

1
00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:02,740

2
00:00:02,740 --> 00:00:04,390
And I copied the page--

3
00:00:04,390 --> 00:00:05,020
Oh, you did.

4
00:00:05,020 --> 00:00:06,990
Oh, good, good.

5
00:00:06,990 --> 00:00:08,710
I mean I hope you didn't--

6
00:00:08,710 --> 00:00:10,630
Very nice to meet you.

7
00:00:10,630 --> 00:00:11,680
Bye, bye.

8
00:00:11,680 --> 00:00:12,520
Thanks a bunch.

9
00:00:12,520 --> 00:00:13,930
I'm going to--

10
00:00:13,930 --> 00:00:16,900
I just said I'm going
to send a check.

11
00:00:16,900 --> 00:00:18,400
Thank you very much.

12
00:00:18,400 --> 00:00:19,920
Appreciate that very much.

13
00:00:19,920 --> 00:00:25,995

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00:00:25,995 --> 00:00:28,980

All right, so I will
see you next Monday.

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00:00:28,980 --> 00:00:30,751

Next Monday, yes.

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00:00:30,751 --> 00:00:32,675

Maybe then I can--

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00:00:32,675 --> 00:00:42,880

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00:00:42,880 --> 00:00:46,960

I am-- listen, the children
people, when we came to Chile,

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00:00:46,960 --> 00:00:51,940

Chile had at the time
two classes type of life.

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00:00:51,940 --> 00:00:56,440

We have people or
relations or contacts

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00:00:56,440 --> 00:00:58,030

everywhere in the world.

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00:00:58,030 --> 00:01:01,150

We go somewhere and you
say, I'm from Berlin

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00:01:01,150 --> 00:01:02,710

and I used to live
in Chile, there's

24

00:01:02,710 --> 00:01:05,290

always somebody who says,
oh, do you know so-and-so?

25

00:01:05,290 --> 00:01:06,907

Or you go to Canada,

there's somebody.

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00:01:06,907 --> 00:01:08,740

Or you go on a cruise,
and there's somebody.

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00:01:08,740 --> 00:01:12,970

There's always-- we have
a much wider circle--

28

00:01:12,970 --> 00:01:16,300

Was like the expulsion
from Spain, huh?

29

00:01:16,300 --> 00:01:17,550

Yeah.

30

00:01:17,550 --> 00:01:23,560

Obviously-- see, we, our
family, has a sense of--

31

00:01:23,560 --> 00:01:26,260

32

00:01:26,260 --> 00:01:31,580

oh, I have this one cousin of
my mother's-- these are old

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00:01:31,580 --> 00:01:32,080

cousins.

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00:01:32,080 --> 00:01:32,830

Mine are all dead.

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00:01:32,830 --> 00:01:34,750

But my mother's
cousins, this one

36

00:01:34,750 --> 00:01:41,020

aunt who went to New York,
the cousin, the son is now 85.

37

00:01:41,020 --> 00:01:42,580
I'm in touch with him.

38
00:01:42,580 --> 00:01:45,580
There is one left in
Israel on a kibbutz.

39
00:01:45,580 --> 00:01:48,340
And whenever I go to Israel,
I make sure I visit with him.

40
00:01:48,340 --> 00:01:49,690
He's 83, 84.

41
00:01:49,690 --> 00:01:52,810
They are a little older than
I, because my grandmother

42
00:01:52,810 --> 00:01:53,830
was the oldest.

43
00:01:53,830 --> 00:01:55,360
My mother was the oldest.

44
00:01:55,360 --> 00:01:57,700
And we were born when
half of these other ones

45
00:01:57,700 --> 00:01:58,990
were not even married.

46
00:01:58,990 --> 00:02:02,110
So, you know, where my
mother would be 97 now,

47
00:02:02,110 --> 00:02:04,090
these guys are 85.

48
00:02:04,090 --> 00:02:05,530
And I am 70.

49
00:02:05,530 --> 00:02:07,750

So there is this in between.

50
00:02:07,750 --> 00:02:10,120
But we stick together.

51
00:02:10,120 --> 00:02:13,210
And we try to keep in touch.

52
00:02:13,210 --> 00:02:15,070
And there's the other
one in Chile left.

53
00:02:15,070 --> 00:02:16,720
But none of my generation.

54
00:02:16,720 --> 00:02:19,240
You know, they are all
one generation over.

55
00:02:19,240 --> 00:02:22,390

56
00:02:22,390 --> 00:02:24,460
And the older ones are all gone.

57
00:02:24,460 --> 00:02:28,690
I mean, obviously, they
would be dead by now anyway.

58
00:02:28,690 --> 00:02:31,420
I wanted to ask if it was
difficult for your children

59
00:02:31,420 --> 00:02:32,650
to leave Chile.

60
00:02:32,650 --> 00:02:33,400
No.

61
00:02:33,400 --> 00:02:34,090
No?

62

00:02:34,090 --> 00:02:35,290

No.

63

00:02:35,290 --> 00:02:38,000

Number one, we didn't ask them.

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00:02:38,000 --> 00:02:40,060

So that was a decision we took.

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00:02:40,060 --> 00:02:42,970

And whether they liked
it or not, I did not--

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00:02:42,970 --> 00:02:47,500

we tried to explain it
to them at the time.

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00:02:47,500 --> 00:02:51,440

My oldest daughter was 13,
almost was 12, same age,

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00:02:51,440 --> 00:02:52,640

I was 12.

69

00:02:52,640 --> 00:02:57,460

And then they were 11 and 9, you
know, they're all a year apart.

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00:02:57,460 --> 00:03:00,670

But no.

71

00:03:00,670 --> 00:03:04,780

They saw this-- it was a
totally different thing.

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00:03:04,780 --> 00:03:07,630

We took whatever
we wanted to take.

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00:03:07,630 --> 00:03:10,780

We were not millionaires,
but we had money.

74
00:03:10,780 --> 00:03:13,360
We flew.

75
00:03:13,360 --> 00:03:17,230
We stayed in Mexico
for a week on vacation.

76
00:03:17,230 --> 00:03:20,390
You said, you know, who
knows what's going to be?

77
00:03:20,390 --> 00:03:21,860
They were not scared.

78
00:03:21,860 --> 00:03:26,140
We did not have any--

79
00:03:26,140 --> 00:03:28,210
how could I say this?

80
00:03:28,210 --> 00:03:30,470
There was no feeling of--

81
00:03:30,470 --> 00:03:30,970
Anxiety--

82
00:03:30,970 --> 00:03:32,500
Panic or anything.

83
00:03:32,500 --> 00:03:36,100
We said we think we
should be leaving

84
00:03:36,100 --> 00:03:38,740
because things might
change, and we don't

85
00:03:38,740 --> 00:03:40,870
want to be here if they do.

86

00:03:40,870 --> 00:03:44,380

We have no-- or they
have the grandmother,

87

00:03:44,380 --> 00:03:47,650

you know, my mother-in-law
who lived with us.

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00:03:47,650 --> 00:03:51,130

They had my brother,
an uncle who

89

00:03:51,130 --> 00:03:52,810

ended up a year later here too.

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00:03:52,810 --> 00:03:58,120

And he always said, if you
guys go, then we might go too,

91

00:03:58,120 --> 00:04:00,040

my sister-in-law,
who was their aunt.

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00:04:00,040 --> 00:04:01,750

I mean there was correspondence.

93

00:04:01,750 --> 00:04:03,130

There was no war.

94

00:04:03,130 --> 00:04:04,360

They could phone.

95

00:04:04,360 --> 00:04:09,160

I mean, it wasn't that we took
off and were lost to the world.

96

00:04:09,160 --> 00:04:11,760

But kids hate to
have their lives--

97

00:04:11,760 --> 00:04:13,690

No, no, our enjoyed this--

98

00:04:13,690 --> 00:04:14,650

Peaceful--

99

00:04:14,650 --> 00:04:18,190

They enjoyed that this was
all new and all different.

100

00:04:18,190 --> 00:04:20,720

And, yes, they missed their
friends in the beginning,

101

00:04:20,720 --> 00:04:21,700

but they made new ones.

102

00:04:21,700 --> 00:04:22,270

No.

103

00:04:22,270 --> 00:04:22,862

They had no--

104

00:04:22,862 --> 00:04:24,820

Part of it was an adventure
like it was for you

105

00:04:24,820 --> 00:04:27,040

when you left Germany.

106

00:04:27,040 --> 00:04:28,430

Well, it was different.

107

00:04:28,430 --> 00:04:29,140

It was different.

108

00:04:29,140 --> 00:04:42,130

See, I went-- when I left, it
was to escape from something.

109

00:04:42,130 --> 00:04:48,010

And there were all these
totally, totally unknown

110

00:04:48,010 --> 00:04:49,450
factors.

111
00:04:49,450 --> 00:04:52,360
And there was no money.

112
00:04:52,360 --> 00:04:56,390
And there were no people
to go with us or anything.

113
00:04:56,390 --> 00:04:58,000
So that was different.

114
00:04:58,000 --> 00:05:00,580
Our children were told--

115
00:05:00,580 --> 00:05:03,850
I mean, number one, we
were not in any anxiety.

116
00:05:03,850 --> 00:05:06,170
I mean, the anxiety was
there to sell your house

117
00:05:06,170 --> 00:05:08,170
and to sell your business
and to think if you're

118
00:05:08,170 --> 00:05:09,087
doing the right thing.

119
00:05:09,087 --> 00:05:12,070
That was-- but I mean
we had no persecution.

120
00:05:12,070 --> 00:05:13,720
There was nobody persecuting us.

121
00:05:13,720 --> 00:05:16,300
No, but you came
into an unknown--

122

00:05:16,300 --> 00:05:17,830

Yeah, unknown, unknown.

123

00:05:17,830 --> 00:05:20,340

And there was a lot of stuff
that was different for them.

124

00:05:20,340 --> 00:05:22,090

They had to help in
the kitchen, you know,

125

00:05:22,090 --> 00:05:23,420

which they never did before.

126

00:05:23,420 --> 00:05:26,410

And we were not exactly
in a perfect mood

127

00:05:26,410 --> 00:05:27,640

all the time because--

128

00:05:27,640 --> 00:05:29,560

Were they prepared
to speak English?

129

00:05:29,560 --> 00:05:31,160

Did they study any English?

130

00:05:31,160 --> 00:05:31,660

No.

131

00:05:31,660 --> 00:05:32,320

Yeah, they did.

132

00:05:32,320 --> 00:05:32,710

They did.

133

00:05:32,710 --> 00:05:33,280

I'm lying.

134

00:05:33,280 --> 00:05:37,068

They went to-- three of

them had gone-- no, they

135
00:05:37,068 --> 00:05:38,110
didn't speak any English.

136
00:05:38,110 --> 00:05:40,870
They have gone to
private English school.

137
00:05:40,870 --> 00:05:44,360
But since they only were
in school a year or two,

138
00:05:44,360 --> 00:05:46,030
they knew--

139
00:05:46,030 --> 00:05:48,220
no, you learn a language
when you're here,

140
00:05:48,220 --> 00:05:49,910
but that was not a problem.

141
00:05:49,910 --> 00:05:52,600
And they had no problems
there, because they already

142
00:05:52,600 --> 00:05:53,860
spoke two languages.

143
00:05:53,860 --> 00:05:55,540
They already spoke
Spanish and German.

144
00:05:55,540 --> 00:05:59,890
So to them, this was
not a thing of now what?

145
00:05:59,890 --> 00:06:01,180
So I was totally different.

146
00:06:01,180 --> 00:06:08,590

See, when we were in Germany
and you spoke German to Spanish,

147
00:06:08,590 --> 00:06:09,298
what was Spanish?

148
00:06:09,298 --> 00:06:10,215
You know, what I mean?

149
00:06:10,215 --> 00:06:11,290
That was so foreign.

150
00:06:11,290 --> 00:06:13,460
For them, they went
to an English school.

151
00:06:13,460 --> 00:06:15,230
So everybody speaks English.

152
00:06:15,230 --> 00:06:17,290
No, no, they didn't have any--

153
00:06:17,290 --> 00:06:19,990
oh, there were things they
didn't enjoy, yes, yes, yes,

154
00:06:19,990 --> 00:06:20,490
you know.

155
00:06:20,490 --> 00:06:20,990
They--

156
00:06:20,990 --> 00:06:23,230
What was it like for you
to come to this country?

157
00:06:23,230 --> 00:06:24,340
Tough.

158
00:06:24,340 --> 00:06:27,430
Like, I say, tough, tough,
tough in the beginning.

159
00:06:27,430 --> 00:06:29,988
But then what we did say,
we said, hey, here we are,

160
00:06:29,988 --> 00:06:31,030
and we are going to stay.

161
00:06:31,030 --> 00:06:37,570
And, see, the fact of
having five children

162
00:06:37,570 --> 00:06:40,060
makes you rethink.

163
00:06:40,060 --> 00:06:41,707
You have your priorities.

164
00:06:41,707 --> 00:06:44,290
You can't say-- once in a while,
I would say, who needed this?

165
00:06:44,290 --> 00:06:45,550
Who needed this?

166
00:06:45,550 --> 00:06:49,540
What came into our
heads to do this?

167
00:06:49,540 --> 00:06:52,190
And then you sit
down and you say, OK,

168
00:06:52,190 --> 00:06:54,170
whatever it was doesn't matter.

169
00:06:54,170 --> 00:06:57,470
We have all this group of
people hanging on to us.

170
00:06:57,470 --> 00:06:58,150
Here were are.

171
00:06:58,150 --> 00:06:59,260
Hey, we're going to go.

172
00:06:59,260 --> 00:07:02,260
We're going to go back
and start all over again?

173
00:07:02,260 --> 00:07:05,770
Plus, you know, there is
something really strange.

174
00:07:05,770 --> 00:07:08,896
Here, nobody knew you.

175
00:07:08,896 --> 00:07:11,140
So you could live in a house--

176
00:07:11,140 --> 00:07:13,520
I mean we had a
beautiful house in Chile.

177
00:07:13,520 --> 00:07:15,895
Here, lived in house, I mean
I never cared for this house

178
00:07:15,895 --> 00:07:18,190
here, because it
was just a house.

179
00:07:18,190 --> 00:07:21,130
But we needed a house with
four bedrooms and two bath

180
00:07:21,130 --> 00:07:23,790
and near the schools, because
we were working in San Francisco

181
00:07:23,790 --> 00:07:25,540
and we said we have
to live somewhere-- we

182

00:07:25,540 --> 00:07:27,113
didn't know a single soul.

183
00:07:27,113 --> 00:07:28,780
So we said we have
to be somewhere where

184
00:07:28,780 --> 00:07:30,460
we can go home in 10 minutes.

185
00:07:30,460 --> 00:07:32,920
I wanted to move
over to San Rafael.

186
00:07:32,920 --> 00:07:35,980
But-- I mean money-wise
would have been the same.

187
00:07:35,980 --> 00:07:39,280
But we couldn't even think
of going so far away.

188
00:07:39,280 --> 00:07:41,740
That would have been
totally irresponsible.

189
00:07:41,740 --> 00:07:47,212
So I used to say,
who needed this?

190
00:07:47,212 --> 00:07:48,920
You know, I kept
saying, who needed this?

191
00:07:48,920 --> 00:07:49,940
Who needed this?

192
00:07:49,940 --> 00:07:53,420
But then you say, OK,
you want to go back now?

193
00:07:53,420 --> 00:07:55,850
Buy a new house?

194
00:07:55,850 --> 00:07:57,900
Start a new business?

195
00:07:57,900 --> 00:07:59,840
I mean, we've given
up everything.

196
00:07:59,840 --> 00:08:01,910
And compete with your friends?

197
00:08:01,910 --> 00:08:03,020
No thank you.

198
00:08:03,020 --> 00:08:05,360
And then go back and
say, we made a mistake.

199
00:08:05,360 --> 00:08:06,100
Here we are.

200
00:08:06,100 --> 00:08:07,433
Made a mistake, didn't work out.

201
00:08:07,433 --> 00:08:09,650
Eh, eh, eh, that was
not us, you know.

202
00:08:09,650 --> 00:08:13,910
So we said, OK, you know, we'll
just bite our way through.

203
00:08:13,910 --> 00:08:17,810
And we are, like I said,
we are very sociable.

204
00:08:17,810 --> 00:08:20,000
We worked at meeting people.

205
00:08:20,000 --> 00:08:24,300
We really worked at it by going
everywhere, whether we liked it

206
00:08:24,300 --> 00:08:24,800
or not.

207
00:08:24,800 --> 00:08:28,970
We had a really funny-- see,
some of my stories are funny--

208
00:08:28,970 --> 00:08:30,740
we had a really
funny experience.

209
00:08:30,740 --> 00:08:33,740
We went to B'nai
B'rith in Chile also.

210
00:08:33,740 --> 00:08:34,490
So we came here.

211
00:08:34,490 --> 00:08:37,220
We went B'nai B'rith
and we said, could we--

212
00:08:37,220 --> 00:08:38,510
no.

213
00:08:38,510 --> 00:08:41,330
Did Kurt tell you
why we are here?

214
00:08:41,330 --> 00:08:44,059
Did he mention that on his tape?

215
00:08:44,059 --> 00:08:45,475
Why?

216
00:08:45,475 --> 00:08:48,320
How we came to be
in San Francisco?

217
00:08:48,320 --> 00:08:49,620
Did he even mention that?

218
00:08:49,620 --> 00:08:50,360
I think he did.

219
00:08:50,360 --> 00:08:52,130
Then I don't have to repeat it.

220
00:08:52,130 --> 00:08:54,530
We came because we
were B'nai B'rith

221
00:08:54,530 --> 00:08:56,450
and we asked B'nai
B'rith, where would you

222
00:08:56,450 --> 00:09:00,590
go if you go to America?

223
00:09:00,590 --> 00:09:04,940
And this guy had just been to
San Francisco to a convention.

224
00:09:04,940 --> 00:09:06,140
So we wrote him a letter.

225
00:09:06,140 --> 00:09:07,340
I did.

226
00:09:07,340 --> 00:09:09,440
And I'm a secretary by birth.

227
00:09:09,440 --> 00:09:11,810
So I said to him, I
know American people

228
00:09:11,810 --> 00:09:13,580
are busy, busy, busy, busy.

229
00:09:13,580 --> 00:09:17,000
I learned that when I came
here, they're not that busy.

230

00:09:17,000 --> 00:09:19,680

And I said here
are 800 questions.

231

00:09:19,680 --> 00:09:21,530

Just put down the answers.

232

00:09:21,530 --> 00:09:22,820

And he did.

233

00:09:22,820 --> 00:09:23,880

Where can you live?

234

00:09:23,880 --> 00:09:24,830

Do you buy a house?

235

00:09:24,830 --> 00:09:27,590

Are schools paid?

236

00:09:27,590 --> 00:09:30,680

How much money do we need
to live, seven of us?

237

00:09:30,680 --> 00:09:31,790

And he sent back.

238

00:09:31,790 --> 00:09:35,600

And he sent me some want ads.

239

00:09:35,600 --> 00:09:36,850

I mean very helpful.

240

00:09:36,850 --> 00:09:37,670

So we came.

241

00:09:37,670 --> 00:09:41,010

We decided where people can
live, where a million live,

242

00:09:41,010 --> 00:09:42,230

we can live too.

243
00:09:42,230 --> 00:09:42,800
So we came.

244
00:09:42,800 --> 00:09:43,760
We went to the B'nai B'rith.

245
00:09:43,760 --> 00:09:44,990
We said, we need to meet people.

246
00:09:44,990 --> 00:09:45,980
We don't need anything.

247
00:09:45,980 --> 00:09:47,410
People.

248
00:09:47,410 --> 00:09:49,880
What did you know about America?

249
00:09:49,880 --> 00:09:51,405
Basically nothing.

250
00:09:51,405 --> 00:09:52,280
We'd never been here.

251
00:09:52,280 --> 00:09:53,610
But friends of ours had been.

252
00:09:53,610 --> 00:09:54,985
And we knew it
was a big country.

253
00:09:54,985 --> 00:09:57,090
And we knew 200 million
people make a living.

254
00:09:57,090 --> 00:09:58,430
So we said, you know what?

255
00:09:58,430 --> 00:09:59,420
We can make a living.

256

00:09:59,420 --> 00:10:00,740

If they do, we can.

257

00:10:00,740 --> 00:10:04,430

Was there anything about what
you heard about America as you

258

00:10:04,430 --> 00:10:05,900

were growing up that--

259

00:10:05,900 --> 00:10:09,230

No, no, I have to
disappoint you very much.

260

00:10:09,230 --> 00:10:10,272

I have to disappoint you.

261

00:10:10,272 --> 00:10:12,260

That doesn't disappoint me.

262

00:10:12,260 --> 00:10:15,470

We said, where do we go?

263

00:10:15,470 --> 00:10:19,520

OK, I thought maybe Israel
would have been the place to go.

264

00:10:19,520 --> 00:10:22,310

And Kurt said, he
was not a pioneer.

265

00:10:22,310 --> 00:10:24,470

This was not the life for him.

266

00:10:24,470 --> 00:10:28,760

And this was just not a place
where he thought we could live.

267

00:10:28,760 --> 00:10:29,920

So we said fine.

268

00:10:29,920 --> 00:10:32,720

Australia was too far.

269

00:10:32,720 --> 00:10:35,690

Germany, any Europe was
out of the question.

270

00:10:35,690 --> 00:10:37,340

Canada was another option.

271

00:10:37,340 --> 00:10:40,400

But Canada at the time-- and two
of our friends went to Canada

272

00:10:40,400 --> 00:10:43,130

at the same time and they would
have loved for us to come with

273

00:10:43,130 --> 00:10:45,050

them--

274

00:10:45,050 --> 00:10:49,910

Canada asked at the
time for \$200,000--

275

00:10:49,910 --> 00:10:51,020

Guaranteed--

276

00:10:51,020 --> 00:10:53,000

Bank deposit.

277

00:10:53,000 --> 00:10:56,450

And we didn't have any
\$200,000 sitting around.

278

00:10:56,450 --> 00:11:00,260

And friends would have lent us
that money to put in a bank.

279

00:11:00,260 --> 00:11:02,750

But I didn't-- I said,
how could we do this?

280
00:11:02,750 --> 00:11:04,970
God forbid, something
goes wrong and then--

281
00:11:04,970 --> 00:11:06,500
so we said, no.

282
00:11:06,500 --> 00:11:07,742
So then, you know what?

283
00:11:07,742 --> 00:11:09,950
I mean, I shouldn't say
this, but what else was left?

284
00:11:09,950 --> 00:11:11,310
We said America's a big country.

285
00:11:11,310 --> 00:11:12,018
We go to America.

286
00:11:12,018 --> 00:11:13,220
Where?

287
00:11:13,220 --> 00:11:17,180
Now we had heard from
friends New York is so cold,

288
00:11:17,180 --> 00:11:19,010
and people are so
rushed and nobody

289
00:11:19,010 --> 00:11:20,780
wants-- so we said,
let's forget New York.

290
00:11:20,780 --> 00:11:21,863
We don't want to go there.

291
00:11:21,863 --> 00:11:23,654
My cousin lives in New York.

292

00:11:23,654 --> 00:11:26,217

No, New York is not for us.

293

00:11:26,217 --> 00:11:27,300

So we said, you know what?

294

00:11:27,300 --> 00:11:28,640

We live on the side.

295

00:11:28,640 --> 00:11:30,363

Why don't we stay here?

296

00:11:30,363 --> 00:11:32,030

San Francisco, you
know, we could just--

297

00:11:32,030 --> 00:11:33,405

You could just
come up the coast.

298

00:11:33,405 --> 00:11:35,720

Yeah, right, right,
we'll walk up, you know--

299

00:11:35,720 --> 00:11:36,390

so we did.

300

00:11:36,390 --> 00:11:38,330

We had our staff.

301

00:11:38,330 --> 00:11:43,760

We brought our household goods,
not furniture, stuff, you know.

302

00:11:43,760 --> 00:11:47,210

Sit arounds I call
them, sit arounds.

303

00:11:47,210 --> 00:11:51,410

And you know, seven people
have a lot of stuff.

304

00:11:51,410 --> 00:11:55,220

So we sent this to San
Francisco on a ship.

305

00:11:55,220 --> 00:11:56,070

And we flew.

306

00:11:56,070 --> 00:11:58,070

Why send them to San--
how did you pick them up?

307

00:11:58,070 --> 00:12:01,640

I tell you why, because I said
Los Angeles sounds better.

308

00:12:01,640 --> 00:12:05,780

But this person, this Norm
Simon, who was at the time

309

00:12:05,780 --> 00:12:08,720

the district president
of B'nai B'rith,

310

00:12:08,720 --> 00:12:10,550

he was in San Francisco.

311

00:12:10,550 --> 00:12:12,830

And I found his
letter the other day--

312

00:12:12,830 --> 00:12:14,060

I mean I had it--

313

00:12:14,060 --> 00:12:17,120

where he said this is the
upcoming city is San Jose.

314

00:12:17,120 --> 00:12:19,430

It's a little further
away from San Francisco.

315

00:12:19,430 --> 00:12:21,680

So I said, you know what,
if we go to America,

316
00:12:21,680 --> 00:12:23,260
we don't want to
go to any San Jose.

317
00:12:23,260 --> 00:12:24,440
San Jose is Spanish.

318
00:12:24,440 --> 00:12:26,150
We don't want-- we
go away from this.

319
00:12:26,150 --> 00:12:27,140
We don't want.

320
00:12:27,140 --> 00:12:30,350
So we said, hey, why not?

321
00:12:30,350 --> 00:12:32,240
San Francisco is Spanish.

322
00:12:32,240 --> 00:12:33,590
I know it is.

323
00:12:33,590 --> 00:12:36,590
And then we came to Los Angeles.

324
00:12:36,590 --> 00:12:38,630
First, we went to
Mexico on a vacation.

325
00:12:38,630 --> 00:12:40,520
Then we came to Los Angeles.

326
00:12:40,520 --> 00:12:44,000
We had two addresses
of people send us

327
00:12:44,000 --> 00:12:46,540
addresses, who

gave his addresses.

328

00:12:46,540 --> 00:12:47,345

Very nice people.

329

00:12:47,345 --> 00:12:48,970

And they said what
do you intend to do.

330

00:12:48,970 --> 00:12:51,075

And Kurt said, I have no
idea what I intend to do.

331

00:12:51,075 --> 00:12:52,700

I've always been in
business by myself.

332

00:12:52,700 --> 00:12:53,650

I don't know.

333

00:12:53,650 --> 00:12:55,510

And the guy said,
hey, stay here,

334

00:12:55,510 --> 00:12:58,540

I can offer you a
job as a salesman

335

00:12:58,540 --> 00:13:00,277

for notions at the time.

336

00:13:00,277 --> 00:13:01,360

So we said, you know what?

337

00:13:01,360 --> 00:13:03,100

We'll first have to
go to San Francisco

338

00:13:03,100 --> 00:13:06,760

because our stuff is coming
by boat to San Francisco.

339

00:13:06,760 --> 00:13:08,110
And then we'll see what we do.

340
00:13:08,110 --> 00:13:10,098
Well, seven people,
once you get your stuff

341
00:13:10,098 --> 00:13:11,890
and you rent the house
and you're in there,

342
00:13:11,890 --> 00:13:14,620
you don't just move around
from here to Los Angeles.

343
00:13:14,620 --> 00:13:15,880
So we stayed.

344
00:13:15,880 --> 00:13:18,580
And then we said,
OK, we are now.

345
00:13:18,580 --> 00:13:23,660
Let's just settle and stay
and do something about it.

346
00:13:23,660 --> 00:13:27,400
And we lived in a
rented house for a year.

347
00:13:27,400 --> 00:13:29,650
And then we bought a house.

348
00:13:29,650 --> 00:13:32,150
And the kids went to
school right away.

349
00:13:32,150 --> 00:13:33,760
They had no problem
learning English.

350
00:13:33,760 --> 00:13:35,590
In the city you going now?

351
00:13:35,590 --> 00:13:38,350
In Daly City, in Westlake.

352
00:13:38,350 --> 00:13:39,260
And I hated it.

353
00:13:39,260 --> 00:13:42,280
I mean I hated the weather.

354
00:13:42,280 --> 00:13:43,510
But I mean, it was--

355
00:13:43,510 --> 00:13:46,420
we do things the way--

356
00:13:46,420 --> 00:13:48,970
not always what you want to
do, but what you need to do.

357
00:13:48,970 --> 00:13:52,722
And we needed three schools,
grade school, you know,

358
00:13:52,722 --> 00:13:54,430
junior high at the
time, now they call it

359
00:13:54,430 --> 00:13:58,000
middle school, and high school.

360
00:13:58,000 --> 00:14:02,290
We needed to be near the
city where we worked.

361
00:14:02,290 --> 00:14:05,463
And we said, hey, we
can't afford to-- afford,

362
00:14:05,463 --> 00:14:06,880
money was we could
have, San Mateo

363

00:14:06,880 --> 00:14:08,570
was the same price at the time.

364

00:14:08,570 --> 00:14:10,600
We said we can't afford
to be that far away.

365

00:14:10,600 --> 00:14:14,170
You know between the broken
legs, the broken teeth,

366

00:14:14,170 --> 00:14:18,220
and an accident by bicycle,
and an accident in the car,

367

00:14:18,220 --> 00:14:19,720
and the dog bit somebody.

368

00:14:19,720 --> 00:14:25,690
I mean, we were home lots
of times in 10, 15 minutes.

369

00:14:25,690 --> 00:14:27,250
I mean the traffic
wasn't like now.

370

00:14:27,250 --> 00:14:28,833
What kind of work
were you doing then?

371

00:14:28,833 --> 00:14:34,100
I worked in an office
for many years until we--

372

00:14:34,100 --> 00:14:35,380
we got in '63.

373

00:14:35,380 --> 00:14:37,540
I worked in an office--

374

00:14:37,540 --> 00:14:39,430

first, I went to an
office just to get

375
00:14:39,430 --> 00:14:41,980
to learn how to use the
telephones with the buttons,

376
00:14:41,980 --> 00:14:42,510
you know.

377
00:14:42,510 --> 00:14:44,470
We had get a telephone
in Chile but not

378
00:14:44,470 --> 00:14:49,010
with 15 whole buttons and copy
machines and all that stuff.

379
00:14:49,010 --> 00:14:52,930
And then from there I went--

380
00:14:52,930 --> 00:14:54,310
I was there for
about six months.

381
00:14:54,310 --> 00:14:57,250
And then I took another job.

382
00:14:57,250 --> 00:15:01,120
And then Kurt started
working with Mrs. Zeidler

383
00:15:01,120 --> 00:15:02,020
in real estate.

384
00:15:02,020 --> 00:15:06,490
He went to school for
real estate and did that.

385
00:15:06,490 --> 00:15:08,140
And then we started importing.

386

00:15:08,140 --> 00:15:10,420

We decided we're going to
do something on our own.

387

00:15:10,420 --> 00:15:14,120

And we did that at night from
the house, from the garage.

388

00:15:14,120 --> 00:15:16,120

And then I gave up my job.

389

00:15:16,120 --> 00:15:18,980

He traveled as a
salesman for the company,

390

00:15:18,980 --> 00:15:20,620

so to speak, for the business.

391

00:15:20,620 --> 00:15:23,260

And I stayed, and, you
know, we built it up.

392

00:15:23,260 --> 00:15:26,350

I mean we never shied
away from working.

393

00:15:26,350 --> 00:15:27,190

And the kids too.

394

00:15:27,190 --> 00:15:30,730

Our kids are all
used to working.

395

00:15:30,730 --> 00:15:33,040

They do now too, all of them.

396

00:15:33,040 --> 00:15:35,770

They work and
they're not spoiled.

397

00:15:35,770 --> 00:15:37,930

I mean if they by
themselves, that's different.

398
00:15:37,930 --> 00:15:42,780
But, you know-- so that--

399
00:15:42,780 --> 00:15:46,210
What does America meant
to you, do you think?

400
00:15:46,210 --> 00:15:46,862
For us?

401
00:15:46,862 --> 00:15:48,820
Basically-- oh, that's
what I was going to say.

402
00:15:48,820 --> 00:15:56,290
The big difference is here
everybody is the same.

403
00:15:56,290 --> 00:16:02,200
We came here, and the big
advantage-- we know, of course,

404
00:16:02,200 --> 00:16:03,340
you know, we were reading.

405
00:16:03,340 --> 00:16:04,750
We were not idiots.

406
00:16:04,750 --> 00:16:06,490
We read books, and
we had Time magazine.

407
00:16:06,490 --> 00:16:09,730
And we had that in
Chile in English.

408
00:16:09,730 --> 00:16:14,260
We read Time magazine
to learn English always.

409
00:16:14,260 --> 00:16:20,340

And you didn't-- see,
we are not showoffs.

410
00:16:20,340 --> 00:16:22,410
That's just not the way we are.

411
00:16:22,410 --> 00:16:29,190
But there is a certain snobbish
way in Chile of living.

412
00:16:29,190 --> 00:16:30,090
And it's not bad.

413
00:16:30,090 --> 00:16:35,110
A little bit, you know, you
think can do anything you want,

414
00:16:35,110 --> 00:16:36,630
and you do it.

415
00:16:36,630 --> 00:16:38,730
You have these beautiful houses.

416
00:16:38,730 --> 00:16:40,690
You can afford
anything you want.

417
00:16:40,690 --> 00:16:43,890
And the competition is there.

418
00:16:43,890 --> 00:16:45,060
You have a huge competition.

419
00:16:45,060 --> 00:16:49,950
And we always had a
huge responsibility.

420
00:16:49,950 --> 00:16:51,840
We had Kurt's mother
who was a widow,

421
00:16:51,840 --> 00:16:54,960

and we supported, of
course, and our five keys.

422
00:16:54,960 --> 00:16:56,820
Those were six people.

423
00:16:56,820 --> 00:17:00,770
We had to always work for eight
people when we were alone.

424
00:17:00,770 --> 00:17:03,660
I always say, when we
are alone, we were eight.

425
00:17:03,660 --> 00:17:09,780
So even when you do
well, I always felt--

426
00:17:09,780 --> 00:17:12,420
and this is what was one of
the reasons why we left--

427
00:17:12,420 --> 00:17:15,420
I always felt it couldn't last.

428
00:17:15,420 --> 00:17:21,599
The difference between us
who were really not wealthy

429
00:17:21,599 --> 00:17:26,730
and these other ones, the
Chilean ones, was so enormous.

430
00:17:26,730 --> 00:17:28,230
And working in that
field, you know,

431
00:17:28,230 --> 00:17:31,660
I was working with this man
in politics all these years.

432
00:17:31,660 --> 00:17:35,370
I mean, the hatred that

was simmering and the envy,

433

00:17:35,370 --> 00:17:37,290

and it was just a normal.

434

00:17:37,290 --> 00:17:40,950

And we said, you know, this
has to, it has one day finish.

435

00:17:40,950 --> 00:17:44,370

And then, of course,
we said since all of us

436

00:17:44,370 --> 00:17:47,123

Jews are doing very
well, we said, you know,

437

00:17:47,123 --> 00:17:49,290

one of these days it's going
to go against the Jews.

438

00:17:49,290 --> 00:17:50,880

That never happened.

439

00:17:50,880 --> 00:17:54,780

But once you experience this
one time, we said, why is this?

440

00:17:54,780 --> 00:17:59,370

This was such an unhealthy
type of situation.

441

00:17:59,370 --> 00:18:00,360

How much difference--

442

00:18:00,360 --> 00:18:01,710

Yeah, and I'm not an idealist.

443

00:18:01,710 --> 00:18:05,460

I mean, I'm not trying to make
ourselves better than we were.

444

00:18:05,460 --> 00:18:09,450

But we always felt
this is just unhealthy.

445

00:18:09,450 --> 00:18:11,520

And it wasn't
healthy knowing what

446

00:18:11,520 --> 00:18:13,740

we knew, knowing what we do.

447

00:18:13,740 --> 00:18:17,070

See, Kurt came from a
very wealthy family.

448

00:18:17,070 --> 00:18:19,080

And my mother-in-law--

449

00:18:19,080 --> 00:18:26,880

I mean, my mother was
pained by guilt and by pain.

450

00:18:26,880 --> 00:18:29,770

My mother-in-law was not
pained her husband had died.

451

00:18:29,770 --> 00:18:31,830

And her parents were dead.

452

00:18:31,830 --> 00:18:32,910

She was not pained.

453

00:18:32,910 --> 00:18:36,210

She didn't leave anybody behind.

454

00:18:36,210 --> 00:18:43,650

She was in agony for being
not poor, depending on us,

455

00:18:43,650 --> 00:18:45,480

dependent on us.

456

00:18:45,480 --> 00:18:47,550

I mean to her-- she
was a very nice woman.

457

00:18:47,550 --> 00:18:50,310

And I lived with her for
20 years in my house.

458

00:18:50,310 --> 00:18:52,050

We never had any problems.

459

00:18:52,050 --> 00:18:57,840

But she used to go shopping, and
we would go to a jewelry store.

460

00:18:57,840 --> 00:19:00,570

And she would say, I
don't want to look.

461

00:19:00,570 --> 00:19:01,620

I said, oh, look at this.

462

00:19:01,620 --> 00:19:03,037

Look at-- she would
say, what for?

463

00:19:03,037 --> 00:19:05,370

Even if I wanted it,
I couldn't buy it.

464

00:19:05,370 --> 00:19:06,930

And I said, mother, just look.

465

00:19:06,930 --> 00:19:08,890

She said, no, no,
I don't want to.

466

00:19:08,890 --> 00:19:10,890

I couldn't have bought a dinner.

467

00:19:10,890 --> 00:19:13,020

She lived in the past.

468

00:19:13,020 --> 00:19:16,200

And I always said, my children--

469

00:19:16,200 --> 00:19:19,020

The disparity between what
she had and what she had now.

470

00:19:19,020 --> 00:19:21,840

And she died a very
unhappy person.

471

00:19:21,840 --> 00:19:23,668

I got along with
her really well.

472

00:19:23,668 --> 00:19:25,710

And I would say she liked
me better than her son,

473

00:19:25,710 --> 00:19:27,480

because I talk to
her, I talk a lot.

474

00:19:27,480 --> 00:19:29,040

So I visited with her.

475

00:19:29,040 --> 00:19:30,640

But he said, how
are you, mother?

476

00:19:30,640 --> 00:19:31,140

Fine.

477

00:19:31,140 --> 00:19:31,500

And you?

478

00:19:31,500 --> 00:19:31,980

Fine.

479

00:19:31,980 --> 00:19:33,730

And that was the end
of that conversation.

480

00:19:33,730 --> 00:19:36,960

And then he would say, oh I put
my mother up to date on what--

481

00:19:36,960 --> 00:19:39,990

I kept her up to date on what
happened-- in two sentences.

482

00:19:39,990 --> 00:19:41,640

I could visit with
her for a week.

483

00:19:41,640 --> 00:19:43,180

So I got along with
her really well.

484

00:19:43,180 --> 00:19:43,680

Yeah.

485

00:19:43,680 --> 00:19:49,920

But I always wondered, because
I knew, I didn't want my child--

486

00:19:49,920 --> 00:19:53,130

I wouldn't say I was such an
idealist that I took them out

487

00:19:53,130 --> 00:19:55,320

of Chile because we
were doing too well.

488

00:19:55,320 --> 00:19:57,480

That would be a lie.

489

00:19:57,480 --> 00:19:59,850

But when things
started going that way,

490

00:19:59,850 --> 00:20:01,932

I said, you know,
this is just not

491

00:20:01,932 --> 00:20:03,390

going to last--
it's still lasting.

492

00:20:03,390 --> 00:20:05,390

I mean 30 years later,
they're still down there.

493

00:20:05,390 --> 00:20:07,230

They're still doing
better than before.

494

00:20:07,230 --> 00:20:08,430

I didn't know that.

495

00:20:08,430 --> 00:20:11,670

But I felt it just
wasn't normal.

496

00:20:11,670 --> 00:20:15,780

And my children shouldn't
grow up in a country

497

00:20:15,780 --> 00:20:19,860

where everything
was there and you

498

00:20:19,860 --> 00:20:23,440

were part of this half society.

499

00:20:23,440 --> 00:20:25,740

And there were tons and
tons and millions of--

500

00:20:25,740 --> 00:20:28,170

I just always felt--

501

00:20:28,170 --> 00:20:30,870

maybe because of the
man I worked for,

502

00:20:30,870 --> 00:20:35,400

a guy who was pretty to the
left, Christian Democratic,

503
00:20:35,400 --> 00:20:37,140
left wing.

504
00:20:37,140 --> 00:20:43,380
And, of course, you get a
little vaccinated by it all.

505
00:20:43,380 --> 00:20:46,830
He never convinced me, but,
you know, you do the speeches

506
00:20:46,830 --> 00:20:49,110
and you talk to
people for 20 years,

507
00:20:49,110 --> 00:20:51,900
it rubs off on
you, this business.

508
00:20:51,900 --> 00:20:53,610
He was very wealthy himself.

509
00:20:53,610 --> 00:20:55,380
What his view of the disparity?

510
00:20:55,380 --> 00:20:58,770
Oh, he was-- like, again, I
mean, there was a communist.

511
00:20:58,770 --> 00:21:00,810
Mine was a socialist.

512
00:21:00,810 --> 00:21:03,730

513
00:21:03,730 --> 00:21:08,340
He didn't live what he preached.

514
00:21:08,340 --> 00:21:10,260

He lived in a mansion,
I mean, very well

515
00:21:10,260 --> 00:21:16,740
often, highly educated, had 11
children, and strict Catholic,

516
00:21:16,740 --> 00:21:18,400
of course.

517
00:21:18,400 --> 00:21:20,710
But he was for the poor.

518
00:21:20,710 --> 00:21:23,100
And he did a lot for the poor.

519
00:21:23,100 --> 00:21:25,410
He came from a mining
town in the north.

520
00:21:25,410 --> 00:21:27,330
But it rubs off on you.

521
00:21:27,330 --> 00:21:29,070
See this or maybe you don't it.

522
00:21:29,070 --> 00:21:32,460
And he tells you, and
you are receptive to it.

523
00:21:32,460 --> 00:21:35,760
I always felt that this
is just not normal.

524
00:21:35,760 --> 00:21:36,810
It is not normal.

525
00:21:36,810 --> 00:21:38,070
How long can it last?

526
00:21:38,070 --> 00:21:40,170
And when it doesn't,

it's going to--

527

00:21:40,170 --> 00:21:42,390

So, you know, when this
whole thing came to a point,

528

00:21:42,390 --> 00:21:44,140

we said, you know what,
let's go somewhere

529

00:21:44,140 --> 00:21:45,330

where everybody is the same.

530

00:21:45,330 --> 00:21:46,980

We don't have to show off.

531

00:21:46,980 --> 00:21:48,460

And we don't have
to do anything.

532

00:21:48,460 --> 00:21:51,840

So Chile felt like sitting
on top of a volcano--

533

00:21:51,840 --> 00:21:53,180

No, no, no.

534

00:21:53,180 --> 00:21:54,210

Potential.

535

00:21:54,210 --> 00:21:55,470

Yeah, the potential.

536

00:21:55,470 --> 00:21:57,150

Or you always felt
like you needed

537

00:21:57,150 --> 00:21:58,415

to keep up with the Jones.

538

00:21:58,415 --> 00:21:59,290

You know what I mean?

539
00:21:59,290 --> 00:22:00,780
And there were
hundreds of Jones.

540
00:22:00,780 --> 00:22:03,060
And you better be
where the Joneses are.

541
00:22:03,060 --> 00:22:08,160
And so it was just not a very--

542
00:22:08,160 --> 00:22:10,895
I mean, I'm talking
35 years later,

543
00:22:10,895 --> 00:22:12,270
we've been here
now for 35 years.

544
00:22:12,270 --> 00:22:12,940
And they're still there.

545
00:22:12,940 --> 00:22:13,620
And they're still doing well.

546
00:22:13,620 --> 00:22:14,940
And nothing happened.

547
00:22:14,940 --> 00:22:16,680
And I wonder whether
my children wouldn't

548
00:22:16,680 --> 00:22:19,180
be better off with a maid there
than raising their own three

549
00:22:19,180 --> 00:22:21,660
children by themselves
and working.

550
00:22:21,660 --> 00:22:24,180

But I mean that's all not--

551

00:22:24,180 --> 00:22:25,440
they would never go back.

552

00:22:25,440 --> 00:22:26,400
They go to visit.

553

00:22:26,400 --> 00:22:30,690
And they love visiting, because
people treat them like royalty.

554

00:22:30,690 --> 00:22:35,460
But they always say, no,
no, no, to live there.

555

00:22:35,460 --> 00:22:36,660
It's small.

556

00:22:36,660 --> 00:22:37,963
And everybody is on top--

557

00:22:37,963 --> 00:22:39,630
that's the big thing
about this country.

558

00:22:39,630 --> 00:22:41,588
You can do anything you
want, and nobody cares.

559

00:22:41,588 --> 00:22:42,630
Do you like that?

560

00:22:42,630 --> 00:22:44,650
Yeah, I definitely do.

561

00:22:44,650 --> 00:22:46,650
I mean, I'm my
own person anyway.

562

00:22:46,650 --> 00:22:49,020
But I like to be able to--

563
00:22:49,020 --> 00:22:51,910
I mean you have a little bit
of keeping up with the Joneses.

564
00:22:51,910 --> 00:22:52,410
You do.

565
00:22:52,410 --> 00:22:52,800
And you do.

566
00:22:52,800 --> 00:22:53,300
And I do.

567
00:22:53,300 --> 00:22:54,840
You know, everybody
does something.

568
00:22:54,840 --> 00:22:58,500
If everybody goes on a trip,
you want to go one too.

569
00:22:58,500 --> 00:22:59,380
They talk about it.

570
00:22:59,380 --> 00:22:59,948
So, you know.

571
00:22:59,948 --> 00:23:00,990
But that's not the point.

572
00:23:00,990 --> 00:23:03,750
If you don't, you don't have to.

573
00:23:03,750 --> 00:23:07,173
Your children go to the same
school everybody else goes.

574
00:23:07,173 --> 00:23:08,340
You can wear the same dress.

575

00:23:08,340 --> 00:23:09,180
Who cares?

576
00:23:09,180 --> 00:23:10,800
You don't have to--

577
00:23:10,800 --> 00:23:18,000
you can choose your
circle of activities.

578
00:23:18,000 --> 00:23:19,740
You could wear a purple curtain.

579
00:23:19,740 --> 00:23:22,050
Yeah, right, I could
wear a purple curtain.

580
00:23:22,050 --> 00:23:23,820
But you choose your--

581
00:23:23,820 --> 00:23:27,023
our friends are all like we are.

582
00:23:27,023 --> 00:23:28,690
I mean if they have
a little more money,

583
00:23:28,690 --> 00:23:30,540
a little less money, you know--

584
00:23:30,540 --> 00:23:38,190
you see, money, as long as I
I'm not poor, poor to the point

585
00:23:38,190 --> 00:23:42,030
where I don't have
to eat, I'm fine.

586
00:23:42,030 --> 00:23:43,500
We live in a condo.

587
00:23:43,500 --> 00:23:45,750

It's a very nice apartment.

588

00:23:45,750 --> 00:23:48,630

I don't need a mansion.

589

00:23:48,630 --> 00:23:51,360

I don't need to go
shopping every day.

590

00:23:51,360 --> 00:23:52,780

I don't miss anything.

591

00:23:52,780 --> 00:23:54,330

And if I want to,
I go and get it.

592

00:23:54,330 --> 00:23:58,420

But, you know, it's
just different type--

593

00:23:58,420 --> 00:24:02,460

I mean I spend a lot of money
on my grandchildren, obviously.

594

00:24:02,460 --> 00:24:03,860

That's, you know--

595

00:24:03,860 --> 00:24:04,920

You want to do that?

596

00:24:04,920 --> 00:24:07,170

Oh, yes, yes, yes.

597

00:24:07,170 --> 00:24:08,760

That's an argument
with my husband.

598

00:24:08,760 --> 00:24:12,100

Comes Hanukkah, he says,
they have everything anyway.

599

00:24:12,100 --> 00:24:15,060

Well, that doesn't mean you
don't give them anything.

600
00:24:15,060 --> 00:24:18,070
When was the first time
you went back to Germany?

601
00:24:18,070 --> 00:24:19,440
Germany?

602
00:24:19,440 --> 00:24:26,310
On business we went
back I think in '72.

603
00:24:26,310 --> 00:24:27,990
And we were very reluctant.

604
00:24:27,990 --> 00:24:31,090
We were by then importing
stuff from Germany.

605
00:24:31,090 --> 00:24:37,380
And we had to basically
go to visit the factories.

606
00:24:37,380 --> 00:24:40,800
And that was not very-- and
I went and I said to Kurt

607
00:24:40,800 --> 00:24:45,060
at the time, I'm going to go--

608
00:24:45,060 --> 00:24:46,380
I wouldn't say open minded--

609
00:24:46,380 --> 00:24:49,530
but neutral.

610
00:24:49,530 --> 00:24:52,290
You get there, and it hits you.

611
00:24:52,290 --> 00:24:54,300

The German language,
you find out

612
00:24:54,300 --> 00:24:57,300
then that the
German that we speak

613
00:24:57,300 --> 00:25:03,180
is pretty bastardized,
if that is a word.

614
00:25:03,180 --> 00:25:06,690
We speak German mixed
in with a little Spanish

615
00:25:06,690 --> 00:25:09,030
with a little English.

616
00:25:09,030 --> 00:25:11,550
All our friends speak the
same, SO we don't notice it.

617
00:25:11,550 --> 00:25:13,560
We can say in one
sentence three words

618
00:25:13,560 --> 00:25:15,810
in two different
languages and nobody--

619
00:25:15,810 --> 00:25:16,500
you know.

620
00:25:16,500 --> 00:25:19,110
No, we don't even notice it.

621
00:25:19,110 --> 00:25:22,770
I have to think sometimes in
what language I read a book.

622
00:25:22,770 --> 00:25:24,780
I have to say, did I
read that in English?

623
00:25:24,780 --> 00:25:25,950
I don't remember.

624
00:25:25,950 --> 00:25:34,320
Or you hear this German, and
it's like the military is back

625
00:25:34,320 --> 00:25:36,090
on your back.

626
00:25:36,090 --> 00:25:37,680
So I said, OK.

627
00:25:37,680 --> 00:25:41,730
You know the tone is
[GRUFF UTTERANCE]..

628
00:25:41,730 --> 00:25:45,030
Then, you see the people.

629
00:25:45,030 --> 00:25:49,650
Now I was in '72,
that's 25 years ago,

630
00:25:49,650 --> 00:25:53,670
I was whatever, 45, 6.

631
00:25:53,670 --> 00:25:56,700
Anybody my age, I
had no problem with.

632
00:25:56,700 --> 00:25:59,220
They were 10 or 11 at
the time, even when

633
00:25:59,220 --> 00:26:02,160
they were in the Hitler Youth
and they wore the uniforms,

634
00:26:02,160 --> 00:26:03,152
they were kids.

635

00:26:03,152 --> 00:26:05,610

They were very hateful, but
they were taught to be hateful.

636

00:26:05,610 --> 00:26:07,480

So that I didn't blame anyone.

637

00:26:07,480 --> 00:26:12,390

They were terrible, the
kids, because the parents,

638

00:26:12,390 --> 00:26:15,260

they used to-- this was the
biggest thing he did, Hitler.

639

00:26:15,260 --> 00:26:16,890

I mean first killing the Jews.

640

00:26:16,890 --> 00:26:20,940

But the next thing was to
totally, totally hypnotize

641

00:26:20,940 --> 00:26:21,690

the youth.

642

00:26:21,690 --> 00:26:26,640

And this is why there is
that neo-Nazi movement now.

643

00:26:26,640 --> 00:26:31,710

There were vacci-- they were
mentally hypnotized with this.

644

00:26:31,710 --> 00:26:33,420

They used to accuse
their parents.

645

00:26:33,420 --> 00:26:35,710

They used to live alone
the Jewish neighbors.

646

00:26:35,710 --> 00:26:38,070
That's why we were not
supposed to talk to anybody.

647
00:26:38,070 --> 00:26:40,710
So I said, OK, even if
that was all the case,

648
00:26:40,710 --> 00:26:43,800
they were 10 years,
12 years old, fine.

649
00:26:43,800 --> 00:26:46,290
Anybody who's younger
than I at the time

650
00:26:46,290 --> 00:26:48,690
wasn't even born, forget them.

651
00:26:48,690 --> 00:26:54,360
But the ones who were at
the time 60 or 70, and I

652
00:26:54,360 --> 00:26:58,560
said, they were 26, 28,
30, those were the ones who

653
00:26:58,560 --> 00:27:01,020
have a hard time talking to.

654
00:27:01,020 --> 00:27:05,040
And I wore this huge,
huge Magen David,

655
00:27:05,040 --> 00:27:06,300
which usually I wore inside.

656
00:27:06,300 --> 00:27:07,830
I wore this thing out.

657
00:27:07,830 --> 00:27:10,770
Big, couldn't overlook it.

658

00:27:10,770 --> 00:27:11,550

So--

659

00:27:11,550 --> 00:27:12,810

What were you saying?

660

00:27:12,810 --> 00:27:15,750

Oh, any time we met one,
they said, oh, you're Jewish.

661

00:27:15,750 --> 00:27:18,120

I said, yeah, of course.

662

00:27:18,120 --> 00:27:19,185

Just to make sure.

663

00:27:19,185 --> 00:27:21,600

Or if the conversation
didn't come up, I would say,

664

00:27:21,600 --> 00:27:23,910

we left in 1939 when
you kicked us out.

665

00:27:23,910 --> 00:27:25,800

Make that very clear.

666

00:27:25,800 --> 00:27:27,750

Now, they did business with us.

667

00:27:27,750 --> 00:27:31,350

So they, oh, oh, oh--

668

00:27:31,350 --> 00:27:33,600

big to do.

669

00:27:33,600 --> 00:27:36,910

And I would say to them,
don't make excuses.

670

00:27:36,910 --> 00:27:37,410

We are here.

671

00:27:37,410 --> 00:27:38,702

We are doing business with you.

672

00:27:38,702 --> 00:27:40,620

But I don't want
to be your friend.

673

00:27:40,620 --> 00:27:44,430

Or they would come up
and say, oh, Mrs. Mostny,

674

00:27:44,430 --> 00:27:48,152

is Rosenthal a Jewish name?

675

00:27:48,152 --> 00:27:49,110

And you would say, why?

676

00:27:49,110 --> 00:27:51,420

You had a grandmother by
the name of Rosenthal?

677

00:27:51,420 --> 00:27:54,690

No, no, no, but we found
some paper in the attic.

678

00:27:54,690 --> 00:27:56,790

OK, so you say, you
know what, let's just--

679

00:27:56,790 --> 00:27:58,350

I want to buy this.

680

00:27:58,350 --> 00:27:59,100

How much is it?

681

00:27:59,100 --> 00:28:00,960

And let's not talk
about Rosenthal.

682

00:28:00,960 --> 00:28:06,000

Or they would come up,
another one, oh, how terrible.

683
00:28:06,000 --> 00:28:10,980
They hid-- he remembers, in
his garage, his father hid 10.

684
00:28:10,980 --> 00:28:14,300
And the other one, they
lived by all these crystals--

685
00:28:14,300 --> 00:28:16,020
we used to import crystal--

686
00:28:16,020 --> 00:28:20,130
the factories are at the
Czechoslovakian border

687
00:28:20,130 --> 00:28:20,970
between Germany.

688
00:28:20,970 --> 00:28:24,090
And so a lot of them were Czech.

689
00:28:24,090 --> 00:28:27,690
Oh-- and they were
farmers and they had five.

690
00:28:27,690 --> 00:28:31,405
And they shared their food,
the non-existing food.

691
00:28:31,405 --> 00:28:33,030
So we listened to
this for five minutes

692
00:28:33,030 --> 00:28:36,060
and then I said, you know
what, excuse me, excuse me,

693
00:28:36,060 --> 00:28:38,620
if you saved 10 and your mother
say 5 and your grandfather

694
00:28:38,620 --> 00:28:39,120
save--

695
00:28:39,120 --> 00:28:40,950
I don't see how
they got 6 million.

696
00:28:40,950 --> 00:28:42,480
I really don't.

697
00:28:42,480 --> 00:28:44,550
Because if every
one of you save 10,

698
00:28:44,550 --> 00:28:47,950
that would have made quite
a few 100,000 that way.

699
00:28:47,950 --> 00:28:50,460
So let's just not talk about it.

700
00:28:50,460 --> 00:28:51,690
So they stop.

701
00:28:51,690 --> 00:28:53,850
Then you have some who you get--

702
00:28:53,850 --> 00:28:57,820
I wouldn't say friendly, no,
but you go back the next year,

703
00:28:57,820 --> 00:28:59,820
they come to visit here
and they sell you stuff.

704
00:28:59,820 --> 00:29:01,237
And you go back
the next year, you

705
00:29:01,237 --> 00:29:02,603
get to know them a little bit.

706

00:29:02,603 --> 00:29:04,770

Some of them you could see
by their demeanor-- there

707

00:29:04,770 --> 00:29:08,910

were the East Germans, would
you believe, were better.

708

00:29:08,910 --> 00:29:12,000

We had a competitor
who is still alive,

709

00:29:12,000 --> 00:29:13,860

but we are not in
the business anymore,

710

00:29:13,860 --> 00:29:18,120

in New York, Orthodox Jew,
who traveled through Germany

711

00:29:18,120 --> 00:29:21,720

with a tallis, a yarmulke,
and didn't eat, had

712

00:29:21,720 --> 00:29:23,370

his own crackers.

713

00:29:23,370 --> 00:29:26,130

That's all he ate,
because he was kosher.

714

00:29:26,130 --> 00:29:28,920

This one woman in a
factory in East Germany

715

00:29:28,920 --> 00:29:32,460

bought every year for
him a new pot, brought it

716

00:29:32,460 --> 00:29:36,630

to the show, when we used
to go to these fairs,

717
00:29:36,630 --> 00:29:39,720
have him, brought the
eggs for him, cooked them

718
00:29:39,720 --> 00:29:42,000
in front of him, and he
would eat hard boiled eggs

719
00:29:42,000 --> 00:29:43,710
in her place.

720
00:29:43,710 --> 00:29:45,630
And she always said,
she said, I admire

721
00:29:45,630 --> 00:29:47,460
this one-- everybody
looked, you know,

722
00:29:47,460 --> 00:29:52,800
a guy with a tallis in
a gift show in Leipzig.

723
00:29:52,800 --> 00:29:56,490
He would go by and that was it.

724
00:29:56,490 --> 00:29:59,880
And she always said, she
said I never really knew

725
00:29:59,880 --> 00:30:01,860
that there were
people who were that

726
00:30:01,860 --> 00:30:04,660
dedicated to their
religion, because I mean,

727
00:30:04,660 --> 00:30:08,040
he took a lot of looks.

728

00:30:08,040 --> 00:30:10,380

But we-- I mean, we
bought from them.

729

00:30:10,380 --> 00:30:12,240

Obviously, you never become--

730

00:30:12,240 --> 00:30:18,960

and then you find out some of
them, not all of them were bad,

731

00:30:18,960 --> 00:30:20,060

not all of them.

732

00:30:20,060 --> 00:30:21,960

How would you find out?

733

00:30:21,960 --> 00:30:24,450

Oh, because you get to
talking to somebody.

734

00:30:24,450 --> 00:30:27,800

One of them, you know, was in
a concentration camp himself.

735

00:30:27,800 --> 00:30:28,300

Why?

736

00:30:28,300 --> 00:30:30,070

Because he was a socialist.

737

00:30:30,070 --> 00:30:33,152

Or when you have a little
more contact with people--

738

00:30:33,152 --> 00:30:34,360

some of them you stayed away.

739

00:30:34,360 --> 00:30:36,980

You did your business and
you wanted no part of them,

740

00:30:36,980 --> 00:30:41,350
especially the ones who really
put it on, laid it on thick.

741
00:30:41,350 --> 00:30:46,840
And then some came
from tiny little towns.

742
00:30:46,840 --> 00:30:50,440
And they said, we knew
what was going on.

743
00:30:50,440 --> 00:30:51,400
We saw the trains.

744
00:30:51,400 --> 00:30:53,490
But, you know, what could we do?

745
00:30:53,490 --> 00:30:54,620
We couldn't do anything.

746
00:30:54,620 --> 00:30:59,170
We had one factory near
Mauthausen in Austria.

747
00:30:59,170 --> 00:31:01,120
And you said to them,
you said, don't tell me

748
00:31:01,120 --> 00:31:02,380
you didn't see this?

749
00:31:02,380 --> 00:31:05,008
I mean the thing is there?

750
00:31:05,008 --> 00:31:06,790
They said, you know, we know.

751
00:31:06,790 --> 00:31:07,840
Now what?

752
00:31:07,840 --> 00:31:08,350

We know.

753

00:31:08,350 --> 00:31:10,310

So what do you want us to do?

754

00:31:10,310 --> 00:31:12,560

We should have gone out and
say to the Nazi guy there,

755

00:31:12,560 --> 00:31:14,650

you shouldn't do this?

756

00:31:14,650 --> 00:31:18,790

So you get to talk to
somebody and you sit there.

757

00:31:18,790 --> 00:31:21,692

And you say, you know, this
guy, what could he have done?

758

00:31:21,692 --> 00:31:22,900

So they would have shoot him.

759

00:31:22,900 --> 00:31:24,760

That wouldn't have
saved my grandparents.

760

00:31:24,760 --> 00:31:27,340

You begin to experience
the dilemma they faced.

761

00:31:27,340 --> 00:31:28,600

Yeah, you begin to see--

762

00:31:28,600 --> 00:31:29,900

I mean not all of them.

763

00:31:29,900 --> 00:31:33,500

Some of them you can tell
they still would do it again.

764

00:31:33,500 --> 00:31:36,520

And those, there is
a feeling you have.

765
00:31:36,520 --> 00:31:38,260
You see them and it hits you.

766
00:31:38,260 --> 00:31:41,110
And those, you just
want no part of.

767
00:31:41,110 --> 00:31:46,940

768
00:31:46,940 --> 00:31:48,320
I never felt good.

769
00:31:48,320 --> 00:31:51,800
And then they invited
us from Germany.

770
00:31:51,800 --> 00:31:54,770
When?

771
00:31:54,770 --> 00:31:59,420
'89, is that the day
the wall fell? '89?

772
00:31:59,420 --> 00:32:00,470
'89.

773
00:32:00,470 --> 00:32:04,250
They invited-- in order to--

774
00:32:04,250 --> 00:32:05,570
I mean you have to say that.

775
00:32:05,570 --> 00:32:08,120
I tried to be fair.

776
00:32:08,120 --> 00:32:14,420
The people who are now trying
to repay and pay restitution--

777
00:32:14,420 --> 00:32:18,230
and restitution we never
got, because my parents--

778
00:32:18,230 --> 00:32:23,360
my mother died-- this whole
law, Adenauer started that.

779
00:32:23,360 --> 00:32:26,390
You know, Chancellor.

780
00:32:26,390 --> 00:32:28,340
The papers came through--

781
00:32:28,340 --> 00:32:31,010
the law came through
in '57 I think.

782
00:32:31,010 --> 00:32:32,810
And my mother died in '58.

783
00:32:32,810 --> 00:32:35,240
So she put her papers in.

784
00:32:35,240 --> 00:32:38,070
But it came through by
the time she was dead.

785
00:32:38,070 --> 00:32:40,160
And then that was
not inheritable.

786
00:32:40,160 --> 00:32:45,080
And my father applied
and asked us at the time

787
00:32:45,080 --> 00:32:49,400
whether he should
take a one-time payout

788
00:32:49,400 --> 00:32:52,100

or monthly pension, lifelong.

789

00:32:52,100 --> 00:32:53,870

And he was 59.

790

00:32:53,870 --> 00:32:56,360

And he had no money, so

I said to my brother,

791

00:32:56,360 --> 00:32:58,370

let him take a

life long pension.

792

00:32:58,370 --> 00:33:00,860

\$56.10 he got for eight times.

793

00:33:00,860 --> 00:33:01,730

And he died.

794

00:33:01,730 --> 00:33:02,600

Who know this?

795

00:33:02,600 --> 00:33:04,820

So we never got any money.

796

00:33:04,820 --> 00:33:05,870

And we were too young.

797

00:33:05,870 --> 00:33:07,040

I had no demands.

798

00:33:07,040 --> 00:33:09,560

799

00:33:09,560 --> 00:33:13,110

A lot of older people

are getting quite a bit.

800

00:33:13,110 --> 00:33:14,900

And if the parents

had property, they

801

00:33:14,900 --> 00:33:16,980
get that back, and all this.

802

00:33:16,980 --> 00:33:19,160
But I always feel--

803

00:33:19,160 --> 00:33:21,290
and we went to Germany,
they invite you

804

00:33:21,290 --> 00:33:24,290
all paid with your spouse,
from wherever the spouse is,

805

00:33:24,290 --> 00:33:27,230
American or-- so I took Kurt.

806

00:33:27,230 --> 00:33:30,780
And I wasn't even on there
yet, because I was too young.

807

00:33:30,780 --> 00:33:34,680
But my cousins, these
two, got invited.

808

00:33:34,680 --> 00:33:38,390
The one in New York first,
his age group was on.

809

00:33:38,390 --> 00:33:39,307
And he wrote a letter.

810

00:33:39,307 --> 00:33:41,390
And he said, you know, I
have a brother in Israel,

811

00:33:41,390 --> 00:33:42,590
could we please go together?

812

00:33:42,590 --> 00:33:44,480
And they said, sure, why not?

813

00:33:44,480 --> 00:33:46,310

They paid everything,
the ticket,

814

00:33:46,310 --> 00:33:49,970

they paid eight days in
Berlin in a luxury hotel,

815

00:33:49,970 --> 00:33:52,700

opera tickets, everything,
everything, everything paid,

816

00:33:52,700 --> 00:33:53,880

everything.

817

00:33:53,880 --> 00:33:55,970

So then when the two
of them got invited,

818

00:33:55,970 --> 00:33:57,710

he wrote a letter again.

819

00:33:57,710 --> 00:34:00,740

There was a person in charge
of it at the senate in Berlin--

820

00:34:00,740 --> 00:34:03,350

Berlin did it, the city.

821

00:34:03,350 --> 00:34:04,790

That was the first one.

822

00:34:04,790 --> 00:34:07,190

And he said, I have this cousin.

823

00:34:07,190 --> 00:34:08,639

She is much younger.

824

00:34:08,639 --> 00:34:12,437

She's on your list, but
obviously not due yet.

825

00:34:12,437 --> 00:34:14,270

But it would be so nice
for the three of us.

826

00:34:14,270 --> 00:34:17,210

And they said fine, so we went.

827

00:34:17,210 --> 00:34:19,190

And they treated you--

828

00:34:19,190 --> 00:34:22,100

I mean, I always try to be fair.

829

00:34:22,100 --> 00:34:27,150

The people who are now paying
taxes in Germany to do this,

830

00:34:27,150 --> 00:34:29,179

they were not the ones
who killed anybody.

831

00:34:29,179 --> 00:34:31,969

It was their father
or their grandfather.

832

00:34:31,969 --> 00:34:35,600

And I don't know if it would
be fair to me to say today,

833

00:34:35,600 --> 00:34:40,400

your grandfather killed a man,
you owe the grandchildren.

834

00:34:40,400 --> 00:34:42,320

I would say, excuse me?

835

00:34:42,320 --> 00:34:43,610

Why?

836

00:34:43,610 --> 00:34:45,949

So when people say, it's
the least they could do.

837

00:34:45,949 --> 00:34:49,550

Of course, it's the least they
can do, the ones who did it.

838

00:34:49,550 --> 00:34:51,133

But not the grandchildren.

839

00:34:51,133 --> 00:34:52,050

The least they can do?

840

00:34:52,050 --> 00:34:54,844

Why would they be doing this?

841

00:34:54,844 --> 00:34:56,510

You understand what I'm saying?

842

00:34:56,510 --> 00:34:57,890

I'm not saying they shouldn't.

843

00:34:57,890 --> 00:34:59,630

But I don't think that--

844

00:34:59,630 --> 00:35:02,160

I can understand where there
is a certain resentment.

845

00:35:02,160 --> 00:35:05,240

And, of course, we say, let
them pay, let them resent,

846

00:35:05,240 --> 00:35:05,990

let them suffer.

847

00:35:05,990 --> 00:35:07,280

I agree with all of that.

848

00:35:07,280 --> 00:35:08,520

Let them.

849

00:35:08,520 --> 00:35:09,098

I suffered.

850
00:35:09,098 --> 00:35:09,890
I was 10 years old.

851
00:35:09,890 --> 00:35:10,790
Why shouldn't he?

852
00:35:10,790 --> 00:35:12,020
I agree with that.

853
00:35:12,020 --> 00:35:14,090
But you have to
see the other side.

854
00:35:14,090 --> 00:35:17,360
These people get up
and they say, God.

855
00:35:17,360 --> 00:35:18,950
So they invited to Berlin.

856
00:35:18,950 --> 00:35:22,920
And then a few other
cities copied that.

857
00:35:22,920 --> 00:35:25,430
They took us to the senate--

858
00:35:25,430 --> 00:35:28,860
Berlin has a senate, or had at
the time before it was unified,

859
00:35:28,860 --> 00:35:30,690
a senate by itself.

860
00:35:30,690 --> 00:35:33,330
And these were people who
were 45, 46, they were not

861
00:35:33,330 --> 00:35:34,050
even born.

862
00:35:34,050 --> 00:35:38,910
They out did themselves by
saying that all they can do now

863
00:35:38,910 --> 00:35:42,270
is ask for forgiveness,
not forgetness--

864
00:35:42,270 --> 00:35:45,240
we are not to forget,
but to please.

865
00:35:45,240 --> 00:35:47,250
And they are glad
that we did come.

866
00:35:47,250 --> 00:35:50,400
And they stretched
their hand out.

867
00:35:50,400 --> 00:35:51,640
And they grabbed, we took it.

868
00:35:51,640 --> 00:35:54,520
Which some people said
we shouldn't have gone.

869
00:35:54,520 --> 00:35:57,240
It's tough.

870
00:35:57,240 --> 00:35:58,590
Did it feel genuine?

871
00:35:58,590 --> 00:36:01,170

872
00:36:01,170 --> 00:36:04,170
Yeah, on some of them it did.

873
00:36:04,170 --> 00:36:05,460
On some of them.

874
00:36:05,460 --> 00:36:08,440
Of course, I mean,
obviously a political move,

875
00:36:08,440 --> 00:36:09,810
which was good for them.

876
00:36:09,810 --> 00:36:11,820
But I mean, they didn't
even have to do that.

877
00:36:11,820 --> 00:36:14,200
The Austrians never
did any of it.

878
00:36:14,200 --> 00:36:16,080
That's what the
big difference is.

879
00:36:16,080 --> 00:36:18,570
I'm not saying they
were all genuine.

880
00:36:18,570 --> 00:36:20,010
No.

881
00:36:20,010 --> 00:36:22,950
That they owed us big time, yes.

882
00:36:22,950 --> 00:36:27,000
But the Austrian who were
where exactly as that, what did

883
00:36:27,000 --> 00:36:27,550
they do?

884
00:36:27,550 --> 00:36:29,460
They didn't invite anybody.

885
00:36:29,460 --> 00:36:30,640
They were victims.

886
00:36:30,640 --> 00:36:32,620
They were the first
victims of Hitler.

887
00:36:32,620 --> 00:36:34,047
I mean, they loved him.

888
00:36:34,047 --> 00:36:35,130
He was one of them anyway.

889
00:36:35,130 --> 00:36:36,900
But they received him.

890
00:36:36,900 --> 00:36:37,530
And they were--

891
00:36:37,530 --> 00:36:40,200

892
00:36:40,200 --> 00:36:41,370
And it's been going on.

893
00:36:41,370 --> 00:36:43,770
I mean our people live
longer and longer and longer.

894
00:36:43,770 --> 00:36:45,930
We have friends who are 92, 93.

895
00:36:45,930 --> 00:36:47,790
And they get these not \$56.

896
00:36:47,790 --> 00:36:50,790
By now, it's \$600, \$700, \$800
every month, every month,

897
00:36:50,790 --> 00:36:52,420
every month, and
they're 90 years old.

898

00:36:52,420 --> 00:36:55,200
They didn't count on that
when they started this.

899
00:36:55,200 --> 00:36:56,815
40 years later,
they're still paying.

900
00:36:56,815 --> 00:36:57,690
You know what I mean?

901
00:36:57,690 --> 00:36:59,550
So they are trying--

902
00:36:59,550 --> 00:37:00,750
the visit was nice.

903
00:37:00,750 --> 00:37:03,450
You always have a
little strange feeling.

904
00:37:03,450 --> 00:37:05,040
They took us to the opera.

905
00:37:05,040 --> 00:37:08,534
They took you to schools
in the smaller places,

906
00:37:08,534 --> 00:37:10,230
in smaller towns.

907
00:37:10,230 --> 00:37:11,970
Schools that you had gone to?

908
00:37:11,970 --> 00:37:15,990
No, no, no, to schools now
to speak to the children

909
00:37:15,990 --> 00:37:17,550
and say I'm one of those.

910
00:37:17,550 --> 00:37:23,160

See, Laurie is from a different
small town, not from Berlin.

911
00:37:23,160 --> 00:37:24,060
She's from Schwabach.

912
00:37:24,060 --> 00:37:26,040
She went back.

913
00:37:26,040 --> 00:37:27,000
They invited them.

914
00:37:27,000 --> 00:37:28,560
And they went to the schools.

915
00:37:28,560 --> 00:37:30,690
And they said,
here we are again,

916
00:37:30,690 --> 00:37:32,790
which that is the
only good part,

917
00:37:32,790 --> 00:37:35,910
that it shows them that Hitler
did not do such a good job.

918
00:37:35,910 --> 00:37:37,810
We are still around.

919
00:37:37,810 --> 00:37:40,050
And if it isn't the same
ones that he killed,

920
00:37:40,050 --> 00:37:43,765
there's a whole generation back
on the scene, two generations,

921
00:37:43,765 --> 00:37:44,485
three, four.

922
00:37:44,485 --> 00:37:46,860

I think Germany deserves some
credit for doing that, huh?

923
00:37:46,860 --> 00:37:50,610
I think that not
Germany, Mr. Adenauer

924
00:37:50,610 --> 00:37:53,340
was the one who started it,
deserve credit for it, yes.

925
00:37:53,340 --> 00:37:56,010
That he might have
had political reasons

926
00:37:56,010 --> 00:37:58,650
that Germany wanted to try
to have a good image, fine.

927
00:37:58,650 --> 00:38:03,540
But the people who are now
being taxed to the gills,

928
00:38:03,540 --> 00:38:05,700
these are the third generation.

929
00:38:05,700 --> 00:38:07,620
I'm already an old woman.

930
00:38:07,620 --> 00:38:09,780
So my children, I don't
know how my children would

931
00:38:09,780 --> 00:38:11,700
feel if they have
to pay an extra tax,

932
00:38:11,700 --> 00:38:15,063
so somebody America put the
Japanese in a concentration

933
00:38:15,063 --> 00:38:16,980
camp, they should be

paying for, I don't know.

934

00:38:16,980 --> 00:38:19,770

I don't know if they would say,
yes, yes, yes, my grandfather

935

00:38:19,770 --> 00:38:20,730

did this, I owe them.

936

00:38:20,730 --> 00:38:21,690

I don't know.

937

00:38:21,690 --> 00:38:22,980

I'm not sure.

938

00:38:22,980 --> 00:38:24,212

I'm not sure they would.

939

00:38:24,212 --> 00:38:25,170

That's what I'm saying.

940

00:38:25,170 --> 00:38:27,030

I don't know if they would.

941

00:38:27,030 --> 00:38:31,740

So at least you have
to say, they're trying.

942

00:38:31,740 --> 00:38:32,970

But, yes, that's what mean.

943

00:38:32,970 --> 00:38:33,810

They're trying.

944

00:38:33,810 --> 00:38:36,930

It takes courage for them to
bring someone into a classroom

945

00:38:36,930 --> 00:38:39,720

and say this is a person
who we mistreated.

946

00:38:39,720 --> 00:38:41,280

Exactly.

947

00:38:41,280 --> 00:38:43,740

And whose mother we killed
and whose was burned.

948

00:38:43,740 --> 00:38:45,510

And here you see
her, she's like you.

949

00:38:45,510 --> 00:38:46,842

Yes, yes, yes, yes.

950

00:38:46,842 --> 00:38:48,300

What kind of
questions do they ask?

951

00:38:48,300 --> 00:38:49,500

Oh, a lot of them.

952

00:38:49,500 --> 00:38:51,120

These kids, I mean
some of them--

953

00:38:51,120 --> 00:38:54,540

it depends on what
age group you get.

954

00:38:54,540 --> 00:38:56,910

Your age, for
instance, college kids,

955

00:38:56,910 --> 00:39:00,120

they would ask absolute
serious questions

956

00:39:00,120 --> 00:39:03,250

and say, like you're
asking me, how did it feel?

957

00:39:03,250 --> 00:39:07,050

And some of them,
ask Mr. Bruner,

958
00:39:07,050 --> 00:39:09,500
he went now to Frankfurt.

959
00:39:09,500 --> 00:39:11,897
Again, they spoke and
again they spoke and again.

960
00:39:11,897 --> 00:39:13,230
And he has the numbers tattooed.

961
00:39:13,230 --> 00:39:14,790
So I mean they can't
say this never happened.

962
00:39:14,790 --> 00:39:15,490
He has it here.

963
00:39:15,490 --> 00:39:16,290
He didn't do this.

964
00:39:16,290 --> 00:39:18,030
And Shimon does too.

965
00:39:18,030 --> 00:39:21,870
So it's made so
people won't forget.

966
00:39:21,870 --> 00:39:24,060
If they don't believe it,
they'll never believe it.

967
00:39:24,060 --> 00:39:25,768
The ones who say this
never happened, you

968
00:39:25,768 --> 00:39:28,320
can have 50 numbers tattooed,
and they'll never say they

969

00:39:28,320 --> 00:39:29,970
did it.

970
00:39:29,970 --> 00:39:32,980
But for others it has
to be an eye opener.

971
00:39:32,980 --> 00:39:36,975
This is why I think this is
so important, because this

972
00:39:36,975 --> 00:39:38,850
is what made me-- you
asked me a little while

973
00:39:38,850 --> 00:39:41,640
ago why I write the book.

974
00:39:41,640 --> 00:39:44,460
Because my children know.

975
00:39:44,460 --> 00:39:45,960
They know enough people.

976
00:39:45,960 --> 00:39:48,750
They have a relationship
with me and with my husband

977
00:39:48,750 --> 00:39:51,660
that they totally 150% believe.

978
00:39:51,660 --> 00:39:53,730
They know this is true.

979
00:39:53,730 --> 00:39:56,340
My grandchildren,
the older ones know

980
00:39:56,340 --> 00:39:58,357
it's true because they
have that same feel.

981

00:39:58,357 --> 00:39:59,190
We have little ones.

982
00:39:59,190 --> 00:40:00,420
We have one that's two.

983
00:40:00,420 --> 00:40:02,190
What does he know?

984
00:40:02,190 --> 00:40:05,880
In 10 years when I'm gone,
they tell him, remember, Omi?

985
00:40:05,880 --> 00:40:07,010
Yeah, he'll remember.

986
00:40:07,010 --> 00:40:08,460
Remember, Omi.

987
00:40:08,460 --> 00:40:10,140
I want to write it down.

988
00:40:10,140 --> 00:40:11,670
Write it down,
number one, for them

989
00:40:11,670 --> 00:40:12,878
to know where they come from.

990
00:40:12,878 --> 00:40:14,050
That's important to me.

991
00:40:14,050 --> 00:40:17,760
And number two, they should
see how lucky they are.

992
00:40:17,760 --> 00:40:19,930
That's all I always
try how lucky,

993
00:40:19,930 --> 00:40:24,050
how nothing is

taken for granted.

994

00:40:24,050 --> 00:40:26,190

They take everything
for granted now.

995

00:40:26,190 --> 00:40:27,230

Good.

996

00:40:27,230 --> 00:40:31,340

I mean, they should be
healthy and lucky and well off

997

00:40:31,340 --> 00:40:32,000

and everything.

998

00:40:32,000 --> 00:40:35,240

But you never know
what can happen.

999

00:40:35,240 --> 00:40:39,500

And there are
values, I think to--

1000

00:40:39,500 --> 00:40:46,310

oh, human relations and people
that are worth something also.

1001

00:40:46,310 --> 00:40:48,350

It's not only how
many cars you have

1002

00:40:48,350 --> 00:40:50,510

and all this type of thing.

1003

00:40:50,510 --> 00:40:54,110

That's why my non-Jewish
son-in-law sent the second one

1004

00:40:54,110 --> 00:40:55,040

to Israel.

1005

00:40:55,040 --> 00:40:57,590

My granddaughter
went when she was 16.

1006

00:40:57,590 --> 00:40:58,760

And the boy just went now.

1007

00:40:58,760 --> 00:41:00,630

He's 16 now.

1008

00:41:00,630 --> 00:41:01,790

He's going on 17.

1009

00:41:01,790 --> 00:41:03,020

He just came back.

1010

00:41:03,020 --> 00:41:05,830

He wants them to
experience this,

1011

00:41:05,830 --> 00:41:10,160

to see, and to see how they live
there, and how this Israel is--

1012

00:41:10,160 --> 00:41:13,100

have you been to Israel?

1013

00:41:13,100 --> 00:41:14,870

Yeah?

1014

00:41:14,870 --> 00:41:19,430

The thing is if
they were not there,

1015

00:41:19,430 --> 00:41:21,800

we wouldn't feel
as safe as we do.

1016

00:41:21,800 --> 00:41:24,170

Because what happened
to us at the time,

1017

00:41:24,170 --> 00:41:28,040
you could now say we
have a place to go.

1018
00:41:28,040 --> 00:41:29,113
You take your passport.

1019
00:41:29,113 --> 00:41:30,530
You take your
suitcase and you go.

1020
00:41:30,530 --> 00:41:31,820
God forbid that happens.

1021
00:41:31,820 --> 00:41:33,200
You can go.

1022
00:41:33,200 --> 00:41:34,850
We didn't have an embassy.

1023
00:41:34,850 --> 00:41:36,080
We didn't have where to go.

1024
00:41:36,080 --> 00:41:37,220
We didn't have anything.

1025
00:41:37,220 --> 00:41:41,540
And that alone in my opinion,
even if you're not a Zionist,

1026
00:41:41,540 --> 00:41:45,260
they deserve support
for your own safety,

1027
00:41:45,260 --> 00:41:47,310
if you want to look
at it that way.

1028
00:41:47,310 --> 00:41:49,520
So what does Israel
represent to you?

1029

00:41:49,520 --> 00:41:52,645

Oh, to me it represents-- see,
I was there in June just now

1030

00:41:52,645 --> 00:41:54,560

and last year too--

1031

00:41:54,560 --> 00:41:56,270

safety.

1032

00:41:56,270 --> 00:42:02,480

It represents number one, what
people can do if they want to.

1033

00:42:02,480 --> 00:42:04,100

And I'm not saying
that the Israelis

1034

00:42:04,100 --> 00:42:05,165

are-- they're arrogant.

1035

00:42:05,165 --> 00:42:08,270

They're chutzpadik, if you know
what that expression means.

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00:42:08,270 --> 00:42:10,040

They have chutzpah.

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00:42:10,040 --> 00:42:12,770

But I admire the guts.

1038

00:42:12,770 --> 00:42:14,960

And what they are giving us--

1039

00:42:14,960 --> 00:42:16,190

you won't feel that way.

1040

00:42:16,190 --> 00:42:18,710

You were born here,
different story.

1041

00:42:18,710 --> 00:42:22,160

For us, it's a country.

1042
00:42:22,160 --> 00:42:23,420
We are not stateless.

1043
00:42:23,420 --> 00:42:26,390
Our thing said, stateless,
a piece of paper.

1044
00:42:26,390 --> 00:42:27,500
We'll never be stateless.

1045
00:42:27,500 --> 00:42:28,760
I can go there.

1046
00:42:28,760 --> 00:42:30,690
Whether I like it or
not is not the point.

1047
00:42:30,690 --> 00:42:31,210
You could go there.

1048
00:42:31,210 --> 00:42:32,168
The door's always open.

1049
00:42:32,168 --> 00:42:32,720
Of course.

1050
00:42:32,720 --> 00:42:35,060
God forbid something
happens, I go--

1051
00:42:35,060 --> 00:42:38,105
I wouldn't, but
you can go there.

1052
00:42:38,105 --> 00:42:39,980
Something happens here,
you are young enough.

1053
00:42:39,980 --> 00:42:41,660
You can take your stuff and go.

1054
00:42:41,660 --> 00:42:42,590
You know where to go.

1055
00:42:42,590 --> 00:42:43,760
That's your country.

1056
00:42:43,760 --> 00:42:45,530
Not safe either from
other points of view.

1057
00:42:45,530 --> 00:42:46,430
But it's there.

1058
00:42:46,430 --> 00:42:48,650
We had nowhere to go.

1059
00:42:48,650 --> 00:42:52,700
And that alone deserves support.

1060
00:42:52,700 --> 00:42:54,230
And they are doing it for us.

1061
00:42:54,230 --> 00:42:55,397
I mean, when you are there--

1062
00:42:55,397 --> 00:42:58,380
I'm a big fan of Israel.

1063
00:42:58,380 --> 00:43:01,550
I mean I really am, and I
love to be there, because it

1064
00:43:01,550 --> 00:43:02,810
is that thing there--

1065
00:43:02,810 --> 00:43:05,570
they have a lot of stuff
that's negative, a lot.

1066
00:43:05,570 --> 00:43:09,950

But it's that gutsy feeling.

1067

00:43:09,950 --> 00:43:12,530

You see them, they are
always with a rifle

1068

00:43:12,530 --> 00:43:14,660

and always with the
other ones right there.

1069

00:43:14,660 --> 00:43:18,650

You know, you go by the
border and there is the wire.

1070

00:43:18,650 --> 00:43:19,430

This is Lebanon.

1071

00:43:19,430 --> 00:43:20,612

This is you.

1072

00:43:20,612 --> 00:43:21,320

And you're there.

1073

00:43:21,320 --> 00:43:22,550

They do their own thing.

1074

00:43:22,550 --> 00:43:24,786

And you can go if you want to.

1075

00:43:24,786 --> 00:43:28,190

I have a question.

1076

00:43:28,190 --> 00:43:36,420

When you first want to
Chile, how was the Yom Kippur

1077

00:43:36,420 --> 00:43:39,890

for people who were forced in--

1078

00:43:39,890 --> 00:43:41,760

Oh, I said that before.

1079

00:43:41,760 --> 00:43:44,870

I mean it was soul
wrenching, if you

1080

00:43:44,870 --> 00:43:46,880

want a cliched type of word.

1081

00:43:46,880 --> 00:43:49,070

It brought back--
and to this day--

1082

00:43:49,070 --> 00:43:50,833

I mean I think of my
mother all the time,

1083

00:43:50,833 --> 00:43:52,250

and I talk about
her all the time.

1084

00:43:52,250 --> 00:43:55,310

And like I say, I
have these pictures.

1085

00:43:55,310 --> 00:43:57,170

We talk about
family all the time.

1086

00:43:57,170 --> 00:44:00,980

But it brought to the--

1087

00:44:00,980 --> 00:44:04,610

1088

00:44:04,610 --> 00:44:09,080

it made it clear to
you that you were lost,

1089

00:44:09,080 --> 00:44:13,040

because you sat in this thing,
in this theater, filthy dirty.

1090

00:44:13,040 --> 00:44:14,496

And you looked around.

1091
00:44:14,496 --> 00:44:17,750
You know this is So-and-so
because you came on the ship

1092
00:44:17,750 --> 00:44:18,380
with her.

1093
00:44:18,380 --> 00:44:21,320
And maybe you had seen him over
there, because he lived nearby.

1094
00:44:21,320 --> 00:44:22,760
There wasn't a relative.

1095
00:44:22,760 --> 00:44:23,915
There wasn't aunt.

1096
00:44:23,915 --> 00:44:25,040
There wasn't a grandfather.

1097
00:44:25,040 --> 00:44:27,320
There was no smiling.

1098
00:44:27,320 --> 00:44:28,070
There was nothing.

1099
00:44:28,070 --> 00:44:31,670
Everybody was always crying.

1100
00:44:31,670 --> 00:44:36,410
I mean you went home to break
the fast, the four of you,

1101
00:44:36,410 --> 00:44:38,450
a piece of challah or something.

1102
00:44:38,450 --> 00:44:40,070
I mean it was just--

1103

00:44:40,070 --> 00:44:41,360
then we had a temple.

1104
00:44:41,360 --> 00:44:44,420
Now, they have three or
four synagogues in Chile.

1105
00:44:44,420 --> 00:44:46,850
I mean over the years,
you know, they built--

1106
00:44:46,850 --> 00:44:49,820
I think they rented one.

1107
00:44:49,820 --> 00:44:51,410
Where did we get married?

1108
00:44:51,410 --> 00:44:55,040
Oh, we got married-- oh,
God, we got married in a--

1109
00:44:55,040 --> 00:44:56,165
they rented an old--

1110
00:44:56,165 --> 00:44:58,680

1111
00:44:58,680 --> 00:45:01,130
an old, what was it?

1112
00:45:01,130 --> 00:45:04,250
Like a landmark
building that they

1113
00:45:04,250 --> 00:45:08,690
saved and made it a synagogue.

1114
00:45:08,690 --> 00:45:10,730
And then they built one.

1115
00:45:10,730 --> 00:45:14,420
And now, they have

three or four.

1116
00:45:14,420 --> 00:45:16,280
I was there at services--

1117
00:45:16,280 --> 00:45:17,045
In Santiago?

1118
00:45:17,045 --> 00:45:18,860
Mm-hmm.

1119
00:45:18,860 --> 00:45:20,090
Any other places--

1120
00:45:20,090 --> 00:45:23,210
Yeah, they have Valparaiso, the
port, they have temples there.

1121
00:45:23,210 --> 00:45:25,510
They have a temple down south.

1122
00:45:25,510 --> 00:45:28,300
Yeah, oh, yeah, I mean
they're all there.

1123
00:45:28,300 --> 00:45:33,440
Most, I would say, most Jews
live in Santiago, most of them.

1124
00:45:33,440 --> 00:45:36,910
But quite a few live up
north, up north meaning--

1125
00:45:36,910 --> 00:45:39,070
not anymore, our
people don't this.

1126
00:45:39,070 --> 00:45:40,270
We're too old.

1127
00:45:40,270 --> 00:45:44,710
See, up north is mining

in Chile in the dessert.

1128
00:45:44,710 --> 00:45:47,700
When we used to live there,
not we, but people who

1129
00:45:47,700 --> 00:45:49,070
were engineers or something.

1130
00:45:49,070 --> 00:45:51,430
But at this age,
everybody's retired.

1131
00:45:51,430 --> 00:45:54,135
They live in the capital.

1132
00:45:54,135 --> 00:45:56,260
How does it feel for you
when you go back to Chile?

1133
00:45:56,260 --> 00:45:56,920
I love it.

1134
00:45:56,920 --> 00:45:57,530
You do?

1135
00:45:57,530 --> 00:45:58,930
Love it.

1136
00:45:58,930 --> 00:46:01,340
You are taken around--

1137
00:46:01,340 --> 00:46:04,360
number one, you know, the phone
rings, the Mostnys are town.

1138
00:46:04,360 --> 00:46:05,560
That is it.

1139
00:46:05,560 --> 00:46:07,060
So you don't have
to call anybody,

1140
00:46:07,060 --> 00:46:09,280
because whoever picks
you up has already

1141
00:46:09,280 --> 00:46:11,530
a telephone chain telling
them you're there.

1142
00:46:11,530 --> 00:46:14,980
So you have to come into
either a hotel or a house,

1143
00:46:14,980 --> 00:46:17,540
wherever we go, there is
flowers from one friend.

1144
00:46:17,540 --> 00:46:19,600
There's chocolate
from-- and they remember

1145
00:46:19,600 --> 00:46:21,520
the chocolate you like.

1146
00:46:21,520 --> 00:46:23,920
Last time we went in November--

1147
00:46:23,920 --> 00:46:24,570
last?

1148
00:46:24,570 --> 00:46:25,672
Yeah, last year.

1149
00:46:25,672 --> 00:46:26,524
No.

1150
00:46:26,524 --> 00:46:29,890
Last year, last year.

1151
00:46:29,890 --> 00:46:33,475
There's a certain
candy that I like.

1152
00:46:33,475 --> 00:46:36,190
This friend of ours, you
know, a couple, she put them,

1153
00:46:36,190 --> 00:46:38,020
she says, I remembered.

1154
00:46:38,020 --> 00:46:40,720
You know, welcome
and I remember.

1155
00:46:40,720 --> 00:46:41,740
Little things.

1156
00:46:41,740 --> 00:46:44,227
I mean you know, somebody
for 50 years, you remember.

1157
00:46:44,227 --> 00:46:45,310
Little things, big things.

1158
00:46:45,310 --> 00:46:45,980
Yeah.

1159
00:46:45,980 --> 00:46:47,530
Oh, we have a wonderful time.

1160
00:46:47,530 --> 00:46:50,080
And then obviously
when people ask you,

1161
00:46:50,080 --> 00:46:53,410
they always do, they always
say, oh, did you ever regret?

1162
00:46:53,410 --> 00:46:56,950
Yes, I have.

1163
00:46:56,950 --> 00:46:58,580
Would you come back?

1164

00:46:58,580 --> 00:46:59,500

And I say, back?

1165

00:46:59,500 --> 00:47:00,820

My children are here.

1166

00:47:00,820 --> 00:47:02,920

My grandchildren are here.

1167

00:47:02,920 --> 00:47:03,850

Of course not.

1168

00:47:03,850 --> 00:47:06,950

What would I do there by myself?

1169

00:47:06,950 --> 00:47:08,410

I mean, even with Kurt.

1170

00:47:08,410 --> 00:47:09,220

But myself?

1171

00:47:09,220 --> 00:47:11,620

Never, never I would go back.

1172

00:47:11,620 --> 00:47:14,200

I would go-- oh, I could
live there for two months

1173

00:47:14,200 --> 00:47:17,530

and get-- now that there's
email and email my kids

1174

00:47:17,530 --> 00:47:19,810

and get on the phone.

1175

00:47:19,810 --> 00:47:23,380

But I would never,
never, live there.

1176

00:47:23,380 --> 00:47:24,970

Not because I wouldn't like it.

1177
00:47:24,970 --> 00:47:28,030
And there are certain things
that you're used to here now,

1178
00:47:28,030 --> 00:47:30,910
things that we take for granted.

1179
00:47:30,910 --> 00:47:33,130
Oh, you know the dishwasher.

1180
00:47:33,130 --> 00:47:35,720
And you go to the market,
you buy everything fresh.

1181
00:47:35,720 --> 00:47:39,280
And over there, they
have everything.

1182
00:47:39,280 --> 00:47:47,450
But still, they buy fresh
vegetables every day.

1183
00:47:47,450 --> 00:47:48,768
And the maid cooks--

1184
00:47:48,768 --> 00:47:51,060
I always tell my friend, they
say you should eat fresh.

1185
00:47:51,060 --> 00:47:54,560
I said, you want to send me
your Maria to help me cook them?

1186
00:47:54,560 --> 00:47:55,550
I'd buy the can.

1187
00:47:55,550 --> 00:47:58,010
I don't want to cook.

1188
00:47:58,010 --> 00:47:58,995
But I mean it's nice.

1189
00:47:58,995 --> 00:48:00,620
And, of course, when
you come to visit,

1190
00:48:00,620 --> 00:48:02,390
they take you out everywhere.

1191
00:48:02,390 --> 00:48:06,710
You are invited for breakfast,
for noon, for afternoon coffee,

1192
00:48:06,710 --> 00:48:09,040
for dinner, for after
dinner, for midnight snacks.

1193
00:48:09,040 --> 00:48:12,170
I mean you gain 50
pounds when you're there.

1194
00:48:12,170 --> 00:48:13,940
They just love you to pieces.

1195
00:48:13,940 --> 00:48:14,990
And we are--

1196
00:48:14,990 --> 00:48:16,280
I have to say that.

1197
00:48:16,280 --> 00:48:19,330
I mean, it's funny when you
say this about yourself.

1198
00:48:19,330 --> 00:48:21,920
We are fun people to be with.

1199
00:48:21,920 --> 00:48:23,120
We're not boring.

1200
00:48:23,120 --> 00:48:24,900
We always have
something to tell.

1201
00:48:24,900 --> 00:48:26,600
We have all these
kids and grandkids

1202
00:48:26,600 --> 00:48:28,190
to tell stories about.

1203
00:48:28,190 --> 00:48:29,990
We do a lot of stuff.

1204
00:48:29,990 --> 00:48:31,580
So we have things to tell.

1205
00:48:31,580 --> 00:48:33,140
Our life is not boring at all.

1206
00:48:33,140 --> 00:48:34,610
So they love to hear.

1207
00:48:34,610 --> 00:48:35,990
And it's new.

1208
00:48:35,990 --> 00:48:38,267
Even Kurt's jokes are new,
because they're from here

1209
00:48:38,267 --> 00:48:39,350
and theirs are from there.

1210
00:48:39,350 --> 00:48:42,622

1211
00:48:42,622 --> 00:48:43,580
They come to visit too.

1212
00:48:43,580 --> 00:48:46,038
I mean we are in touch with a
lot of people over the years,

1213
00:48:46,038 --> 00:48:47,000

always have been.

1214
00:48:47,000 --> 00:48:48,020
They come to visit.

1215
00:48:48,020 --> 00:48:50,930
Or now with the email,
you're constantly

1216
00:48:50,930 --> 00:48:54,500
on the computer with somebody.

1217
00:48:54,500 --> 00:48:57,470
See, we are faithful too.

1218
00:48:57,470 --> 00:48:59,600
Our friends are our
friends, whether we

1219
00:48:59,600 --> 00:49:02,450
are, how many, 6,000
mile, I think it is, away.

1220
00:49:02,450 --> 00:49:04,100
It doesn't matter.

1221
00:49:04,100 --> 00:49:06,170
We always
participated-- you know,

1222
00:49:06,170 --> 00:49:10,910
we lost quite a few to death.

1223
00:49:10,910 --> 00:49:12,830
And we always keep in touch.

1224
00:49:12,830 --> 00:49:17,665
Or when Kurt was sick, then
you hear from everybody.

1225
00:49:17,665 --> 00:49:19,790
And we got there, and they

said, how is he feeling?

1226

00:49:19,790 --> 00:49:20,540

How is he feeling?

1227

00:49:20,540 --> 00:49:22,430

Like I have made

an announcement.

1228

00:49:22,430 --> 00:49:23,570

Because you just keep it--

1229

00:49:23,570 --> 00:49:25,310

there's too many memories.

1230

00:49:25,310 --> 00:49:31,970

But I like there

better than here to me.

1231

00:49:31,970 --> 00:49:35,790

These people you talked

to, they knew my parents.

1232

00:49:35,790 --> 00:49:38,120

So you can say,

remember my mother?

1233

00:49:38,120 --> 00:49:39,720

Here, nobody remember my mother.

1234

00:49:39,720 --> 00:49:41,150

They never knew her.

1235

00:49:41,150 --> 00:49:44,510

Or my brother, remember

we went to school,

1236

00:49:44,510 --> 00:49:47,060

remember your brother when

he had this girl friend

1237

00:49:47,060 --> 00:49:52,130

or when you started going with
who is now my sister-in-law.

1238
00:49:52,130 --> 00:49:55,940
Those things are not to be paid.

1239
00:49:55,940 --> 00:49:57,150
And you can't explain--

1240
00:49:57,150 --> 00:50:02,450
When we first came here, we had
a movie of our house in Chile.

1241
00:50:02,450 --> 00:50:07,070
I never played it for
anybody until we were here

1242
00:50:07,070 --> 00:50:08,930
three years, four years.

1243
00:50:08,930 --> 00:50:10,190
We had made friends.

1244
00:50:10,190 --> 00:50:10,910
They knew us.

1245
00:50:10,910 --> 00:50:13,040
They knew how we were and what--

1246
00:50:13,040 --> 00:50:15,020
I said, you want
to see my house?

1247
00:50:15,020 --> 00:50:18,140
Oh, they say, oh, my
God, you left this?

1248
00:50:18,140 --> 00:50:20,870
I would have never shown
this when I first came.

1249
00:50:20,870 --> 00:50:21,950

What for?

1250
00:50:21,950 --> 00:50:24,110
So they say, oh, yeah,
maybe he's a gangster.

1251
00:50:24,110 --> 00:50:24,800
He had to leave.

1252
00:50:24,800 --> 00:50:26,180
Why would he leave this?

1253
00:50:26,180 --> 00:50:28,010
You know what I'm saying?

1254
00:50:28,010 --> 00:50:28,852
We didn't.

1255
00:50:28,852 --> 00:50:29,810
And you get used to it.

1256
00:50:29,810 --> 00:50:31,430
I mean, it wasn't that
easy without a maid.

1257
00:50:31,430 --> 00:50:32,430
I wasn't so spoiled.

1258
00:50:32,430 --> 00:50:35,720
But it's nice to have
somebody do things for you.

1259
00:50:35,720 --> 00:50:37,650
But that we know.

1260
00:50:37,650 --> 00:50:39,230
And I am a very--

1261
00:50:39,230 --> 00:50:41,270
I mean I'm a very
neat housekeeper.

1262

00:50:41,270 --> 00:50:42,328

But I don't kill myself.

1263

00:50:42,328 --> 00:50:43,370

I mean, it didn't matter.

1264

00:50:43,370 --> 00:50:46,580

We eat whenever we have time.

1265

00:50:46,580 --> 00:50:48,200

What's for dinner?

1266

00:50:48,200 --> 00:50:49,070

What's for dinner.

1267

00:50:49,070 --> 00:50:51,050

No, is there any dinner?

1268

00:50:51,050 --> 00:50:56,420

Is there-- no, we eat--

and to this day, we eat--

1269

00:50:56,420 --> 00:50:59,450

my granddaughter, this

is the funniest thing.

1270

00:50:59,450 --> 00:51:01,340

We eat breakfast for

dinner, for instance.

1271

00:51:01,340 --> 00:51:07,220

Kurt loves ham and eggs for

dinner, which is easy to make.

1272

00:51:07,220 --> 00:51:11,120

My granddaughter wrote me

a note a year or two ago.

1273

00:51:11,120 --> 00:51:12,260

Her dad was somewhere.

1274

00:51:12,260 --> 00:51:13,940

And she said, you
know, we love it,

1275

00:51:13,940 --> 00:51:16,310

because when dad is
not here, mom and we

1276

00:51:16,310 --> 00:51:19,375

can have, like you do,
breakfast for dinner.

1277

00:51:19,375 --> 00:51:20,750

See, my son-in-law's
an American.

1278

00:51:20,750 --> 00:51:21,965

He wants it home at dinner.

1279

00:51:21,965 --> 00:51:23,840

So when he wasn't home,
and he travels a lot,

1280

00:51:23,840 --> 00:51:28,910

my daughter said, oh, let's
make cereal for dinner.

1281

00:51:28,910 --> 00:51:30,470

So she wrote me a note.

1282

00:51:30,470 --> 00:51:31,550

She said, Omi, I love it.

1283

00:51:31,550 --> 00:51:34,590

My dad is on vacation-- not
on vacation, is out of town.

1284

00:51:34,590 --> 00:51:38,760

And we can have like you
do, breakfast for dinner.

1285

00:51:38,760 --> 00:51:40,280

I mean, we are easygoing.

1286
00:51:40,280 --> 00:51:41,630
It doesn't matter when you eat.

1287
00:51:41,630 --> 00:51:43,770
Who says you have to eat
cereal in the morning and not

1288
00:51:43,770 --> 00:51:44,280
at night?

1289
00:51:44,280 --> 00:51:46,010
It makes no difference.

1290
00:51:46,010 --> 00:51:49,010
But I mean you learn this too.

1291
00:51:49,010 --> 00:51:51,020
Because when you
come to a country

1292
00:51:51,020 --> 00:51:55,675
and you have five little
children depending on you,

1293
00:51:55,675 --> 00:51:59,588
you can't just be so too rigid.

1294
00:51:59,588 --> 00:52:01,130
I mean we picked
them up from school.

1295
00:52:01,130 --> 00:52:04,910
And they had, I
wouldn't say right away,

1296
00:52:04,910 --> 00:52:06,065
but they were accidents.

1297
00:52:06,065 --> 00:52:08,690
And they were this, and then one
got sick, which was a problem.

1298
00:52:08,690 --> 00:52:09,998
I had to go to work.

1299
00:52:09,998 --> 00:52:11,540
You know, so you
had a problem there.

1300
00:52:11,540 --> 00:52:13,998
You had to call every hour on
the hour, take your medicine,

1301
00:52:13,998 --> 00:52:15,680
and have a neighbor
look in on them.

1302
00:52:15,680 --> 00:52:19,370
And that part was not easy, see?

1303
00:52:19,370 --> 00:52:20,930
I mean I liked it
a lot better when

1304
00:52:20,930 --> 00:52:22,685
you had a maid at
home that was--

1305
00:52:22,685 --> 00:52:26,000
or my mother-in-law--
taking care of the kids.

1306
00:52:26,000 --> 00:52:27,710
But I mean you make it.

1307
00:52:27,710 --> 00:52:32,600
And maybe you don't pay
as much attention to them

1308
00:52:32,600 --> 00:52:35,427
each one, which they
complain once in a while,

1309

00:52:35,427 --> 00:52:36,260
that you could have.

1310
00:52:36,260 --> 00:52:39,950
But I always said, we
made a new living for you.

1311
00:52:39,950 --> 00:52:41,990
We didn't mean to neglect.

1312
00:52:41,990 --> 00:52:47,310
But once in a while, you
would say, please, we worked.

1313
00:52:47,310 --> 00:52:47,810
He worked.

1314
00:52:47,810 --> 00:52:48,410
I worked.

1315
00:52:48,410 --> 00:52:52,460
Then you came home to do the
laundry and the shopping.

1316
00:52:52,460 --> 00:52:54,950
I went shopping with me
daughter the other day.

1317
00:52:54,950 --> 00:52:56,480
She has three kids.

1318
00:52:56,480 --> 00:52:57,350
Two carts.

1319
00:52:57,350 --> 00:53:00,170
I said, God, I said, you
know what this reminds me of?

1320
00:53:00,170 --> 00:53:02,030
Yeah, when we used to go.

1321
00:53:02,030 --> 00:53:03,290

Now, it's the two of us.

1322

00:53:03,290 --> 00:53:05,790

Buy two little things
and you're done.

1323

00:53:05,790 --> 00:53:06,815

So you enjoy that too.

1324

00:53:06,815 --> 00:53:11,000

There comes a time when--

1325

00:53:11,000 --> 00:53:16,510

All in all, you know, when
you say, I feel content.

1326

00:53:16,510 --> 00:53:19,120

I mean, I wish I would
live a little longer

1327

00:53:19,120 --> 00:53:21,802

to do the mountain of things
that I still want to do--

1328

00:53:21,802 --> 00:53:22,760

What do you want to do?

1329

00:53:22,760 --> 00:53:25,030

Oh, I want to finish my book.

1330

00:53:25,030 --> 00:53:27,646

I want to write another book.

1331

00:53:27,646 --> 00:53:29,770

About what?

1332

00:53:29,770 --> 00:53:33,880

One about basically
life, you see.

1333

00:53:33,880 --> 00:53:37,330

But not the story of

my life, just thoughts.

1334
00:53:37,330 --> 00:53:38,320
I do some poetry.

1335
00:53:38,320 --> 00:53:41,500
But now, I'm just
concentrating on the book,

1336
00:53:41,500 --> 00:53:43,360
because I want to
finish it before I die.

1337
00:53:43,360 --> 00:53:45,850
We lost two friends and I
said, who knows who's next?

1338
00:53:45,850 --> 00:53:48,010
I just want to put that down.

1339
00:53:48,010 --> 00:53:51,450
And in fact, I'm not even
editing anything now.

1340
00:53:51,450 --> 00:53:53,770
I'm doing it, leaving the--

1341
00:53:53,770 --> 00:53:56,600
I get some critiques in
school or my teacher looks at,

1342
00:53:56,600 --> 00:53:57,100
you know.

1343
00:53:57,100 --> 00:53:57,940
I leave it.

1344
00:53:57,940 --> 00:54:01,120
I just keep writing, because
one day if I'm not around,

1345
00:54:01,120 --> 00:54:02,620

somebody can edit it.

1346
00:54:02,620 --> 00:54:06,130
But they can't put it down.

1347
00:54:06,130 --> 00:54:07,780
So you want to write
a book about life.

1348
00:54:07,780 --> 00:54:10,930
Yeah, just generally what life
meant to me, if I have time.

1349
00:54:10,930 --> 00:54:12,940
If not now, I want to
spend a little more time

1350
00:54:12,940 --> 00:54:15,910
with my grandchildren, because
you know before they're all

1351
00:54:15,910 --> 00:54:17,680
out and gone.

1352
00:54:17,680 --> 00:54:19,270
And they don't all live nearby.

1353
00:54:19,270 --> 00:54:21,010
So I have to--

1354
00:54:21,010 --> 00:54:22,840
I mean, they are in
California, but they

1355
00:54:22,840 --> 00:54:24,550
don't live around the corner.

1356
00:54:24,550 --> 00:54:25,890
What else do you want to do?

1357
00:54:25,890 --> 00:54:28,300
Oh, that's about it.

1358
00:54:28,300 --> 00:54:28,840
Travel.

1359
00:54:28,840 --> 00:54:30,520
I love to travel.

1360
00:54:30,520 --> 00:54:31,480
And I do.

1361
00:54:31,480 --> 00:54:32,480
I love it.

1362
00:54:32,480 --> 00:54:33,830
I just love to go places.

1363
00:54:33,830 --> 00:54:35,980
And it doesn't have
to be luxury either.

1364
00:54:35,980 --> 00:54:36,890
See what I'm saying.

1365
00:54:36,890 --> 00:54:39,260
I just--

1366
00:54:39,260 --> 00:54:40,940
What is it about
it that you love?

1367
00:54:40,940 --> 00:54:43,880
Oh, looking at new things
and learning things.

1368
00:54:43,880 --> 00:54:46,970
And you see, I like tools.

1369
00:54:46,970 --> 00:54:50,900
See, I don't walk so well
right now with my hip.

1370

00:54:50,900 --> 00:54:53,010
I have a thing about surgery.

1371
00:54:53,010 --> 00:54:55,820
So I would never have my
hip replaced even if I'm--

1372
00:54:55,820 --> 00:54:59,420
I guess if I'm crawling
on all fours, I might.

1373
00:54:59,420 --> 00:55:02,240
But it has to come to that--

1374
00:55:02,240 --> 00:55:04,070
or a wheelchair, God forbid.

1375
00:55:04,070 --> 00:55:07,130
But other than that, I'd
rather limp than go in.

1376
00:55:07,130 --> 00:55:13,370
I believe that you die
of-- you can die of--

1377
00:55:13,370 --> 00:55:15,410
OK, I have to explain that.

1378
00:55:15,410 --> 00:55:18,620
My mother was like
me, or I'm like her.

1379
00:55:18,620 --> 00:55:22,760
And she had no time to get
sick and no time for nothing.

1380
00:55:22,760 --> 00:55:28,310
And she had a
benign, when she went

1381
00:55:28,310 --> 00:55:34,730
through the change, a
benign growth in her uterus,

1382
00:55:34,730 --> 00:55:38,600
I guess, and never
did anything about it.

1383
00:55:38,600 --> 00:55:39,990
And everybody
pushed and pushed--

1384
00:55:39,990 --> 00:55:42,423
this is why my children
would never do this to me.

1385
00:55:42,423 --> 00:55:44,090
Everybody said, you
should have it done.

1386
00:55:44,090 --> 00:55:45,090
You should have it done.

1387
00:55:45,090 --> 00:55:47,180
You should have it done it.

1388
00:55:47,180 --> 00:55:48,860
And one day she
said, OK, OK, OK.

1389
00:55:48,860 --> 00:55:51,020
You know, she had
hemorrhoids all the time

1390
00:55:51,020 --> 00:55:53,390
and couldn't even go
places because she always

1391
00:55:53,390 --> 00:55:57,320
had to travel with her own
little towel to sit on.

1392
00:55:57,320 --> 00:55:58,620
And my father was always sick.

1393

00:55:58,620 --> 00:56:00,270

So she said, I have
no time to be sick.

1394

00:56:00,270 --> 00:56:01,645

She went and had
it done and died

1395

00:56:01,645 --> 00:56:05,420

two days later of an
embolism in the lung.

1396

00:56:05,420 --> 00:56:07,040

It was benign.

1397

00:56:07,040 --> 00:56:09,000

There was nothing
wrong with her.

1398

00:56:09,000 --> 00:56:09,500

What?

1399

00:56:09,500 --> 00:56:12,170

Something went wrong.

1400

00:56:12,170 --> 00:56:14,480

And I promised my
father at the time,

1401

00:56:14,480 --> 00:56:17,720

I will never have surgery
if I don't need to.

1402

00:56:17,720 --> 00:56:20,630

If I need to, I can't help it.

1403

00:56:20,630 --> 00:56:24,140

And I have this thing, which I
know is not very intelligent.

1404

00:56:24,140 --> 00:56:26,210

But I just won't go.

1405

00:56:26,210 --> 00:56:28,740

And I mean, I'm in
pain, which is fine.

1406

00:56:28,740 --> 00:56:29,540

I can take it.

1407

00:56:29,540 --> 00:56:30,950

I just won't go.

1408

00:56:30,950 --> 00:56:33,260

And especially, now
every time I'm ready

1409

00:56:33,260 --> 00:56:35,490

and I said, this is stupid
and this doesn't happen

1410

00:56:35,490 --> 00:56:38,640

and nowadays it's 40 years,
it doesn't happen anymore.

1411

00:56:38,640 --> 00:56:40,550

My mother missed out
on a lot of stuff.

1412

00:56:40,550 --> 00:56:42,110

She could have maybe--

1413

00:56:42,110 --> 00:56:45,115

the last few years, you
know, she was only 56--

1414

00:56:45,115 --> 00:56:46,490

she could have
enjoyed something.

1415

00:56:46,490 --> 00:56:48,020

And she would have.

1416

00:56:48,020 --> 00:56:52,967

I mean time took care

of a lot of pain too.

1417
00:56:52,967 --> 00:56:54,050
And then she had the kids.

1418
00:56:54,050 --> 00:56:55,550
She could have seen
them growing up.

1419
00:56:55,550 --> 00:56:58,430
And that would have made
up for a lot of stuff.

1420
00:56:58,430 --> 00:57:05,510
But every time I say, you know,
this is stupid, I should go--

1421
00:57:05,510 --> 00:57:10,280
friend of mine had, I
think, knee surgery.

1422
00:57:10,280 --> 00:57:12,050
Something went wrong
with the anesthetic.

1423
00:57:12,050 --> 00:57:15,200
And he doesn't speak,
can't speak anymore.

1424
00:57:15,200 --> 00:57:16,970
His knee is fine.

1425
00:57:16,970 --> 00:57:20,030
The other one had a
stroke while they operate.

1426
00:57:20,030 --> 00:57:21,500
So I said, you know what?

1427
00:57:21,500 --> 00:57:23,750
I'll die a natural
death whenever that is.

1428

00:57:23,750 --> 00:57:25,070

It's too dangerous, huh?

1429

00:57:25,070 --> 00:57:26,420

I am not going.

1430

00:57:26,420 --> 00:57:27,950

And everybody says, you're nuts.

1431

00:57:27,950 --> 00:57:29,370

You're such an
intelligent person.

1432

00:57:29,370 --> 00:57:30,037

But you're nuts.

1433

00:57:30,037 --> 00:57:35,000

So I'm nuts, as long as I
can limp around is fine.

1434

00:57:35,000 --> 00:57:39,890

But that's why I'm saying,
I like to go on tours.

1435

00:57:39,890 --> 00:57:41,210

See, we went on cruises.

1436

00:57:41,210 --> 00:57:44,240

But, you know, I'm not
too friendly with cruises,

1437

00:57:44,240 --> 00:57:46,610

unless they stop in a
different port every day,

1438

00:57:46,610 --> 00:57:48,500

every day out,
out, out, out, out.

1439

00:57:48,500 --> 00:57:52,760

But people who sit in a
chair on the water, I'm too--

1440
00:57:52,760 --> 00:57:53,810
You like to move.

1441
00:57:53,810 --> 00:57:58,110
Yeah, I'm too too
hyper for that to sit.

1442
00:57:58,110 --> 00:58:01,130
What do you think
the conversation

1443
00:58:01,130 --> 00:58:05,330
with other people who have gone
through similar experiences has

1444
00:58:05,330 --> 00:58:08,930
done to your
recollections of the past?

1445
00:58:08,930 --> 00:58:10,310
People like me?

1446
00:58:10,310 --> 00:58:11,090
None.

1447
00:58:11,090 --> 00:58:13,400
Because I have my own.

1448
00:58:13,400 --> 00:58:17,250
Every one of us every one of
us has a little different.

1449
00:58:17,250 --> 00:58:18,780
Laurie is a good friend of mine.

1450
00:58:18,780 --> 00:58:21,510
She was on a
Kindertransport to England.

1451
00:58:21,510 --> 00:58:24,110
I did not experience that.

1452
00:58:24,110 --> 00:58:26,960
People that I visit
with now who--

1453
00:58:26,960 --> 00:58:31,400
we remember things, but my
recollection has always been--

1454
00:58:31,400 --> 00:58:33,300
I've been keeping
it up on purpose.

1455
00:58:33,300 --> 00:58:35,900
I mean, I have worked on it.

1456
00:58:35,900 --> 00:58:38,475
So I don't need anybody--

1457
00:58:38,475 --> 00:58:40,760
You wrote it down because--

1458
00:58:40,760 --> 00:58:41,510
I wanted to--

1459
00:58:41,510 --> 00:58:42,410
To capture it?

1460
00:58:42,410 --> 00:58:43,160
Yeah.

1461
00:58:43,160 --> 00:58:46,285
I wanted to remember.

1462
00:58:46,285 --> 00:58:48,410
And then when I have a
little more time-- you know,

1463
00:58:48,410 --> 00:58:50,540
first I have to work all
the time, so I could.

1464

00:58:50,540 --> 00:58:51,950

But even then I did.

1465

00:58:51,950 --> 00:58:54,920

I wrote-- it started
out basically

1466

00:58:54,920 --> 00:58:56,780

where I wrote these letters.

1467

00:58:56,780 --> 00:58:58,580

When we first came
to this country,

1468

00:58:58,580 --> 00:59:01,460

I wrote letters to
my friends in Chile.

1469

00:59:01,460 --> 00:59:04,520

And they always said,
oh, Marion sent a book.

1470

00:59:04,520 --> 00:59:06,740

They say, oh, we got
a book from Marion.

1471

00:59:06,740 --> 00:59:10,460

11 pages, 12 pages,
typewritten, Marion sen a book.

1472

00:59:10,460 --> 00:59:12,470

So I kept, of
course, copies of it.

1473

00:59:12,470 --> 00:59:14,320

And reading them, I
said, you know what?

1474

00:59:14,320 --> 00:59:16,340

This is my entire
life in America.

1475

00:59:16,340 --> 00:59:19,610

You know I should take the
same thing, change the names

1476

00:59:19,610 --> 00:59:21,450

and print it.

1477

00:59:21,450 --> 00:59:22,970

And then I said,
I should go back.

1478

00:59:22,970 --> 00:59:24,200

What made us go to Chile?

1479

00:59:24,200 --> 00:59:28,370

And then the kids started asking
questions, the little ones,

1480

00:59:28,370 --> 00:59:29,900

you know.

1481

00:59:29,900 --> 00:59:34,340

And there's so many things that
you write down that happened.

1482

00:59:34,340 --> 00:59:38,380

Oh god, I mean
have a funny style.

1483

00:59:38,380 --> 00:59:39,800

I write like I talk.

1484

00:59:39,800 --> 00:59:43,340

1485

00:59:43,340 --> 00:59:45,410

And I said I should
give this to the kids.

1486

00:59:45,410 --> 00:59:46,365

And I did.

1487

00:59:46,365 --> 00:59:47,240
That's how I started.

1488
00:59:47,240 --> 00:59:49,220
I gave them some copies
of these letters.

1489
00:59:49,220 --> 00:59:51,128
I said, one day, if
you have time, read it.

1490
00:59:51,128 --> 00:59:52,920
That's what we did when
we first came here,

1491
00:59:52,920 --> 00:59:54,530
how we decided
where to buy a house

1492
00:59:54,530 --> 00:59:57,470
or how we decided
to go to work or how

1493
00:59:57,470 --> 00:59:59,210
was it, like you just asked me.

1494
00:59:59,210 --> 01:00:01,400
And I said, you know,
they might want to know.

1495
01:00:01,400 --> 01:00:03,740
They knew what we
did, but they don't

1496
01:00:03,740 --> 01:00:08,760
know what went through my mind
and what we thought of doing.

1497
01:00:08,760 --> 01:00:12,860
And they always felt, you
know, I'm the pushy one.

1498
01:00:12,860 --> 01:00:14,480

You know, I'm the engine.

1499
01:00:14,480 --> 01:00:15,710
And Kurt just follows.

1500
01:00:15,710 --> 01:00:17,120
And that it's not so.

1501
01:00:17,120 --> 01:00:22,580
He is just not as
lively or as expressive.

1502
01:00:22,580 --> 01:00:25,610
But he knows exactly
what he wants to do.

1503
01:00:25,610 --> 01:00:29,780
And I wanted to defend
myself and say to the kids,

1504
01:00:29,780 --> 01:00:33,440
you know what, it wasn't all
my idea, good or bad, you know.

1505
01:00:33,440 --> 01:00:36,470
He had some too.

1506
01:00:36,470 --> 01:00:38,810
Marion, do you think that
this could happen again?

1507
01:00:38,810 --> 01:00:40,040
No.

1508
01:00:40,040 --> 01:00:41,580
I really don't.

1509
01:00:41,580 --> 01:00:42,500
And I tell you why.

1510
01:00:42,500 --> 01:00:44,840
We just said that before.

1511
01:00:44,840 --> 01:00:50,390
There is too much
communication nowadays.

1512
01:00:50,390 --> 01:00:54,590
There is no way that--
unless the whole world goes--

1513
01:00:54,590 --> 01:00:55,970
I mean, we have it.

1514
01:00:55,970 --> 01:00:59,030
We know what goes on in Bosnia.

1515
01:00:59,030 --> 01:01:01,610
And whether we do something
about it or not-- we,

1516
01:01:01,610 --> 01:01:04,130
meaning America-- is
a different story.

1517
01:01:04,130 --> 01:01:07,250
But that it happens
again without anybody

1518
01:01:07,250 --> 01:01:11,090
knowing, not anybody doing
anything, anybody knowing,

1519
01:01:11,090 --> 01:01:11,900
I don't think.

1520
01:01:11,900 --> 01:01:14,600
There is just no way it can
happen without anybody knowing.

1521
01:01:14,600 --> 01:01:18,480
Now comes the question, would
anybody do something about it?

1522

01:01:18,480 --> 01:01:22,070
And I do hope they would.

1523
01:01:22,070 --> 01:01:24,770
Unless you have these
total crazies who say

1524
01:01:24,770 --> 01:01:28,940
it never happened for
their own reasons, no.

1525
01:01:28,940 --> 01:01:32,270
I think that it
is too immediate,

1526
01:01:32,270 --> 01:01:38,180
the communication is
too immediate to--

1527
01:01:38,180 --> 01:01:42,320
whether to do it hiding
away, that, all these things

1528
01:01:42,320 --> 01:01:44,420
could have happened and
nobody knew about it,

1529
01:01:44,420 --> 01:01:46,730
or didn't believe it.

1530
01:01:46,730 --> 01:01:49,490
See, people knew,
Mr Roosevelt knew.

1531
01:01:49,490 --> 01:01:51,200
He was informed of
what was happening.

1532
01:01:51,200 --> 01:01:54,170
And he just decided
not to do anything.

1533
01:01:54,170 --> 01:02:00,320

I don't think that nowadays any leader would dare ignore it.

1534
01:02:00,320 --> 01:02:02,540
He might say, like
we do with Iraq,

1535
01:02:02,540 --> 01:02:04,160
we don't know what
to do with him?

1536
01:02:04,160 --> 01:02:08,120
Or can we do anything with him?

1537
01:02:08,120 --> 01:02:14,058
Could he take revenge in some
way that's not convenient?

1538
01:02:14,058 --> 01:02:15,350
You know, does he have the oil?

1539
01:02:15,350 --> 01:02:17,180
I mean there are considerations.

1540
01:02:17,180 --> 01:02:21,740
But that we see it happen again
and we didn't know no, no,

1541
01:02:21,740 --> 01:02:24,660
that I'm convinced of.

1542
01:02:24,660 --> 01:02:28,320
I hope somebody would say
let's just do something

1543
01:02:28,320 --> 01:02:29,490
before he gets too big.

1544
01:02:29,490 --> 01:02:30,990
But see what happens
in the world.

1545

01:02:30,990 --> 01:02:33,210

There's a lot going
on, and we don't always

1546

01:02:33,210 --> 01:02:35,170

do something about it.

1547

01:02:35,170 --> 01:02:37,980

Does it trouble
you when you hear

1548

01:02:37,980 --> 01:02:41,040

about these kinds of
things, in Serbia,

1549

01:02:41,040 --> 01:02:43,830

and we don't do
anything about it?

1550

01:02:43,830 --> 01:02:46,920

I tell you.

1551

01:02:46,920 --> 01:02:49,230

That sounds very
callous, but I'm

1552

01:02:49,230 --> 01:02:50,790

going to be honest with you.

1553

01:02:50,790 --> 01:02:52,860

Yes and no.

1554

01:02:52,860 --> 01:02:55,110

Yes, because it happened to us.

1555

01:02:55,110 --> 01:02:57,900

And, no, because
it happened to us.

1556

01:02:57,900 --> 01:03:01,560

And you say, you know, where
were when it happened to us?

1557

01:03:01,560 --> 01:03:03,660

I wouldn't say, they deserve it.

1558

01:03:03,660 --> 01:03:04,410

I don't say that.

1559

01:03:04,410 --> 01:03:06,270

Some of these Ustasha, you know.

1560

01:03:06,270 --> 01:03:09,600

But, again, again, again,

I should correct this.

1561

01:03:09,600 --> 01:03:13,170

The old ones are gone.

1562

01:03:13,170 --> 01:03:15,960

The 97-years-old and

the 95-year-olds,

1563

01:03:15,960 --> 01:03:18,250

who were the ones, are gone.

1564

01:03:18,250 --> 01:03:22,860

So we are now talking about the

ones who were maybe 20 or 30,

1565

01:03:22,860 --> 01:03:27,100

they might, some of them,

don't deserve any better.

1566

01:03:27,100 --> 01:03:30,440

But then you have

the ones who are new,

1567

01:03:30,440 --> 01:03:34,710

who have nothing to do with

anything, no, I don't think.

1568

01:03:34,710 --> 01:03:36,045

But you have a certain--

1569

01:03:36,045 --> 01:03:40,650

1570

01:03:40,650 --> 01:03:43,170

oh, it depends on the
mood you're in too.

1571

01:03:43,170 --> 01:03:44,130

I tell you the truth--

1572

01:03:44,130 --> 01:03:47,732

1573

01:03:47,732 --> 01:03:49,190

where you would
say, you know what?

1574

01:03:49,190 --> 01:03:52,070

It happened to us, nobody cared.

1575

01:03:52,070 --> 01:03:53,390

Didn't bring my parents back.

1576

01:03:53,390 --> 01:03:54,620

Didn't bring my grandparents.

1577

01:03:54,620 --> 01:03:58,520

I lived without cousins,
which, of course, is not

1578

01:03:58,520 --> 01:04:00,980

a very nice thing to say.

1579

01:04:00,980 --> 01:04:03,920

And then other times you
say, why is this happening?

1580

01:04:03,920 --> 01:04:04,850

Don't they enough?

1581

01:04:04,850 --> 01:04:07,070

I mean, didn't we
show them that.

1582
01:04:07,070 --> 01:04:09,440
But then you go back
in history, you know,

1583
01:04:09,440 --> 01:04:12,790
and you have the crusades
and the Inquisition.

1584
01:04:12,790 --> 01:04:16,250
There's always somebody
wanting something

1585
01:04:16,250 --> 01:04:19,257
that the others
have or don't have.

1586
01:04:19,257 --> 01:04:21,590
I don't think there will ever
be any peace in the world.

1587
01:04:21,590 --> 01:04:22,450
You don't?

1588
01:04:22,450 --> 01:04:22,950
No.

1589
01:04:22,950 --> 01:04:26,090
As long as there's envy and--

1590
01:04:26,090 --> 01:04:29,020
and envy, envy, most of it--

1591
01:04:29,020 --> 01:04:33,410
as long as that feeling
is in human beings, envy,

1592
01:04:33,410 --> 01:04:34,340
you'll never get it.

1593

01:04:34,340 --> 01:04:38,330
It's envy from the poor to the
rich, or angry from the Black

1594
01:04:38,330 --> 01:04:41,150
to the white, or envy from
the ones who can speak

1595
01:04:41,150 --> 01:04:42,980
and the other ones
who don't, or envy

1596
01:04:42,980 --> 01:04:44,220
for the sick to the healthy.

1597
01:04:44,220 --> 01:04:46,880
There's always somebody
who's going to want something

1598
01:04:46,880 --> 01:04:48,170
that the other one have.

1599
01:04:48,170 --> 01:04:52,880
You sound like you got
sensitized to envy in Chile?

1600
01:04:52,880 --> 01:04:54,120
No.

1601
01:04:54,120 --> 01:04:54,620
No?

1602
01:04:54,620 --> 01:04:59,300
No, because I tell you,
we were doing very well.

1603
01:04:59,300 --> 01:05:05,550
But I just felt, I always felt
that this envy is in a person.

1604
01:05:05,550 --> 01:05:10,580
And had maids there or workers.

1605

01:05:10,580 --> 01:05:14,540

The worker, to the
point-- let me tell you.

1606

01:05:14,540 --> 01:05:17,480

And this is where maybe
we, meaning Kurt and I

1607

01:05:17,480 --> 01:05:18,980

differ from other people--

1608

01:05:18,980 --> 01:05:23,330

we have a manufacturing plant--

1609

01:05:23,330 --> 01:05:24,590

I mean you call that a plant.

1610

01:05:24,590 --> 01:05:26,090

It's not what you
call a plant here.

1611

01:05:26,090 --> 01:05:28,580

But it was a
manufacturing thing--

1612

01:05:28,580 --> 01:05:30,650

of leather goods.

1613

01:05:30,650 --> 01:05:35,690

And he employed,
oh, 25, 38 people.

1614

01:05:35,690 --> 01:05:39,230

He went to work
like you would say

1615

01:05:39,230 --> 01:05:48,350

from here to Mission District,
Tenderloin, industrial area.

1616

01:05:48,350 --> 01:05:53,270

He would leave his car two

blocks away from the factory.

1617
01:05:53,270 --> 01:05:56,570
The people knew, these guys
knew that he came in a car.

1618
01:05:56,570 --> 01:05:58,410
There was no streetcar.

1619
01:05:58,410 --> 01:06:01,760
But he just felt they
are taking the streetcar,

1620
01:06:01,760 --> 01:06:05,060
hanging onto it like grapes.

1621
01:06:05,060 --> 01:06:10,400
Or he would never
show up at work--

1622
01:06:10,400 --> 01:06:11,630
and they got paid.

1623
01:06:11,630 --> 01:06:13,910
I mean, these people
didn't work for nothing.

1624
01:06:13,910 --> 01:06:16,010
They got paid.

1625
01:06:16,010 --> 01:06:18,543
He would never show
up in a new suit.

1626
01:06:18,543 --> 01:06:20,394
In a new suit?

1627
01:06:20,394 --> 01:06:25,280
No, he would wear the old
one, because there was always

1628
01:06:25,280 --> 01:06:28,250

this thing where you said--

1629

01:06:28,250 --> 01:06:29,450
we figured it out one time.

1630

01:06:29,450 --> 01:06:32,150
He had a partner, Kurt,
a Czechoslovakian,

1631

01:06:32,150 --> 01:06:34,820
also an immigrant.

1632

01:06:34,820 --> 01:06:37,850
Between-- and these people, I
have to say this sounds funny

1633

01:06:37,850 --> 01:06:40,760
and you're taping it--

1634

01:06:40,760 --> 01:06:48,320
they got paid a normal
salary, not less and not more,

1635

01:06:48,320 --> 01:06:53,060
no, not minimum wage, like
you would say a normal salary.

1636

01:06:53,060 --> 01:06:57,560
What Kurt and his partner
took out every week

1637

01:06:57,560 --> 01:07:02,180
was exactly the same that 20
of them took out altogether.

1638

01:07:02,180 --> 01:07:05,150
That is what the difference was.

1639

01:07:05,150 --> 01:07:10,423
And we always felt
this is just not right.

1640

01:07:10,423 --> 01:07:12,590
But on the other hand, you
could have hardly-- let's

1641
01:07:12,590 --> 01:07:17,330
say the salary was, just to
give a number, \$20 a day,

1642
01:07:17,330 --> 01:07:18,600
10, whatever.

1643
01:07:18,600 --> 01:07:20,780
You couldn't say, I'm
going to pay mine \$40.

1644
01:07:20,780 --> 01:07:23,420
I mean you would
be out of business.

1645
01:07:23,420 --> 01:07:24,590
You see what I'm saying?

1646
01:07:24,590 --> 01:07:26,352
You couldn't say,
I don't like this.

1647
01:07:26,352 --> 01:07:27,560
I'm going to pay them double.

1648
01:07:27,560 --> 01:07:28,130
OK?

1649
01:07:28,130 --> 01:07:30,170
Whatever hunt back you
made, you could sell it

1650
01:07:30,170 --> 01:07:33,200
because this would be six times
as expensive as the labor.

1651
01:07:33,200 --> 01:07:37,440
So you lived with this,
and you always felt guilty.

1652
01:07:37,440 --> 01:07:39,950
And when we decided to leave,
I said to him, you know,

1653
01:07:39,950 --> 01:07:42,350
this is just not a
normal situation.

1654
01:07:42,350 --> 01:07:46,010
And these communists, they
came, not as a revolution.

1655
01:07:46,010 --> 01:07:49,760
They were voted because of this
difference was so enormous.

1656
01:07:49,760 --> 01:07:51,000
And you saw it.

1657
01:07:51,000 --> 01:07:53,000
And you didn't say, who cares?

1658
01:07:53,000 --> 01:07:55,070
We didn't say who cares.

1659
01:07:55,070 --> 01:07:57,080
And we didn't say they
don't deserve any better.

1660
01:07:57,080 --> 01:07:58,460
Why not?

1661
01:07:58,460 --> 01:08:00,440
But you couldn't do
anything about it,

1662
01:08:00,440 --> 01:08:02,690
because, oh, yes, you
could maybe give them

1663
01:08:02,690 --> 01:08:03,980

\$1 more than the others.

1664
01:08:03,980 --> 01:08:07,640
But that was the limit of
your business decision.

1665
01:08:07,640 --> 01:08:10,955

1666
01:08:10,955 --> 01:08:17,390
So I was always aware of this
envy in people, you know.

1667
01:08:17,390 --> 01:08:19,729
I mean, you know, I envied
anybody who had a mother.

1668
01:08:19,729 --> 01:08:22,609
For years, I couldn't talk to
my friends who had a mother.

1669
01:08:22,609 --> 01:08:23,952
I was just-- I said I can't--

1670
01:08:23,952 --> 01:08:25,910
or they would say something
about their mother.

1671
01:08:25,910 --> 01:08:27,370
Oh, my God, my mother--

1672
01:08:27,370 --> 01:08:28,939
I just couldn't hear it.

1673
01:08:28,939 --> 01:08:33,890
But envy is a normal
feeling that everybody has.

1674
01:08:33,890 --> 01:08:36,380
And when you see this
coming in a country,

1675

01:08:36,380 --> 01:08:39,859
we just felt this
is just can't last.

1676
01:08:39,859 --> 01:08:40,640
But it lasted.

1677
01:08:40,640 --> 01:08:43,399
They are getting a
lot better paid now.

1678
01:08:43,399 --> 01:08:45,140
They have social laws now.

1679
01:08:45,140 --> 01:08:47,770
They have social security.

1680
01:08:47,770 --> 01:08:50,470
I mean a lot has
changed for them.

1681
01:08:50,470 --> 01:08:51,520
Economically changed--

1682
01:08:51,520 --> 01:08:53,490
Oh, doing very well.

1683
01:08:53,490 --> 01:08:55,330
And we had maids.

1684
01:08:55,330 --> 01:08:58,359
They loved to work
for Jewish people,

1685
01:08:58,359 --> 01:09:02,080
because we were the only ones
who treated them like people.

1686
01:09:02,080 --> 01:09:05,442
I mean the rich Chileans,
they treated them like slaves.

1687

01:09:05,442 --> 01:09:07,359
They would call from the
second floor and say,

1688
01:09:07,359 --> 01:09:10,029
Maria, Maria, come
pick up my handkerchief

1689
01:09:10,029 --> 01:09:11,920
that had fallen out.

1690
01:09:11,920 --> 01:09:15,010
We never, none of us
ever ever ever did that.

1691
01:09:15,010 --> 01:09:17,920
That's why they love to
work for Jews to this day.

1692
01:09:17,920 --> 01:09:19,210
They love to go--

1693
01:09:19,210 --> 01:09:21,640
and you should see them,
they learn Jewish recipes.

1694
01:09:21,640 --> 01:09:22,779
They cook Jewish.

1695
01:09:22,779 --> 01:09:24,310
You go to some of
the houses, they

1696
01:09:24,310 --> 01:09:26,529
have this maid for six years,
she makes matzah balls.

1697
01:09:26,529 --> 01:09:28,149
She know exactly what--

1698
01:09:28,149 --> 01:09:31,090
they love to work
for Jews, because you

1699
01:09:31,090 --> 01:09:33,010
treat them different.

1700
01:09:33,010 --> 01:09:36,490
But there is something in
the makeup of a country

1701
01:09:36,490 --> 01:09:39,880
that you just see can't last.

1702
01:09:39,880 --> 01:09:41,740
And this is why I
always look-- you know,

1703
01:09:41,740 --> 01:09:44,229
we have an office
in San Francisco.

1704
01:09:44,229 --> 01:09:45,760
And when I go to
the city and you

1705
01:09:45,760 --> 01:09:49,390
see this homeless on
the street, I always

1706
01:09:49,390 --> 01:09:51,970
say, how can this last?

1707
01:09:51,970 --> 01:09:55,210
One of these days, they're
going to get up and fight

1708
01:09:55,210 --> 01:09:56,140
whoever is there.

1709
01:09:56,140 --> 01:10:00,340
Not kill you, or that they
do anyway, or rob you.

1710
01:10:00,340 --> 01:10:01,750

That's not the point.

1711

01:10:01,750 --> 01:10:05,153

If they were organized, somebody
would come and organize them,

1712

01:10:05,153 --> 01:10:06,070

and say you know what?

1713

01:10:06,070 --> 01:10:07,390

You don't deserve to be here.

1714

01:10:07,390 --> 01:10:10,120

Why is she walking
by and doing--

1715

01:10:10,120 --> 01:10:12,520

it takes very little to--

1716

01:10:12,520 --> 01:10:16,180

And when Allende
made that point--

1717

01:10:16,180 --> 01:10:19,660

he was a doctor and a very
educated wealthy man--

1718

01:10:19,660 --> 01:10:22,840

he didn't stir up hatred.

1719

01:10:22,840 --> 01:10:24,670

He just said, what can you lose?

1720

01:10:24,670 --> 01:10:27,370

Can you lose any more than you
have, any less, can you have

1721

01:10:27,370 --> 01:10:28,630

any less than you have now?

1722

01:10:28,630 --> 01:10:29,170

No.

1723
01:10:29,170 --> 01:10:31,150
Can you have a
little more maybe?

1724
01:10:31,150 --> 01:10:32,410
You want to try it?

1725
01:10:32,410 --> 01:10:33,850
That's how they got in.

1726
01:10:33,850 --> 01:10:35,560
They didn't say, oh--

1727
01:10:35,560 --> 01:10:39,220
of course, they got out their
rhetoric and capitalism--

1728
01:10:39,220 --> 01:10:40,147
but all he needed--

1729
01:10:40,147 --> 01:10:41,230
Was a very simple message.

1730
01:10:41,230 --> 01:10:42,610
Very.

1731
01:10:42,610 --> 01:10:47,320
He could just say
to them, can you

1732
01:10:47,320 --> 01:10:48,820
be any worse off than you are?

1733
01:10:48,820 --> 01:10:50,470
No?

1734
01:10:50,470 --> 01:10:51,550
You are already hungry.

1735
01:10:51,550 --> 01:10:53,590

You have no clothes.

1736

01:10:53,590 --> 01:10:55,390

You live in a hut.

1737

01:10:55,390 --> 01:10:56,860

Can you be any worse?

1738

01:10:56,860 --> 01:10:58,190

Try me.

1739

01:10:58,190 --> 01:10:59,590

And they did.

1740

01:10:59,590 --> 01:11:01,780

And if it hadn't
been for America,

1741

01:11:01,780 --> 01:11:04,930

he might not have been
so bad for the country.

1742

01:11:04,930 --> 01:11:07,010

But these were
political decisions.

1743

01:11:07,010 --> 01:11:10,540

So we put Mr Pinochet in, who
was very good for the country.

1744

01:11:10,540 --> 01:11:11,650

But then he killed--

1745

01:11:11,650 --> 01:11:12,820

and now they have him there.

1746

01:11:12,820 --> 01:11:16,150

Nothing's going to
happen to him, but--

1747

01:11:16,150 --> 01:11:19,630

Maybe he'll sweat

for a few days.

1748

01:11:19,630 --> 01:11:24,250

He was the only one who helped
the British against Argentina

1749

01:11:24,250 --> 01:11:26,942

in that famous Falkland war.

1750

01:11:26,942 --> 01:11:28,900

The British are not going
to do a single thing.

1751

01:11:28,900 --> 01:11:33,400

And Spain can't get them if the
English don't extradite him.

1752

01:11:33,400 --> 01:11:36,010

1753

01:11:36,010 --> 01:11:39,970

But I mean this is also a--

1754

01:11:39,970 --> 01:11:45,145

and this sounds
not very generous--

1755

01:11:45,145 --> 01:11:46,240

are we done?

1756

01:11:46,240 --> 01:11:48,520

No.

1757

01:11:48,520 --> 01:11:50,620

He had no choice.

1758

01:11:50,620 --> 01:11:53,200

Mr. Pinochet got in--

1759

01:11:53,200 --> 01:11:57,730

we here, Americans,
put him in there.

1760
01:11:57,730 --> 01:12:01,330
This was a coup that
was helped by us here.

1761
01:12:01,330 --> 01:12:02,080
He got in.

1762
01:12:02,080 --> 01:12:04,270
He had to get rid
of these people.

1763
01:12:04,270 --> 01:12:06,550
And I'm not saying
this is right.

1764
01:12:06,550 --> 01:12:07,360
He had to.

1765
01:12:07,360 --> 01:12:08,470
So they disappeared.

1766
01:12:08,470 --> 01:12:09,850
Yeah, they did.

1767
01:12:09,850 --> 01:12:10,600
And he killed him.

1768
01:12:10,600 --> 01:12:12,020
Yes, he did.

1769
01:12:12,020 --> 01:12:15,860
And then he had 17 years
of peace, quiet, freedom--

1770
01:12:15,860 --> 01:12:17,770
freedom up to a certain
point, you know.

1771
01:12:17,770 --> 01:12:20,077
But I mean they are
doing extremely well.

1772
01:12:20,077 --> 01:12:21,160
And look what happens now.

1773
01:12:21,160 --> 01:12:24,220
Now in Chile, they
say poor, let him go.

1774
01:12:24,220 --> 01:12:25,750
They have
demonstrations in favor

1775
01:12:25,750 --> 01:12:27,370
of Mr Pinochet on the street.

1776
01:12:27,370 --> 01:12:30,700

1777
01:12:30,700 --> 01:12:32,860
Of course, the families
of the ones he killed

1778
01:12:32,860 --> 01:12:35,290
are not protesting in his favor.

1779
01:12:35,290 --> 01:12:37,330
Of course not.

1780
01:12:37,330 --> 01:12:39,160
And quite a few were
killed I understand.

1781
01:12:39,160 --> 01:12:41,645
Oh, yeah, I think 10 or 15,000.

1782
01:12:41,645 --> 01:12:42,520
And they disappeared.

1783
01:12:42,520 --> 01:12:43,600
I mean they really did.

1784

01:12:43,600 --> 01:12:44,620
They just were gone.

1785
01:12:44,620 --> 01:12:47,320
And I have friends,
Chilean friends,

1786
01:12:47,320 --> 01:12:49,120
I mean people that
I knew from my boss,

1787
01:12:49,120 --> 01:12:51,130
where they disappeared.

1788
01:12:51,130 --> 01:12:52,260
And I know who they were.

1789
01:12:52,260 --> 01:12:55,590
I mean people that have
a name and a surname.

1790
01:12:55,590 --> 01:12:56,090
Yes.

1791
01:12:56,090 --> 01:12:56,590
Yes.

1792
01:12:56,590 --> 01:12:57,860
Yes.

1793
01:12:57,860 --> 01:12:59,530
But then you have
these movements.

1794
01:12:59,530 --> 01:13:05,035
And I mean, either it's a war,
or it's something happens.

1795
01:13:05,035 --> 01:13:08,570

1796
01:13:08,570 --> 01:13:11,750

In general, I mean,
Chile at this point

1797
01:13:11,750 --> 01:13:16,480
is doing better than ever.

1798
01:13:16,480 --> 01:13:18,850
Also, the poor ones, they're--

1799
01:13:18,850 --> 01:13:20,980
our people always move up.

1800
01:13:20,980 --> 01:13:21,650
But I mean--

1801
01:13:21,650 --> 01:13:27,030

1802
01:13:27,030 --> 01:13:30,440
On behalf of the Holocaust
Oral History Project,

1803
01:13:30,440 --> 01:13:36,650
I want to thank you profoundly
for your wonderful story

1804
01:13:36,650 --> 01:13:42,730
and for your lively, energetic
way of dealing with the world.

1805
01:13:42,730 --> 01:13:43,550
Yeah, thank you.

1806
01:13:43,550 --> 01:13:45,210
It's been a pleasure.

1807
01:13:45,210 --> 01:13:47,520
Thanks for having me.

1808
01:13:47,520 --> 01:13:48,376
Thank you.

1809

01:13:48,376 --> 01:13:50,383

Thank you.

1810

01:13:50,383 --> 01:13:51,550

We will put the pictures up.

1811

01:13:51,550 --> 01:13:54,380

OK, these are my grandparents.

1812

01:13:54,380 --> 01:13:57,890

This is Gertrude and Max

Jacoby And that picture

1813

01:13:57,890 --> 01:14:00,770

was taken after we

left they sent us that.

1814

01:14:00,770 --> 01:14:03,680

And it had a writing, which
got destroyed over the years,

1815

01:14:03,680 --> 01:14:07,970

and it said, welcome

to us in Chile.

1816

01:14:07,970 --> 01:14:13,010

And my grandmother has this
sad expression in her face.

1817

01:14:13,010 --> 01:14:13,940

I mean it's just--

1818

01:14:13,940 --> 01:14:19,890

1819

01:14:19,890 --> 01:14:21,540

that's it.

1820

01:14:21,540 --> 01:14:23,790

This is my mother and my father.

1821

01:14:23,790 --> 01:14:33,870
And these pictures were taken
in Chile, oh, maybe in 1945.

1822
01:14:33,870 --> 01:14:36,900
And his must be from '52.

1823
01:14:36,900 --> 01:14:39,750
His I remember was
a passport pictures.

1824
01:14:39,750 --> 01:14:42,780
And hers, I guess
they, you know--

1825
01:14:42,780 --> 01:14:45,150
yeah, '45, I would think.

1826
01:14:45,150 --> 01:14:47,190
And my mother always
looked like this.

1827
01:14:47,190 --> 01:14:51,700
She always looked sort
of pained, I think.

1828
01:14:51,700 --> 01:14:59,010

1829
01:14:59,010 --> 01:15:01,290
And I'm wearing
necklace she has.

1830
01:15:01,290 --> 01:15:03,261
And I have that and I wear it.

1831
01:15:03,261 --> 01:15:09,384

1832
01:15:09,384 --> 01:15:13,630
This is leaving Chile in 1963.

1833

01:15:13,630 --> 01:15:17,860
We are on the ladder to go
up to Aerolineas Peruanas.

1834
01:15:17,860 --> 01:15:23,470
That took us from Santiago to
America on the way via Mexico.

1835
01:15:23,470 --> 01:15:28,510
And that was '63.

1836
01:15:28,510 --> 01:15:33,290
This is us and
our five children.

1837
01:15:33,290 --> 01:15:35,930
This book, which is
a memorial book that

1838
01:15:35,930 --> 01:15:44,750
lists the names of 55,969 Jewish
victims from Berlin alone,

1839
01:15:44,750 --> 01:15:47,270
these are who were killed.

1840
01:15:47,270 --> 01:15:51,560
It has typical German fashion,
the name, the birth date,

1841
01:15:51,560 --> 01:15:55,520
the street where they
lived, when they were taken,

1842
01:15:55,520 --> 01:15:58,340
the transport number, and what
happened to them, where they

1843
01:15:58,340 --> 01:15:59,750
took them and what happened.

1844
01:15:59,750 --> 01:16:02,720
And my grandparents

are on this page.

1845
01:16:02,720 --> 01:16:06,140
They had these other letters
that they sent before they

1846
01:16:06,140 --> 01:16:07,890
were taken, still from Berlin.

1847
01:16:07,890 --> 01:16:09,950
They are opened by the censor.

1848
01:16:09,950 --> 01:16:13,310
My grandmother had
to sign Gertrude Sara

1849
01:16:13,310 --> 01:16:16,340
Jacoby, because every Jewish
woman was called Sara.

1850
01:16:16,340 --> 01:16:18,320
And this is how she's in here.

1851
01:16:18,320 --> 01:16:24,060
And my grandfather's sender name
was Max and then Israel Jacoby.

1852
01:16:24,060 --> 01:16:27,020
And it says here,
Jagostrasse 4, which

1853
01:16:27,020 --> 01:16:28,670
is the street they
lived on, which

1854
01:16:28,670 --> 01:16:31,670
is exactly the street that
is listed on these books.

1855
01:16:31,670 --> 01:16:33,210
There are hundreds of Jacobys.

1856

01:16:33,210 --> 01:16:35,240

But they are very
clearly identified.

1857

01:16:35,240 --> 01:16:39,340

1858

01:16:39,340 --> 01:16:43,300

Of letters, it's an old
box-- oops, of letters.

1859

01:16:43,300 --> 01:16:45,340

I'll get them.

1860

01:16:45,340 --> 01:16:48,070

That has the letters
of my grandparents

1861

01:16:48,070 --> 01:16:52,150

who stayed in Germany and were
killed, sent to my parents.

1862

01:16:52,150 --> 01:16:53,260

They are numbered.

1863

01:16:53,260 --> 01:16:55,630

My mother numbered every letter.

1864

01:16:55,630 --> 01:17:00,430

They go from 1939 to '42
when they were taken,

1865

01:17:00,430 --> 01:17:01,930

I mean deported.

1866

01:17:01,930 --> 01:17:04,630

And the sad part
of these letters

1867

01:17:04,630 --> 01:17:07,780

is that one can tell
when you read them

1868

01:17:07,780 --> 01:17:14,020

from where they were hoping
to get out to the loss of hope

1869

01:17:14,020 --> 01:17:16,270

and desperation in the letters.

1870

01:17:16,270 --> 01:17:19,420

The last ones are almost
impossible to read.

1871

01:17:19,420 --> 01:17:22,300

They are so sad
and so desperate.

1872

01:17:22,300 --> 01:17:26,920

So I keep them because it
explains to me what my mother

1873

01:17:26,920 --> 01:17:28,870

went through when she got them.

1874

01:17:28,870 --> 01:17:33,020

1875

01:17:33,020 --> 01:17:35,390

This piece of paper,
this document,

1876

01:17:35,390 --> 01:17:39,350

says it was issued by Hitler
in the name of the fuhrer.

1877

01:17:39,350 --> 01:17:43,940

And it gives my
father an Iron Cross

1878

01:17:43,940 --> 01:17:46,970

for services as a front soldier.

1879

01:17:46,970 --> 01:17:51,230

This is issued in May of '35,

meaning three years before they

1880
01:17:51,230 --> 01:17:54,980
started deporting the same
people that they honored here

1881
01:17:54,980 --> 01:17:56,630
to concentration camps.

1882
01:17:56,630 --> 01:18:00,620
And this is our, so
to speak, passport.

1883
01:18:00,620 --> 01:18:02,630
It has a J. It's not a passport.

1884
01:18:02,630 --> 01:18:06,300
It says Kennkarte, which
means identification.

1885
01:18:06,300 --> 01:18:10,040
And it is only for moving
around in the city.

1886
01:18:10,040 --> 01:18:11,810
You could not travel with this.

1887
01:18:11,810 --> 01:18:15,140
This was just-- they took
all the passports away.

1888
01:18:15,140 --> 01:18:16,910
So we all had one of those.

1889
01:18:16,910 --> 01:18:20,000
And it says German
Reich, has the date.

1890
01:18:20,000 --> 01:18:22,400
And it says identification card.

1891
01:18:22,400 --> 01:18:24,290

And, of course,
it is signed again

1892
01:18:24,290 --> 01:18:26,020
with the Israel in the middle.

1893
01:18:26,020 --> 01:18:29,020

1894
01:18:29,020 --> 01:18:33,490
My parents had to prepare
of everything that we took.

1895
01:18:33,490 --> 01:18:34,930
It had this as a cover.

1896
01:18:34,930 --> 01:18:38,980
And it says only for
customs purposes.

1897
01:18:38,980 --> 01:18:43,460
My father had to also
sign that he took out--

1898
01:18:43,460 --> 01:18:47,860
know that in this list
there are no value, papers

1899
01:18:47,860 --> 01:18:53,140
of value or jewelry or currency
or anything that could be sold.

1900
01:18:53,140 --> 01:18:56,650
The list is interesting--

1901
01:18:56,650 --> 01:18:58,750
I mean not interesting--

1902
01:18:58,750 --> 01:19:04,750
in that it is the cruelty
of having to do this.

1903

01:19:04,750 --> 01:19:09,490
They said what did you buy
it before '93 or after 1933--

1904
01:19:09,490 --> 01:19:13,100
I'm sorry 1933 or after 1933.

1905
01:19:13,100 --> 01:19:15,280
And it lists every single thing.

1906
01:19:15,280 --> 01:19:18,430
There is here, for
instance, one bread basket.

1907
01:19:18,430 --> 01:19:21,100
And where the
clothing is back here,

1908
01:19:21,100 --> 01:19:28,000
it says two bras, four
handkerchiefs, six underpants.

1909
01:19:28,000 --> 01:19:31,240
I mean they have to
list every single piece.

1910
01:19:31,240 --> 01:19:35,410
And then this German Nazi
officer came to the house

1911
01:19:35,410 --> 01:19:39,190
and checked as we were
packing it against this list

1912
01:19:39,190 --> 01:19:42,340
that everything-- there wasn't
a sock more or a doll more

1913
01:19:42,340 --> 01:19:43,169
or anything.

1914
01:19:43,169 --> 01:19:44,627
Everything had to

be accounted for.

1915

01:19:44,627 --> 01:19:46,100

Everything had to
be accounted for.

1916

01:19:46,100 --> 01:19:50,408

And I mean I'm sure there
wasn't more, rather less

1917

01:19:50,408 --> 01:19:52,450

than what they put there,
because if anybody made

1918

01:19:52,450 --> 01:19:56,912

a mistake, that was reason to
just pick them up and deport

1919

01:19:56,912 --> 01:19:58,120

them or do something to them.

1920

01:19:58,120 --> 01:20:00,287

It wasn't just a little
mistake that they would say,

1921

01:20:00,287 --> 01:20:01,360

correct it.

1922

01:20:01,360 --> 01:20:04,690

And just to see what they must
have gone through by doing

1923

01:20:04,690 --> 01:20:14,490

this, this is 235 things.

1924

01:20:14,490 --> 01:20:18,660

And the last item
is one heating pad.

1925

01:20:18,660 --> 01:20:26,400

And here is one carton with
threads, needles, and ribbons.

1926

01:20:26,400 --> 01:20:32,910

I mean every little thing
had to be accounted for, yes.

1927

01:20:32,910 --> 01:21:34,294