

WHAT LIES AHEAD FOR THE JEWISH PEOPLE?

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IN THE MOVIE, "FIDDLER ON THE ROOF", THE HAPPY VILLAGERS OF THE JEWISH FAITH WHO LIVED IN ANATEVKA SUDDENLY FOUND THAT THEY WERE TO BE THROWN OUT OF THEIR HOMES. WITH LITTLE WARNING, THE JEWS WHO HAD LIVED IN THIS SIMPLE RUSSIAN VILLAGE FOR GENERATIONS WERE FORCED TO PACK THEIR BAGS AND LEAVE. WHERE WOULD THEY GO? WHEREVER THEY COULD GO. IN THE LATE 19TH CENTURY, THE HISTORIC PERIOD COVERED BY THE MOVIE, THE COUNTRY OPEN TO THE UNWANTED JEWS WAS AMERICA. AMERICAN HISTORY BOOKS TELL US THAT OVER A MILLION JEWS FLED TO THIS COUNTRY FROM EASTERN EUROPE AT THE TURN OF THE CENTURY. **FOUR** HUNDRED YEARS EARLIER, IN THE FIFTEENTH CENTURY, THE JEWS DRIVEN OUT OF SPAIN WENT TO ITALY OR TO HOLLAND. THEY WERE NOT THEN PERMITTED TO LIVE IN ENGLAND. DURING THE TIME OF HITLER, ESCAPING JEWS COULD NOT GO TO AMERICA BECAUSE THE IMMIGRATION LAWS DENIED ADMISSION TO EAST EUROPEANS. WHERE DID THE SURVIVORS OF THE HOLOCAUST GO? TO SOUTH AFRICA, TO AUSTRALIA, TO CANADA, AND, OF COURSE, TO ISRAEL. THE STORY OF ANATEVKA, IS, IN A WAY, THE STORY OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE.

THE WORLD WHICH HAS GENERALLY SHOWN LITTLE CONCERN FOR ITS JEWS WAS GENUINELY SHOCKED BY THE EVENTS OF THE NAZI REGIME. AS HITLER SYSTEMATICALLY ELIMINATED THE JEWS, A WAVE OF SYMPATHY FOR THE JEWS SPREAD AROUND THE WORLD. THIS PRO-JEWISH MOOD LASTED IN PLACES LIKE WESTERN EUROPE UNTIL THE RECENT ARAB OIL BOYCOTT, OR ABOUT 35 YEARS. AT THAT JUNCTURE, THE SOCIETY OF THE FRIENDS OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE COMPLETELY DISINTEGRATED. EXCEPT FOR LITTLE HOLLAND AND FOR THE UNITED STATES, THE JEWISH PEOPLE WERE ONCE AGAIN FRIENDLESS. THE SOVIET UNION RUSHED IMMENSE SUPPLIES TO THE ARABS TO HELP CRUSH THE REELING ISRAELIS. BRITAIN AND FRANCE EMBARGOED THE SHIPMENT OF SUPPLIES TO THE NEAR EAST, KNOWING THAT THE EMBARGO HURT ISRAEL THE MOST. AMERICA ALONE, AFTER AN INTERNAL BATTLE BETWEEN SCHLESINGER, ON THE ONE HAND, AND KISSINGER AND NIXON, ON THE OTHER, TOOK SUCH STEPS AS MADE THE SURVIVAL OF ISRAEL POSSIBLE. ALL OF THIS HAPPENED ONLY LAST YEAR, AS A YOM KIPPUR POSTLUDE.

WE JEWS WOULD BE REMISS IF WE DID NOT ASK OURSELVES THIS YOM KIPPUR, HOW LONG WILL WE CONTINUE TO HAVE THE FULL SUPPORT OF THE ONE MAJOR COUNTRY IN THE WORLD WHICH HAS BEFRIENDED US? WOULD IT NOT BE WISE FOR US TO CONSIDER THOSE FORCES WHICH ARE EVEN NOW WORKING TO UNDERMINE THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND ISRAEL? THE ARABS HAVE LEARNED, SINCE THEIR OIL BOYCOTT BROUGHT MOST OF THE FREE WORLD TO ITS KNEES, THAT THEY ARE ABLE TO INFLUENCE DIRECTLY THE FOREIGN

POLICY OF ALL OF AMERICA'S ALLIES. ALTHOUGH AMERICA DID NOT YIELD TO ARAB BLACKMAIL IN THE LAST BOYCOTT, AMERICA CANNOT FOREVER REMAIN INDIFFERENT TO THE COMPLETE DEPENDENCY OF ITS ALLIES ON ARABIAN OIL. FURTHER, AMERICA IS SLOWLY BUT SURELY BECOMING MORE DEPENDENT ON ARAB OIL ITSELF. A SIGN OF WHAT MIGHT BE AHEAD FOR US WAS REFLECTED IN A RECENT QUESTIONNAIRE CONDUCTED BY "THE PALM BEACH POST-TIMES". THAT NEWSPAPER PUBLISHED A SURVEY WHICH SHOWED THAT THE DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR THE U.S. SENATE IN FLORIDA WHO GOT THE MOST VOTES IN THE RECENT PRIMARY HAS INDICATED THAT IF IT COMES TO A CHOICE BETWEEN DEFENDING ISRAEL AND OIL FOR AMERICA, HE IS NOT CERTAIN OF HOW HE WILL VOTE IN THE SENATE.

WE JEWS WHO HAVE FOUND OURSELVES WITHOUT FRIENDS ON SO MANY OCCASIONS THROUGHOUT HISTORY CAN UNDERSTAND THIS KIND OF BACKING AWAY FROM OUR INTERESTS, FOR, AFTER ALL, JEWISH INTERESTS ARE NOT NECESSARILY THE INTERESTS OF NON-JEWS. WE HAVE TO GRASP THIS FACT AND DIGEST IT. BUT I WOULD LIKE US TO GO BEYOND THIS OBVIOUS FACT THIS MORNING. I WANT TO GO FURTHER AND ASK THE QUESTION - ARE JEWS INTERESTED IN THE FATE OF JEWS? I ASK THIS QUESTION ON THIS SOLEMN OCCASION, FOR IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THERE ARE LARGE NUMBERS OF JEWS WHO DO NOT EVEN SEEM TO BE AWARE OF THE CRISIS IN WHICH WE LIVE, AND MANY OF US ARE DOING PRECIOUS LITTLE ABOUT THE CRISIS.

FROM MY VANTAGE POINT AS A RABBI IN THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMUNITY, IT SEEMS CLEAR TO ME THAT THERE IS A THREAT TO JEWISH EXISTENCE MUCH MORE GRAVE THAN THE THREAT OF ARAB INFLUENCE AROUND THE WORLD. THIS IS THE THREAT OF THE ASSIMILATION OF AMERICAN JEWS AND THE DISAPPEARANCE OF A SELF CONSCIOUS JEWISH COMMUNITY DEDICATED TO THE SURVIVAL OF JUDAISM AND THE JEWISH PEOPLE. WHAT I SEE HAPPENING AROUND ME IN A THOUSAND DIFFERENT WAYS IS THAT PRECISELY AT THAT MOMENT WHEN THE ARABS ARE BEGINNING TO BUILD UP THEIR PRESSURE, WHEN THE PROPAGANDA BATTLE, THE POLITICAL BATTLE, AND THE ECONOMIC BATTLE HAVE BARELY BEEN JOINED, AMERICAN JEWS ARE BUSY STRIPPING THEMSELVES OF THEIR JEWISH IDENTIFICATION AND LOYALTY. THE AMERICAN JEWISH COMMUNITY SEEMS TO BE AWARE OF THE KIND OF THREAT THE ARABS CAN BRING AND ARE PREPARED TO FIGHT IT, BUT WE DO NOT SEEM TO UNDERSTAND THAT THERE IS AN INSIDIOUS FORCE AT WORK WHICH IS PROGRESSIVELY SAPPING OUR STRENGTH AND ABILITY TO FIGHT ANYTHING AT ALL.

I SEE THIS PARADOX AT WORK EVEN WITHIN SOME FAMILIES WHICH ARE STAUNCHLY DEVOTED TO THE SURVIVAL OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL. HERE WE HAVE PARENTS WHO WILL DO ANYTHING TO HELP THE STATE SURVIVE, BUT THEY ARE SABOTAGING JUDAISM IN THEIR OWN HOMES. SOME JEWS IN AMERICA ARE FRIENDS OF THE JEWISH STATE BUT NOT FRIENDS OF JUDAISM. THEY SEEM UNAWARE OF THE FACT THAT WHILE THEY ARE GIVING SO MUCH TO ISRAEL AND WHILE THEY ARE WORKING FOR THAT MARVELOUS LAND, THEIR OWN CHILDREN

ARE ATTRACTED BY SIREN CALLS AND ARE LEAVING JUDAISM FOR THAT NO MAN'S LAND CALLED THE UNIVERSALISTIC CULTURE, THE MELTING POT OF BROTHERHOOD. WE JEWS HAVE HEARD THIS SIREN CALL BEFORE, IN THE 18TH CENTURY TO BE EXACT, IN THAT GREAT GERMAN PERIOD KNOWN AS THE ENLIGHTENMENT. THE JEWS WHO TOOK OFF THEIR TRADITIONAL ROBES DURING THIS PERIOD AND DRESSED THEMSELVES IN THE ATTIRE OF THE NEW UNIVERSALISM SOON REALIZED THAT THEIR CHILDREN WERE MOVING FROM THIS NO MAN'S LAND TO BECOME ADHERENTS OF THE MAJORITY FAITH. IT WAS NOT LONG BEFORE THE GRAND-CHILDREN WERE TELLING THE LIBERAL BUBBY AND SAYDI THAT THEY WERE GOING TO HELL BECAUSE THEY HADN'T BEEN "SAVED".

MILLIONS OF AMERICA'S BEST YOUNG PEOPLE, NOT ONLY JEWISH CHILDREN, ARE CAUGHT UP IN TODAY'S UNIVERSALISTIC SWIRL WHICH DILUTES DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PEOPLE, OBLITERATES TRADITIONS AND DISTINCTIVENESS, AND COUGHS UP THE SLOGAN, "WE ARE ALL ALIKE". TO BE SURE, THERE IS SOMETHING WONDERFUL ABOUT THIS MOVEMENT, AND SOME MEASURABLE GOOD THINGS HAVE COME OUT OF IT, BUT SUCH MOVEMENTS HAVE ALWAYS PROVEN MORE DANGEROUS FOR MINORITY GROUPS THAN FOR MAJORITY GROUPS. IN SUCH BROAD SOCIAL MOVEMENTS, THE MINORITY GROUPS EVENTUALLY DISAPPEAR AND THE MAJORITY GROUP EMERGES ALL THE STRONGER. THE MOST SERIOUS THREAT TO THE JEWISH COMMUNITY FROM THIS MOVEMENT IS ITS ENCOURAGEMENT OF MARRIAGES WHICH ARE DEDICATED TO NO RELIGIOUS FAITH AT ALL. THE SIMPLE TRUTH FOR THE JEWISH COMMUNITY WHICH HAS BEEN SO SHATTERED BY HITLER IS THAT UNLESS JEWISH CHILDREN ENTER MARRIAGES WHICH ARE COMMITTED TO THE RAISING OF JEWISH CHILDREN, THE JEWISH PEOPLE WILL DISAPPEAR. IT IS SAD BUT TRUE THAT THE JEWISH GIRL WHO CLOSES HER WOMB TO THE HAVING OF JEWISH CHILDREN SMOTHERS THE JEWISH PEOPLE, AND THE JEWISH BOY WHO DOES NOT DEDICATE HIS SEED TO THE HAVING OF JEWISH CHILDREN DEPRECIATES OUR NUMBER AS SURELY AS IF HE HAD FORCIBLY ELIMINATED SEVERAL JEWS.

THE EQUATION IS SIMPLE. A PEOPLE WHICH DOES NOT REPRODUCE ITSELF DIES. HOW IMPORTANT IT IS THAT OUR YOUNG PEOPLE UNDERSTAND THIS BEFORE THEY MAKE THEIR CHOICE OF A MARRIAGE PARTNER. "NOW RABBI", YOU MAY WELL SAY, "ARE THESE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO DO NOT CHOOSE TO HAVE JEWISH CHILDREN SUCH TERRIBLE SINNERS?" AND I ANSWER, "I HAVE NEVER SAID THEY ARE SINNERS, OR THAT THEY ARE EVIL, OR THAT WHAT THEY ARE DOING IS ENTIRELY THEIR FAULT, OR THAT IT IS A MATTER OF FAULT." THESE YOUNGSTERS ARE AS MUCH VICTIMS OF THE ZEITGEIST, THE SPIRIT OF THE AGE, AS WE THEIR ELDERS ARE, BUT WE MUST CONFRONT THE REALITY OF THE ACTION THEY ARE TAKING. HE WHO TAKES SUCH STEPS AS TO CLOSE HIMSELF OFF AS A MEANS OF ADDING SOULS TO THE JEWISH PEOPLE THEREBY MAKES FOR AN END TO THAT PEOPLE. IT IS NOT A QUESTION OF GOOD OR EVIL. IT IS A QUESTION OF GROUP SURVIVAL.

LIKE TEVYA, WE CANNOT DO LESS THAN BLESS OUR CHILDREN WHO MAKE THIS KIND OF CHOICE. WE CANNOT DO LESS THAN LOVE THEM AND TRY TO UNDERSTAND THEM, BUT WE CANNOT PRETEND THAT THEIR CHOICE DOES NOT HAVE EARTHSHAKING CONSEQUENCES. A PEOPLE SO LONG SURROUNDED BY ENEMIES CAN BE FORGIVING, BUT IT CANNOT BE BLIND, AND WE DO NOT DO OUR SONS AND DAUGHTERS A FAVOR WHEN WE DON'T PLACE BEFORE THEM ALL THE FACTS WHILE THEY ARE STILL OF QUITE TENDER AGE.

NOW, HOW DO THESE SEEMINGLY DIFFERENT POINTS OF WHICH WE HAVE BEEN SPEAKING COME TOGETHER? WE HAVE ON THE ONE HAND, THE THREAT OF JEWISH ASSIMILATION INTO THE MAJORITY CULTURE OF AMERICA, AND, ON THE OTHER, WE HAVE THE EXTERNAL THREAT POSED BY THE ARABS. AT THIS JUNCTURE IN TIME, THE ARABS ARE JUST BEGINNING TO SEND THEIR BILLIONS INTO AMERICAN INDUSTRY. ALREADY THEY HAVE MADE BIG MOVES IN FRANCE AND IN BRITAIN. THEY WILL SOON BE IN A POSITION TO DOMINATE CERTAIN COMPANIES AND INDUSTRIES IN AMERICA. AT THE SAME TIME, THEY ARE DELIVERING TONS OF ANTI-JEWISH PROPAGANDA AROUND THE WORLD. HOW WILL AMERICANS ACT WHEN THEIR JOBS AND PROSPERITY ARE DEPENDENT, IN CONSIDERABLE PART, ON ARAB WEALTH? CONSIDER FOR A MOMENT WHAT OUR RESIGNED PRESIDENT REALLY THOUGHT ABOUT THE JEWS. WE HAVE HIS ATTITUDE RECORDED ON ONE OF THE WATERGATE TAPES. IT READS, "THE ARTS, YOU KNOW, THAT'S THE JEWS. IN OTHER WORDS, THE LEFT. IN OTHER WORDS, STAY AWAY." NIXON WAS TALKING ABOUT WHETHER HIS DAUGHTER SHOULD GO TO THE DEDICATION OF AN ART MUSEUM IN JACKSONVILLE, BUT, SINCE IT INVOLVED THE ARTS, HE KNEW IT INVOLVED THE JEWS. TO BE INTERESTED IN THE ARTS, OF COURSE, MEANT TO BE POLITICALLY LEFT OR RADICAL; IN OTHER WORDS, TO BE JEWISH. THIS IS AN ANTI-SEMITIC STATEMENT, AND IT COMES FROM A MAN WHO BEFRIENDED ISRAEL. WE KNOW FROM THIS STATEMENT THAT NIXON SENT AID TO ISRAEL AS A REFLECTION OF AMERICA'S MILITARY POSTURE IN THAT PART OF THE WORLD, AND NOT BECAUSE HE WAS TRYING TO BEFRIEND THE JEWS. WE ARE FORTUNATE THAT AMERICA, AT LEAST FOR THE PRESENT, THINKS THAT IT NEEDS A STRONG ISRAEL, AND THIS MILITARY FACT MAY WELL TEMPER SOME OF THE ANTI-SEMITISM THAT EXISTS IN THE HIGHEST PLACES IN AMERICA; BUT WE WHO ARE THE VICTIMS OF ANATEVKA AND BUCHENWALD WOULD BE UNWISE IF WE DID NOT PLACE OURSELVES ON AN INCREASING ALERT, AS ARAB INFLUENCE IN AMERICA INCREASES.

HOW ARE JEWS TO FIGHT ANTI-SEMITISM OR ANTI-JEWISHNESS? SOCIOLOGISTS HAVE GIVEN US A GENERAL ANSWER. ANTI-SEMITISM IS THE RESULT OF PREJUDICE, WHICH IS THE RESULT OF IGNORANCE. INFORMATION AND INTERRELATION, WE ARE TOLD, IS THE ANSWER. THESE THINGS DO HELP, BUT THE TRUTH IS THAT UNLESS THERE IS A WILL AMONGST THE MAJORITY TO DISPEL MALICE LIKE ANTI-SEMITISM, THE MINORITY GROUP CAN DO LITTLE TO HELP ITSELF. FATHER FLANNERY, IN HIS BOOK, "THE ANGUISH OF THE JEWS", HAS TRIED TO SHOW THAT ANTI-SEMITISM HAS ITS ROOTS IN THE WAY CHRISTIANITY DEVELOPED IN THE EARLY CENTURIES. IN THE FIGHT BETWEEN THE EARLY CHURCH

AND THE SYNAGOGUE FROM WHICH THE CHURCH WAS REVOLTING, THE CHURCH FATHERS FELT IMPELLED TO SAY SOME STRONG THINGS AGAINST THEIR CONTEMPORARY JEWISH AUTHORITIES. THESE STATEMENTS BY THE CHURCH FATHERS, ACCORDING TO FATHER FLANNERY, HAVE BEEN THE ROCK BASE FOR ANTI-SEMITISM EVER SINCE. FATHER FLANNERY CONTENDS THAT THE CHURCH CAN AND MUST DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS, AND WE JEWS HAVE TO HOPE THAT SOMEDAY CHRISTIANS WILL TAKE THIS MATTER IN HAND. FOR THE PRESENT, HOWEVER, I FIND THAT WHILE ANTI-SEMITISM IS NOT VIRULENT, MANY OF MY CHRISTIAN FRIENDS HAVE THE SAME OLD DISTORTED NOTIONS ABOUT JUDAISM AND THE JEWISH PEOPLE. THE AVERAGE FUNDAMENTALIST MINISTER STILL SAYS TO ME, "RABBI, THE JEWS KILLED JESUS AND THAT IS WHY YOU ARE SUFFERING".

WITH ARAB PROPAGANDA TRYING TO STIR UP OLD PREJUDICES, WE CAN ASSUME THAT PROBLEMS LIE AHEAD. THERE CAN BE NO DOUBT THAT THE ARABS WILL TRY TO USE THE CHRISTIAN RELIGIOUS COMMUNITY FOR THEIR PURPOSES. IN THAT CONFLICT, WE WILL FIND BOTH FRIENDS AND ENEMIES, AND WE WILL BE DEPENDENT ON CHRISTIAN FRIENDS TO DEFEND US AND STAND UP FOR US. WE WILL NOT BE ABLE TO DO TOO MUCH ABOUT THIS PHASE OF THE BATTLE, BUT THERE IS SOMETHING THAT THE JEW CAN DO, AND THAT HAS TO DO WITH HIMSELF. THE JEW MUST STRENGTHEN HIMSELF IN HIS JUDAISM. HE MUST READ JEWISH SOURCE BOOKS VORACIOUSLY. HE MUST INTENSIFY THE OBSERVANCE OF JEWISH RITUALS IN HIS HOME. HE MUST OBSERVE JEWISH HOLIDAYS MORE FERVENTLY. HE MUST IMPRESS HIS CHILDREN MORE STRONGLY WITH THE FACT THAT THEY ARE DIFFERENT FROM OTHERS AND THAT THIS DIFFERENCE IS WORTH MAINTAINING. A PARENT TEACHES BEST, BY THE WAY, NOT BY LECTURING, BUT BY DOING.

ANTI-SEMITISM IS NOT THE WORST THING THAT CAN HAPPEN TO JEWS. THE WORST THING THAT CAN HAPPEN IS THAT WE SURRENDER OUR DISTINCTIVENESS VOLUNTARILY. THE WORST THING THAT CAN HAPPEN IS THAT WHEN THE ANTI-SEMITIC PRESSURE COMES, WE WILL NOT HAVE A POSITIVE REASON FOR OPPOSING IT, AND WE WILL BE CRUSHED UNDER ITS WEIGHT. SUFFERING IS MEANINGFUL AND BEARABLE IF IT IS FOR A GOOD CAUSE, AND THIS IS WHY OUR GRANDFATHERS AND GRANDMOTHERS WERE ABLE TO HAND DOWN A WARM AND HAPPY TRADITION. IT WAS A TRADITION WHICH MADE LIFE MEANINGFUL TO THEM IN SPITE OF LIFE'S TRAGEDIES.

SOCIOLOGICAL STUDIES MADE OF BRITISH CHILDREN AFTER WORLD WAR II SHOWED THAT THOSE CHILDREN WHO WENT THROUGH THE NAZI BLITZ AT THEIR PARENTS' SIDE SUFFERED LITTLE PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECTS THAT WERE NEGATIVE, FOR THEY HAD THE BENEFIT OF PURPOSE AND GROUP SOLIDARITY. THOSE BRITISH CHILDREN WHO HAD TO FACE THE BLITZ ALONE, HOWEVER, SUFFERED SERIOUSLY IN A PSYCHOLOGICAL WAY. SIMILARLY, IF AND WHEN THERE IS INCREASING PRESSURE ON AMERICAN JEWS BECAUSE OF ARAB SPONSORED PROPAGANDA AND POLITICAL MANEUVERING, WE JEWS CAN FACE IT TRIUMPHANTLY IF WE FACE IT AS POSITIVE JEWS, STEEPED IN OUR TRADITION, DEDICATED TO ITS PERSEVERANCE BUT IF WE ARE BUSY PURSUING OTHER GODS AND OTHER PLEASURES, WE WILL GIVE OUR ENEMIES THE VICTORY BEFORE THE BATTLE STARTS.

MY TEACHER, RABBI STEVEN WISE, TOLD ME THAT WHEN HE VISITED THE CONCENTRATION CAMPS IN GERMANY AFTER THE GREAT WAR, HE FOUND FIVE YEAR OLD JEWISH BOYS STUDYING TALMUD, AS THEY HAD BEEN DURING THE WORST DAYS OF THE NAZI CARNAGE. NEVER FOR A MOMENT DID THE JEWS IN THE CAMPS STOP STUDYING JEWISH SOURCES, AS IF ALL THE NAZI CRUELTY WERE A FANTASY AND TOMORROW THE JEWISH COMMUNITY WOULD STILL NEED LEARNED LEADERS. I AM TRYING TO SAY THIS MORNING THAT ASSIMILATION IS A GREATER THREAT THAN THE NAZIS EVER WERE, AND IT IS CERTAINLY A GREATER THREAT THAN THE ARABS ARE OR WILL BE.

BEHIND ME IS A WINDOW RIDDLED WITH BULLETS. THE BULLETS WERE PLACED THERE A FEW YEARS AGO BY UNKNOWN PERSONS ON A LARK. A FEW WEEKS AGO, THE TEN COMMANDMENTS WHICH DECORATE THE FRONT MARBLE COLUMNS OF OUR SANCTUARY WERE RIPPED FROM THE BUILDING AND THE LETTERS ON THE MAIN SIGN IDENTIFYING THE TEMPLE WERE TORN OFF. PRANKS, NO DOUBT, OF LITTLE MEANING, I BELIEVE. BUT THESE ARE GOOD TIMES!, AND WHAT LIES AHEAD IS UNCERTAIN FOR AMERICAN JEWRY. THERE ARE SOME THINGS WE CAN DO TO OFFSET THE GREAT WAVE OF ARAB PRESSURE THAT WILL INEVITABLY ENGULF AMERICA. WE CAN MAKE CERTAIN THAT THOSE WHO REPRESENT OUR STATE IN THE U.S. SENATE AND ELSEWHERE HAVE THE INTERESTS OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE AT HEART. WE CAN HELP THOSE ORGANIZATIONS, JEWISH AND CHRISTIAN, WHICH WORK TO OFFSET ARAB PROPAGANDA, BUT, MOST OF ALL, THE BIG JOB WE HAVE TO DO IS IN OUR OWN HOMES.

MAKE NO MISTAKE, DEAR FRIENDS, WHAT IS NEEDED IN OUR HOMES IS A REVOLUTION OF BOLD AND SWEEPING PROPORTION, IF THE JEWISH PEOPLE IS TO HAVE THE STRENGTH TO SURVIVE. THERE IS AN ENEMY IN YOUR HOUSE...IT IS YOU. IT IS YOUR IGNORANCE AND YOUR LUKEWARM ATTACHMENT TO JEWISH TRADITION AND TO THE JEWISH PEOPLE. DO YOU THINK YOU HAVE THE COURAGE TO FACE THAT ENEMY?, BECAUSE IF YOU DO, NO EXTERNAL ENEMY CAN EVER DEFEAT US!