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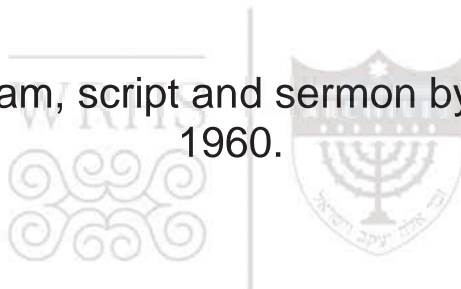
Sub-series A: Events and Activities, 1946-1993, undated.

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Confirmation program, script and sermon by Abba Hillel Silver,
1960.



READING FROM TORAH

Leader :

בָּרַכּוּ אֶת־יְיָ הַמְּבָרֵךְ

Praise ye the Lord to whom all praise is due.

Class :

בָּרוּךְ יְיָ הַמְּבָרֵךְ לְעוֹלָם וָעֶד

Praised be the Lord to whom all praise is due for ever and ever.

Leader :

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם אֲשֶׁר בָּחַר בָּנוּ מִכָּל הָעַמִּים וְנָתַן לָנוּ
אֶת־תּוֹרָתוֹ. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ נָתַן הַתּוֹרָה :

Class : Praised be Thou, O Lord our God, Ruler of the world, who has chosen us from among all peoples and hast given us Thy law. Praised be Thou, O Lord, Giver of the Law.

(Reading from the Torah)

Leader :

בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ אֱלֹהֵינוּ מֶלֶךְ הָעוֹלָם. אֲשֶׁר נָתַן לָנוּ תּוֹרַת אֱמֶת וְנָתַן עוֹלָם
נֶסֶע בְּתוֹכָנוּ. בָּרוּךְ אַתָּה יְיָ נָתַן הַתּוֹרָה

Class : Praised be Thou, O Lord our God, Ruler of the world, who hast given us a law of truth and hast implanted eternal life within us. Praised be Thou, O Lord, Giver of the Law.

The Temple

East 105th & Ansel Road

BLESSED, O BLESSED

Blessed, O blessed
Moment most holy,
Leading the lowly
Youth to the Lord.

Sweet are the lessons
Of this hour's story
Ne'er may its glory
Fade from our minds

Blessed, O blessed
Moment most holy,
Leading the lowly
Youth to the Lord.

LORD WHAT OFF'RING SHALL WE BRING?

Lord, what off'ring shall we bring
At Thine altar when we bow?
Hearts,—the pure unsullied spring
Whence the kind affections flow.

Willing hands to lead the blind,
Heal the wounded, feed the poor;
Love, embracing all mankind;
Charity, with lib'ral store.

Teach us, O Thou heavenly King,
Thus to show our grateful mind,
This accepted off'ring bring;
Love to Thee and all mankind.

FATHER, SEE THY SUPPLIANT CHILDREN

Father, see Thy suppliant children
Trembling stand before Thy Throne,
To confirm the vow of Horeb,
"We will serve the Lord alone."

Thy command shall be engraven
On the tables of our heart,
Till the heart in death be broken,
Till the cord of life shall part.

When dark tempests, low'ring gather,
It will be our strength and stay,
It will be our guardian angel
Upon life's laborious way.

As a shelt'ring cloud at noontide,
As a flaming fire by night,
Through prosperity and sorrow,
It will guide our steps aright.

Till we reach the land of promise
When the toils of earth are past
Till we sleep the sleep eternal
In the realms of peace at last.

CONFESSION OF FAITH

I consecrate my life to the religion of Israel—
With all my heart, with all my soul, with all my might,
I will strive to further the holy purposes of Judaism.
Unto the end of my life, Israel's watchword shall be my guide.
Sh'ma Yisroel Adcnoi Elohenu Adonoi Echod.
Hear, O Israel, the Lord, our God, the Lord is One.

Confirmation Class

1960-5720

BOYS

WILLIAM DAVID AMSTER
HARVEY BERENBERG
ROBERT C. CAGEN
IRA JAY COPPERMAN
FRED WAYNE DEUTSCH
SANFORD HARVEY DEUTSCH
MILLARD ROBERT DUCHON
JAMES ROBERT EISENBERG
C. MICHAEL EVANS
GARY BRUCE FRANKEL
HOWARD J. FREEDMAN
AVERY SAMUEL FRIEDMAN
ERIC CARVER
MARC GLUCHOV
ALVIN JAMES GOLDMAN
MICHAEL STEPHEN GOLDSTEIN
JONATHAN M. GREEN
ROBERT STEVEN GREENBAUM
ROBERT DAVID GROSS
SIDNEY B. HENKIN
AARON DANIEL HERTZ
RONALD HURWITZ

LAURENCE KENNETH IRWIN
ALAN ISRAEL
LAWRENCE JAMES KANTER
DAVID JOEL KELLER
KURT LYLE KENDIS
ALAN H. KLEIN
AVERY BRUCE KLEIN
THEODORE CARL KLEINMAN
BRUCE NEIL KLINE
NELSON J. KRAMER
THEODORE D. KRAMER
WILLIAM JOSEPH KROHN
HUGH DAVID LIEDER
THOMAS CHARLES LIEDER
ROGER ARNOLD LIEF
FREDRIC DAVID LISSAUER
ROBERT LOBE
JOHN L. MALBIN
DONALD RICHARD MARSH
RONALD LEE MARSH
EARLE FREDERICK MARSH
HARRIS JEFFREY MELSER

HARVEY LAURENCE PILLESDORF
RICHARD A. PRENTKE
WILLIAM DAVID PROPER
RICHARD NEIL ROSEN
RONALD SHELDON ROSENBLATT
PAUL HENRY ROTHSCHILD
MICHAEL P. ROTHSTEIN
MARTIN ALLEN SAMUELS
SAMUEL WILLIAM SCHAUL
SANDY HILTON SCHIFFMAN
HOWARD ALLEN SCHULMAN
LOREN CARL SELMAN
ERIC RICHARD SHAW
JAY W. SHAW
ERNEST BRUCE SPIRA
JEFFREY A. STOLTZ
JERRY WALKER
GERALD WEINBERG
BARRY SAMUEL WEINGART
RICHARD H. WEISBERG
HOWARD H. WEISS

GIRLS

KATHERINE RUTH ANDERSON
JANE ELLYN ARSHAM
JUDITH LYNNE BERMAN
MARGARET LOUISE BLACK
JOAN BLOOMBERG
ANN ROSE BROWN
JEANNE ELIZABETH-ANN BROWN
SARA-JOY BURNLEY
NANCY E. COHEN
CAROL ANN CONHAIM
EMILY DANCYGER
LYNN ANN EISENBERG
JOYCE RENEE CARSON
MICHAL GOLDER

KATHRYN ELLEN GOODMAN
NANCY ANNE GRAY
MARILYN JOY HERMAN
FAITH LYNN KAHN
JUDITH ANN KAMMEN
MIRIAM STEPHANIE KINSLER
BONNIE DEE KOZMAN
EILEEN J. LEFTON
SUSAN MICHELLE LEVIN
BARBARA JOAN LIFF
GERI MICHELLE MELDON
FERNE MISHKIND
DIANA LOUISE PILISDORF

LINDA FAYE ROSENBERG
MARCIA RUBIN
SUSAN JOY SACHSE
CARLA JOYCE SCHOEN
FAREN PENNY SCHWARTZ
NANCY ANN SOLOWITCH
EILEEN PHYLLIS STERN
EUTH HANNAH STOLIER
CARL S. WEINER
SUSAN KAYE WEINSTEIN
LESLEY FAWN WEISENBERG
RENEE CAROL WIEN
EPAULINE YANOWITZ

Susan Michelle Levin has achieved an unusual and praiseworthy record during her nine years in the Religious School. Out of a possible maximum of 28 Certificates for Scholarship and Attendance, she has received 28. An excellent record was also achieved by Eileen Phyllis Stern, who received 27 Certificates.

The Temple

Congregation Tifereth Israel

Rabbis

Abba Hillel Silber

Daniel Jeremy Silber

Milton Matz

1960

5720

WRHS



Confirmation Service

Confirmation Service

Shabuot, Wednesday, June 1, 1960

Nine-thirty o'clock

Organ Prelude	A. R. Willard
Shabuot Service — Pages 210-243	Rabbi Milton Matz
Processional — Holy, Holy, Holy (Gounod)	Choir
Hymn — Blessed, O Blessed	Class
Welcome	Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Response — Blessed Be Ye Who Come (Gounod)	Choir
Opening Prayer	Susan Michelle Levin
Hymn — Lord, What Offering Shall We Bring	Class
The Flower Offering	Eileen Phyllis Stern

The Reading from the Torah

Exaltation of the Scrolls	Eric Richard Shaw
The Ten Commandments—In Hebrew	{ Paul Henry Rothschild Ronald Sheldon Rosenblatt
The Ten Commandments—In English	{ Pauline Yanowitz Carla Joyce Schoen Nancy Anne Gray
Reading of the Haftarah	{ Ruth Hannah Stoler Michael Stephen Goldstein
Prayer for the Household of Israel	Jane Ellyn Arsham
Returning the Scrolls	{ Earle Frederick Marsh Richard H. Weisberg Millard Robert Duchon
Response — Etz Chayim (Stark)	Choir
Uvnucho Yomar (Traditional)	Miss Wischmeyer and Choir

The Faith of the Jew and the Obligations of Jewish Life

God	Kathryn Ellen Goodman
Man	Donald Richard Mars
Israel	Judith Lynne Berman
One World	Gail S. Weiner
Prayer	Nelson J. Kramer
The Synagogue	Susan Joy Sachse
The School	Loren Carl Selman
The Home	Barbara Joan Liff

Solo — Shomer Yisroel (Rosenblatt)	Mr. Hanson
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The State of Israel	Samuel William Schaul
The United Nations	Sara-Joy Burnley
Democracy	Margaret Louise Black
Our Temple	David Joel Keller
America	Nancy E. Coben

Confirmation

Address to the Confirmands	Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver
Closing Prayer	Michal Golder
Dedication to the Faith	Class
The Confirmation Hymn —	
Father, See Thy Suppliant Children	Class
Blessing of the Confirmands	Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Concluding Service — Pages 274-277	
Benediction	

Confirmation Class

1952-5712

BOYS

MICHAEL BASSICHIS
DENNIS BROOKS
NEIL COHEN
BRUCE FINE
STEWART HARRIS
PAUL HIRSCHFELD
ROBERT H. KANE
EUGENE KATES
LEIGH E. KWAIT
STEWART LANDAU

ROBERT MELTZER
MICHAEL MONTLACK
PAUL RABB
ROGER RAPPORT
PAUL RAYMER
BURTON REINFELD
HARVEY ROSEN
MARK SAGINOR
JAMES E. SAMPLINER
HARVEY SCHOLNICK

DAVID SCHWARTZ
JAMES SCHWARTZ
DANIEL SCHWEID
ROBERT SLAVIN
ROGER STRAUSS
DAVID TEITELBAUM
JERALD TISHKOFF
LAURENCE TROTT
ROBERT WALDER



JAYNE-ANNE APPEL
JOAN FRANCES APPEL
KAY ARNSTINE
JEAN BLOOMENTHAL
EMILY CARL
FRANCES COHEN
ALENE B. COLE
MARION FRIEDMAN
MARJORIE GOLDSMITH
PEGGY GORE
ARLENE GREENIS
ANN HART
CAROL HEIMAN

HARLENE HENRY
PATRICIA HOLLAND
JANET HURWITZ
BARBARA KANE
MARGOT KRENITZ
GAIL KWAIT
GRECIA LEVIN
SHARON LEVINE
MARILYN LYONS
BARBARA MEYERSON
KAREN MINTZ
GRETCHEN NEUMAN

LYNN NEWMAN
PHYLLIS POLK
NATALIE PRIESAND
ELEANOR RAND
ELAINE RIEMER
JANICE ROSENFELD
MURIEL SCHERER
SANDRA SCHNEIDERMAN
ELAINE SCHOCK
CAROL SCHONBERG
CAROL SIMON
ANNE SHERBY
MARY LOUISE SIPSER

Dennis Brooks has received an unusual and praiseworthy record during his nine years in the Religious School. Out of a possible maximum 23 Certificates for Scholarship and Attendance, he has received 21 Certificates of Honor.

For 1961 Confirmation
Programs.

Note - Mention of
Instrumentalists on
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The Temple

Congregation Tifereth Israel

Rabbis

Abba Hillel Silber

Carl S. Stone

1952

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Confirmation Service

OUR LINES , 1952.



Confirmation Service

Shabuot, Friday, May 30, 1952

Nine-thirty o'clock

Organ Prelude	A. R. Willard
Shabuot Service—Pages 210-243	Rabbi Earl S. Stone
Anthem—Holy, Holy, Holy (Gounod)	Choir
Processional—Blessed, O Blessed	Class
Welcome	The Rabbi
Abide with you for ever	
Blessed Be Ye Who Come (Gounod)	Choir
Opening Prayer	Natalie Priesand
We may find favor in Thine eyes & in the eyes of Lord What Offering Shall We Bring all mankind	Class
The Flower Offering	Elaine Schock
our prayers, our hopes & our deepest love go with them. CHOIR - Amen	
The Reading from the Torah	ORGAN - Ex tem.
Prayer Before Taking Out the Scrolls	Stewart Harris
acknowledge Thee as their God & their King - En Komocho	
Exaltation of the Scrolls	Laurence Trott
Adonoy	Sh'ma - Lecho
Blessing and Commandments—In Hebrew	Dennis Brooks
The Ten Commandments—In English	Gail Kwait
	Barbara Meyerson
Reading of the Haftarah	Marjorie Goldsmith
1 PRAYER	
2 Prayer	Arlene Greenis
Keep Thou us in all our ways, Amen.	Organ Extem.
Returning the Scrolls	Daniel Schweid
come, let us walk in the Light of the Lord, Etz	
Response—Etz Chayim	Choir
Solo—Uvnucho Yomar (Traditional)	Mrs. Alma Babb
	and Choir

The Faith of the Jew and the Obligations of Jewish Life

God	James Schwartz
Man	Joan Appel
Israel	Mary Sipser
One World	Bruce Fine
The Synagogue	Jerald Tishkoff
The School	Marilyn Lyons
The Home	Janet Hurwitz
and spiritual character of the Jewish Home	

The Eternal Pilgrimage

Emily Carl, Marion Friedman, Lynn Newman, Eleanor Rand	
Roger Rapport, David Schwartz, Robert Walder	
Be Thou a blessing, be Thou a blessing	
Solo—Sim Shalom (Traditional)	Melvin Hakola

Our Own Day

The State of Israel	Eugene Kates
Prayer for the Household of Israel	Getchen Neuman
The United Nations	James Sampliner
Democracy	Paul Hirschfield
Memorial Day	Ann Sherby
America	Karen Mintz

Confirmation

Address to the Confirmants	Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
Closing Prayer	Harlene Henry
devotion & sacrifice, amen. Choir - AMEN	Class
Confession of Faith	Class
The Confirmation Hymn	Class
Blessing of the Confirmants	The Rabbi
Ben Silverberg, violinist, Charles McBride, cellist, Alice Chalifoux, harpist, will play during the blessing of the Confirmants	
Concluding Service—Pages 274-277	Rabbi Earl S. Stone
Benediction	

harp.

1960
Members. Boys 34 - 65
 Girls 54 - 55
~~87~~ 89
 Service - ~~100~~ - 930 $\frac{40}{105}$

Reserv. List - Tickets

No Small children

Decorum

Parts -

Dress - Robes -

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Gift -

High School -

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YOUR APPOINTMENT: _____ at _____

*Please note: Your portraits will be taken in the MUSIC ROOM of THE TEMPLE. This room is located in the new section beyond the library.

Please be prompt. Call us at least 3 days in advance if you will not be able to keep your appointment.

PROOFS: Must be returned within one week after you receive them.

ADDITIONAL PORTRAITS: May be ordered. Instructions and price lists will be attached to your proofs.

CLOTHING: Boys - Plain white shirt (not a sport shirt), plain dark tie.

Girls - plain white blouse, preferably with sleeves and collar.

Robes are at The Temple.

GROOMING: It is important that you look your best at the time of your sitting. The studio can not be responsible for hair styling, grooming, or neatness of appearance.

NOTES FOR CONFIRMATION - 1960

Boys - 65

Girls - 40

Total - 105

SERVICE - - - - 9:30 A.M.

RESERVED SEATS - TICKETS

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not reserve tickets*

NO SMALL CHILDREN

DECORUM

PARTS

DRESS - ROBES

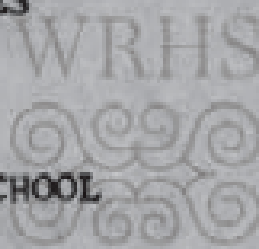
PICTURES

GIFT

HIGH SCHOOL

Receptions

Camp comes before



OPENING PRAYER

O Lord, our God, gratefully we have entered this sanctuary, here to confirm our faith. On this day centuries ago our forefathers, at the foot of Mount Sinai, accepted the responsibilities of Judaism. On this anniversary of their decision we, their descendants, happily confirm our heritage and bind ourselves to Thee and to Thy law.

Conscious of the duties and obligations we are to assume, we turn to Thee, O Lord, for encouragement and inspiration. We ask Thy light and Thy truth to make clear our way. We pray for Thy guidance and support throughout our lives. Strengthen us in our desire to know Thee, and cause our hearts to beat in perfect unison with Thee. Sustain us, O Lord, that we may establish our confirmation through our lives.

Praised be Thou, O Lord, our God, who has kept us in life and sustained us, and who enabled us now to rejoice in the beauty of this service.

FLOWER
FLORAL OFFERING

On this day in olden times our forefathers dedicated to God the first fruits of their fields. They brought their offerings to the Temple as a token of their gratitude for God's generous bounty. We, their descendants, continue this practice. These blossoms are a symbol of our gratitude for the blessings of life, of health, of talent, and of promise.

These flowers which we bring are visible signs of the beauty that blossoms in the heart, the fair blossoms of affection, of kindness, and of truthfulness. As we place these blooms before this altar, so we place before God the promise to dedicate our lives to His service. As the loveliness of nature brings joy to man, so may our deeds bring happiness into the lives of our families and friends and joy even to the heart of God.

Accept these, our offerings, Heavenly Father. Our prayers, our love, and our deepest hopes go with them.

EXALTATION OF THE SCROLLS

(Hebrew)

The Lord, the Lord God, is merciful and gracious, long-suffering and abundant in goodness and ever true; keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity, transgression and sin.

(Choir - Adonoi, Adonoi)

TAKE SCROLLS FROM ARK.

This is the Torah which God gave through Moses. It is the heritage of the House of Israel. Come ye, and let us walk in the light of the Lord, saying:

Sh'ma Yisroel Adonoi Elohenu Adonoi Eched.

Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One.

CHOIR: Sh'ma . . .

CLASS: Sh'ma . . .

CHOIR: Ieche Adonoi

BLESSINGS AND COMMANDMENTS

LEADER: Bor-cha es Adonoi hamvoroch

Praise ye the Lord, to Whom all praise is due.

CLASS: Boruch Adonoi hamvoroch l'o-lon voad.

Praised be the Lord to Whom all praise is due forever and ever.

LEADER: Boruch atto Adonoi Eloheinu melech ho-o-lon, asher bocher bonu mikol ho-am-nim, v'no-san lomu es toroso. Boruch atto Adonoi nosan hat-to-ro.

CLASS: Praised be Thou, O Lord our God, Ruler of the world, Who hast chosen us from among all peoples and hast given us Thy law.

Praised be Thou, O Lord, Giver of the law.

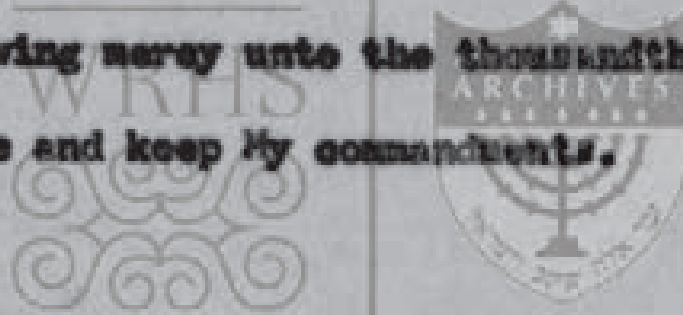
TEN COMMANDMENTS IN HEBREW

LEADER: Boruch atto Adonoi Eloheinu, melech ho-o-lon, asher nosan lomu toras en-ee v'chaye olom not- b'ee-che-mu. Boruch atto Adonoi no-san hat-to-ro.

CLASS: Praised be Thou, Lord our God, Ruler of the world, Who hast given us a law of truth and hast implanted eternal life within us.
Praised be Thou, O Lord, Giver of the Law.

COMMANDMENTS

1. I am the Lord Thy God, Who brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage.
2. Thou shalt not have any other Gods before Me. Thou shalt not take unto thyself any graven image nor any manner of likeness of anything that is in the heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth; thou shalt not bow down unto them, nor serve them: for I, the Lord Thy God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate Me; and showing mercy unto the thousandth generation of them that love Me and keep My commandments.



COMMANDMENTS

3. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord Thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.
4. Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath unto the Lord, Thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work - thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy man-servant, nor thy maid-servant, nor thy cattle, nor the stranger that is within thy gates; for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is in them, and rested on the seventh day, wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath Day and hallowed it.

COMMANDMENTS

5. Honor thy father and thy mother that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.
6. Thou shalt not murder.
7. Thou shalt not commit adultery.
8. Thou shalt not steal.
9. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.
10. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house; thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his man-servant, nor his maid-servant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is thy neighbor's.

HAFTARAH

Isaiah, Chapter 42 (vv 1-12)

**The Haftarah for today is taken from the 42nd chapter
of the Book of the Prophet Isaiah.**

(Read from Bible on pulpit)



HAFTARAH

(Before reading the Haftarah)

**Praised be the Lord our God, for the law of truth and
righteousness revealed in Israel, for the words of the prophets
filled with His spirit and for the teachings of the sages whom He
raised up aforetime and in these days.**

(After reading the Haftarah)

**For the Torah, for the privilege of worshipping, for the
prophets and for this holy day given to us, for inspiration, for
honor and for glory, let us thank and bless the Lord our God.**

PRAYER FOR THE HOUSEHOLD OF ISRAEL

O Lord our God, we turn to Thee in hope, as did our fathers. May Thy mercy descend upon our people in all their habitations. Extend Thy protection and help unto our brothers who struggle in lands of darkness as victims of oppression and persecution. Fill the hearts of all men with a love of freedom and justice, that tyranny may vanish and the reign of righteousness be established everywhere on earth. Uphold also the hands of our brothers who toil to rebuild Zion. In their pilgrimage among the nations, Thy people have always turned in love to the land where Israel was born, where our prophets taught their imperishable message of justice and brotherhood, and where our psalmists sang their deathless songs of love for Thee and of Thy love for us and all humanity. Ever enshrined in the hearts of Israel was the hope that Zion might be restored, not for their own pride or vainglory, but as a living witness to the truth of Thy word which shall lead the nations to the reign of peace. Grant us strength that with Thy help we may bring a new light to shine upon Zion. Inbue us who live in lands of freedom with a sense of Israel's spiritual unity that we may share joyously in the work of redemption.

RETURNING THE SCROLLS - I

Oh God, our Father and our Protector, we invoke Thy blessings on the House of Israel. Whatever be our portion in the countries of the earth, may we remain true to our heritage. Bestow Thy favor on this blessed land. Prosper our nation in all its industries and its commerce, on land and on sea, so that there may be no want nor scarcity anywhere. Grant that they whom the people have placed in authority may be filled with Thy spirit, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of Thee. May Thy blessing rest upon our free institutions, that this land remain forever the home of liberty. May peace abide within its borders and righteousness among its inhabitants. Be Thou with us now and ever. Help Thou us in all our ways.

Amen.



RETURNING THE SCROLLS - II

The Bible is the product of the prophetic genius of the people of Israel. It represents Israel's major contribution to mankind. It is a book, not for one age only, but for eternity; not for one people only, but for the whole of mankind.

We who are about to be confirmed will become the bearers of the great traditions of this immortal book. The stream of its inspiration and influence must continue through us. We must therefore learn it and teach it, in order to fulfill the ancient charge: "This Book of the Law shall not depart out of thy mouth, and thou shalt meditate therein day and night."

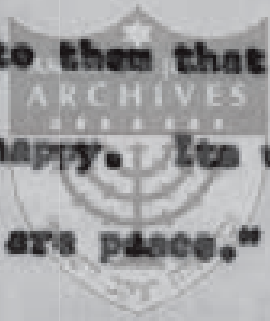
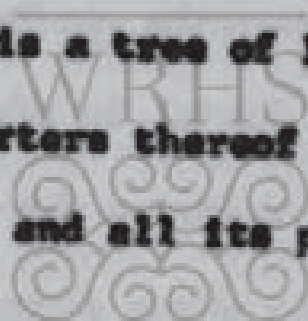


RETURNING THE SCROLLS - III

Proudly we lift this Torah aloft - (pause) -
symbol of our faith, our hope and our mission.

"The law of the Lord is perfect, restoring the
soul; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the
simple. The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the
heart; the judgments of the Lord are true; they are
righteous altogether. Behold, a good doctrine has been
given unto you; forsake it not."

It is a tree of life to them that lay hold of it,
and the supporters thereof are happy. Its ways are ways of
pleasantness, and all its paths are peace."



GOD

"And thou shalt love the Lord, thy God, with all thy heart, with all thy soul, and with all thy might." Israel is united in the worship of God. All our cherished ideals draw their inspiration and strength from our belief in God. God is One. "Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One."

Israel gave mankind the worship of one God, and our people have always insisted that God is above any representation. God is pure spirit. God is the Creator of the Universe. If we ascend the heavens or mark the furthestmost parts of the earth, or separate the minutest particle of life, there is God, the all powerful, all pervading, eternal power.

The people of Israel have always served and revered God and Him alone. Israel worships God's majesty. Israel trusts in God's goodness. Israel seeks to find happiness in a life of goodness. As God is holy, so must we sanctify our lives.

O Lord, our God, how glorious is Thy name in all the earth.

MAN

Man is the child of God. There is an element of God's spirit in every man. "God created man in His image; in the image of God created He him."

The body is subject to the natural processes of growth and decay. "In the morning we flourish and we grow up. In the evening we are cut down and we wither." What then is the divine element in man? It is our soul. Our creative talents, our conscience, our powers of reason -- these are God-like qualities and place man at the very summit of creation. Thus, the poetry of the psalmist:

"When I behold Thy heavens, the work of Thy fingers, the moon and the stars which Thou has established; what is man that Thou art mindful of him, and the son of man that Thou thinkest of him?"

"Yet Thou hast made him but little lower than the angels and hast crowned him with glory and honor."

Man is the child of God. We enjoy the capacity to achieve greatly. We enjoy the freedom to choose the right and reject the evil. Our lives can be infinitely significant if we wish them so and diligently work to make them so.

Man is the child of God. It is our task to become men of God.

ISRAEL

Our ancestors were the first to recognize the existence of the One God, Creator of the Universe and source not only of physical but also of moral law. Consecrated by this vision, Israel undertook a unique responsibility. "Ye shall be unto Me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation."

Israel is God's priest people. Our mission is to make clear the importance of God's teachings to the world. As God's priest people, we must set a high example. The task of religious leadership confers duties, not special favors.

Israel is God's priest people. The glory of our people's history is that our fathers never faltered in their allegiance. Despite persecution and suffering, our leaders championed justice and charity and peace. May their example be our inspiration.

ONE WORLD

Israel worships the One God, the Father of all men.

Before God all men are equal; in His sight all men are brothers.

Unfortunately, our world is sadly divided by suspicion, discord, and hate. Brother speaks ill of brother. Brother battles brother. It is Israel's hope that men will one day "beat their swords into plowshares" and establish a world rich in peace, where all men enjoy equal justice and opportunity.

This hope will not be realized easily. Greed and violence stalk our world. Willful men rejoice in ill-gotten and ill-used power. There is even talk of a third world war. If our generation is to be saved from such horror, it must turn its mind from thoughts of war and preparation for war, to the task of peace. We must engineer reconciliation between nations and between peoples. We must destroy the barriers of bigotry and misunderstanding that separate the children of the One God. There is no greater or more urgent responsibility than the work of peace.

PRAYER

"O give thanks unto the Lord for He is good, for His mercy endureth forever." The majesty of creation, the miracle of life, a moment of love lead men to praise God. Prayer is our response to the infinite wonder of life.

Prayer is an uplifting of the soul to God. Prayer mirrors man's many moods. It begins with gratitude. Equally it may express uncertainty and indecision. Often, when the way is difficult and the decision unclear, we turn to God.

"Out of the depths I cried unto the Lord; He answered me with great enlargement." God answers us by renewing our confidence and by encouraging us to meet life's many challenges. Often our prayer is spoken; often spoken only in the silence of our hearts. It matters not. God is close to our prayers as long as they are of the heart.

Prayer is the voice of faith. Prayer is the voice of our heart reaching out to God. Praised be to God, Who permits us to pray.

The synagogue is Israel's religious home. May we encourage its work and wisely return to it throughout our lives for instruction and inspiration.

THE SCHOOL

THE SYNAGOGUE

"Hear, my son, the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the teaching of thy mother, for they shall be a chaplet of grace upon thy head and a pendant about thy neck." Judaism rejects superstition.

"How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob, thy dwelling places, O Israel."

In every age it is the synagogue which has given meaning and direction to our communities.

The synagogue was founded during the first exile in Babylonia. The Temple had been destroyed, so in their captivity our ancestors met in improvised places of worship, where they studied the sacred law, listened to the instruction of their teachers and prophets, and offered up their prayers to God.

Today, wherever Jews dwell, even in the most distant places of the earth, synagogues humble or magnificent in style and architecture are to be found. There the prayers of Israel are offered. There the voice of the Rabbi, preaching the word of God, is heard. There all may learn of the faith and moral principles of Judaism, and there the great traditions of our people are conserved.

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THE SCHOOL

"Hear, my son, the instruction of thy father, and forsake not the teaching of thy mother, for they shall be a chaplet of grace upon thy head and a pendant about thy neck." Judaism rejects superstition. Judaism is impatient with ignorance. Judaism insists upon knowledge and understanding. Our people was the first to establish a universal school system where all children, rich and poor alike, might receive instruction. Our faith was to be broad, not blind, obedient to the Will of God and wise in the wisdom of the world.

In our day learning has become largely the province of the public school, the high school and the university. But secular education is not enough. Knowledge must be coupled with character. We need not only learning, which is power, but wisdom, which is control. We need not only truth, which is light, but understanding, which is warmth. We need not only definition, but direction. We need faith and high ideals, integrity and self-restraint, and it is to develop these qualities that religious education is directed. It is of these qualities that our tradition speaks when it says, "Thou shalt teach them diligently to thy children". May we be diligent in our search for God and the good life.

THE HOME

"Look well to the ways of thy household." Nature is the beauty and nobility of Judaism so much in evidence as in the home. The home has been for our people from time immemorial a "Mikdash me-at" -- a small sanctuary. Our homes were to be filled with love and understanding, with purity and with reverence. The father brought to the home knowledge and direction. The mother brought tenderness, and in the home she taught her children fine standards of character and conduct. Here children were trained into a life-long discipline of honor and goodness and charity.

Such a home is an ideal, one to which we must dedicate our lives, for such a home enriches the personalities of its members and is the foundation of a stable, happy society.

Many of the religious customs of our people are intended for the home. Practicing these, the family rejoiced in a united dedication to God. We are conscious that Jewish life can not be preserved unless the home remains a citadel of dignity and devotion. It will be our responsibility to establish our homes in love and purity.

THE STATE OF ISRAEL

Twelve years ago the State of Israel was proclaimed by the Jewish people in Palestine. In so doing they fulfilled a resolution of the United Nations, recognizing the right of our people to re-establish its national homeland.

The State of Israel's short history represents a triumph of accomplishment. Over a million displaced and homeless Jews have found the security of a new life in Israel. Parched desert has been made fertile. The pestilential swamps have been drained and made to flower. The rocky hills have been terraced and are ripe with rich vineyards. A prosperous industrial economy has been established in a land which, only a few years ago, knew nothing of the modern age. Fine cultural institutions have added depth and dimension to this new life. A thriving democracy has grown up in Israel and has come of age.

All this was accomplished through the sacrifice of the Jewish people. Determined men of vision took each obstacle in stride. Men of good will the world over lent the pioneers political and financial support.

Much has been accomplished. Much remains to be done. With God's help the determined people of Israel will establish their country firmly and enable it to grow from strength to strength.

THE UNITED NATIONS

The United Nations was born in hope -- in the hope that international organisation might replace national rivalry. Created at the end of the Second World War, the United Nations was organised to prevent any further world-wide conflict.

The United Nations was born in hope. Its purpose is well stated in the preamble of its charter:

"We, the peoples of the United States, determined to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war ..., to reaffirm faith in fundamental human rights, to establish conditions under which justice can be maintained, and to promote social progress and better standards of life in larger freedom, have resolved to combine our efforts to accomplish these aims."

The United Nations has brought economic opportunity and medical advance, peace and conciliation to many parts of our world. Unfortunately, the selfish interests of many nations has limited its effectiveness. On many an occasion nations have chosen to bypass and flout its moral authority. Some countries use its assembly not to forge the bonds of peace but to display their propaganda and ill feeling. If our world is to have peace the work of the United Nations must be encouraged, for on its success rest the hopes and dreams of mankind.

DEMOCRACY

"Justice, justice shalt thou pursue." "Proclaim freedom unto the land." So Israel was commanded. In this spirit, too, was our own America founded. Our Constitution represents a happy wedding of the prophetic command and the democratic spirit.

Many ancient injustices have been righted in our country. Much work has been done to establish man's inalienable rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. Yet the work of democracy is not yet complete. There are men who cannot vote. There are occupations in which some may not engage. There are residences where some may not live. We cannot rest content until all barriers of caste and class, family and faith have been broken down. The work of building an even better way of life is a noble enterprise. It is one which commands our support.

OUR TEMPLE

One hundred and ten years ago, forty-seven men and women founded this congregation. They chose as its name "Tifereth Israel" -- The Glory of Israel. For eleven decades, dedicated men and women have worked to establish this dream.

The Temple occupies a proud place in our community. Under its guidance many a good cause has been successfully championed. The Temple has assumed a pre-eminant place in the national councils of our faith. Its principles and programs have helped to shape and hold the direction of Jewish life.

The Temple stands high in the hearts of our community. Equally it is dear to the hearts of our congregation. In this sanctuary God has truly been worshipped in the beauty of holiness. In these halls the richness of our heritage has been related to the challenges of modern life. In the school the best of our teachings has been transmitted to each new generation. In moments of sadness and in moments of joy The Temple has been intimate to the many men and women who form its family.

We rejoice in our Temple's one hundred and tenth anniversary of accomplishment. We recognize that each generation must continue the work of those that came before. Reverently and humbly we must take our place as loyal sons and daughters of Tifereth Israel, conscious of the glorious heritage and determined to continue it.

AMERICA

God built Him a continent of glory and filled it with treasures untold;
He carpeted it with soft-rolling prairies and columned it with thundering
mountains;
He studded it with sweet-flowing fountains and traced it with long-winding
streets;
He planted it with deep-shadowed forests, and filled them with song.

Then He called unto a thousand peoples and summoned the bravest among them.
They came from the ends of the earth, each bearing a gift and a hope.
The glow of adventure was in their eyes, and in their hearts the glory of



And out of the bounty of earth and the labor of man,
Out of the longing of hearts and the prayer of souls,
Out of the memory of ages and hopes of the world,
God fashioned a nation in love, blessed it with a purpose sublime --
And called it AMERICA!

CLOSING PRAYER

O Lord, our God, as these sacred exercises draw to a close there is gratitude in our hearts for this hour's beauty and meaning. We have drawn close to Thee and we will carry that closeness throughout our lives.

We pray, O Lord, for the well-being of our parents. Grant them long life and happiness. May our lives reward them in some small measure for the unfailing love and the many sacrifices which they have bestowed upon us.

We pray, O Lord, for Thy continuing guidance. Guard us from whatever dangers may beset our way. Grant us strength, courageously to meet the challenges of life. Enlighten our understanding, that we do not stray from the right path. Grant us Thy protection and Thy blessing, that we may find happiness in our lives and through our lives bring credit to our parents, our faith, and to Thee. Amen.

(Choir sings "Amen".)

Let us, members of this class, rise together - (pause while class rises) - and in the presence of God and the Congregation of Israel, pronounce our Declaration of Faith.

Opening Prayer Susan Levin
 The Flower Offering Eileen Stern
 Exaltation of the Scrolls Eric Shaw
 The Ten Commandments - in Hebrew
 Paul Rothschild
 Ronnie Rosenblatt

The Ten Commandments--In English
 Pauline Yanowitz
 Carla Schoen
 Nancy Gray

Reading of the Haftarah Ruth Stolier
 Michael Goldstein

Prayer for the Household of Israel
 Jane Arsham

Returning the Scrolls Earle Marsh
 Richard Weisberg
 Millard Duchon

God ~~Donald Mars~~ KATY GOODMAN

Man DONALD MARS

Israel JUDY BERMAN

One World GAIL WEINER

Prayer Nelson Kramer

The Synagogue SUSAN SACHS
~~Loren Selman~~

The School Loren Selman

The Home Barbara Liff

OUR OWN DAY

The State of Israel Sam Schaul

The United Nations Sara-Joy Burnley

Democracy MARGARET BLACK

Our Temple DAVID KELLER



America

~~Dan Miller~~
Nancy Cohen

CONFIRMATION

Closing Prayer

Michal Golder



CONFIRMATION SERVICE

Organ Prelude A. R. Willard
 Shabbat Service -- Pages 210-213 Rabbi
 Anthem -- Holy, Holy, Holy (Gounod) Choir
 Processional -- Blessed, O Blessed Class
 Welcome Rabbi
 Blessed Be Ye Who Come (Gounod) Choir
 Opening Prayer
 Lord, What Offering Shall We Bring Class
 The Flower Offering

THE READING FROM THE TORAH

Exaltation of the Scrolls
 The Ten Commandments -- In Hebrew
 The Ten Commandments -- In English



Reading of the Haftarah

Prayer for the Household of Israel

Returning the Scrolls

Response -- Kts Chayin (Noses) Choir

Unsho Yemar (Traditional) and Choir

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THE FAITH OF THE JEW AND THE OBLIGATIONS OF JEWISH LIFE

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

Shabbat, Wednesday, June 1, 1960

Nine-thirty o'clock

God

Man

Israel

One World

Prayer

The Synagogue

The School

The Home

Sole -- Shmuel Hiercel (Rosenblatt)

OUR OWN DAY

The State of Israel

The United Nations

Democracy

Our Temple

America



CONFIRMATION

Address to the Confirmands

Rabbi

Closing Prayer

Dedication to the Faith

Class

The Confirmation Hymn

Class

Blessing of the Confirmands

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

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Benediction

Responses -- Shema Chayim (Masses)

Responses (Traditional)

CONFIRMATION SERVICE

Shabuot, Wednesday, June 1, 1960

Nine-thirty o'clock

Organ Prelude

A. R. Willard

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Rabbi

Anthem -- Hely, Holy, Holy (Gounod)

Choir

Processional -- Blessed, O Blessed

Class

Welcome

Rabbi

Blessed Be Ye Who Come (Gounod)

Choir

Opening Prayer

Susan Lewis

Lord, What Offering Shall We Bring

Class

The Flower Offering

Eileen Steer

THE READING FROM THE TORAH

~~The Meaning of the Torah~~

Exaltation of the Scrolls

The Ten Commandments -- In Hebrew

1 Eric Shaw
2/Paula Rothblatt
Rene Rothblatt

The Ten Commandments -- In English

Pauline Kinsick
3 Eileen Steer
Mary Giff

Closing Prayer

Reading of the Haftarah

2/Ruth Steiner
Rene Rothblatt

The Confirmation Hymn

Prayer for the Household of Israel

1 Jane Giff

Blessing of the Confirmation

Returning the Scrolls

3 Eileen Steer
Ruth Steiner
Rene Rothblatt

Concluding Service -- Pages 275-277

Benediction

Response -- Etz Chayim (Moses)

Choir

Umucho Yomar (Traditional)

and Choir

THE FAITH OF THE JEW AND THE OBLIGATIONS OF JEWISH LIFE

God

David Marcus

Man

Israel

One World

Prayer

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Solo -- Shomer Yisroel (Rosenblatt)

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Sam Schuch
Lucy Bunday

David Keller
Mary Cohen

CONFIRMATION

Address to the Confirmands

Rabbi

Closing Prayer

Michael Golden

Dedication to the Faith

Class

The Confirmation Hymn

Class

Blessing of the Confirmands

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver

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Benediction

Floral Offering

Torah Service

Exaltation of the Scrolls - goes up alone. After "Adonoi, Adonoi",
readers come up.

2. The attached envelopes are for your Confirmation gift to The Temple. They Ten Commandments -- English -- then sit down as possible.

Prayer for the Household of Israel - then sit down

1 - prayer

3 - begins "Proudly we lift the Torah aloft (pause) symbol of our faith, our hope, and our mission", then paragraph "The law of the Lord is perfect" etc.

Then these 3 boys sit down

4. Nearest road to the site is Highway 101, which runs north-south, located on the east side of the site.

One World
The Synagogue Confirmation Day:
The School
The Home White robes, white shoes, white slip (no crinoline) or dress, no jewelry or ribbons.

The State of Israelers, dark shoes, white shirt and navy blue

Democracy

America

Our Temple

Closing Prayer

May 5, 1960

IMPORTANT MEMORANDUM to All Confirmands

1. Please note the attached information concerning photographs. Your appointment date is indicated. If there is any question, contact Mrs. Brown at ER 1-1142.
2. The attached envelopes are for your Confirmation gift to The Temple. They should be returned to The Temple office as quickly as possible.
3. The tentative rehearsal schedule is as follows:

Saturday --	May 7	9:00 A.M.
Thursday --	May 12	4:30 P.M.
Wednesday -	May 18	4:30 P.M.
Thursday --	May 19	4:30 P.M.
Saturday --	May 21	9:00 A.M.
Wednesday -	May 25	4:30 P.M.
Thursday --	May 26	4:30 P.M.
Saturday --	May 28	9:00 A.M. -- <u>Final Rehearsal</u>

Please note that this schedule is only tentative and additional rehearsals may be called as necessary. All rehearsals begin promptly, and no absences are allowed.

4. Measurements for Confirmation robes will be taken on Saturday morning, May 7, at 10:30 in the Chapel. Be sure to bring with you the money for the gowns: Boys \$2.25 - Girls \$2.50. Boys will bring an additional \$1.00 for a navy blue tie to be worn on Confirmation Day.

5. What to wear on Confirmation Day:

GIRLS: White robes, white shoes, white slip (no crinoline) or dress, no jewelry or ribbons.

BOYS: Dark trousers, dark shoes, white shirt and navy blue tie, navy blue robe.

THE TEMPLE HIGH SCHOOL
SCHEDULE OF CLASSES
1959-60 Spring Session

Director: Rabbi Daniel Jeremy Silver
Supervisor: Rabbi Milton Matz

<u>ROOM</u>	<u>GRADE</u>	<u>CLASS</u> (10:00 - 11:30)	<u>TEACHER</u>
37	1A	Jew In A Non-Jewish World (Sklare & Vosc: The Riverton Study) 50¢	Mr. S. Morgenstern
36	1B	Jew In A Non-Jewish World (Sklare & Vosc: The Riverton Study) 50¢	Mr. M. Feldman
34	1C	Social Issues (Vorspan & Lipman: Justice and Judaism) \$2.90	Mr. R. Silver
32	2A	Reform Judaism Reexamined (Essays from Reform Judaism) \$1.25	Dr. S. Kamen
40	2B	Bible (Pritchard: Archaeology and the Old Testament) \$4.10	Mr. I. Weiss
31	2C	Bible \$2.10	Mr. L. Broh-Kahn
39	3A	Basic Judaism (Bamberger: The Story of Judaism) \$4.10	Mr. A. Peakin
38	3B	Comparative Religions (Rosten: Religions of America) \$1.50	Dr. M. Waitzman

HIGH SCHOOL SPECIAL ACTIVITIES (9:15 - 10:00)

<u>ROOM</u>	<u>ACTIVITY</u>	<u>ADVISOR</u>
39	Debating	L. Broh-Kahn
40	Journalism	P. Danaceau
	Chapel Choir	E. Olenick
	Parlor Student Council	Rabbi Matz
32	Dramatics	N. Epstein
31	Creative Writing	S. Morgenstern

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Fathers see thy suppliant children
Trembling stand before thy throne
To confirm the power of Thine
We will serve the Lord alone
Thy commandment shall be engraven
On the tables of our heart
Till the heart in death be broken
Till the soul in life still part

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ROSH HASHANA SERMON

SEPTEMBER - 1960

There is a beautiful prayer in that most beautiful of all the books of the Bible -- the Book of Psalms, () -- "Make Thy way straight before me".

In life we do not always know the straight way. We do not always know where we are going. At times we find ourselves wandering in a pathless waste. Some of us travel to no purpose, and so end up nowhere. Oft-times when we know least where we are going, we are most eager and determined to get there. Sometimes we get lost and we do not even know that we are lost. For years we may have been following a road which we believed would lead us to happiness, only to discover much later that this road has led us through dust and heat, not to the happiness which we had hoped for but away from it, to heart-aches, loneliness and desolation. "Where and how had we gone astray?" we ask ourselves, when it is almost too late, when our day is nearly spent and the long night comes relentlessly on.

Once a year we are especially summoned by our religion to check both on our goal and on our compass -- to make sure that we are moving in the right direction, along God's way, the only way that leads to the dwelling place of peace and contentment of soul. On this day of Rosh Hashanah we are taught to pray: "Make Thy way straight before me".

God's way is a straight way. It is not difficult to find, even though it is often difficult to follow. He who does what is right, speaks the truth from his heart and does no evil to his friend -- that man is on God's highway. The road, however, difficult, lies straight before him --

-- "The path of the righteous is like the light of dawn which shines brighter and brighter until full day".

But he who in his journey through life thinks only of himself, his success, his position, his prestige and little or nothing of others, of family, friends, community, country, has wandered off the main road which is God's road and is thrashing about profitlessly in the dark and dank underbrush of a pathless forest.

For

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"The way of the wicked is like deep darkness; they do not know over what they stumble".

There is no man living who always follows the straight way of God, who never turns aside from the good and the right way to the false way -- the .

Therefore, this holy season is given us to check on ourselves, our road-map and our direction, and if we find that we have gone the wrong way and have detoured, to return to the broad, clear highway which is God's way.

We are assured by our religion that we can always return! There is nothing wrong which, in the sight of God, cannot be righted. Nothing crooked which cannot be made straight. No sin which cannot be forgiven -- provided we seek forgiveness to Him of Whom our seers and prophets said: "Thou desirest not the death of the sinner but that he should return from his evil way and live!"

We should examine ourselves honestly -- introspection is good for the soul -- but we should not depreciate, disparage or belittle ourselves. Rather, out of a confident sense of power and self-worth, we should make those needed rectifications which our dignity and destiny as children of God call for.

And what is good for the individual to take bearing and to find his way back to the highway is good also for the nation. Self-examination and self-criticism is a wholesome national tonic. As a nation, we have been searchingly examining ourselves in recent years, though, I am afraid quite involuntarily. This self-examination has been forced upon us by unexpected world events which made us suddenly feel less secure and less self-assured.

In recent years Americans have been chewing the bitter cud of frustration and disquiet. We have been searching our souls and beating our breasts. "What is wrong with us?" we have been asking ourselves. As a people we are frequently given to self-criticism -- sometimes to excess. In moments when our self-confidence is shaken and we are suddenly stabbed into an awareness of some serious short-coming in our national life, we become severely critical of ourselves. The mood, unfortunately, does not last long. After a time we return to our customary complacency, but as long as the mood lasts we do flagellate ourselves, sometimes quite unmercifully.

~~Some have put the blame on what has happened upon the American people as such -- the American people has made this mistake, smug and complacent. It is the victim of a "neurotic compulsion for gadgets, comforts and conveniences. It is lost in all things and to all values except those of the market place".~~

I doubt this very much. The American people are still the most charitable and the most generous people on earth. Their generosity is not limited to their own, nor does it stop at their national boundaries. The American people are still spending -- and increasingly so -- billions of dollars upon education and religion and social welfare and upon the care of the aged, the sick and the handicapped. The American people are still saving war, determinately, upon disease and poverty and slums, race, and upon intolerance and discrimination. I do not think that we ought to isolate ourselves utterly and in terms of such rash abandon. There is really nothing wrong with wanting to be well-fed and well-clothed and well-housed and to have the comforts of life. Austerity and frugality are not the answer to the serious problems which confront us today. A people can be poor and vicious. A people can be prosperous and socially minded. We may not have been wise in our foreign diplomacy -- we certainly have not been corrupt.

Of course, there is much room for improvement in our national life --

in every department of it, as there is in the national life of every people. What is wrong with us has to do with the alarming incidence of crime and juvenile delinquency, with our mounting divorce rate and with racial intolerance. It has to do with the need for firmer disciplines in education, whether in the sciences or the humanities. There call for candid confession and contrition, and for immediate efforts at correction.

What has happened in the last few years may well work out to our advantage, if -- if it sobera us, as a people -- if we learn to realize, for example, that we are not sitting on top of the world any more, but rather on the top of a powder keg. What has happened may prove all too good if it teaches our elected servants in government the quality of humility. A realization that we cannot go it alone -- that we no longer have, if we ever did have, a monopoly of wealth, or power or scientific skill, or genius. Our public officials, who are charged with the conduct of our foreign affairs, need the humility to realize that the enemy whom we are facing is neither politically weak nor scientifically handicapped nor economically on the verge of collapse and that all talk of Soviet weakness is a consolation for what has happened is an act of self-delusion. The enemy we are facing is too powerful to be ignored. He cannot be quarantined and we must find ways of living in the same world with him. The only road open to civilization is the road to mutual accommodation and reconciliation and cooperation. Every other road leads to chaos and ruin and death.

But what all is said and done, and this includes Sputniks and Echoes and mice, dogs, monkeys and later on, men placed in orbit -- the major problem of our day is not how to reach our artificial moons and our intercontinental ballistic missiles with those of the Russians but how to live in the same world with them. The persistent human problem is not how to make interstellar space safe for artificial satellites but how to make this world of ours safe for man! The fundamental human problem is how to

do away with the need for ballistic missiles and the A-bombs and the H-bombs altogether. The human situation remains what it was before the Russians launched their satellites and we ours. The human problem still remains how to accommodate ourselves one to another -- nation to nation, system to system, race to race, religion to religion. Surely there must set in, sooner or later, unless we are resigned to catastrophe -- I might almost say to annihilation -- surely there must set in sooner or later, some rapprochement between the East and the West consequent upon the realization -- the simple realization -- that one power bloc cannot destroy the other without destroying itself. Surely the time must come, sooner or later, when the war-obsessed in both camps, the East and the West, and their incessant war-scares and war-cries must be pushed aside, and others who are not war-obsessed, but peace-inspired, must come to take their place of leadership in their respective worlds. Surely the time must come when the concept of co-existence which has been derided and held in contempt and made tantamount to black heresy and disloyalty -- when this concept of co-existence about which the Russians have been far more cynical, though much more vocal, than we, will come to be regarded not merely as practical, but also as mandatory -- as inevitable. Our responsible public officials must, in a new spirit of humility and in dedication to our country's and to mankind's supreme good, move resolutely in the direction of finding ways of mutual accommodation and reconciliation. And if that happens, then inter-stellar rivalry and scientific victories in outer space may well be a welcome overture to the pacification of our world.

What has happened may prove to our good in the long run, if it helps us to raise up a new generation of men and women who will be more reverent of learning and more devoted to the exacting disciplines of the mind, not only in the field of science but also in the field of humanities.

We need a new reverence for learning, for the human intellect. We must demand more of our schools, of our colleges and of our children in terms of hard, exacting disciplines of education. Education, like virtue, like art, deals constantly with what is hard to do. And here, I am afraid, is where we have gone soft. Only hard-disciplined work is the key to any real education. Every advanced country makes such demands. We have not, in many instances, made similar exacting demands. We have the brains and, in the main, the educational facilities are here, but the basic attitudes and disciplines and the standards are not all here.

We must find our way back to a great reverence for doing supremely competent work in whatever field of study we are engaged. Here is where we must take ourselves in hand and set our house in order.

But we need not be pessimistic either about our present or our future. There is nothing that is wrong with us that cannot be righted. We should not listen to the cynic, the sceptic and the scoffer. There is nothing that man has made crooked that he cannot make straight. Behind every system is man. On the world scene it is possible to banish war and eradicate poverty. It is possible, even though difficult, to reconcile the sharp and bitter contradictions of our day -- nationalism with internationalism, collectivism, accelerated by our industrial technology and mass production, with the rights and liberties of the individual. It is possible to give men economic security without robbing them of their political freedom. What the world needs is inspired new leadership, and the welling up from within of a new faith and a new courage.

The dictators of our day who are flocking this week to the United Nations are not in any sense the inspired new leaders for which the world is waiting. They are as old as Nero and Caligula. They prate of a new world order. Actually, they are reaching out for new empires which can only be laid in blood and at the cost of the rights and freedoms of other peoples. To the youth of the world they offer nothing but chains and death. They have no faith in men or humanity, nor in the power of men

to transcend themselves, and through their own initiative and experience to achieve higher and nobler forms of a free and secure society. They have the instincts of slaves -- and I confidently believe that in time they will be on their way out. Their own people will tire of them. They and mankind generally will not long tolerate those who, under the pretext of achieving equality and the good life, actually bring them enslavement, labor camps and the police state.

The democratic faith alone can provide the new leadership; for democracy has faith in man and mankind, in an advancing human society and in a cooperative commonwealth of free and equal peoples. Only democracy can achieve this good and gracious life for mankind. But only a democracy which remains continuously and vividly aware of its spiritual origin and destiny, and of the underlying and indispensable spiritual principles of brotherhood and justice, which alone can sustain the free life of man and society.

Let our nation continue the wholesome process of self-examination. Let it courageously face up to all the short-comings which it finds, and at the behest of its own noble history, traditions, and destiny set out to correct them. But let it have faith in its own strength. The future belongs not to the revolutions of dictatorships, but to the revolutions of democracy, not to Lenin and Marx but to Jefferson and Lincoln. The future belongs to those who declared, in the hearing of the whole world: "We hold these truths to be self-evident -- that all men are created equal, and that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of happiness!

The future belongs to those who a hundred years ago in a tragic civil war died so that this nation under God might have a new birth of freedom and "that government of the people, by the people, for the people shall not perish from the earth"....

By an act of will, our nation should return to the highway of its own heroic past. For however difficult it is, it is the straight way of human progress. Our nation should eschew all promptings of expediency, all fear of propaganda and all wooing of dictators to help us against dictators. We should forego our present mood of resentment against dictators who have forgotten or perhaps had never learned the art of restraint and good manners in international speech and conduct. We should not yield to the temptation of returning insult for insult.

There is already too strong an odor of the fish-market in the stately conference halls of our diplomats. Let us not compete in the race of the unbridled tongue with governments who have broken Olympic records in these events. We should carry on undiverted and undeterred in our own confident tradition of freedom and good-will towards all. We should continue to build within our own borders the most perfect society that we are capable of, free from all forms of injustice, discrimination and intolerance, wherein all our citizens will feel themselves secure in their human rights and dignity. Our example to the world, in this worship of democracy, will mean even more than our material aid. We should assist, through our Point Four Program, wherever we can, the peoples of the world who are in need of help. Our Point One Program, however, should be to take every legitimate risk for peace and world cooperation in the society of nations.

This is an hour in which we should, as a nation, pray in all humility:
"Make Thy way straight before us".

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