

Want me to do it now?

Yeah, just like this.

Wait a minute.

You can bring it down a little bit, that's fine.

Like this. Yeah. Perfect, perfect, perfect. You tell me when you're ready.

I'm rolling, and any time you guys are ready.

OK. So Amber, please tell me, what is this that you're holding?

This is a pin that was my mother's mother's from Germany. It's seven diamonds and it's set in platinum metal, and it's the only piece of jewelry I have left of my mother's.

And it comes from there. So it's the only piece left from what she brought over?

Yes.

Wow. Wow.

And she brought very little because she used it for a good cause.

That's right. To free your father.

For my father.

Thank you. Can you tell me what is this that you're holding?

This is my passport from Nazi Germany to the United States.

And is it just your passport or also somebody else's?

It's my mother's and mine because I was a minor. I went on her passport.

OK. Can we turn the page and then see what we see there? Aha. And this front page, what does that say there?

Well the red J stands for Jude, Jew. And it gives the names, and the Reichstag, which was the government then.

All right. Let's turn the page. And tell me what's there.

This is a picture of my mother and me at the time we came over, which was in January of 1939. And this just tells-- I'm written in here, and in both our names, they inserted the name Sarah, which we didn't have middle names.

OK. Let's turn the page. And up top on the left hand page, is that where it says Sarah, up there?

Yes. On both our page and the previous page. And again, you have the eagle with the swastika and the date that the passport was issued.

Is there any other page that you can turn to to show us any sort of official stamps?

No, the rest except the back, which is taped, is blank. But if you'd like to see a picture of what was my parents' home.

Yes, I'd like to see that very much. So let's put the passport down.

This was my parents' home, and--

The whole building?

The whole building.

That's huge.

Yes. It was like an urban castle, and it was bombed by the British. When my husband and I went back to Germany, we saw an older man-- this was 20 years ago-- and I asked him whether he knew a Jewish family named [? Mayer. ?]

And he walked with the cane, and he picked up his cane and he pointed to this house and said, they lived over there. The building was bombed by the British. But the city and the country rebuilt it to specification, and it's now an apartment building.

Did you recognize it when you saw it?

Immediately.

Did you go inside it at all?

No, couldn't.

OK. Thank you. And then let's take a look at the last photograph that you have there.

That's my mother and father and my husband and I twenty-some years ago.

That must be more than 20 years ago.

I mean-- I'm sorry-- 60 years ago, and I was just starting my pregnancy with my oldest son.

So that would have been in the early--

In the '50s. Early '50s. We were born in '54.

And was this in Brooklyn or in Manhattan?

In Brooklyn.

In Brooklyn. OK. So your father, Max, is standing, your mother, Rosa, is next to him, Sam is on one knee, and you are next to him.

Right.

OK. All right.