

Did you explore or experience strengthening or loss in your faith in God?

Strengthen, I always believed in God. Yes.

To this day, are you a practicing Jew or a secular Jew?

I'm not exactly. I would say practicing, but not very religious anymore. Not because of the war, it's just that-- I don't know. My kids had Jewish upbringing. They went to Sunday school. And my son was a bar mitzvah. And we are not really religious. I mean, I keep holy holidays and everything, but not like home. No, it's far different-- far different, yes.

Do you feel like people are basically good or evil? I mean, people helped you during the war, but you were surrounded by such evil.

Yeah, you always find, like they say-- I think so, yes, basically, yes.

Basically good?

Yeah, I would say so. It's always a few bad seeds would ruin the whole-- like they say, the whole bunch, like, the whole thing, yes.

Do you think people have the strength to maybe not let this happen again? Do you have faith in people or--

I hope so. I just hope so. You have to hope.

Yeah.

Because if you lose hope, you might as well bury yourself, because hope is very important. And I hope so. Never again.

How was doing the interview for you?

OK. [SOBBING] Just, I'm very sensitive about it. Maybe it comes with age. I don't know. We talk about it, but not much. Whatever was there to talk about, we talked and we try not to forget it, but not to constantly dwell on it. You cannot. You cannot.

Is there anything else you'd like to add to what you said or--

I have really nothing to say, because I don't know what else to say. I just hope, like I said, that never again will something like this happen here or any other place in the world. Because this is a terrible thing. The problem is that some people don't believe that it ever even happened. And this is the bad part of it.

And some people, when we came here out to the United States and you tried to explain, they say, we know, we know. But they really don't know, because you have to live through it. And God forbid everybody that they should have to go through it. It's unhuman is what it was.

Well, we are grateful to hear your story.

You're welcome. You're welcome. I'm sorry. I cried through the whole--

It's OK. It's just part of being human. I guess that's it then. Thank you, Edith.