:24,710

And the rest of the work, they
took somebody in to do the--

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00:03:24,710 --> 00:03:29,600

not the cooking or the ironing
but the heavy cleaning.

68

00:03:29,600 --> 00:03:31,490

They took somebody in
because they thought

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00:03:31,490 --> 00:03:33,770

that I was good
with the children,

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00:03:33,770 --> 00:03:36,980

and she didn't have to
do it when she came home.

71
00:03:36,980 --> 00:03:39,290
They were very nice, but
they knew very little.

72
00:03:39,290 --> 00:03:42,260
I presume they
knew I was Jewish.

73
00:03:42,260 --> 00:03:45,950
My papers read that I
came from Alsace-Lorraine,

74
00:03:45,950 --> 00:03:47,550
that I was not Jewish.

75
00:03:47,550 --> 00:03:51,160
And this is what I
told the children.

76
00:03:51,160 --> 00:03:55,600
I did not speak French yet at
the time or very, very little.

77
00:03:55,600 --> 00:04:00,070
I took the children's primers
very often during the morning,

78
00:04:00,070 --> 00:04:03,340
instead of dusting
and read them,

79
00:04:03,340 --> 00:04:06,610
and this is how I
taught myself French.

80
00:04:06,610 --> 00:04:09,310
The lady of the house
spoke a little German

81
00:04:09,310 --> 00:04:13,750

because she originally
came from Alsace-Lorraine.

82
00:04:13,750 --> 00:04:15,310
So this was good.

83
00:04:15,310 --> 00:04:19,240
But once I started
speaking, we no longer

84
00:04:19,240 --> 00:04:22,420
spoke German, only French.

85
00:04:22,420 --> 00:04:25,960
So I taught myself to
read and write in French.

86
00:04:25,960 --> 00:04:28,090
I never walked out of the house.

87
00:04:28,090 --> 00:04:32,050
We lived in the two
family building.

88
00:04:32,050 --> 00:04:34,870
We were on the top floor.

89
00:04:34,870 --> 00:04:37,630
I went to the yard
with the children.

90
00:04:37,630 --> 00:04:40,600
I did not go shopping or
anything because at that time,

91
00:04:40,600 --> 00:04:47,710
this was now 1943 I
guess, the Germans

92
00:04:47,710 --> 00:04:50,050
were all over France
at this point already.

93

00:04:50,050 --> 00:04:52,590

And in the region that
was again in Brive, where

94

00:04:52,590 --> 00:04:57,010

I had been earlier,
they had a lot of Maquis

95

00:04:57,010 --> 00:05:01,360

in that part of France, so the
Germans were very prevalent

96

00:05:01,360 --> 00:05:06,490

there and constantly looking
where they could find

97

00:05:06,490 --> 00:05:09,310

Maquis or Jews or whatever.

98

00:05:09,310 --> 00:05:11,570

The Maquis being the resistance?

99

00:05:11,570 --> 00:05:13,910

Yes, that's the
French resistance.

100

00:05:13,910 --> 00:05:14,410

Yes.

101

00:05:14,410 --> 00:05:17,810

102

00:05:17,810 --> 00:05:22,690

I just did my work and spend
the time with the family,

103

00:05:22,690 --> 00:05:23,380

and that's it.

104

00:05:23,380 --> 00:05:25,570

I saw no one.

105

00:05:25,570 --> 00:05:28,960

Again, the same lady who
had taken care of me earlier

106

00:05:28,960 --> 00:05:30,910

would come and
bring ration cards

107

00:05:30,910 --> 00:05:34,180

because you could not
live without them.

108

00:05:34,180 --> 00:05:37,940

They were very important.

109

00:05:37,940 --> 00:05:40,930

I don't know what kind
of papers she had,

110

00:05:40,930 --> 00:05:43,490

but she somehow managed
to come through.

111

00:05:43,490 --> 00:05:46,480

So I don't think
she came monthly.

112

00:05:46,480 --> 00:05:48,940

But whenever she came,
she would tell me

113

00:05:48,940 --> 00:05:54,940

what was going on and little
tidbits of other children

114

00:05:54,940 --> 00:05:58,210

and where they were
that I had been with.

115

00:05:58,210 --> 00:06:02,830

Other than that I was completely
isolated with this family.

116

00:06:02,830 --> 00:06:11,980

In 1944, in the spring, when
things went bad for the Germans

117

00:06:11,980 --> 00:06:14,440

and when the
resistance was already

118

00:06:14,440 --> 00:06:17,800

very prevalent in
France, the Germans

119

00:06:17,800 --> 00:06:22,090

were just in this part
of France terrible.

120

00:06:22,090 --> 00:06:25,090

They would go into a
village where they suspected

121

00:06:25,090 --> 00:06:31,750

that they had either Jews
or resistance or both,

122

00:06:31,750 --> 00:06:34,930

take all the people into the
church, and burn the church.

123

00:06:34,930 --> 00:06:37,540

That happened right
near where I was.

124

00:06:37,540 --> 00:06:39,820

In the next--
nearby in a village,

125

00:06:39,820 --> 00:06:44,350

they would take 100 men,
kill them, and string them

126

00:06:44,350 --> 00:06:46,090

on the balconies.

127

00:06:46,090 --> 00:06:49,090

And everybody had to
go by and look at them.

128

00:06:49,090 --> 00:06:52,180

This is what happens to
you if you harbor Jews

129

00:06:52,180 --> 00:06:54,250

or if you harbor Maquis.

130

00:06:54,250 --> 00:06:57,070

They were absolutely impossible.

131

00:06:57,070 --> 00:07:02,140

So again, you lived in
constant, constant fear.

132

00:07:02,140 --> 00:07:06,250

They made a-- must
have been Easter time

133

00:07:06,250 --> 00:07:10,960

when they came to each and
every home to look for Jews.

134

00:07:10,960 --> 00:07:13,600

They came to our house as well.

135

00:07:13,600 --> 00:07:16,720

I was hiding in the attic.

136

00:07:16,720 --> 00:07:20,980

The family underneath us I
found out later, didn't know

137

00:07:20,980 --> 00:07:24,590

that time, were collaborators.

138

00:07:24,590 --> 00:07:28,570

They happened to like me because
I helped them out at times.

139
00:07:28,570 --> 00:07:29,660
They had children.

140
00:07:29,660 --> 00:07:33,910
If they needed somebody,
they could always call on me.

141
00:07:33,910 --> 00:07:37,120
Maybe they had an
inkling of something

142
00:07:37,120 --> 00:07:43,030
because, after all, what maid is
always home and never goes out?

143
00:07:43,030 --> 00:07:44,530
Maybe they had an inkling.

144
00:07:44,530 --> 00:07:46,610
They told the
Germans nobody lives

145
00:07:46,610 --> 00:07:48,350
in the upstairs except us.

146
00:07:48,350 --> 00:07:50,420
We occupy the whole house.

147
00:07:50,420 --> 00:07:55,010
I think this is how
come I wasn't found.

148
00:07:55,010 --> 00:07:56,330
Would I have been found--

149
00:07:56,330 --> 00:07:58,130
So even though they
were collaborators,

150
00:07:58,130 --> 00:07:58,970
they were still--

151
00:07:58,970 --> 00:08:03,350
I guess they still-- as
I said, they liked me.

152
00:08:03,350 --> 00:08:04,970
They liked the family.

153
00:08:04,970 --> 00:08:10,520
They themselves would have been
in danger had they found me

154
00:08:10,520 --> 00:08:12,380
because not only
would I have been

155
00:08:12,380 --> 00:08:17,030
killed but the family
I was with and them

156
00:08:17,030 --> 00:08:19,650
for not having said anything.

157
00:08:19,650 --> 00:08:22,648
So they could not take a
chance of having me found.

158
00:08:22,648 --> 00:08:25,800

159
00:08:25,800 --> 00:08:28,910
So this is how I
escaped that day.

160
00:08:28,910 --> 00:08:32,510

161
00:08:32,510 --> 00:08:35,730
I slept in the attic
from that day on.

162
00:08:35,730 --> 00:08:37,880

I would not sleep anyplace else.

163

00:08:37,880 --> 00:08:41,600

I would sleep in the attic only.

164

00:08:41,600 --> 00:08:44,690

That was in April,
also in the spring.

165

00:08:44,690 --> 00:08:46,430

I forget which month.

166

00:08:46,430 --> 00:08:54,890

In August of '44, we were
liberated by the Maquis.

167

00:08:54,890 --> 00:08:57,680

They somehow did that.

168

00:08:57,680 --> 00:09:00,290

For a while we had to go--
the Germans came back.

169

00:09:00,290 --> 00:09:04,080

They were bombing
that whole area.

170

00:09:04,080 --> 00:09:09,770

So we had to flee into the
woods again not to be bombed.

171

00:09:09,770 --> 00:09:12,980

But that was only,
I don't remember,

172

00:09:12,980 --> 00:09:14,360

a couple of weeks maybe.

173

00:09:14,360 --> 00:09:17,420

And then we came back
and we were free.

174

00:09:17,420 --> 00:09:22,250

After I was freed I had
to go to the prefecture.

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00:09:22,250 --> 00:09:24,004

This is--

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00:09:24,004 --> 00:09:24,920

Police.

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00:09:24,920 --> 00:09:25,920

The police headquarters.

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00:09:25,920 --> 00:09:30,740

The police headquarters
to get my own papers.

179

00:09:30,740 --> 00:09:34,220

Because up till now I
had only false papers.

180

00:09:34,220 --> 00:09:38,360

So I brought the false papers
in and I got my own papers.

181

00:09:38,360 --> 00:09:39,590

And--

182

00:09:39,590 --> 00:09:40,820

You did this on your own--

183

00:09:40,820 --> 00:09:41,320

Yes.

184

00:09:41,320 --> 00:09:45,940

--without any fear of
anything backfiring?

185

00:09:45,940 --> 00:09:47,840

Other people were
doing it at this time?

186

00:09:47,840 --> 00:09:49,340
Yes, you had to do it.

187
00:09:49,340 --> 00:09:50,780
Because you had to be--

188
00:09:50,780 --> 00:09:53,300
because at this point you were
free and you had to be open.

189
00:09:53,300 --> 00:09:54,680
You needed ration cards.

190
00:09:54,680 --> 00:09:58,740
You needed to be part
of the population.

191
00:09:58,740 --> 00:10:00,890
So you had to do that.

192
00:10:00,890 --> 00:10:02,030
So that's what I did.

193
00:10:02,030 --> 00:10:06,680
I stayed with this
family until the fall,

194
00:10:06,680 --> 00:10:11,150
I think it was October,
until then school started.

195
00:10:11,150 --> 00:10:14,750
At this point, again, the
children homes were opened

196
00:10:14,750 --> 00:10:18,660
and the children were collected
from the various places.

197
00:10:18,660 --> 00:10:20,900
I then went again
to a scout home,

198

00:10:20,900 --> 00:10:22,910
but this time it was mixed.

199

00:10:22,910 --> 00:10:29,090
We had 100 children in
that home from all ages.

200

00:10:29,090 --> 00:10:31,400
Of course, I was
one of the oldest

201

00:10:31,400 --> 00:10:33,890
and no longer was a
child at this point.

202

00:10:33,890 --> 00:10:40,320
But I was a child
because of circumstances.

203

00:10:40,320 --> 00:10:41,610
I was in the home.

204

00:10:41,610 --> 00:10:43,410
It was very well run.

205

00:10:43,410 --> 00:10:48,400
And I think the money
came largely from America.

206

00:10:48,400 --> 00:10:51,450
And the German-- and
the French government

207

00:10:51,450 --> 00:10:55,740
did pay something
to the home for us.

208

00:10:55,740 --> 00:10:58,200
In the home they had
something different.

209

00:10:58,200 --> 00:11:00,900

In the mornings, the
children would go to school.

210
00:11:00,900 --> 00:11:05,880
In the afternoon, they
would have workshops.

211
00:11:05,880 --> 00:11:17,950
They had sewing for
the girls, bookbinding,

212
00:11:17,950 --> 00:11:24,254
[? iron ?] for the
boys, woodworking shops.

213
00:11:24,254 --> 00:11:27,630
What else was there?

214
00:11:27,630 --> 00:11:28,430
I think that's it.

215
00:11:28,430 --> 00:11:28,972
I don't know.

216
00:11:28,972 --> 00:11:30,680
Maybe another thing.

217
00:11:30,680 --> 00:11:34,460
And this is how the
children were basically

218
00:11:34,460 --> 00:11:36,590
rehabilitated in the home.

219
00:11:36,590 --> 00:11:38,970
It was very well run.

220
00:11:38,970 --> 00:11:42,680
I, having always wanted
to go become a baby nurse,

221
00:11:42,680 --> 00:11:45,170

did not do any of these things.

222

00:11:45,170 --> 00:11:50,330

I was sent out into
a home in the village

223

00:11:50,330 --> 00:11:54,170

to take care of babies, to learn
how to take care of babies.

224

00:11:54,170 --> 00:11:56,670

They asked you what your
interests were, in other words?

225

00:11:56,670 --> 00:11:57,170

Yes.

226

00:11:57,170 --> 00:11:59,930

Kids were not just
arbitrarily put into these--

227

00:11:59,930 --> 00:12:00,460

Oh, no.

228

00:12:00,460 --> 00:12:00,920

No, no.

229

00:12:00,920 --> 00:12:01,920

Whatever interested you.

230

00:12:01,920 --> 00:12:04,530

You had a choice on what
you wanted to become.

231

00:12:04,530 --> 00:12:07,970

And if they saw you were
especially good at something

232

00:12:07,970 --> 00:12:11,930

or other like with
me, and Jews who

233

00:12:11,930 --> 00:12:16,500
had the experience of the war
where I was and what I did,

234
00:12:16,500 --> 00:12:18,720
they had psychologists working.

235
00:12:18,720 --> 00:12:22,430
And they didn't work with the
children, not that you knew it,

236
00:12:22,430 --> 00:12:24,830
but they knew you anyway.

237
00:12:24,830 --> 00:12:27,800
So I was going out
and doing that.

238
00:12:27,800 --> 00:12:29,270
But that didn't
last long because I

239
00:12:29,270 --> 00:12:30,740
wasn't taught anything.

240
00:12:30,740 --> 00:12:33,320
The people who did all
this were free French?

241
00:12:33,320 --> 00:12:34,490
They were the--

242
00:12:34,490 --> 00:12:38,622
By now we are back again to
the Jewish people who survived,

243
00:12:38,622 --> 00:12:39,830
the French Jews who survived.

244
00:12:39,830 --> 00:12:40,850
The French Jews.

245

00:12:40,850 --> 00:12:46,640
The French Jews who survived
and who originally--

246
00:12:46,640 --> 00:12:50,990
this was called-- the
organization was OSAE--

247
00:12:50,990 --> 00:13:05,310
Organization of Security--
of Secure Children.

248
00:13:05,310 --> 00:13:07,730
I mean, [NON-ENGLISH SPEECH]

249
00:13:07,730 --> 00:13:08,580
[NON-ENGLISH SPEECH]

250
00:13:08,580 --> 00:13:13,440
Yeah, that's
originally who did it.

251
00:13:13,440 --> 00:13:19,660
But I was mostly with the
scouts who was part of this.

252
00:13:19,660 --> 00:13:26,490
So were are all very, very
dedicated people who did that.

253
00:13:26,490 --> 00:13:28,710
Many older people and many--

254
00:13:28,710 --> 00:13:31,020
and basically young people.

255
00:13:31,020 --> 00:13:36,720
You mentioned that that didn't
last very long, your training.

256
00:13:36,720 --> 00:13:38,010
No, it didn't last long.

257

00:13:38,010 --> 00:13:38,610

So I--

258

00:13:38,610 --> 00:13:39,402

What happened then?

259

00:13:39,402 --> 00:13:40,800

--came back to the home.

260

00:13:40,800 --> 00:13:42,660

I sat in on the sewing.

261

00:13:42,660 --> 00:13:45,900

And the doctor who was--

262

00:13:45,900 --> 00:13:49,870

the person who was

the doctor in the home

263

00:13:49,870 --> 00:13:52,090

had two little children.

264

00:13:52,090 --> 00:13:56,410

One was one year old and the

other one was two years old.

265

00:13:56,410 --> 00:14:00,170

Her husband was a rabbi.

266

00:14:00,170 --> 00:14:04,960

They were very instrumental

also in hiding people and doing

267

00:14:04,960 --> 00:14:05,880

all this.

268

00:14:05,880 --> 00:14:11,330

This man was caught in '44, a

month before the liberation,

269

00:14:11,330 --> 00:14:12,770

was killed.

270

00:14:12,770 --> 00:14:16,210

She was left a widow
with the two children.

271

00:14:16,210 --> 00:14:20,980

I became very friendly with her,
and I took care of the children

272

00:14:20,980 --> 00:14:23,700

while she was busy
doing other things.

273

00:14:23,700 --> 00:14:27,830

So this is what I did then
instead of being in the home.

274

00:14:27,830 --> 00:14:32,190

After I was in the home for
about a half a year or longer,

275

00:14:32,190 --> 00:14:36,470

the home was willing
to send me to Paris

276

00:14:36,470 --> 00:14:42,770

to a very famous school
to learn that, which

277

00:14:42,770 --> 00:14:44,450

costed a lot a lot of money.

278

00:14:44,450 --> 00:14:46,520

They were willing
to do that for me.

279

00:14:46,520 --> 00:14:48,830

The school would not take
me because I was German.

280

00:14:48,830 --> 00:14:51,640

281
00:14:51,640 --> 00:14:53,140
Not Jewish, but German.

282
00:14:53,140 --> 00:14:54,730
Not Jewish, German.

283
00:14:54,730 --> 00:14:58,210
In Germany I couldn't go to
school because I was Jewish.

284
00:14:58,210 --> 00:15:02,710
In France I couldn't go
because I was German.

285
00:15:02,710 --> 00:15:06,320
So I just was in the home
and was very helpful.

286
00:15:06,320 --> 00:15:09,460
The younger children somehow
seemed to take to me.

287
00:15:09,460 --> 00:15:12,760
Whenever they had a problem,
they would come to me.

288
00:15:12,760 --> 00:15:15,610
Some of them called
me my little mother.

289
00:15:15,610 --> 00:15:19,180
So I was-- being
that I was old, I

290
00:15:19,180 --> 00:15:22,060
was very helpful in
that sense that I

291
00:15:22,060 --> 00:15:25,180
was with the younger children.

292

00:15:25,180 --> 00:15:28,030
They had a very nice system
where the children got

293
00:15:28,030 --> 00:15:31,270
paid every month a
certain amount of money

294
00:15:31,270 --> 00:15:33,100
if the grades were good.

295
00:15:33,100 --> 00:15:35,680
If the grades were
below a certain grade,

296
00:15:35,680 --> 00:15:36,610
they would get less.

297
00:15:36,610 --> 00:15:39,520
If it was above,
they would get more.

298
00:15:39,520 --> 00:15:45,460
And with that money I had
to buy their own toiletries

299
00:15:45,460 --> 00:15:47,230
and personal things.

300
00:15:47,230 --> 00:15:50,470
I was in charge of
buying these things

301
00:15:50,470 --> 00:15:54,730
and selling them to the kids
for less money, obviously.

302
00:15:54,730 --> 00:15:58,660
But this is how they
taught the children

303
00:15:58,660 --> 00:16:01,070
to take care of

themselves a little bit.

304

00:16:01,070 --> 00:16:04,966

Because after all,
it's all from nothing.

305

00:16:04,966 --> 00:16:08,630

So this home was very well run.

306

00:16:08,630 --> 00:16:13,670

And after I was
freed, the Red Cross--

307

00:16:13,670 --> 00:16:16,090

this person who took
care of me got in touch

308

00:16:16,090 --> 00:16:18,390

with the Red Cross.

309

00:16:18,390 --> 00:16:22,410

I had kept one piece
of paper with a number

310

00:16:22,410 --> 00:16:25,290

and the name of a street.

311

00:16:25,290 --> 00:16:27,600

That was the name of--

312

00:16:27,600 --> 00:16:29,640

the street name and
the number of where

313

00:16:29,640 --> 00:16:31,620

my sister was here in America.

314

00:16:31,620 --> 00:16:33,380

I didn't have a name with it.

315

00:16:33,380 --> 00:16:35,310

I didn't have a town with it.

316
00:16:35,310 --> 00:16:38,760
All I had was a
number and a name

317
00:16:38,760 --> 00:16:43,050
because I was afraid if I would
be caught of what would happen.

318
00:16:43,050 --> 00:16:46,800
I gave this number
and then, of course,

319
00:16:46,800 --> 00:16:49,380
the name to the
Red Cross, and they

320
00:16:49,380 --> 00:16:52,160
looked for my sister to let
her know that I was alive.

321
00:16:52,160 --> 00:16:54,840

322
00:16:54,840 --> 00:16:55,925
Give me a minute.

323
00:16:55,925 --> 00:16:59,110

324
00:16:59,110 --> 00:17:02,800
It took six months for me
to hear from my sister.

325
00:17:02,800 --> 00:17:09,150

326
00:17:09,150 --> 00:17:10,167
Take a drink.

327
00:17:10,167 --> 00:17:16,380

328
00:17:16,380 --> 00:17:21,030
When I heard from my sister,
I got a package from her.

329
00:17:21,030 --> 00:17:22,770
I was in the home already.

330
00:17:22,770 --> 00:17:24,270
She sent me a package.

331
00:17:24,270 --> 00:17:26,190
There was no letter in it.

332
00:17:26,190 --> 00:17:29,720
Just a package.

333
00:17:29,720 --> 00:17:34,100
It was a very upsetting
thing for me that I heard

334
00:17:34,100 --> 00:17:37,190
and that I didn't have
anything in writing.

335
00:17:37,190 --> 00:17:39,620
I sat down on the floor,
opened the package,

336
00:17:39,620 --> 00:17:44,060
and handed out whatever I
had to all the children.

337
00:17:44,060 --> 00:17:48,660
A few-- I don't know how long
much later I did get a letter.

338
00:17:48,660 --> 00:17:52,720
And of course, that
made a big difference.

339
00:17:52,720 --> 00:17:55,930

My sister in the meantime
had gotten married

340
00:17:55,930 --> 00:17:58,120
and lived in a different place.

341
00:17:58,120 --> 00:17:59,770
But this is how I heard.

342
00:17:59,770 --> 00:18:01,960
And she, of course,
immediately said

343
00:18:01,960 --> 00:18:04,240
she wants me to
come and immigrate

344
00:18:04,240 --> 00:18:06,790
to America, to where she is.

345
00:18:06,790 --> 00:18:10,600
I had really wanted
to go to Palestine.

346
00:18:10,600 --> 00:18:15,080
But once my sister wanted
me to come, that was it.

347
00:18:15,080 --> 00:18:18,010
It took two years
for me to get papers

348
00:18:18,010 --> 00:18:22,270
and to be able to
immigrate to America.

349
00:18:22,270 --> 00:18:26,210
You had to still
wait for the quota?

350
00:18:26,210 --> 00:18:28,990
I don't think there was a
quota at the time anymore.

351
00:18:28,990 --> 00:18:33,070
Again, in those days,
with me I lived in a fog,

352
00:18:33,070 --> 00:18:37,660
and I just did things
automatically without thinking.

353
00:18:37,660 --> 00:18:39,800
It took time for me
to get the papers.

354
00:18:39,800 --> 00:18:42,280
It took time to get
to the consulate.

355
00:18:42,280 --> 00:18:43,990
Now, I don't know
if there was a quota

356
00:18:43,990 --> 00:18:46,540
or if there was a
different reason why

357
00:18:46,540 --> 00:18:49,550
it took so long for me
to go to the consulate

358
00:18:49,550 --> 00:18:54,070
where they examined
you and they--

359
00:18:54,070 --> 00:18:55,550
I don't know, the
kind of questions

360
00:18:55,550 --> 00:18:59,200
if you were, you know, a good
candidate to come to immigrate.

361
00:18:59,200 --> 00:19:00,220
Wasn't easy to come.

362
00:19:00,220 --> 00:19:04,780
Even in those days they did
not let you in just recently.

363
00:19:04,780 --> 00:19:11,020
And my sister had to put
money up for me to come.

364
00:19:11,020 --> 00:19:13,660
This is what they did all along.

365
00:19:13,660 --> 00:19:17,800
People who gave affidavits had
to put money into the bank,

366
00:19:17,800 --> 00:19:21,740
and that was earmarked
for the people that came.

367
00:19:21,740 --> 00:19:27,400
So you had to have means in
order to give affidavits.

368
00:19:27,400 --> 00:19:29,740
I presume that's why
when my sister got

369
00:19:29,740 --> 00:19:33,770
the affidavit, the
uncle of my mother,

370
00:19:33,770 --> 00:19:35,920
he had let a lot of people come.

371
00:19:35,920 --> 00:19:37,480
And when it came
to us, I guess he

372
00:19:37,480 --> 00:19:42,460
figured he lets my
sister come and whatever.

373

00:19:42,460 --> 00:19:45,670

It was not easy for
the people here either.

374

00:19:45,670 --> 00:19:50,480

Was not like today that
you just can walk in.

375

00:19:50,480 --> 00:20:00,456

So I was in the home
until 1946 in August

376

00:20:00,456 --> 00:20:03,920

when I immigrated
to this country.

377

00:20:03,920 --> 00:20:08,510

And the day I immigrated
was pretty bad too.

378

00:20:08,510 --> 00:20:11,090

Because up to that
date I have always

379

00:20:11,090 --> 00:20:13,460

hoped that I would
see my parents,

380

00:20:13,460 --> 00:20:18,140

that somehow they would
show up because we did not

381

00:20:18,140 --> 00:20:19,820

know what had happened.

382

00:20:19,820 --> 00:20:22,460

In the meantime, we
knew about Auschwitz.

383

00:20:22,460 --> 00:20:26,930

We knew about a lot of
things because in the home,

384

00:20:26,930 --> 00:20:30,800

after the war, after
Auschwitz, the director that

385

00:20:30,800 --> 00:20:34,640

ran the home was Hungarian.

386

00:20:34,640 --> 00:20:37,790

And the Hungarian Jews
were taken the very last

387

00:20:37,790 --> 00:20:39,050

to Auschwitz.

388

00:20:39,050 --> 00:20:42,440

So there were
Hungarian survivors.

389

00:20:42,440 --> 00:20:49,370

We in the home took some
children in from Auschwitz.

390

00:20:49,370 --> 00:20:55,380

I guess it must have been
in the middle of '45.

391

00:20:55,380 --> 00:20:56,550

Hungarian children?

392

00:20:56,550 --> 00:20:59,840

There were Hungarian children
that came from Auschwitz.

393

00:20:59,840 --> 00:21:03,390

So of course, we knew all about
Auschwitz at that time already.

394

00:21:03,390 --> 00:21:06,210

I did not know my
parents ended up there.

395

00:21:06,210 --> 00:21:09,740

I found that out
when I came here.

396
00:21:09,740 --> 00:21:14,570
Until the day I left France, I
was hoping they would show up.

397
00:21:14,570 --> 00:21:16,910
When I left, I was all alone.

398
00:21:16,910 --> 00:21:20,380
All my friends-- because
I left from Paris,

399
00:21:20,380 --> 00:21:22,460
they were all scattered about.

400
00:21:22,460 --> 00:21:26,230
And I went in to
train all by myself.

401
00:21:26,230 --> 00:21:32,670
And it was a terrible thing to
have to come all by yourself

402
00:21:32,670 --> 00:21:36,030
and knowing that this was it.

403
00:21:36,030 --> 00:21:41,070
Your parents were no
longer to be found.

404
00:21:41,070 --> 00:21:44,580
I came to this
country, and I lived

405
00:21:44,580 --> 00:21:47,370
with my sister who at that
time lived in a one bedroom

406
00:21:47,370 --> 00:21:49,005
apartment, had a baby.

407

00:21:49,005 --> 00:21:51,420

I slept in the living room.

408

00:21:51,420 --> 00:21:52,530

Was that in New York?

409

00:21:52,530 --> 00:21:54,180

In New York City.

410

00:21:54,180 --> 00:21:58,150

And of course, they were
not able to support me

411

00:21:58,150 --> 00:22:00,960

so I went to work in
the garment district.

412

00:22:00,960 --> 00:22:04,810

Having been sitting in
on the various courses

413

00:22:04,810 --> 00:22:10,080

when I had nothing else to
do, I did pick up sewing.

414

00:22:10,080 --> 00:22:13,740

And this is how I
made my living then

415

00:22:13,740 --> 00:22:16,020

when I came to this country.

416

00:22:16,020 --> 00:22:19,410

I met my husband
through my sister.

417

00:22:19,410 --> 00:22:25,650

And we knew each other for
two years when we got married.

418

00:22:25,650 --> 00:22:32,150

And I lived with my sister

until the day I did get married.

419

00:22:32,150 --> 00:22:36,840

We were married, and
we have two children.

420

00:22:36,840 --> 00:22:40,210

By now we have
seven grandchildren.

421

00:22:40,210 --> 00:22:41,730

And this is really--

422

00:22:41,730 --> 00:22:43,440

we picked up our lives.

423

00:22:43,440 --> 00:22:47,430

And thank God our children
are wonderful and so

424

00:22:47,430 --> 00:22:51,030

are the grandchildren,
and this is what gives us

425

00:22:51,030 --> 00:22:52,980

the pleasure and the nachas.

426

00:22:52,980 --> 00:22:55,620

Your husband is a survivor too?

427

00:22:55,620 --> 00:22:58,390

Yes, but he was not in
a concentration camp.

428

00:22:58,390 --> 00:23:05,250

He left Germany in 1936
to go to school in Italy

429

00:23:05,250 --> 00:23:07,980

because he no longer could
go to school in Germany.

430

00:23:07,980 --> 00:23:11,670

So his parents were able
to get him to Italy.

431

00:23:11,670 --> 00:23:12,360

And--

432

00:23:12,360 --> 00:23:14,040

He came with his
family to Italy?

433

00:23:14,040 --> 00:23:14,540

No.

434

00:23:14,540 --> 00:23:15,470

No, just alone?

435

00:23:15,470 --> 00:23:16,780

He went alone.

436

00:23:16,780 --> 00:23:19,680

I believe he told
me that two times

437

00:23:19,680 --> 00:23:23,670

he was able to go back
to Germany to visit them.

438

00:23:23,670 --> 00:23:27,520

And then the Germans wouldn't
let him in anymore either.

439

00:23:27,520 --> 00:23:32,830

He came to this country
in '39 alone also.

440

00:23:32,830 --> 00:23:35,530

His parents came later.

441

00:23:35,530 --> 00:23:39,100

They were in Santa Domingo
waiting out their border number

442
00:23:39,100 --> 00:23:40,670
there.

443
00:23:40,670 --> 00:23:45,950
So he has his own story to tell.

444
00:23:45,950 --> 00:23:50,870
Were you able to talk
about your experiences?

445
00:23:50,870 --> 00:23:51,950
No.

446
00:23:51,950 --> 00:23:54,560
Also my sister told
me when I came here,

447
00:23:54,560 --> 00:23:58,280
I don't want to hear your story.

448
00:23:58,280 --> 00:24:01,250
I had it hard here
myself, which was true.

449
00:24:01,250 --> 00:24:04,670
She was 17 years
old and no parents

450
00:24:04,670 --> 00:24:08,920
and had to fend for
herself here also.

451
00:24:08,920 --> 00:24:14,560
And I couldn't even talk about
it even if she had wanted to.

452
00:24:14,560 --> 00:24:21,100
But she, at the time, was not
able to hear what had happened.

453
00:24:21,100 --> 00:24:26,080
I guess she felt guilty that

she was here and we were there.

454

00:24:26,080 --> 00:24:30,130

Did that ever change as
far as she was concerned?

455

00:24:30,130 --> 00:24:32,790

No, not really.

456

00:24:32,790 --> 00:24:36,330

457

00:24:36,330 --> 00:24:37,450

What about your children?

458

00:24:37,450 --> 00:24:38,480

Have you--

459

00:24:38,480 --> 00:24:41,070

No, I did not talk to
my children about it.

460

00:24:41,070 --> 00:24:43,540

I wanted to forget about it.

461

00:24:43,540 --> 00:24:46,500

I needed to forget about it.

462

00:24:46,500 --> 00:24:47,970

I had an uncle here.

463

00:24:47,970 --> 00:24:51,450

He passed away in '53.

464

00:24:51,450 --> 00:24:56,070

For some reason that triggered
basically a nervous breakdown

465

00:24:56,070 --> 00:24:57,970

for me.

466

00:24:57,970 --> 00:25:00,550

I used to wake up
with nightmares.

467

00:25:00,550 --> 00:25:05,230

I used to scream, and it
was a very traumatic thing.

468

00:25:05,230 --> 00:25:07,960

Somehow his passing
away, I guess,

469

00:25:07,960 --> 00:25:12,700

was, for me, the
link with the past,

470

00:25:12,700 --> 00:25:16,030

and that triggered a very
bad experience for me.

471

00:25:16,030 --> 00:25:17,680

And I wanted to forget it.

472

00:25:17,680 --> 00:25:20,810

And I never-- my children
knew where I come from.

473

00:25:20,810 --> 00:25:22,990

They knew my parents got killed.

474

00:25:22,990 --> 00:25:25,870

But they did not know
anything of what I'm

475

00:25:25,870 --> 00:25:28,150

telling you-- told you today.

476

00:25:28,150 --> 00:25:30,640

And they didn't ask
questions either?

477

00:25:30,640 --> 00:25:32,170

Not too much, no.

478
00:25:32,170 --> 00:25:38,170
We had, I would say, a, normal
life at home in the sense

479
00:25:38,170 --> 00:25:43,810
that the children
were not made to feel

480
00:25:43,810 --> 00:25:46,930
that we went through a lot.

481
00:25:46,930 --> 00:25:52,220
And you know-- and you
have to know about it.

482
00:25:52,220 --> 00:25:58,150
We wanted them to have
a good way of living

483
00:25:58,150 --> 00:26:02,050
rather than to have
to live our past.

484
00:26:02,050 --> 00:26:05,020
So we did-- they knew--

485
00:26:05,020 --> 00:26:07,950
one day my daughter brought
home a friend from school--

486
00:26:07,950 --> 00:26:12,250
just remembered
that-- for lunch.

487
00:26:12,250 --> 00:26:16,850
And very nice child.

488
00:26:16,850 --> 00:26:18,610
We started talking.

489
00:26:18,610 --> 00:26:20,440

Children always came to me.

490

00:26:20,440 --> 00:26:24,820

Turns out this was a
child from German parents,

491

00:26:24,820 --> 00:26:26,862

non-Jewish parents.

492

00:26:26,862 --> 00:26:28,720

Girl was a very nice girl.

493

00:26:28,720 --> 00:26:32,380

I said to my daughter, Paulette,
please don't bring her anymore.

494

00:26:32,380 --> 00:26:35,110

I do not want to have
anything to do with her.

495

00:26:35,110 --> 00:26:35,800

And she didn't.

496

00:26:35,800 --> 00:26:36,850

She understood.

497

00:26:36,850 --> 00:26:42,490

So they knew enough to
be aware of my feelings

498

00:26:42,490 --> 00:26:44,320

and of what I was telling them.

499

00:26:44,320 --> 00:26:47,800

But they did not
know any details.

500

00:26:47,800 --> 00:26:52,600

At what point and how did you
find out about your parents?

501

00:26:52,600 --> 00:26:57,310

Well, we had to go through
the restitution business.

502
00:26:57,310 --> 00:27:01,480
And so the Germans keep records.

503
00:27:01,480 --> 00:27:04,480
So they're the ones
that told us, I mean,

504
00:27:04,480 --> 00:27:10,540
not us, whoever did this, that
they ended up in Auschwitz.

505
00:27:10,540 --> 00:27:12,910
I knew they were taken in '44.

506
00:27:12,910 --> 00:27:14,560
August but not where to.

507
00:27:14,560 --> 00:27:18,250
That's when we found out that
they had ended up in Auschwitz.

508
00:27:18,250 --> 00:27:21,490
From Rivesaltes they
were taken to Les Milles,

509
00:27:21,490 --> 00:27:26,680
which was another camp
in France near Paris.

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00:27:26,680 --> 00:27:29,140
And from there they went
to Auschwitz right away.

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00:27:29,140 --> 00:27:31,870
So that was in '44.

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00:27:31,870 --> 00:27:35,800
And I don't know how
long they lasted there.

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00:27:35,800 --> 00:27:39,160

Have you ever had the
feeling or the curiosity

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00:27:39,160 --> 00:27:43,510

that you would want to go
and check your hometown where

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00:27:43,510 --> 00:27:44,140

you once lived?

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00:27:44,140 --> 00:27:45,370

Because some people do.

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00:27:45,370 --> 00:27:49,450

The first letter my sister wrote
she says, what do you want?

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00:27:49,450 --> 00:27:52,450

I said, I want money
to go back to Germany

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00:27:52,450 --> 00:27:55,010

to show them I'm alive.

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00:27:55,010 --> 00:27:57,340

She said, no way.

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00:27:57,340 --> 00:28:00,200

I'm very grateful
today because it was

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00:28:00,200 --> 00:28:05,230

a childish attitude on my part.

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00:28:05,230 --> 00:28:08,950

What I wanted to do was just
to walk in and say, see,

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00:28:08,950 --> 00:28:10,390

you didn't kill me.

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00:28:10,390 --> 00:28:13,590

But it would have killed
me if I had done it.

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00:28:13,590 --> 00:28:16,650

So she was very
smart to say no way.

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00:28:16,650 --> 00:28:18,000

It's a normal reaction--

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00:28:18,000 --> 00:28:24,310

Since then I have had no
desire whatsoever to go back.

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00:28:24,310 --> 00:28:25,660

None.

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00:28:25,660 --> 00:28:28,330

If I ever am in
Europe, I may want

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00:28:28,330 --> 00:28:33,160

to go and visit the cemetery
where my grandparents are

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00:28:33,160 --> 00:28:37,220

but not to stay in Germany.

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00:28:37,220 --> 00:28:43,010

I feel they-- somehow I would
not feel comfortable there.

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00:28:43,010 --> 00:28:46,930

I do remember too
much on how it was

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00:28:46,930 --> 00:28:49,870

and what it was like
in school and how

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00:28:49,870 --> 00:28:51,880

the children were taught.

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00:28:51,880 --> 00:28:57,020

And to me, this
is still in them.

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00:28:57,020 --> 00:29:01,780

What makes you able to
talk about this now when

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00:29:01,780 --> 00:29:03,045

you found it so hard before?

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00:29:03,045 --> 00:29:05,760

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00:29:05,760 --> 00:29:09,285

Several years ago when my
grandson was in third grade--

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00:29:09,285 --> 00:29:10,500

now he's 15.

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00:29:10,500 --> 00:29:13,080

That must have been when
he was nine years old.

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00:29:13,080 --> 00:29:15,840

Maybe six years ago.

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00:29:15,840 --> 00:29:18,540

His teacher was a friend
of my daughter's, and she

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00:29:18,540 --> 00:29:21,190

taught on the Holocaust.

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00:29:21,190 --> 00:29:23,890

She asked me to
speak to this class.

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00:29:23,890 --> 00:29:26,440

I told her, no way.

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00:29:26,440 --> 00:29:31,810

She said, try to think
and try to push yourself

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00:29:31,810 --> 00:29:36,590

to tell your grandson a
little bit about what went on

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00:29:36,590 --> 00:29:41,140

because I feel it is very
important that these children

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00:29:41,140 --> 00:29:42,070

learn.

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00:29:42,070 --> 00:29:43,750

And this is how I pushed.

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00:29:43,750 --> 00:29:48,850

And then I pushed it away
again for several years

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00:29:48,850 --> 00:29:54,430

until I felt that we,
the German Jewish people,

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00:29:54,430 --> 00:29:58,180

have not spoken about it,
and it should be done.

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00:29:58,180 --> 00:30:01,870

And therefore I'm
pushing because I really

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00:30:01,870 --> 00:30:06,800

feel that we kept too
much to ourselves.

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00:30:06,800 --> 00:30:09,110

What was your
grandson's reaction?

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00:30:09,110 --> 00:30:09,890
At the time?

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00:30:09,890 --> 00:30:11,210
Yeah.

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00:30:11,210 --> 00:30:16,610
The whole class was very
intuned to me, including him.

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00:30:16,610 --> 00:30:18,200
But they were nine years old.

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00:30:18,200 --> 00:30:20,300
They had a lot of questions.

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00:30:20,300 --> 00:30:23,700
One little girl, she
said, how could you

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00:30:23,700 --> 00:30:25,590
survive with two suitcases?

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00:30:25,590 --> 00:30:29,160
When I go overnight
I need two suitcases.

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00:30:29,160 --> 00:30:34,170
This is the kind of reactions
these little ones had.

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00:30:34,170 --> 00:30:40,030
They were very attentive
and listened very carefully.

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00:30:40,030 --> 00:30:41,640
And so did my grandson.

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00:30:41,640 --> 00:30:43,630
But after that, I'm
his grandmother,

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00:30:43,630 --> 00:30:46,560
and let's not talk about it.

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00:30:46,560 --> 00:30:53,100
Every so often now his sisters
more and my other daughters

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00:30:53,100 --> 00:30:55,580
also, the girls come.

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00:30:55,580 --> 00:30:58,980
Grandma, please tell us
what happened to you,

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00:30:58,980 --> 00:31:00,090
and please tell us.

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00:31:00,090 --> 00:31:02,040
And we sit down for hours.

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00:31:02,040 --> 00:31:03,720
But I don't tell
them these stories.

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00:31:03,720 --> 00:31:08,560
I tell them all the nice
stories of what happened to me.

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00:31:08,560 --> 00:31:14,490
But they do ask, and they do
want to know their own way,

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00:31:14,490 --> 00:31:15,370
yes.

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00:31:15,370 --> 00:31:17,370
Is there anything
else you want to say?

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00:31:17,370 --> 00:31:20,720

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00:31:20,720 --> 00:31:24,020

I can't think of any
just now, and I possibly

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00:31:24,020 --> 00:31:28,370

will have forgotten a lot
of things that were in here.

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00:31:28,370 --> 00:31:28,970

But--

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00:31:28,970 --> 00:31:31,760

You can take a minute to
look through if you want.

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00:31:31,760 --> 00:31:33,625

Just to look through.

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00:31:33,625 --> 00:32:10,330

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00:32:10,330 --> 00:32:12,310

I guess nothing very important.

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00:32:12,310 --> 00:32:35,500

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00:32:35,500 --> 00:32:38,590

Were you left with any
feeling about religion?

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00:32:38,590 --> 00:32:40,790

What is my feeling
about religion?

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00:32:40,790 --> 00:32:42,107

About Judaism?

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00:32:42,107 --> 00:32:43,570

About God?

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00:32:43,570 --> 00:32:48,370

I was-- as I said, I was
raised in an Orthodox way with

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00:32:48,370 --> 00:32:48,880

my mother--

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00:32:48,880 --> 00:32:50,213

I don't know if I told you that.

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00:32:50,213 --> 00:32:51,760

I was allowed to
go to Heidelberg.

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00:32:51,760 --> 00:32:52,630

I think I did.

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00:32:52,630 --> 00:32:54,280

Yes.

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00:32:54,280 --> 00:32:57,670

I feel it's very
important that we keep

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00:32:57,670 --> 00:33:02,170

the traditional way of Judaism.

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00:33:02,170 --> 00:33:07,220

I think that we are making a
mistake if we go away from it.

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00:33:07,220 --> 00:33:11,430

This is what the Jews
in Germany tried to do.

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00:33:11,430 --> 00:33:13,170

And Hitler would not let them.

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00:33:13,170 --> 00:33:19,290

If you had one drop of blood
yay many generations ago in you,

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00:33:19,290 --> 00:33:23,370

he would find you, and he
would make you to be a Jew.

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00:33:23,370 --> 00:33:28,950

I think it is a mistake for
us to assimilate too much

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00:33:28,950 --> 00:33:31,710

and to go away from our own.

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00:33:31,710 --> 00:33:33,570

This is my feeling.

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00:33:33,570 --> 00:33:35,160

We are traditional at home.

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00:33:35,160 --> 00:33:38,940

We are not Orthodox, but
we are very traditional.

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00:33:38,940 --> 00:33:41,250

We keep the holidays.

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00:33:41,250 --> 00:33:42,870

We keep Shabbat.

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00:33:42,870 --> 00:33:48,540

My one daughter is Orthodox,
and the other one is like us.

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00:33:48,540 --> 00:33:54,760

And I feel it is very important
that we keep it that way.

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00:33:54,760 --> 00:34:01,840

As a Jew, we cannot afford to
go away from it and to water it

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00:34:01,840 --> 00:34:02,920

down too much.

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00:34:02,920 --> 00:34:06,310

That's my feeling.

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00:34:06,310 --> 00:34:07,510

Thank you very much.

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00:34:07,510 --> 00:34:09,420

Thank you.

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00:34:09,420 --> 00:34:16,021