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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:20,370

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00:00:20,370 --> 00:00:22,650

Regine, explain something to me.

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00:00:22,650 --> 00:00:26,483

When David says to
you, and maybe Henry

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00:00:26,483 --> 00:00:27,900

didn't have to say
it, and I don't

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00:00:27,900 --> 00:00:32,670

know if your father said it as
well, but you're really Jewish.

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00:00:32,670 --> 00:00:34,950

You haven't lost being Jewish.

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00:00:34,950 --> 00:00:36,300

What does that mean?

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00:00:36,300 --> 00:00:39,400

He didn't simply mean you are
still the daughter of Sabine

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00:00:39,400 --> 00:00:39,900

and Arie?

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00:00:39,900 --> 00:00:47,000

No, that I hadn't lost whatever
Jewishness I had in me,

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00:00:47,000 --> 00:00:48,710

even if I had become a Catholic.

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00:00:48,710 --> 00:00:50,240

I had kept that.

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00:00:50,240 --> 00:00:52,580

Like, you know, we
would talk traditions

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00:00:52,580 --> 00:00:57,290

and feasts and things we
remembered from our childhood.

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00:00:57,290 --> 00:01:01,370

And, as he said, he
had talked to a lot--

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00:01:01,370 --> 00:01:05,510

this happened in Israel
that people became Jewish

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00:01:05,510 --> 00:01:08,210

for the sake of marrying.

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00:01:08,210 --> 00:01:12,950

And he said, it never came
from within from the heart.

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00:01:12,950 --> 00:01:15,970

You could feel they
had adopted that,

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00:01:15,970 --> 00:01:18,560

but they are not really Jewish.

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00:01:18,560 --> 00:01:20,930

But I can't deny it, you are.

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00:01:20,930 --> 00:01:22,850

So that was the
biggest deal for me

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00:01:22,850 --> 00:01:26,060

because it did hurt
to think that he

24

00:01:26,060 --> 00:01:30,080

thought I had lost my Jewishness
because I became a Catholic.

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00:01:30,080 --> 00:01:33,050

Which even in the minds of
many Catholics is the same.

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00:01:33,050 --> 00:01:35,210

So hey, hey, wait a minute now.

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00:01:35,210 --> 00:01:39,110

How can you be Jewish,
a nun, and Catholic?

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00:01:39,110 --> 00:01:40,250

That doesn't work together.

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00:01:40,250 --> 00:01:41,640

So you're not a Jew anymore.

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00:01:41,640 --> 00:01:43,400

Sorry, I still am.

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00:01:43,400 --> 00:01:43,940

Right.

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00:01:43,940 --> 00:01:49,012

But people find that very
difficult to understand.

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00:01:49,012 --> 00:01:50,970

That's not the first time
you hear that, right?

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00:01:50,970 --> 00:01:51,430

No, no, no.

35

00:01:51,430 --> 00:01:52,262

It's not the first time.

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00:01:52,262 --> 00:01:52,762

OK.

37
00:01:52,762 --> 00:01:53,610
No, not at all.

38
00:01:53,610 --> 00:01:54,630
Yeah.

39
00:01:54,630 --> 00:01:58,910
So, and I wouldn't
want to have lost that.

40
00:01:58,910 --> 00:02:00,860
Yes.

41
00:02:00,860 --> 00:02:04,670
Because, you know, I
might have been hiding it

42
00:02:04,670 --> 00:02:10,009
for many, many years and
not daring reveal to anyone.

43
00:02:10,009 --> 00:02:12,350
But I do pressure it.

44
00:02:12,350 --> 00:02:13,790
It's precious to me.

45
00:02:13,790 --> 00:02:18,150
I wouldn't want to lose
that heritage, you know?

46
00:02:18,150 --> 00:02:22,230
And I think it's
something to be proud of.

47
00:02:22,230 --> 00:02:28,830
But within the context of the
order of which you're a part,

48
00:02:28,830 --> 00:02:32,160
do people understand it?

49

00:02:32,160 --> 00:02:36,090

Did you pursue the discussion
of that with other nuns

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00:02:36,090 --> 00:02:38,620

as much as you did
with your brothers?

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00:02:38,620 --> 00:02:39,120

No?

52

00:02:39,120 --> 00:02:39,830

No.

53

00:02:39,830 --> 00:02:41,320

Does that bother you?

54

00:02:41,320 --> 00:02:46,730

For some, no matter how you do
it, they just cannot grasp it.

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00:02:46,730 --> 00:02:50,140

I don't know what it is, but
it is a real difficult concept

56

00:02:50,140 --> 00:02:52,700

to grasp.

57

00:02:52,700 --> 00:02:54,395

I notice.

58

00:02:54,395 --> 00:02:55,320

You notice that?

59

00:02:55,320 --> 00:02:55,820

Yeah.

60

00:02:55,820 --> 00:02:58,340

Even more difficult in some
ways than for your brothers

61

00:02:58,340 --> 00:02:58,850
to grasp it?

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00:02:58,850 --> 00:03:01,750

63

00:03:01,750 --> 00:03:04,900
For some Catholics, this
just doesn't go together.

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00:03:04,900 --> 00:03:11,400
Personally, I think
they're not versed

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00:03:11,400 --> 00:03:16,200
enough in their own upbringing
as Catholics, because this

66

00:03:16,200 --> 00:03:18,810
is something which
I never experienced

67

00:03:18,810 --> 00:03:20,820
with Marie or with Elise.

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00:03:20,820 --> 00:03:25,800
And probably, that was one
of the biggest cornerstones

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00:03:25,800 --> 00:03:30,600
a plus for me that she
had that broad mind view

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00:03:30,600 --> 00:03:33,180
and understanding
of the religion.

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00:03:33,180 --> 00:03:37,060
That Catholicism was
only an achievement,

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00:03:37,060 --> 00:03:39,300

the continuation
of the Jewishness,

73
00:03:39,300 --> 00:03:41,610
and not to do away of it.

74
00:03:41,610 --> 00:03:45,540
Which I can say, I can count on
one hand, people who understand

75
00:03:45,540 --> 00:03:47,730
it so well as she did.

76
00:03:47,730 --> 00:03:50,830
And probably, wouldn't
have been so easy for me.

77
00:03:50,830 --> 00:03:56,418
Or maybe not so willing to
convert if I hadn't seen that.

78
00:03:56,418 --> 00:03:57,585
Do you know what I'm saying?

79
00:03:57,585 --> 00:03:58,085
Yes.

80
00:03:58,085 --> 00:03:58,980
Yes, I do.

81
00:03:58,980 --> 00:04:02,260
That they appreciated where you
came from and didn't want you

82
00:04:02,260 --> 00:04:03,510
to cut yourself off from that.

83
00:04:03,510 --> 00:04:04,320
No.

84
00:04:04,320 --> 00:04:07,080
And appreciated that

they wouldn't be there

85

00:04:07,080 --> 00:04:08,940

if it hadn't been for the Jews.

86

00:04:08,940 --> 00:04:12,205

That there is no such thing

Christ without the Jews.

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00:04:12,205 --> 00:04:13,560

Jews, right.

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00:04:13,560 --> 00:04:16,380

And she said, you

should be proud you

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00:04:16,380 --> 00:04:19,529

are from the race

of Christ himself.

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00:04:19,529 --> 00:04:21,085

And he never denied

his Jewishness--

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00:04:21,085 --> 00:04:21,690

Right.

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00:04:21,690 --> 00:04:23,070

--which is true.

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00:04:23,070 --> 00:04:26,790

But I do know that there aren't

many who can understand that.

94

00:04:26,790 --> 00:04:28,230

And I don't know why that is.

95

00:04:28,230 --> 00:04:32,600

That's why I think it's

more ignorance probably.

96

00:04:32,600 --> 00:04:35,090

But this must not be
comfortable for you.

97
00:04:35,090 --> 00:04:35,970
Not always.

98
00:04:35,970 --> 00:04:36,470
Yes.

99
00:04:36,470 --> 00:04:38,130
No.

100
00:04:38,130 --> 00:04:40,680
And I've experienced
in different countries

101
00:04:40,680 --> 00:04:42,270
with our own sisters.

102
00:04:42,270 --> 00:04:44,910
Like in England,
I've encountered

103
00:04:44,910 --> 00:04:49,150
some misunderstanding
and some confusion

104
00:04:49,150 --> 00:04:53,670
there, which they don't really
know what we talk about.

105
00:04:53,670 --> 00:04:58,080
I told you I have experienced
it in a very bad way in Israel

106
00:04:58,080 --> 00:04:58,800
itself.

107
00:04:58,800 --> 00:05:02,820
And that came from
Franciscan sisters, you know?

108

00:05:02,820 --> 00:05:06,450
And that was more than
just ignorance, I think.

109
00:05:06,450 --> 00:05:10,140
There was a streak of
anti-Semitism in there,

110
00:05:10,140 --> 00:05:12,780
which was very, very
difficult to take.

111
00:05:12,780 --> 00:05:15,000
And when it goes
like that, I don't

112
00:05:15,000 --> 00:05:19,800
reveal who I am because
it gives me a chance

113
00:05:19,800 --> 00:05:21,720
to see the whole picture.

114
00:05:21,720 --> 00:05:24,390
The minute I would
have said, I'm Jewish,

115
00:05:24,390 --> 00:05:25,800
they would have shut up.

116
00:05:25,800 --> 00:05:28,620
And things would have
been said behind my back

117
00:05:28,620 --> 00:05:30,120
without me hearing them.

118
00:05:30,120 --> 00:05:34,470
And I wanted to know the whole
scenario and the whole of this.

119
00:05:34,470 --> 00:05:38,010
So I never said anything,

but I listened to everything.

120
00:05:38,010 --> 00:05:42,270
And that I did find really
hard in an institute

121
00:05:42,270 --> 00:05:47,410
of biblical studies to
find an attitude like that.

122
00:05:47,410 --> 00:05:49,870
That's when I told you I
went to the co-director, who

123
00:05:49,870 --> 00:05:51,280
was a Sister of Zion.

124
00:05:51,280 --> 00:05:54,960
And their whole mission and
idea is this bringing together

125
00:05:54,960 --> 00:05:57,400
of Jews and Christians.

126
00:05:57,400 --> 00:05:59,530
And she said she
would act on it.

127
00:05:59,530 --> 00:06:02,110
They probably never had
a chance to have heard it

128
00:06:02,110 --> 00:06:05,800
from an outside angle
like me in the picture.

129
00:06:05,800 --> 00:06:08,140
And what did you hear?

130
00:06:08,140 --> 00:06:13,060
A lot of negative
connotations about the Jews

131

00:06:13,060 --> 00:06:15,940
against the Arabs.

132

00:06:15,940 --> 00:06:17,080
That is Israel.

133

00:06:17,080 --> 00:06:19,450
I mean, everything like
with the wave of the hand,

134

00:06:19,450 --> 00:06:23,440
like, you know, well, what
do you expect from the Jews?

135

00:06:23,440 --> 00:06:28,270
I know that I had
really to bite hard not

136

00:06:28,270 --> 00:06:30,940
to say, what are you here for?

137

00:06:30,940 --> 00:06:33,450
If you don't like it, you
can leave the country.

138

00:06:33,450 --> 00:06:34,810
You don't belong here.

139

00:06:34,810 --> 00:06:35,500
But I didn't.

140

00:06:35,500 --> 00:06:39,560
I just waited to find
my time to talk about it

141

00:06:39,560 --> 00:06:41,950
and make sure that
people knew about it.

142

00:06:41,950 --> 00:06:45,800
But then you would
find the opposite too.

143
00:06:45,800 --> 00:06:48,100
Within the same
year, a Jesuit would

144
00:06:48,100 --> 00:06:53,080
come and give us three
months of biblical classes.

145
00:06:53,080 --> 00:06:55,960
He was absolutely outstanding.

146
00:06:55,960 --> 00:07:00,160
And he made up for any negative
that I have had before.

147
00:07:00,160 --> 00:07:02,980
And I'm sure that he
saw the tell on my face.

148
00:07:02,980 --> 00:07:06,700
Each time he made the
connection between Christ

149
00:07:06,700 --> 00:07:10,230
and the Jewish people I
would, of course, be beaming,

150
00:07:10,230 --> 00:07:13,240
so he knew who I was
before I even told him.

151
00:07:13,240 --> 00:07:14,570
I said, how did you guess?

152
00:07:14,570 --> 00:07:17,890
It wasn't difficult.

153
00:07:17,890 --> 00:07:20,350
So as much as your fear
was shown to the Nazis,

154

00:07:20,350 --> 00:07:21,920
your joy of this was shown?

155
00:07:21,920 --> 00:07:22,420
Yeah.

156
00:07:22,420 --> 00:07:27,340
Now, today, you've been
wearing a chai, meaning life.

157
00:07:27,340 --> 00:07:28,180
Yeah.

158
00:07:28,180 --> 00:07:29,410
Which is a Hebrew letter.

159
00:07:29,410 --> 00:07:29,910
I know.

160
00:07:29,910 --> 00:07:30,870
Letters.

161
00:07:30,870 --> 00:07:33,490
Do you wear this often?

162
00:07:33,490 --> 00:07:35,450
And do people say what is this?

163
00:07:35,450 --> 00:07:36,790
Well, some people question it.

164
00:07:36,790 --> 00:07:39,310
I say what it means.

165
00:07:39,310 --> 00:07:40,930
Teenagers don't understand it.

166
00:07:40,930 --> 00:07:42,940
They think it's the pi.

167
00:07:42,940 --> 00:07:44,140

Uh-huh.

168
00:07:44,140 --> 00:07:46,610
The mathematical symbol.

169
00:07:46,610 --> 00:07:50,860
And I let it go
with that innocent.

170
00:07:50,860 --> 00:07:53,180
I wear my Star of
David in school too.

171
00:07:53,180 --> 00:07:53,680
You do?

172
00:07:53,680 --> 00:07:54,280
Yeah.

173
00:07:54,280 --> 00:07:56,410
Depends on the mood I'm in.

174
00:07:56,410 --> 00:08:00,480
I very rarely wear a cross.

175
00:08:00,480 --> 00:08:02,490
Now, that's interesting.

176
00:08:02,490 --> 00:08:04,080
And why?

177
00:08:04,080 --> 00:08:08,100
I think I just need--

178
00:08:08,100 --> 00:08:09,240
I don't know.

179
00:08:09,240 --> 00:08:12,210
I trying to explain
it to myself.

180

00:08:12,210 --> 00:08:14,880

That I want to be part
of that, you know?

181

00:08:14,880 --> 00:08:18,910

I'm Jewish, so my symbol
is, first and for all--

182

00:08:18,910 --> 00:08:19,410

Jewish.

183

00:08:19,410 --> 00:08:21,370

--Jewish.

184

00:08:21,370 --> 00:08:23,340

But if I have to wear a
cross, I wear a cross.

185

00:08:23,340 --> 00:08:24,120

I have crosses.

186

00:08:24,120 --> 00:08:25,380

But I don't wear them.

187

00:08:25,380 --> 00:08:28,180

I feel like they're there
without me having to wear them.

188

00:08:28,180 --> 00:08:29,040

Yeah.

189

00:08:29,040 --> 00:08:29,700

Do you know--

190

00:08:29,700 --> 00:08:30,240

Yes, you're nun.

191

00:08:30,240 --> 00:08:31,532

--no, but you know the meaning?

192

00:08:31,532 --> 00:08:32,909

No, not just that.

193
00:08:32,909 --> 00:08:35,220
The cross is like
something hard that you

194
00:08:35,220 --> 00:08:37,110
have to accept in your life.

195
00:08:37,110 --> 00:08:38,901
Well, God takes care of that.

196
00:08:38,901 --> 00:08:39,734
I have many crosses.

197
00:08:39,734 --> 00:08:41,370
So I don't have to wear it.

198
00:08:41,370 --> 00:08:44,190

199
00:08:44,190 --> 00:08:45,720
But there is something else.

200
00:08:45,720 --> 00:08:49,287
I mean, you have taken
on the Catholic religion

201
00:08:49,287 --> 00:08:50,370
and your identity with it?

202
00:08:50,370 --> 00:08:53,385
And I not want to identify
it with being Jewish.

203
00:08:53,385 --> 00:08:54,270
Jewish, right.

204
00:08:54,270 --> 00:08:55,405
So it has a meaning.

205
00:08:55,405 --> 00:08:58,930

206
00:08:58,930 --> 00:09:01,420
It took me a long
time to do that

207
00:09:01,420 --> 00:09:06,660
because, as I told you before,
in many places where I lived,

208
00:09:06,660 --> 00:09:11,980
I would have been afraid
to show that openly.

209
00:09:11,980 --> 00:09:15,430
So it's mainly since I
came to America that I have

210
00:09:15,430 --> 00:09:18,190
felt free enough to do that.

211
00:09:18,190 --> 00:09:21,970
Now, I'm sure if I should go
back to Belgium this summer,

212
00:09:21,970 --> 00:09:27,200
I've been really thinking
twice when and where I wear it.

213
00:09:27,200 --> 00:09:30,078
I do not want to be
attacked in the street.

214
00:09:30,078 --> 00:09:31,245
Do you know what I'm saying?

215
00:09:31,245 --> 00:09:31,745
Yes.

216
00:09:31,745 --> 00:09:33,582
See, that still is
there, unfortunately.

217
00:09:33,582 --> 00:09:34,870
Right.

218
00:09:34,870 --> 00:09:38,410
60 years later, we still
have to think about that.

219
00:09:38,410 --> 00:09:42,040
And you feel there's a more a
greater freedom and a greater

220
00:09:42,040 --> 00:09:45,370
acceptance in this country
of your dual identity?

221
00:09:45,370 --> 00:09:46,400
Yeah.

222
00:09:46,400 --> 00:09:48,200
In the church as well?

223
00:09:48,200 --> 00:09:49,880
I think so.

224
00:09:49,880 --> 00:09:52,560
There is ignorance
everywhere here too.

225
00:09:52,560 --> 00:09:53,060
Yes.

226
00:09:53,060 --> 00:09:55,910
But there is a greater
acceptance and a greater

227
00:09:55,910 --> 00:09:57,710
freedom to be what you are.

228
00:09:57,710 --> 00:09:58,950
Do you know what I'm saying?

229

00:09:58,950 --> 00:09:59,210

Yes.

230

00:09:59,210 --> 00:10:00,585

Yeah, that I felt
very much here.

231

00:10:00,585 --> 00:10:02,870

Now, did you choose to
come to the United States

232

00:10:02,870 --> 00:10:07,760

after 20 years in Africa,
or were you sent here?

233

00:10:07,760 --> 00:10:10,610

I couldn't go back to
Africa for health reasons.

234

00:10:10,610 --> 00:10:11,300

Uh-huh.

235

00:10:11,300 --> 00:10:13,850

And I didn't want to
stay in the Europe.

236

00:10:13,850 --> 00:10:15,830

So they offered me to come.

237

00:10:15,830 --> 00:10:16,730

And I accepted.

238

00:10:16,730 --> 00:10:18,870

And I've been very happy
ever since I've been here.

239

00:10:18,870 --> 00:10:19,370

Yes.

240

00:10:19,370 --> 00:10:23,062

And you became an
American citizen?

241
00:10:23,062 --> 00:10:24,440
Yeah.

242
00:10:24,440 --> 00:10:28,730
There was not much point to be
here and citizen from Belgium,

243
00:10:28,730 --> 00:10:32,140
which I only did for
convenience sake.

244
00:10:32,140 --> 00:10:34,240
Apart from the
family that saved me,

245
00:10:34,240 --> 00:10:37,090
I have no personal
attachment to Belgium.

246
00:10:37,090 --> 00:10:40,430
It's been a time of
suffering and misery.

247
00:10:40,430 --> 00:10:43,930
So you know, there
wasn't much advantage

248
00:10:43,930 --> 00:10:46,720
to just coming Belgium.

249
00:10:46,720 --> 00:10:49,280
So I decided I might as well.

250
00:10:49,280 --> 00:10:51,220
Now, you kept in
very close touch

251
00:10:51,220 --> 00:10:53,480
with Marie and Elise
and the whole family

252
00:10:53,480 --> 00:10:54,890

and Paul and the kids.

253

00:10:54,890 --> 00:10:55,690

Right?

254

00:10:55,690 --> 00:10:58,210

So when you had

vacations, I assume--

255

00:10:58,210 --> 00:10:59,050

I still go there.

256

00:10:59,050 --> 00:10:59,980

--you still go there.

257

00:10:59,980 --> 00:11:02,030

And when you were in

Africa, you came back?

258

00:11:02,030 --> 00:11:03,880

I came back to

Marie and to Elise.

259

00:11:03,880 --> 00:11:06,790

And when they were alive, that's

where I spent my vacation.

260

00:11:06,790 --> 00:11:08,040

So both of them have passed?

261

00:11:08,040 --> 00:11:08,540

Yeah.

262

00:11:08,540 --> 00:11:09,380

And Paul too.

263

00:11:09,380 --> 00:11:09,650

And Paul has passed?

264

00:11:09,650 --> 00:11:11,192

Yeah, Paul is the

first one who went.

265
00:11:11,192 --> 00:11:13,620

266
00:11:13,620 --> 00:11:15,080
But then there
are the daughters,

267
00:11:15,080 --> 00:11:17,630
so that's where I hang out.

268
00:11:17,630 --> 00:11:18,840
Out, yes.

269
00:11:18,840 --> 00:11:21,870
I stay with our sisters
now and again too.

270
00:11:21,870 --> 00:11:23,920
But I sure make sure
that I am with them.

271
00:11:23,920 --> 00:11:24,420
With them.

272
00:11:24,420 --> 00:11:25,530
And spend time with them.

273
00:11:25,530 --> 00:11:27,447
And they're staying in
the same general area--

274
00:11:27,447 --> 00:11:28,185
Yes, yeah.

275
00:11:28,185 --> 00:11:29,790
--in Belgium?

276
00:11:29,790 --> 00:11:33,500
And they're like, you know, I
am really everything to them.

277

00:11:33,500 --> 00:11:34,000

Yes.

278

00:11:34,000 --> 00:11:34,500

Yeah.

279

00:11:34,500 --> 00:11:35,610

And you were like an aunt?

280

00:11:35,610 --> 00:11:36,240

Hm-mm.

281

00:11:36,240 --> 00:11:36,750

Yes?

282

00:11:36,750 --> 00:11:37,500

The aunt.

283

00:11:37,500 --> 00:11:38,000

Yeah.

284

00:11:38,000 --> 00:11:39,930

We took care of them, you know?

285

00:11:39,930 --> 00:11:40,590

Yes.

286

00:11:40,590 --> 00:11:42,870

Which is only vice versa.

287

00:11:42,870 --> 00:11:45,450

Of course, they don't
maybe remember a lot of it

288

00:11:45,450 --> 00:11:50,500

because they were just getting
to be born when I came around.

289

00:11:50,500 --> 00:11:51,000

Yeah, yeah.

290

00:11:51,000 --> 00:11:51,900

You know what I'm saying?

291

00:11:51,900 --> 00:11:52,110

Right.

292

00:11:52,110 --> 00:11:52,695

But you've been there
all their lives.

293

00:11:52,695 --> 00:11:53,477

But I did--

294

00:11:53,477 --> 00:11:54,810

I've been there all their lives.

295

00:11:54,810 --> 00:11:58,440

And before I entered, I
really did take care of them

296

00:11:58,440 --> 00:12:00,720

and it helped a lot.

297

00:12:00,720 --> 00:12:03,730

298

00:12:03,730 --> 00:12:06,510

So you've been able to
renegotiate with your family,

299

00:12:06,510 --> 00:12:07,260

except for Isi.

300

00:12:07,260 --> 00:12:08,715

Isi is the--

301

00:12:08,715 --> 00:12:09,215

Isi--

302

00:12:09,215 --> 00:12:10,090

--most difficult one.

303
00:12:10,090 --> 00:12:11,970
--is still very difficult, yeah.

304
00:12:11,970 --> 00:12:14,280
Now, with David,
I re-established

305
00:12:14,280 --> 00:12:17,310
a real good relationship
with him, his wife,

306
00:12:17,310 --> 00:12:19,030
and his children.

307
00:12:19,030 --> 00:12:21,780
He's always been very
open with his own.

308
00:12:21,780 --> 00:12:24,900
He's always told them
what happened to me.

309
00:12:24,900 --> 00:12:26,480
And who I became.

310
00:12:26,480 --> 00:12:28,410
Now, with Henry,
there was definitely

311
00:12:28,410 --> 00:12:31,940
no problem because he lived
part of my life anyway.

312
00:12:31,940 --> 00:12:33,380
Yes, yes.

313
00:12:33,380 --> 00:12:37,862
And he would have
definitely converted if--

314
00:12:37,862 --> 00:12:38,570

If he had stayed.

315

00:12:38,570 --> 00:12:40,360

--if he had stayed on.

316

00:12:40,360 --> 00:12:42,860

He doesn't-- you know, in the
beginning, he wouldn't say it,

317

00:12:42,860 --> 00:12:46,570

but lately he's not
been denying that.

318

00:12:46,570 --> 00:12:49,400

And there is still
some belief in him.

319

00:12:49,400 --> 00:12:50,310

Yeah.

320

00:12:50,310 --> 00:12:54,420

And I can say to
Henry easily, well,

321

00:12:54,420 --> 00:12:57,660

all I can offer you is my
prayers because I really

322

00:12:57,660 --> 00:12:59,760

am upset about the whole thing.

323

00:12:59,760 --> 00:13:02,940

And he said, well, you would
definitely need to do that.

324

00:13:02,940 --> 00:13:05,190

Now, David had no time for that.

325

00:13:05,190 --> 00:13:07,470

Didn't want to hear
the word prayer.

326

00:13:07,470 --> 00:13:08,512
You're wasting your time.

327
00:13:08,512 --> 00:13:09,345
Religion is a waste.

328
00:13:09,345 --> 00:13:11,430
And each time you pray,
things only go worse.

329
00:13:11,430 --> 00:13:13,470
I said, OK.

330
00:13:13,470 --> 00:13:15,610
So David is still
not religious at all?

331
00:13:15,610 --> 00:13:16,110
No.

332
00:13:16,110 --> 00:13:16,560
Right?

333
00:13:16,560 --> 00:13:17,490
David passed away, huh?

334
00:13:17,490 --> 00:13:17,934
Yes, recently.

335
00:13:17,934 --> 00:13:18,378
Last year.

336
00:13:18,378 --> 00:13:18,878
Yeah.

337
00:13:18,878 --> 00:13:19,710
Yeah.

338
00:13:19,710 --> 00:13:20,700
September.

339

00:13:20,700 --> 00:13:24,100
Now, is Henry religious
in any way as a Jew?

340
00:13:24,100 --> 00:13:24,770
No.

341
00:13:24,770 --> 00:13:25,470
Nothing?

342
00:13:25,470 --> 00:13:26,140
Nothing.

343
00:13:26,140 --> 00:13:28,010
Nothing, which is sort
of typical in Israel.

344
00:13:28,010 --> 00:13:29,010
Typical in Israel.

345
00:13:29,010 --> 00:13:29,985
Typical in kibbutz.

346
00:13:29,985 --> 00:13:30,900
Yes.

347
00:13:30,900 --> 00:13:33,420
And he's still in
the kibbutz, right?

348
00:13:33,420 --> 00:13:37,020
And when he reached a certain
age, he didn't decide to leave.

349
00:13:37,020 --> 00:13:38,970
He had gotten comfortable
enough in Israel

350
00:13:38,970 --> 00:13:39,990
so he decided to stay?

351
00:13:39,990 --> 00:13:41,430

No, he would have
liked to leave.

352
00:13:41,430 --> 00:13:43,770
He had considered
it very seriously.

353
00:13:43,770 --> 00:13:48,120
But his wife, Miriam,
is a born kibbutz girl.

354
00:13:48,120 --> 00:13:52,890
And she was terrified of the
situation, the insecurity,

355
00:13:52,890 --> 00:13:53,580
and all that.

356
00:13:53,580 --> 00:13:55,530
So they didn't leave.

357
00:13:55,530 --> 00:13:58,284
And I'd stay he regrets that.

358
00:13:58,284 --> 00:13:59,730
Uh-huh.

359
00:13:59,730 --> 00:14:01,890
Not that it might have made--

360
00:14:01,890 --> 00:14:05,400
given the actual
circumstances, I

361
00:14:05,400 --> 00:14:07,730
don't know wherever
there's anything better.

362
00:14:07,730 --> 00:14:11,240
But still, life has been a
real hard in the kibbutz.

363

00:14:11,240 --> 00:14:14,610
And their main problem
is that they have not

364
00:14:14,610 --> 00:14:18,780
planned or foreseen
anything for retirement.

365
00:14:18,780 --> 00:14:21,920
There's no pension.

366
00:14:21,920 --> 00:14:24,890
So they've worked for 60 years.

367
00:14:24,890 --> 00:14:28,370
And they find themselves
with nothing to their name.

368
00:14:28,370 --> 00:14:31,088
Right, because they're
in the kibbutz.

369
00:14:31,088 --> 00:14:32,710
Yeah.

370
00:14:32,710 --> 00:14:35,340
And notice that
he has four kids.

371
00:14:35,340 --> 00:14:37,920
There's only one who
still is in the kibbutz

372
00:14:37,920 --> 00:14:39,480
because her husband is there.

373
00:14:39,480 --> 00:14:41,190
But the others have
left the kibbutz

374
00:14:41,190 --> 00:14:44,600
and want to create
their own life, which

375
00:14:44,600 --> 00:14:45,640
can't blame them for.

376
00:14:45,640 --> 00:14:46,140
Right.

377
00:14:46,140 --> 00:14:48,940
And you're close with those
kids as well, your brother's

378
00:14:48,940 --> 00:14:49,440
children?

379
00:14:49,440 --> 00:14:52,860
Yes, see our problem with
that, we would be very close.

380
00:14:52,860 --> 00:14:54,900
No way of communicating.

381
00:14:54,900 --> 00:14:58,680
With the younger ones,
we can get to English.

382
00:14:58,680 --> 00:14:59,900
Yes.

383
00:14:59,900 --> 00:15:02,940
With his wife, she
only speaks Hebrew.

384
00:15:02,940 --> 00:15:06,240
And I don't speak Hebrew,
which I regret very bitterly.

385
00:15:06,240 --> 00:15:08,830

386
00:15:08,830 --> 00:15:12,280
And if I was anywhere
closer to a big city,

387
00:15:12,280 --> 00:15:16,060
I think I would still have
time to learn some Hebrew just

388
00:15:16,060 --> 00:15:17,996
for the sake of communicating.

389
00:15:17,996 --> 00:15:19,980
Right.

390
00:15:19,980 --> 00:15:22,200
And Henry maintained
the relationship

391
00:15:22,200 --> 00:15:24,780
with the Alardo family
after his time, yes?

392
00:15:24,780 --> 00:15:26,100
So he kept going back to them.

393
00:15:26,100 --> 00:15:26,820
Still.

394
00:15:26,820 --> 00:15:27,720
Yeah.

395
00:15:27,720 --> 00:15:29,140
He was there last summer again.

396
00:15:29,140 --> 00:15:29,640
Really?

397
00:15:29,640 --> 00:15:31,170
Spent 10, 12 days there.

398
00:15:31,170 --> 00:15:33,180
Yes, he keeps very
good contact with them.

399

00:15:33,180 --> 00:15:35,520

But he must have been
separated for a long time

400

00:15:35,520 --> 00:15:38,160

before he was able on
his own to contact them?

401

00:15:38,160 --> 00:15:38,970

Yeah.

402

00:15:38,970 --> 00:15:41,520

And then he's invited
them over there.

403

00:15:41,520 --> 00:15:44,670

And one of the girls has been
over there with her daughter.

404

00:15:44,670 --> 00:15:46,200

He's been to their baptisms.

405

00:15:46,200 --> 00:15:47,970

He's been to the communion.

406

00:15:47,970 --> 00:15:49,550

He's taken his wife there.

407

00:15:49,550 --> 00:15:51,480

He's taken his children there.

408

00:15:51,480 --> 00:15:54,580

So he's keeping a real
close contact with them.

409

00:15:54,580 --> 00:15:56,670

So you both have
double families?

410

00:15:56,670 --> 00:15:57,656

That's right.

411

00:15:57,656 --> 00:15:58,410
Right.

412
00:15:58,410 --> 00:16:00,320
For what is left, unfortunately.

413
00:16:00,320 --> 00:16:00,920
Yes, yeah.

414
00:16:00,920 --> 00:16:01,698
Hm-mm.

415
00:16:01,698 --> 00:16:02,240
Now, Regine--

416
00:16:02,240 --> 00:16:06,250
Now, with Isi, it is a
totally different ballgame.

417
00:16:06,250 --> 00:16:08,890
First of all, he
denied me totally.

418
00:16:08,890 --> 00:16:12,330
Wiped me off his life.

419
00:16:12,330 --> 00:16:15,750
Wouldn't let his children
know that he had a sister.

420
00:16:15,750 --> 00:16:16,635
She was dead.

421
00:16:16,635 --> 00:16:21,170

422
00:16:21,170 --> 00:16:23,810
I think it is the year
I went the first time.

423
00:16:23,810 --> 00:16:27,360
And I was going to

meet with my father.

424

00:16:27,360 --> 00:16:29,600

His son was supposed
to come out.

425

00:16:29,600 --> 00:16:31,850

And when he heard
I was coming, he

426

00:16:31,850 --> 00:16:35,060

stopped the trip because he did
not want his son to meet me.

427

00:16:35,060 --> 00:16:38,090

428

00:16:38,090 --> 00:16:42,820

But the son has been going a
lot to be with his cousins.

429

00:16:42,820 --> 00:16:45,070

So David put the law down.

430

00:16:45,070 --> 00:16:47,980

And told him, look,
you do what you want.

431

00:16:47,980 --> 00:16:50,560

But we hide nothing
from our children.

432

00:16:50,560 --> 00:16:54,250

And one way or
another, Daniel is

433

00:16:54,250 --> 00:16:58,150

bound to find out from his own
cousins that there is an aunt

434

00:16:58,150 --> 00:16:59,680

and what she is.

435

00:16:59,680 --> 00:17:02,150

Because we don't
make mysteries of it.

436

00:17:02,150 --> 00:17:03,265

She is what she is.

437

00:17:03,265 --> 00:17:05,410

And we tell them that.

438

00:17:05,410 --> 00:17:08,319

So you do what you want,
but he's going to find out.

439

00:17:08,319 --> 00:17:11,300

And indeed, Daniel, we have met.

440

00:17:11,300 --> 00:17:12,640

I met him in Israel.

441

00:17:12,640 --> 00:17:14,780

He lives there now.

442

00:17:14,780 --> 00:17:19,280

And is it a reverse of
a medal or whatever, he

443

00:17:19,280 --> 00:17:25,190

has become a total of Hasidic
in a non-Jewish family

444

00:17:25,190 --> 00:17:26,750

that he was brought up.

445

00:17:26,750 --> 00:17:28,069

I mean, non-believers.

446

00:17:28,069 --> 00:17:29,270

Not religious.

447

00:17:29,270 --> 00:17:29,930

Yes.

448
00:17:29,930 --> 00:17:32,540
Totally.

449
00:17:32,540 --> 00:17:37,960
The dress, the
pious, everything.

450
00:17:37,960 --> 00:17:41,330
But he did make an effort to
find me when I was with Henry--

451
00:17:41,330 --> 00:17:41,880
Uh-huh.

452
00:17:41,880 --> 00:17:43,760
--three, four years ago.

453
00:17:43,760 --> 00:17:46,430
And he came to visit.

454
00:17:46,430 --> 00:17:51,820
And I think he wanted
more like to hear a little

455
00:17:51,820 --> 00:17:54,580
for his own information.

456
00:17:54,580 --> 00:17:56,620
Because he wrote first.

457
00:17:56,620 --> 00:17:59,530
He wrote several times.

458
00:17:59,530 --> 00:18:02,530
Didn't start off too well
because he told me, now,

459
00:18:02,530 --> 00:18:07,180
whatever you tell me, I still
believe what my father told me.

460
00:18:07,180 --> 00:18:08,200
So I wrote back.

461
00:18:08,200 --> 00:18:10,630
And I said, well, let's
not waste our time.

462
00:18:10,630 --> 00:18:12,280
If you already tell
me you're going

463
00:18:12,280 --> 00:18:14,650
to believe whatever
he told you, what's

464
00:18:14,650 --> 00:18:16,690
the point of me
telling you anything?

465
00:18:16,690 --> 00:18:18,400
So that's OK with me.

466
00:18:18,400 --> 00:18:20,290
I can live with that.

467
00:18:20,290 --> 00:18:22,140
But he changed then
over the years.

468
00:18:22,140 --> 00:18:23,140
He still wanted to hear.

469
00:18:23,140 --> 00:18:24,430
So he came to see me.

470
00:18:24,430 --> 00:18:26,980
And I spent like an
afternoon with him.

471
00:18:26,980 --> 00:18:32,240
And he told me how he converted

through some rabbi in New York

472

00:18:32,240 --> 00:18:33,260
that he had met.

473

00:18:33,260 --> 00:18:37,430
And he's totally gone into it,
to the despair of his parents.

474

00:18:37,430 --> 00:18:38,030
I bet.

475

00:18:38,030 --> 00:18:40,300
Total despair.

476

00:18:40,300 --> 00:18:45,048
And Isi and his wife
have how many children?

477

00:18:45,048 --> 00:18:47,600
Daniel and a daughter,
whom I've never seen.

478

00:18:47,600 --> 00:18:48,130
Right.

479

00:18:48,130 --> 00:18:50,380
So that one he has
kept away from me.

480

00:18:50,380 --> 00:18:51,670
Altogether.

481

00:18:51,670 --> 00:18:54,220
And I've made several
attempts over the years

482

00:18:54,220 --> 00:18:56,240
to try to get a bit closer.

483

00:18:56,240 --> 00:18:58,300
And see whether we

could just-- you know,

484
00:18:58,300 --> 00:18:59,850
because he's in Brussels.

485
00:18:59,850 --> 00:19:00,350
Right.

486
00:19:00,350 --> 00:19:01,270
I go to Brussels.

487
00:19:01,270 --> 00:19:04,250
And I don't go to see him.

488
00:19:04,250 --> 00:19:05,810
We've tried in the beginning.

489
00:19:05,810 --> 00:19:07,130
We tried several times.

490
00:19:07,130 --> 00:19:11,480
And it's always been very
hard and just too difficult.

491
00:19:11,480 --> 00:19:16,260
And it wasn't worth me
getting all upset about it.

492
00:19:16,260 --> 00:19:21,280
And on other occasions, they
insisted we'll try again.

493
00:19:21,280 --> 00:19:22,650
And maybe it'll work.

494
00:19:22,650 --> 00:19:26,700
And we set up once
even to go together,

495
00:19:26,700 --> 00:19:29,120
Simon, his wife, and me.

496

00:19:29,120 --> 00:19:32,980

I say, OK, I'll do one more
effort just to please you all,

497

00:19:32,980 --> 00:19:34,760

but you're coming with me.

498

00:19:34,760 --> 00:19:36,760

And after 10
minutes, we all left.

499

00:19:36,760 --> 00:19:38,740

It was just-- it
started right off.

500

00:19:38,740 --> 00:19:41,360

I mean, you know,
there was just not even

501

00:19:41,360 --> 00:19:44,330

a minute of relaxing,
talking about--

502

00:19:44,330 --> 00:19:46,850

So Simon is actually
OK with this now?

503

00:19:46,850 --> 00:19:48,230

Yeah, very much so.

504

00:19:48,230 --> 00:19:50,990

Simon has been very supportive
all the way through I

505

00:19:50,990 --> 00:19:53,420

don't know how, but he was.

506

00:19:53,420 --> 00:19:56,000

Always try to say, well,
she's still your sister.

507

00:19:56,000 --> 00:19:57,290

She's family.

508

00:19:57,290 --> 00:20:00,870

You can just drop it like that.

509

00:20:00,870 --> 00:20:06,060

So the situation-- maybe if
his wife wasn't in the picture,

510

00:20:06,060 --> 00:20:08,100

and she has a very
strong hold on him,

511

00:20:08,100 --> 00:20:11,850

she would never let him alone
with any member of the family.

512

00:20:11,850 --> 00:20:15,030

That it might have been easier
just brothers and sisters

513

00:20:15,030 --> 00:20:17,370

together, but that
doesn't happen.

514

00:20:17,370 --> 00:20:19,830

So it's on a minimal basis.

515

00:20:19,830 --> 00:20:24,010

We exchange Rosh Hashanah
cards and Easter cards.

516

00:20:24,010 --> 00:20:24,510

Really?

517

00:20:24,510 --> 00:20:26,290

And that's new.

518

00:20:26,290 --> 00:20:26,915

But that works.

519

00:20:26,915 --> 00:20:28,207

He sends an Easter card to you?

520
00:20:28,207 --> 00:20:29,100
You're kidding me.

521
00:20:29,100 --> 00:20:31,950
And I write back.

522
00:20:31,950 --> 00:20:34,850
So is he and David
and Henry close?

523
00:20:34,850 --> 00:20:35,870
Or is he not close --

524
00:20:35,870 --> 00:20:37,870
They have had a lot of
strains between them too.

525
00:20:37,870 --> 00:20:40,203
Because Isi sounds like he's
very troubled [INAUDIBLE]..

526
00:20:40,203 --> 00:20:42,140
Yeah, but you know
what, it could also

527
00:20:42,140 --> 00:20:46,150
be what he went
through with his life.

528
00:20:46,150 --> 00:20:46,820
Yes.

529
00:20:46,820 --> 00:20:48,800
That he's never been himself.

530
00:20:48,800 --> 00:20:50,070
Right.

531
00:20:50,070 --> 00:20:52,750
I think it has a

lot to do with that.

532

00:20:52,750 --> 00:20:54,600

He's been marked.

533

00:20:54,600 --> 00:20:57,390

And seen the most

horrible things,

534

00:20:57,390 --> 00:20:59,676

which no one knows what.

535

00:20:59,676 --> 00:21:00,176

Right.

536

00:21:00,176 --> 00:21:03,170

537

00:21:03,170 --> 00:21:06,500

So tell me something, another

thing, this is the first--

538

00:21:06,500 --> 00:21:07,600

I've told you a lot.

539

00:21:07,600 --> 00:21:07,820

Right.

540

00:21:07,820 --> 00:21:08,320

Right.

541

00:21:08,320 --> 00:21:11,000

This is the first time

you've given an interview.

542

00:21:11,000 --> 00:21:16,140

And from what you've said, this

may be one of the first times

543

00:21:16,140 --> 00:21:19,200

you've really sort of

told as much of the story

544
00:21:19,200 --> 00:21:23,670
as these hours could contain.

545
00:21:23,670 --> 00:21:24,375
Why now?

546
00:21:24,375 --> 00:21:27,490

547
00:21:27,490 --> 00:21:31,480
Why haven't you talked
before you think?

548
00:21:31,480 --> 00:21:33,400
I suppose, first
of all, you need

549
00:21:33,400 --> 00:21:37,480
to have an audience that
you can totally trust.

550
00:21:37,480 --> 00:21:41,110
And that you know that there's
not going to be any prejudice,

551
00:21:41,110 --> 00:21:44,470
be it on the Jewish side or
be it on the Catholic side.

552
00:21:44,470 --> 00:21:46,675
And the audience was there.

553
00:21:46,675 --> 00:21:49,510

554
00:21:49,510 --> 00:21:57,070
Now, maybe I feel more secure
within myself about the two.

555
00:21:57,070 --> 00:22:00,595
But I think it has a lot of to

do with to whom you tell it.

556

00:22:00,595 --> 00:22:01,762

Do you know what I'm saying?

557

00:22:01,762 --> 00:22:02,910

Yes.

558

00:22:02,910 --> 00:22:08,070

Now, the one sister I told you
that we were very, very close

559

00:22:08,070 --> 00:22:13,020

and who passed away is the
one to whom I told everything.

560

00:22:13,020 --> 00:22:15,900

There has been one or
two others in the order.

561

00:22:15,900 --> 00:22:20,040

But, again, it is the way they
are receptive to it, which

562

00:22:20,040 --> 00:22:21,720

makes it easy for me to talk.

563

00:22:21,720 --> 00:22:25,450

But if they're not, I cut short.

564

00:22:25,450 --> 00:22:26,570

Or I close up.

565

00:22:26,570 --> 00:22:29,160

566

00:22:29,160 --> 00:22:31,120

Now, I've told a lot to Helen.

567

00:22:31,120 --> 00:22:31,620

Right.

568

00:22:31,620 --> 00:22:33,750

Because I needed someone--

569

00:22:33,750 --> 00:22:34,320

To speak to.

570

00:22:34,320 --> 00:22:35,010

--to speak to.

571

00:22:35,010 --> 00:22:36,420

So she knows a lot.

572

00:22:36,420 --> 00:22:38,880

And she's been very,
very encouraging

573

00:22:38,880 --> 00:22:41,390

and wanting me to write,
and wanting me to do it.

574

00:22:41,390 --> 00:22:43,170

And really wanting it.

575

00:22:43,170 --> 00:22:45,330

That she thinks
it's just the most--

576

00:22:45,330 --> 00:22:48,540

she has no prejudices,
neither on one side,

577

00:22:48,540 --> 00:22:50,020

nor the other, which is great.

578

00:22:50,020 --> 00:22:50,520

Yes.

579

00:22:50,520 --> 00:22:51,100

You know?

580

00:22:51,100 --> 00:22:51,600

Yes.

581

00:22:51,600 --> 00:22:54,960

But I couldn't do it with every
daughter of Mary and Joseph.

582

00:22:54,960 --> 00:22:57,250

There's just no way.

583

00:22:57,250 --> 00:22:59,320

And you've never talked
with your students?

584

00:22:59,320 --> 00:23:02,662

You've taught for so many years.

585

00:23:02,662 --> 00:23:05,630

No.

586

00:23:05,630 --> 00:23:08,300

And when you came to this
country a student didn't say,

587

00:23:08,300 --> 00:23:09,548

you don't sound American?

588

00:23:09,548 --> 00:23:10,590

You have a slight accent.

589

00:23:10,590 --> 00:23:11,630

Yeah, but that's OK with them.

590

00:23:11,630 --> 00:23:11,960

That's all right.

591

00:23:11,960 --> 00:23:13,135

I am from another country.

592

00:23:13,135 --> 00:23:13,440

Country.

593

00:23:13,440 --> 00:23:13,800
Right?

594
00:23:13,800 --> 00:23:14,430
Right.

595
00:23:14,430 --> 00:23:16,565
That's fine, but it has nothing
to do with Jewish or Catholic.

596
00:23:16,565 --> 00:23:16,850
Right.

597
00:23:16,850 --> 00:23:17,350
Right?

598
00:23:17,350 --> 00:23:18,050
Right.

599
00:23:18,050 --> 00:23:21,770
And when I came, I had another
kind of difficult experience

600
00:23:21,770 --> 00:23:25,910
because on the faculty,
we had a Jewish teacher.

601
00:23:25,910 --> 00:23:30,960
And she could not
accept me not at all.

602
00:23:30,960 --> 00:23:34,130
So there was a
big problem there.

603
00:23:34,130 --> 00:23:36,500
Sometimes she
would even walk out

604
00:23:36,500 --> 00:23:39,660
if I walked in the faculty room.

605

00:23:39,660 --> 00:23:46,810
And if I wore my Star, she would
just go ballistic, you know?

606
00:23:46,810 --> 00:23:48,580
And it was strange
because she would

607
00:23:48,580 --> 00:23:52,480
invite my friend, the
nun, to a bar mitzvah

608
00:23:52,480 --> 00:23:55,810
or anything like that, but
she wouldn't invite me.

609
00:23:55,810 --> 00:23:57,288
Probably because I betrayed.

610
00:23:57,288 --> 00:23:59,080
You know, that's the
way people look at it.

611
00:23:59,080 --> 00:23:59,310
Right?

612
00:23:59,310 --> 00:23:59,810
Yeah, right.

613
00:23:59,810 --> 00:24:00,490
It's a betrayal.

614
00:24:00,490 --> 00:24:02,050
Yes.

615
00:24:02,050 --> 00:24:04,980
Which I have learned to live
with, because not everyone

616
00:24:04,980 --> 00:24:06,600
can understand.

617

00:24:06,600 --> 00:24:10,612
And that's the way it is here.

618
00:24:10,612 --> 00:24:15,160
You know, it's interesting
to me that, as I watch you

619
00:24:15,160 --> 00:24:18,240
over these hours that
we've spent together,

620
00:24:18,240 --> 00:24:21,220
you've been in positions
that it seems to me

621
00:24:21,220 --> 00:24:22,855
could make somebody bitter.

622
00:24:22,855 --> 00:24:23,620
Hm-mm.

623
00:24:23,620 --> 00:24:25,752
Both on the Catholic side
and on the Jewish side.

624
00:24:25,752 --> 00:24:26,252
Right.

625
00:24:26,252 --> 00:24:26,410
Right.

626
00:24:26,410 --> 00:24:27,243
And I've had it all.

627
00:24:27,243 --> 00:24:31,120
And yet, you don't seem
to be bitter or anguished.

628
00:24:31,120 --> 00:24:36,830
It's painful, but something else
seems to be much more prominent

629

00:24:36,830 --> 00:24:37,760
in you.

630
00:24:37,760 --> 00:24:38,570
That is true.

631
00:24:38,570 --> 00:24:39,350
That is so true.

632
00:24:39,350 --> 00:24:40,905
And do you think
it's your faith?

633
00:24:40,905 --> 00:24:41,405
Probably.

634
00:24:41,405 --> 00:24:44,090

635
00:24:44,090 --> 00:24:47,160
That I'm able to accept that
on both sides, you know?

636
00:24:47,160 --> 00:24:47,660
Yes.

637
00:24:47,660 --> 00:24:50,600
Like, for Isi, for
example, I will

638
00:24:50,600 --> 00:24:53,900
say I had it more
against my father

639
00:24:53,900 --> 00:24:55,850
than I had it against him.

640
00:24:55,850 --> 00:24:58,370
Because this is the
way I reasoned it,

641
00:24:58,370 --> 00:25:01,430

he suffered the worst
of the whole family.

642
00:25:01,430 --> 00:25:04,430
He's just been back
two days later.

643
00:25:04,430 --> 00:25:06,020
What did I expect?

644
00:25:06,020 --> 00:25:09,200
It's normal for him to
say you betrayed me.

645
00:25:09,200 --> 00:25:12,650
You do to me what I've just
come out from having suffered.

646
00:25:12,650 --> 00:25:16,760
And so that helped to
understand where he came from.

647
00:25:16,760 --> 00:25:19,740
And so don't hold
it against him.

648
00:25:19,740 --> 00:25:23,300
Now, over the years, I
thought this is long enough.

649
00:25:23,300 --> 00:25:27,530
And then not to be able to
broaden your mind after all

650
00:25:27,530 --> 00:25:28,790
that, you know?

651
00:25:28,790 --> 00:25:31,700
And not even tell
your own children

652
00:25:31,700 --> 00:25:32,690
that you have a sister.

653
00:25:32,690 --> 00:25:36,360
Even if you want to say, she's
real, though, she's strange.

654
00:25:36,360 --> 00:25:37,700
This is the way she--

655
00:25:37,700 --> 00:25:38,270
fine.

656
00:25:38,270 --> 00:25:41,810
Go for that, but totally
deny the existence.

657
00:25:41,810 --> 00:25:43,430
That was an extreme again.

658
00:25:43,430 --> 00:25:44,330
Right.

659
00:25:44,330 --> 00:25:46,940
And then I suppose
a lot has to do

660
00:25:46,940 --> 00:25:54,560
that I'm able to grasp it's not
an easy thing to understand.

661
00:25:54,560 --> 00:25:59,120
And so I can't hold it
against them really.

662
00:25:59,120 --> 00:26:00,470
I could have gone bitter.

663
00:26:00,470 --> 00:26:03,360
I could have gone
totally imbalanced.

664
00:26:03,360 --> 00:26:06,030
But I think faith has

a lot to do with it.

665

00:26:06,030 --> 00:26:08,910

And I received a
lot too, you know?

666

00:26:08,910 --> 00:26:11,400

As I said in the
end of my story,

667

00:26:11,400 --> 00:26:15,670

I feel I'm rich because I
have the inheritance of both.

668

00:26:15,670 --> 00:26:16,170

Right.

669

00:26:16,170 --> 00:26:20,160

And for me, they amalgamate
and come together very well.

670

00:26:20,160 --> 00:26:24,420

So I really have the
best of the two worlds.

671

00:26:24,420 --> 00:26:26,970

And you spent a life
teaching and giving back--

672

00:26:26,970 --> 00:26:27,828

Yeah.

673

00:26:27,828 --> 00:26:28,620

--to many students.

674

00:26:28,620 --> 00:26:32,400

And that, although, I don't
like to talk too much about me,

675

00:26:32,400 --> 00:26:36,150

but I have done a lot with my
life really when I think of it.

676

00:26:36,150 --> 00:26:36,750

You know?

677

00:26:36,750 --> 00:26:40,570

I've taught in the poorest
countries in Africa.

678

00:26:40,570 --> 00:26:43,650

And I've done a lot of
communal work with them

679

00:26:43,650 --> 00:26:46,010

and teach them how to do it.

680

00:26:46,010 --> 00:26:48,590

And since I've been
here, I've done a lot.

681

00:26:48,590 --> 00:26:53,720

I've had a whole group of, we
call it in-school Christian

682

00:26:53,720 --> 00:26:56,540

service, where--

683

00:26:56,540 --> 00:26:57,297

it's time to stop?

684

00:26:57,297 --> 00:26:58,430

No, go ahead, continue.

685

00:26:58,430 --> 00:27:04,610

Where we help the poor and the
homeless and the down and out.

686

00:27:04,610 --> 00:27:08,660

And preparing meals
and collecting food

687

00:27:08,660 --> 00:27:14,270

and making Thanksgiving
baskets and go and deliver it.

688

00:27:14,270 --> 00:27:16,780

Yeah, I had a group of like 180.

689

00:27:16,780 --> 00:27:21,770

There were some Thanksgivings
that we fed over 240 families

690

00:27:21,770 --> 00:27:25,100

with the collection of what
the teenagers collected

691

00:27:25,100 --> 00:27:27,840

in school under my guidance.

692

00:27:27,840 --> 00:27:31,200

And I think those are great
achievements, you know?

693

00:27:31,200 --> 00:27:32,430

He's waiting.

694

00:27:32,430 --> 00:27:35,930

Yes, I think we have to
stop the tape for right now.

695

00:27:35,930 --> 00:28:07,000