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00:00:00,000 --> 00:00:56,310

2
00:00:56,310 --> 00:00:58,800
It was.

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00:00:58,800 --> 00:01:00,660
I was something very special.

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00:01:00,660 --> 00:01:03,210
I'm alive, I'm
Jewish, I came back.

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00:01:03,210 --> 00:01:07,200

6
00:01:07,200 --> 00:01:10,300
And of course I knew my husband
and I knew his whole family

7
00:01:10,300 --> 00:01:12,910
from the time I was a child.

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00:01:12,910 --> 00:01:15,960
So I stayed there, and six
weeks later, we got married.

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00:01:15,960 --> 00:01:30,650

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00:01:30,650 --> 00:01:35,220
Go back again to where you
said that Jewish women were

11
00:01:35,220 --> 00:01:37,310
something special.

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00:01:37,310 --> 00:01:42,410
Well you see, what
happened is from our area

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00:01:42,410 --> 00:01:48,800
and from Hungary,
the men inducted

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00:01:48,800 --> 00:01:51,800
to the military services.

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00:01:51,800 --> 00:01:55,170
Instead of sending them
to concentration camp,

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00:01:55,170 --> 00:01:58,880
they had him in a work
camp, just like the army

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00:01:58,880 --> 00:02:02,300
except they had to do
work-- the clean up,

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00:02:02,300 --> 00:02:09,440
the preparation for the
war, they dig the holes

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00:02:09,440 --> 00:02:14,080
for the things and whatever
they were told, they had to do.

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00:02:14,080 --> 00:02:18,950
So when Russia was occupying
that part of the country,

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00:02:18,950 --> 00:02:22,370
these men, or some
of them were freed.

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00:02:22,370 --> 00:02:27,800
Some of them were
taken back to Germany

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00:02:27,800 --> 00:02:30,630
into the concentration camps.

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00:02:30,630 --> 00:02:34,150
But a lot of them escaped, like
my husband and his brother.

25
00:02:34,150 --> 00:02:37,550

26
00:02:37,550 --> 00:02:42,830
But there were no women, no
Jewish women to speak of,

27
00:02:42,830 --> 00:02:45,380
the war still was going
on for a long time.

28
00:02:45,380 --> 00:02:51,140
Like my husband got freed
in '44, months earlier.

29
00:02:51,140 --> 00:02:54,380

30
00:02:54,380 --> 00:02:57,660
The thing was that
they didn't know,

31
00:02:57,660 --> 00:03:00,890
and besides, even
when the war was over,

32
00:03:00,890 --> 00:03:06,020
women were afraid to travel
because in military times

33
00:03:06,020 --> 00:03:08,090
it's a big danger
for women to travel.

34
00:03:08,090 --> 00:03:10,700

35
00:03:10,700 --> 00:03:13,160
It doesn't matter if they

were in a concentration camp

36

00:03:13,160 --> 00:03:19,450

or not, especially when
it came to the Russians.

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00:03:19,450 --> 00:03:27,880

So when I came back, Jewish
women were very special.

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00:03:27,880 --> 00:03:30,550

As far as I was concerned,
I could have gotten

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00:03:30,550 --> 00:03:33,190

married five times a day.

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00:03:33,190 --> 00:03:37,900

Every young man who saw me,
young or old, wanted to get

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00:03:37,900 --> 00:03:39,550

married.

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00:03:39,550 --> 00:03:42,070

First of all, it was
the loss, that everybody

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00:03:42,070 --> 00:03:45,460

felt they lost their
sweetheart or their wives

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00:03:45,460 --> 00:03:53,530

or the whole family, and they
wanted to start a new family.

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00:03:53,530 --> 00:03:55,990

Everybody wants
to have somebody.

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00:03:55,990 --> 00:04:01,370

There is a need in
human beings to belong.

47
00:04:01,370 --> 00:04:05,650
So certainly when
I came back there

48
00:04:05,650 --> 00:04:10,450
were even fights among them that
everybody wants to marry me.

49
00:04:10,450 --> 00:04:12,190
My brother-in-law
said, you're going

50
00:04:12,190 --> 00:04:14,170
to marry one of my brothers.

51
00:04:14,170 --> 00:04:16,480
He said to me, you're
not going to go anyplace.

52
00:04:16,480 --> 00:04:17,480
You're tired.

53
00:04:17,480 --> 00:04:18,250
You're exhausted.

54
00:04:18,250 --> 00:04:18,880
You're hungry.

55
00:04:18,880 --> 00:04:20,079
Stay here.

56
00:04:20,079 --> 00:04:21,519
Why should you go to Romania?

57
00:04:21,519 --> 00:04:23,380
My brother will
go with you there.

58
00:04:23,380 --> 00:04:26,170
He wants to go to Israel too.

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00:04:26,170 --> 00:04:31,000

Anyway, I stayed.

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00:04:31,000 --> 00:04:34,120

I came there on Wednesday and
Saturday night we got engaged.

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00:04:34,120 --> 00:04:36,370

It was that fast.

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00:04:36,370 --> 00:04:39,250

I wasn't in a hurry
to get married,

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00:04:39,250 --> 00:04:44,650

and I didn't want to get
engaged, but I came to a place

64

00:04:44,650 --> 00:04:48,250

that it was a home established.

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00:04:48,250 --> 00:04:54,880

And people I knew who were left,
so it was kind of automatic.

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00:04:54,880 --> 00:04:57,370

I'm not trying to say that I'm
not in love with my husband,

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00:04:57,370 --> 00:05:04,330

I am, but at that time it was
a very sudden type of thing.

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00:05:04,330 --> 00:05:06,910

Anyway, we weren't
going to get married

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00:05:06,910 --> 00:05:09,110

but I didn't want to stay there.

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00:05:09,110 --> 00:05:10,780

We were going to

wait for a while.

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00:05:10,780 --> 00:05:15,520

My husband said if
we travel before we

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00:05:15,520 --> 00:05:17,110

get married, what do you think?

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00:05:17,110 --> 00:05:21,130

Can we afford two
separate rooms in hotels

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00:05:21,130 --> 00:05:22,990

or wherever we are going to go?

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00:05:22,990 --> 00:05:25,460

Why not get married?

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00:05:25,460 --> 00:05:27,100

So we got married.

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00:05:27,100 --> 00:05:29,755

And then we left and
we came to Germany.

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00:05:29,755 --> 00:05:33,490

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00:05:33,490 --> 00:05:34,580

And that was very hard.

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00:05:34,580 --> 00:05:38,740

Again we didn't have money
and I was pregnant already.

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00:05:38,740 --> 00:05:42,010

So because I had to wait
until over the high holidays

82

00:05:42,010 --> 00:05:49,120

to leave there, we left when

the borders were closing.

83

00:05:49,120 --> 00:05:52,870

From the Russians there
were flares going up,

84

00:05:52,870 --> 00:05:55,700

and we're just left with
our clothes on our backs.

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00:05:55,700 --> 00:05:56,873

We had no money.

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00:05:56,873 --> 00:05:58,540

It's not just that
we didn't have money,

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00:05:58,540 --> 00:06:03,550

but they were changing the
money from the Czech money

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00:06:03,550 --> 00:06:05,890

into Russian money.

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00:06:05,890 --> 00:06:07,510

And the same in Hungary.

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00:06:07,510 --> 00:06:12,070

And so even if you had
money, you couldn't use it.

91

00:06:12,070 --> 00:06:14,620

It wasn't any good.

92

00:06:14,620 --> 00:06:16,960

So we were jumping trains.

93

00:06:16,960 --> 00:06:19,030

We went first to Romania.

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00:06:19,030 --> 00:06:23,560

From Romania we went

back to Czechoslovakia

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00:06:23,560 --> 00:06:27,700
to part of Morava.

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00:06:27,700 --> 00:06:30,310

We were jumping when
the soldiers came

97

00:06:30,310 --> 00:06:33,010

to examine the train,
because at every station

98

00:06:33,010 --> 00:06:34,780

we jumped off the train.

99

00:06:34,780 --> 00:06:38,650

Then when the train started
we jumped on the train.

100

00:06:38,650 --> 00:06:43,550

Then in Prague we couldn't even
get into the train station.

101

00:06:43,550 --> 00:06:46,340

I was pregnant about
three months at the time,

102

00:06:46,340 --> 00:06:52,210

and at this point there was
about a group of 10 of us

103

00:06:52,210 --> 00:06:57,160

that met and we were going
to go to the same place.

104

00:06:57,160 --> 00:07:04,420

And we came to Prague,
to the train station,

105

00:07:04,420 --> 00:07:09,553

and there was no way to
get in and they were just

106
00:07:09,553 --> 00:07:11,220
going to turn back
and I said, no, we're

107
00:07:11,220 --> 00:07:12,178
not going to turn back.

108
00:07:12,178 --> 00:07:17,080
I climbed up on a very
high wall, probably

109
00:07:17,080 --> 00:07:22,120
about two stories high, and I
jumped into the train station

110
00:07:22,120 --> 00:07:26,110
and then they all
did it after me.

111
00:07:26,110 --> 00:07:28,960
You could climb up from
one side, from that side,

112
00:07:28,960 --> 00:07:30,760
but you couldn't--

113
00:07:30,760 --> 00:07:32,110
So we jumped.

114
00:07:32,110 --> 00:07:37,000
For sure I thought I'm going
to abort, but I didn't.

115
00:07:37,000 --> 00:07:40,690
It's kind of miraculous
how things happened.

116
00:07:40,690 --> 00:07:49,210
Then we traveled
to Munich, and we

117

00:07:49,210 --> 00:07:52,640
walked between some station--

118
00:07:52,640 --> 00:07:55,300
and I don't remember
exactly where that was--

119
00:07:55,300 --> 00:07:58,480
from Czechoslovakia
to Munich, where

120
00:07:58,480 --> 00:08:03,970
we walked through some
woods where we were again

121
00:08:03,970 --> 00:08:08,380
met by somebody from
the UNRA Jewish agency.

122
00:08:08,380 --> 00:08:12,010
And we were taken to some
shelter and stayed in Munich

123
00:08:12,010 --> 00:08:13,780
a couple of days.

124
00:08:13,780 --> 00:08:19,900
And then we were sent to--

125
00:08:19,900 --> 00:08:22,390
Most of the camps
were filled up by them

126
00:08:22,390 --> 00:08:25,410
from the people that
were established.

127
00:08:25,410 --> 00:08:26,560
DP camps.

128
00:08:26,560 --> 00:08:27,340
The DP camps.

129

00:08:27,340 --> 00:08:31,070

So they send us to a kibbutz
which we wanted to go,

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00:08:31,070 --> 00:08:32,260

we asked for one.

131

00:08:32,260 --> 00:08:37,539

And we went to
Frankfurt am Main.

132

00:08:37,539 --> 00:08:39,480

That was Kofering.

133

00:08:39,480 --> 00:08:39,980

Was it?

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00:08:39,980 --> 00:08:41,409

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00:08:41,409 --> 00:08:43,390

Sulzheim.

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00:08:43,390 --> 00:08:45,160

I'm mixing up the two.

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00:08:45,160 --> 00:08:47,560

We went to Sulzheim.

138

00:08:47,560 --> 00:08:52,810

In Sulzheim this
was a kibbutz yahud.

139

00:08:52,810 --> 00:08:57,520

And we were told that they
just accept single people

140

00:08:57,520 --> 00:09:00,550

because these people are
being prepared for Israel.

141

00:09:00,550 --> 00:09:03,040

And we wanted to get in
there, so we pretended

142

00:09:03,040 --> 00:09:04,900

that we are not married.

143

00:09:04,900 --> 00:09:06,230

So we lived apart.

144

00:09:06,230 --> 00:09:14,260

He lived with men, I lived
with women for about a month.

145

00:09:14,260 --> 00:09:20,410

Then we send a telegram
to his brothers to come.

146

00:09:20,410 --> 00:09:24,620

And finally we had to
admit that we were married.

147

00:09:24,620 --> 00:09:26,350

They didn't throw
us out or anything,

148

00:09:26,350 --> 00:09:32,020

but they kind of made
a big deal out of it.

149

00:09:32,020 --> 00:09:37,090

They carried my bed into
his room with me in it.

150

00:09:37,090 --> 00:09:39,740

But that was in the kibbutz.

151

00:09:39,740 --> 00:09:44,380

And then my first child
was born while I was there.

152

00:09:44,380 --> 00:09:47,380

And his two brothers

came to there,

153

00:09:47,380 --> 00:09:52,210

but once my child was
born, we found out

154

00:09:52,210 --> 00:09:58,500

that our going to
Israel is non-existent

155

00:09:58,500 --> 00:10:06,180

because they said that if I was
going to go when I'm pregnant,

156

00:10:06,180 --> 00:10:10,620

then I might have the baby
someplace on the route

157

00:10:10,620 --> 00:10:16,020

and they would still send him
ahead or we would be separated.

158

00:10:16,020 --> 00:10:19,230

159

00:10:19,230 --> 00:10:22,500

I mean, we think it
was difficulties,

160

00:10:22,500 --> 00:10:26,250

but I think logically it was
correct what they were doing.

161

00:10:26,250 --> 00:10:29,490

One of his brothers
will go to Israel.

162

00:10:29,490 --> 00:10:32,040

They wouldn't let you go
after you had the baby?

163

00:10:32,040 --> 00:10:34,140

No, because I had a baby.

164
00:10:34,140 --> 00:10:37,320
Israel still was not a state.

165
00:10:37,320 --> 00:10:41,185
So in the meantime, I
found my family here

166
00:10:41,185 --> 00:10:42,060
in the United States.

167
00:10:42,060 --> 00:10:45,870
I knew about them, but I
still wanted to go to Israel.

168
00:10:45,870 --> 00:10:50,220
And they send us
affidavits twice.

169
00:10:50,220 --> 00:10:54,970
Finally, after my child
was almost two years old,

170
00:10:54,970 --> 00:10:57,030
I decided I'd better
make a decision

171
00:10:57,030 --> 00:10:59,970
because the camp was going to
be closed up where we were.

172
00:10:59,970 --> 00:11:05,040
We got out of the kibbutz
and lived in Sulzheim

173
00:11:05,040 --> 00:11:10,380
in a very tiny room for the
three of us, sometimes four

174
00:11:10,380 --> 00:11:12,270
of us, his brother too.

175

00:11:12,270 --> 00:11:16,350

And then we were
there until '48.

176

00:11:16,350 --> 00:11:20,710

177

00:11:20,710 --> 00:11:25,600

We have a very hard time to
correspond with my family here.

178

00:11:25,600 --> 00:11:29,020

We corresponded
through a chaplain

179

00:11:29,020 --> 00:11:34,300

and through our newspaperwoman,
Elizabeth Sakharov.

180

00:11:34,300 --> 00:11:39,070

She was from New York
and my aunt wrote to her

181

00:11:39,070 --> 00:11:41,050

and she came and looked us up.

182

00:11:41,050 --> 00:11:50,590

And I was also,
even after the war,

183

00:11:50,590 --> 00:11:54,760

I don't need to tell you
the DP camps weren't exactly

184

00:11:54,760 --> 00:11:56,130

luxury hotels either.

185

00:11:56,130 --> 00:11:58,630

That were very difficult.

186

00:11:58,630 --> 00:12:01,180

As a matter of fact, I
couldn't have the child

187
00:12:01,180 --> 00:12:04,540
normally because I didn't
have enough energy.

188
00:12:04,540 --> 00:12:06,010
I was malnourished.

189
00:12:06,010 --> 00:12:11,020

190
00:12:11,020 --> 00:12:19,900
I was in a German hospital
where they threw out my baby

191
00:12:19,900 --> 00:12:21,910
and they said to my
husband she was dead.

192
00:12:21,910 --> 00:12:24,990

193
00:12:24,990 --> 00:12:30,950
This was in '46, the end of May.

194
00:12:30,950 --> 00:12:32,570
And I had a Cesarean.

195
00:12:32,570 --> 00:12:34,350
And they were going
to take her in pieces.

196
00:12:34,350 --> 00:12:35,600
And I screamed.

197
00:12:35,600 --> 00:12:38,870
They called the
UNRA, the UN, to say

198
00:12:38,870 --> 00:12:45,200
that we have here a woman
who is under your authority

199

00:12:45,200 --> 00:12:47,810
and we are going to have
to take the baby in pieces.

200

00:12:47,810 --> 00:12:52,483
And I screamed and I said, no!

201

00:12:52,483 --> 00:12:54,150
They're not going to
take her in pieces.

202

00:12:54,150 --> 00:12:56,630
They're not going to
take my baby in pieces!

203

00:12:56,630 --> 00:12:58,100
So they had to operate.

204

00:12:58,100 --> 00:13:00,830
And they operated on me
with their instruments

205

00:13:00,830 --> 00:13:02,280
and I got an infection.

206

00:13:02,280 --> 00:13:10,760
And I was in the hospital for
five weeks draining with tubes.

207

00:13:10,760 --> 00:13:14,930
And the thing that kept me
alive from getting an infection

208

00:13:14,930 --> 00:13:18,500
was alcohol, which
my husband was

209

00:13:18,500 --> 00:13:28,430
buying from the black market
until another doctor who was in

210

00:13:28,430 --> 00:13:33,380
and the kibbutz with
us let my family know

211
00:13:33,380 --> 00:13:37,220
through the chaplain
what the situation is.

212
00:13:37,220 --> 00:13:42,260
And then they somehow
got penicillin to me

213
00:13:42,260 --> 00:13:43,630
that saved my life.

214
00:13:43,630 --> 00:13:45,410
Your baby survived?

215
00:13:45,410 --> 00:13:46,940
They threw her out, yeah.

216
00:13:46,940 --> 00:13:53,240
They threw her out and they
told my husband she was dead.

217
00:13:53,240 --> 00:13:58,230
And at 5 o'clock in the morning,
the nuns, they also have--

218
00:13:58,230 --> 00:14:00,650
for infectious diseases
in this hospital

219
00:14:00,650 --> 00:14:02,420
they have nuns working--

220
00:14:02,420 --> 00:14:06,740
at 5 o'clock they're going
to their chapel for prayer

221
00:14:06,740 --> 00:14:13,820
and they saw this baby lying
in the hallway, blue, dead.

222
00:14:13,820 --> 00:14:16,340
They picked it up,
they wrapped it,

223
00:14:16,340 --> 00:14:22,610
and they inserted a tube in
her and rinsed her stomach,

224
00:14:22,610 --> 00:14:27,410
they said, with the
whole pint of black tea.

225
00:14:27,410 --> 00:14:31,110
I think she was full of--

226
00:14:31,110 --> 00:14:35,840
I guess they put me to sleep
with ether or something.

227
00:14:35,840 --> 00:14:38,990
And I went through 26
hours of labor anyway.

228
00:14:38,990 --> 00:14:42,110
They let me go until
I was still alive.

229
00:14:42,110 --> 00:14:44,960

230
00:14:44,960 --> 00:14:48,710
Then while I was
still in the hospital

231
00:14:48,710 --> 00:14:52,460
I guess I had an
infection and they

232
00:14:52,460 --> 00:14:59,480
put me to die in a
bathroom for overnight.

233

00:14:59,480 --> 00:15:03,470

Mind you, this was in
'46, after the war.

234

00:15:03,470 --> 00:15:10,280

And when I was in this bathroom
where they kept their linens

235

00:15:10,280 --> 00:15:12,830

and stuff like
that, that's where

236

00:15:12,830 --> 00:15:15,680

they put the people could
die so you wouldn't die in

237

00:15:15,680 --> 00:15:16,265

in the ward.

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00:15:16,265 --> 00:15:18,830

239

00:15:18,830 --> 00:15:20,270

They put me down to die.

240

00:15:20,270 --> 00:15:22,970

And they came in the
morning I wasn't dead,

241

00:15:22,970 --> 00:15:24,110

so they put me in my bed.

242

00:15:24,110 --> 00:15:27,070

243

00:15:27,070 --> 00:15:29,350

Actually, what's happened
is my whole incision

244

00:15:29,350 --> 00:15:35,210

opened up all by itself
and I started the draining.

245
00:15:35,210 --> 00:15:38,630
And I felt better but
they thought I was dead.

246
00:15:38,630 --> 00:15:47,293
So then I guess I couldn't get
out of bed or I couldn't move.

247
00:15:47,293 --> 00:15:49,085
I couldn't even move
or an arm or anything.

248
00:15:49,085 --> 00:15:53,450

249
00:15:53,450 --> 00:15:57,320
My husband would bring a whole
quart of some type of alcohol,

250
00:15:57,320 --> 00:15:58,070
it doesn't matter.

251
00:15:58,070 --> 00:16:01,410
Sometimes it was rubbing alcohol
that you can get poison from.

252
00:16:01,410 --> 00:16:03,680
They would put in eggs in it.

253
00:16:03,680 --> 00:16:08,301
He would have to bring it,
if not they wouldn't do it.

254
00:16:08,301 --> 00:16:12,410
Put eggs so it wouldn't
burn my throat.

255
00:16:12,410 --> 00:16:17,660
Then they put the things in my
mouth, because I couldn't move,

256

00:16:17,660 --> 00:16:19,100
and the thing would just--

257
00:16:19,100 --> 00:16:21,530
I would just swallow
the thing and then

258
00:16:21,530 --> 00:16:23,960
I didn't know anything
until the next day.

259
00:16:23,960 --> 00:16:27,290
That keep the infection
from spreading

260
00:16:27,290 --> 00:16:29,390
until I got the penicillin.

261
00:16:29,390 --> 00:16:31,400
When they got the
penicillin to me,

262
00:16:31,400 --> 00:16:35,060
as I say, from the United
States, from my family,

263
00:16:35,060 --> 00:16:37,520
and they had to give it-- then
they were giving penicillin

264
00:16:37,520 --> 00:16:40,430
every five hours.

265
00:16:40,430 --> 00:16:43,040
The doctor who was
giving me the penicillin

266
00:16:43,040 --> 00:16:46,310
wanted coffee or
cigarettes for his work

267
00:16:46,310 --> 00:16:49,490
because he gave me the shot.

268
00:16:49,490 --> 00:16:52,220
It was that bad.

269
00:16:52,220 --> 00:16:54,620
I also couldn't
urinate because I

270
00:16:54,620 --> 00:16:58,370
guess I was just all
messed up, infected,

271
00:16:58,370 --> 00:17:02,090
and so my stomach was extended.

272
00:17:02,090 --> 00:17:04,940
They put me to sleep
and they were going

273
00:17:04,940 --> 00:17:07,790
to do some more surgery on me.

274
00:17:07,790 --> 00:17:14,540
But because my body
relaxed, I urinated

275
00:17:14,540 --> 00:17:18,650
and they found out
that that's all it was.

276
00:17:18,650 --> 00:17:20,990
They were going
to cut some more.

277
00:17:20,990 --> 00:17:25,109
In Germany they experiment
on people, especially

278
00:17:25,109 --> 00:17:29,780
if they're Jewish
people, not on animals.

279

00:17:29,780 --> 00:17:32,960
That was my experience
with the Germans.

280
00:17:32,960 --> 00:17:36,750
So certainly when it came an
opportunity to leave there,

281
00:17:36,750 --> 00:17:38,750
I wanted to go to
Israel, to come here.

282
00:17:38,750 --> 00:17:39,810
I came.

283
00:17:39,810 --> 00:17:42,680
When did you come to
the United States.

284
00:17:42,680 --> 00:17:47,120
February 5, 1948.

285
00:17:47,120 --> 00:17:49,370
41 years ago.

286
00:17:49,370 --> 00:17:51,090
And how many
children do you have?

287
00:17:51,090 --> 00:17:53,060
I have three children.

288
00:17:53,060 --> 00:17:56,270
I had two miscarriages
afterwards

289
00:17:56,270 --> 00:17:57,950
and doctors here
said that I'll never

290
00:17:57,950 --> 00:18:03,230
be able to carry a child
because they also tore

291
00:18:03,230 --> 00:18:07,010
some female organs or
completely made them disappear,

292
00:18:07,010 --> 00:18:11,222
so my pregnancy was
almost unbelievable.

293
00:18:11,222 --> 00:18:12,680
My other two children
how they were

294
00:18:12,680 --> 00:18:19,370
born completely non-orthodox,
but the doctors almost danced

295
00:18:19,370 --> 00:18:21,608
when my children were born
because they said nothing

296
00:18:21,608 --> 00:18:22,400
like that happened.

297
00:18:22,400 --> 00:18:26,600
I'm written up in
the medical journals.

298
00:18:26,600 --> 00:18:30,030
And I was very sick for a
long time when I came here.

299
00:18:30,030 --> 00:18:33,530
And I think even 10
years ago I couldn't

300
00:18:33,530 --> 00:18:35,270
have talked about this.

301
00:18:35,270 --> 00:18:39,260
And I didn't say everything
because it's impossible.

302

00:18:39,260 --> 00:18:42,470

303

00:18:42,470 --> 00:18:46,220

Each time it gets
a little bit easier

304

00:18:46,220 --> 00:18:49,880

because my uncles wanted
to know all about it.

305

00:18:49,880 --> 00:18:51,830

I could never talk
to them about it

306

00:18:51,830 --> 00:18:53,930

because they would feel so bad.

307

00:18:53,930 --> 00:18:57,020

When I started talking I got
so emotional that they always

308

00:18:57,020 --> 00:18:59,990

said, that's enough,
that's enough.

309

00:18:59,990 --> 00:19:01,610

We don't have to know.

310

00:19:01,610 --> 00:19:03,840

How much have you
told your children?

311

00:19:03,840 --> 00:19:05,480

My children, know.

312

00:19:05,480 --> 00:19:10,910

One of my daughters wrote
her thesis on the Holocaust.

313

00:19:10,910 --> 00:19:13,310

But she also did

research on her own

314

00:19:13,310 --> 00:19:18,860
about the psychological
experiments.

315

00:19:18,860 --> 00:19:22,010
And she has all of
that documented.

316

00:19:22,010 --> 00:19:27,350
And I have all of her
journals that she has written.

317

00:19:27,350 --> 00:19:30,890
And so my children are--

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00:19:30,890 --> 00:19:33,360
She's also in Seattle.

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00:19:33,360 --> 00:19:39,140
She is the coordinator
for the Jewish Community

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00:19:39,140 --> 00:19:41,990
Center on the north end.

321

00:19:41,990 --> 00:19:45,280
And she started
there a Holocaust

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00:19:45,280 --> 00:19:48,590
of the second generation.

323

00:19:48,590 --> 00:19:52,850
And she belonged
in Boston to one.

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00:19:52,850 --> 00:19:56,330
And she worked for the
Jewish Theological Seminary

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00:19:56,330 --> 00:19:58,070
in New York.

326
00:19:58,070 --> 00:20:06,470
And she got her
masters from Brandeis

327
00:20:06,470 --> 00:20:07,930
in Jewish Communal Services.

328
00:20:07,930 --> 00:20:13,250

329
00:20:13,250 --> 00:20:15,602
And my children,
my grandchildren,

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00:20:15,602 --> 00:20:17,060
as a matter of
fact, my grandson is

331
00:20:17,060 --> 00:20:21,560
going to have his
bar mitzvah in April,

332
00:20:21,560 --> 00:20:24,620
and he is planning to
say something about this

333
00:20:24,620 --> 00:20:27,860
to my grandchildren also now.

334
00:20:27,860 --> 00:20:34,910
And my youngest daughter says
that she can't participate

335
00:20:34,910 --> 00:20:38,420
in any of this because she gets
very upset, but my other two

336
00:20:38,420 --> 00:20:39,500
children--

337

00:20:39,500 --> 00:20:43,390

Well, she knows
about all of this

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00:20:43,390 --> 00:20:49,270

but she has a hard time
to come to any things that

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00:20:49,270 --> 00:20:51,160

have to do with the Holocaust.

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00:20:51,160 --> 00:20:55,870

Because I guess
my children never

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00:20:55,870 --> 00:21:03,700

had grandparents
my family actually,

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00:21:03,700 --> 00:21:08,470

losing seven brothers
and young parents.

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00:21:08,470 --> 00:21:15,100

And it doesn't matter how much
you try to not bring it out

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00:21:15,100 --> 00:21:19,810

for your children, they
know that most children have

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00:21:19,810 --> 00:21:22,240

grandparents, uncles and aunts.

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00:21:22,240 --> 00:21:24,570

From my side there is nobody.

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00:21:24,570 --> 00:21:30,400

I'm like I fell
out from the sky.

348

00:21:30,400 --> 00:21:32,800

There is nobody who--

349
00:21:32,800 --> 00:21:34,610
I lost everybody.

350
00:21:34,610 --> 00:21:39,640
My father had one
brother and five sons.

351
00:21:39,640 --> 00:21:41,500
I don't know.

352
00:21:41,500 --> 00:21:45,040
I tried to find if
anybody surviving.

353
00:21:45,040 --> 00:21:49,030
My mother had two sister's,
children, grandchildren.

354
00:21:49,030 --> 00:21:50,290
There is not the one left.

355
00:21:50,290 --> 00:21:56,620
The whole family's like that
wiped off of the planet Earth.

356
00:21:56,620 --> 00:21:58,120
There is nobody left.

357
00:21:58,120 --> 00:22:03,470
Not a grandchild,
not a child, nobody.

358
00:22:03,470 --> 00:22:07,360
So luckily I had
here some family.

359
00:22:07,360 --> 00:22:12,210
But somebody in the beginning
I couldn't identify with.

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00:22:12,210 --> 00:22:15,460

They're very good
people and all of that,

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00:22:15,460 --> 00:22:20,710

but it's very hard for
children to grow up and--

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00:22:20,710 --> 00:22:23,470

Like I had to come--

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00:22:23,470 --> 00:22:26,080

Other children would get from
their grandparents things.

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00:22:26,080 --> 00:22:27,820

I would make for
my children gifts

365

00:22:27,820 --> 00:22:29,590

and tell them that
they're aunt sent it

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00:22:29,590 --> 00:22:36,010

to them from my husband's
side or things like that.

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00:22:36,010 --> 00:22:40,450

It's a very difficult
thing on everybody's side

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00:22:40,450 --> 00:22:45,980

that your children.

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00:22:45,980 --> 00:22:48,860

Like my children say that,
I feel like my grandmother

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00:22:48,860 --> 00:22:49,820

watches over me.

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00:22:49,820 --> 00:22:55,160

Or if I have some things I

call upon my grandfather.

372

00:22:55,160 --> 00:23:00,500

Or maybe you remember
the good things,

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00:23:00,500 --> 00:23:06,410

but my father was supposed to
have been a very learned man.

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00:23:06,410 --> 00:23:10,610

My grandfather was supposed
to be one of those just people

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00:23:10,610 --> 00:23:17,970

that I heard here, not from
home, that there is just a few

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00:23:17,970 --> 00:23:19,040

on this Earth.

377

00:23:19,040 --> 00:23:23,810

And it doesn't matter
if it's so or not.

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00:23:23,810 --> 00:23:27,650

But does make a
big difference when

379

00:23:27,650 --> 00:23:33,140

you're raising children
to have to explain

380

00:23:33,140 --> 00:23:35,930

what's happened to them.

381

00:23:35,930 --> 00:23:37,940

And it's hard for
them to listen,

382

00:23:37,940 --> 00:23:41,720

because most of the time
they want to spare me.

383
00:23:41,720 --> 00:23:44,210
And what they do is
they say, oh, that's OK.

384
00:23:44,210 --> 00:23:45,850
We'll talk about
it another time.

385
00:23:45,850 --> 00:23:50,167

386
00:23:50,167 --> 00:23:51,000
Thank you very much.

387
00:23:51,000 --> 00:23:52,461
You're very welcome.

388
00:23:52,461 --> 00:23:57,820

389
00:23:57,820 --> 00:23:59,200
Did I get too emotional?

390
00:23:59,200 --> 00:24:03,030

391
00:24:03,030 --> 00:24:04,335
Very, very powerful.

392
00:24:04,335 --> 00:24:12,100

393
00:24:12,100 --> 00:24:12,600
No.

394
00:24:12,600 --> 00:24:13,320
It's too hot.

395
00:24:13,320 --> 00:24:14,360
It's too long ago.

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00:24:14,360 --> 00:24:19,950

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00:24:19,950 --> 00:24:23,540

And besides it's been
such a long time ago.

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00:24:23,540 --> 00:31:58,443