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Iraq, Iran, and Israel, 1980.

The war between Iraq and Iran is now just a month old. The lack of information in the West which characterized the early days of the war which, incidentally, testify to the inadequacy of our intelligence gathering apparatus in that part of the world, has now largely been overcome. When asked to presume that our spie planes are in the air, and it's clear that at least the Iraqis are taking television cameras and their crews into those areas of the battlefield, battle zone, that they want them to report on. We have seen on our television screens during the nightly news pictures of burning refineries, of burning oil— docking facilities and ruptured oil pipe lines. I don't know if you've been as fascinated as I have by the choice of images which is coming back to us. What is presented to us by the media is what they think will have an impact on us. Normally, in the early stages of a war, what the media returned to this country were pictures of orphaned children, bereaved widows, or even dead bodies. This time it's been of oil burning needlessly in the Middle East, the refineries and the pipelines that are smashed and broken. Obviously, that is what concerns the emotions of the West.

As I watched these black, billowing clouds of smoke and fire I was reminded of a story which our Bible tells about David long before he was king of Israel, long before he was a person of any fame. David, as you recall, was born into a very ordinary family. He was one of the youngest sons in the family, he had no future whatsoever. He had nothing to rely on except his wit and his physical power, so the Bible tells us in those parts of the Bible which romantics tend to overlook that David hired himself out as a mercenary officer to the arch enemies of the Israelites, the Philistines. One day when David was home on leave in Benjamin another group of Philistines attacked his tribe and he went out with his brothers and his father and their allies to defend themselves and the story on that attack that he defeated the old grizzly giant warrior, Goliath, in hand to hand combat. But once this was done the wise in Israel began to sing the praises of David and his praise began to be heard up and down the

land, and he was afraid to go back to the king of Gaf, the Philistine king who had hired him because after all, now, he was the famous hero who had killed one of the great heroes of the Philistine community, but he had to return, and so when he came back to Gath he feigned being a mad man. He danced up and down as if he were absolutely insane, frothing at the mouth, before the King of Gath, and in one of the greatest sides of the Bible the King of Gath turns to his courtiers and he says, "don't I have enough meshuganahs that you brought this one, this added meshuganah, to plague me, I didn't need it." We live in a mad world and we certainly did not need this evidence of madness, because what it is.

The average per capita income in Iraq is estimated to be, even with the oil monies, about 1200 dollars per person per year. The average per capita income in Iran since the revolution is less than that. The experts estimate that in terms of expended war material, damage to plant, this war is costing each of the belligerent a quarter of a billion dollars a day, which means to say that they've already wasted nearly seven billion dollars of income, of assets, each. Now, for all their wealth, these are relatively poor countries. The human resource is largely illiterate; two-thirds of Iran is illiterate; three quarters of the population of Iraq is illiterate; and what we've really been seeing if we've had eyes with which to see is that these two countries have been using expensive Western and Russian explosive toys in order to destroy expensive Western and Russian expensive oil-related plant and equipment. The death casualties have been low. That is not the way the Arab world fights. They have been hurling cannon against cannon and missile against missile, million dollar plane against million dollar plane, and all of it has been directed on these great industrial complexes which the West and Russia have built in order to provide the West and Russia with the energy resource which it so desperately needs. And so, in many ways, we are the intended victims, we and the Russians, of the fighting. It's a meshuganah war. It's a war which has to do with race, religious passion, vain glory, revenge, very little to do with the Germans like to call real politik, that idea that war is ultimately an extension of diplomacy simply by other means. There are wars with very

limited objectives. The six-day war is one of these. Israel was threatened by the amassing of armies on her border; she was being economically strangled by the embargo; there was a need to attack before she was attacked; there was a need to have some bargaining positions for the future negotiations, so the six-day war. Once those very limited objectives were attained there were negotiations, armistice, the war was over for all intents and purposes. But in this war the issues are passionate, violent, and I do not believe that they are ultimately amenable to diplomacy and to any kind of secure arrangement.

Iraq was the aggressor, but clearly one of the major reasons for the aggression was the two-year long attempt at the subversion of the Iraqi government by the Ayotollah Khomeini and his Shiite legions. Fifty percent of the population of Iraq is Shiite. They are the under group, the other Iraq if you will. The Sunites govern in the capital, they represent about twenty-five percent of the population. a minority group among them, who actually have the power. The Shiites have the number, but they do not have the authority, they do not have the wealth, they do not have the control over all the oil wealth which is coming into the country. There is an age-long struggle between the Shiites and the Sunnites in the Arab world not unlike the centuries-long struggle between the Eastern Orthodox Church and the Roman Catholic Church which has lasted nearly a thousand years and was only really brought to an end in our lifetime. The Shiites are a minority group within the Arab world, but the majority within the Persian Gulf world. They reject the direct descendants of Mohammed and the caliphate. They believe that there were a number of legitimate imams, of leaders, and then there was one who went into hiding and they're waiting for the madi, for the return of this hidden imam, this messiah who will come. They're passionate people. They are peoples who believe they have the truth, all of Arabs believe that Islam is the truth, but the Shiites believe that they alone have the truth, the others are outside of the pale. And so the Ayotollah, once he came into power, though he had, God knows, enough business to take care of in Iran just trying to make that revolution

sound and workable, turned his interests throughout the Persian Gulf and tried to use his religious influence and that of his followers in order to overthrow governments that he was opposed to. They opened up in Iraq a paper which is called Al Daua, which means the call, which is the call to bring back apostates to the true faith. It is the claim that Iraq is not a Tslamic state. They brought arms into Iraq. A number of officials were shot. In February of this year the President of the Iraqi government either jailed or executed nearly a hundred thousand Shiites in an attempt to put down this subversion. Obviously, they were not completely successful, and one of the reasons that Sadan Hussein moved was in order to try and staunch this increasingly effective move to undermine the authority of his regime. Now, that's meshuganah. It's madness. There's nothing really to be gained before you have your own economy in order to try and take over other parts of the world. It's almost like a religious crusade, a medieval crusade, it's hardly real politik. And in the reverse, when the Iragi troops went into action Sadan Hussein announced that he was moving, as leader of the Arab world, against non-Arab interlopers. To the witches' brew of you are adding the witches' brew of race. It's the age-old struggle between the Arab, the semite, and the Persian, the Aryan. They are two racial stocks, they've been fighting with each other since the sixth century B.C.E. It's a long Hatfield and McCoy blood feud which shows how barren the claims are that there is a unified Muslim world. The Arab states of the world, to a certain degree, rallied behind Iraq because of these age-old passions.

Now, Sadan Hussein was moved not only by racial prejudice but he was moved by vain glory. We have to remember that we look upon the Middle East as a poor benighted area suddenly become rich which controls oil which we desperately need and which has to be placated to a certain degree in order for our own economic machine, our industrial machine, to be able to operate. If you look at it from the Arab side what you see is a sudden opportunity to take over the world, to claim the authority that Islam had in the sixth, seventh and eighth century when Muslim armies moved across

most of the known world with resounding success. Islam, as you recall, moved across North Africa all the way through Spain and stopped only at the other side of the Pyrenes. She moved all the way down the coast of Africa almost to the Cape. She moved throughout the Middle East, her armies went through India, and later her missionaries were to go to Southeast Asia, Indonesia, and even further. Islam has never given up the idea of the conversion of the world. We in the West, for whom religion has largely become a matter of spiritual encouragement, we in the West of all religious persuasions have have really abandoned the idea that any one religious tradition has the truth, and unless one comes and accepts the truth there is no salvation. It's hard for us to remember that of the majority of the religions of the world Islam and Communism are both convinced that there is only one truth, their truth, and that there is no salvation outside of their truth. And they are still, both of them, convinced that the sword and the message go hand in hand, that there is every reason to believe that one conquers and one converts. Conversion is not simply a matter of reasoning together, a coming and seeing if it's attractive to you and then joining. You conquer. You convert as well as moving in the other way.

Islam is still convinced of its imperial position and more than this all Islamic men in their schools read of the Golden Age, when their calips Abdel Aman, Saladin, bestcwed the world, and their heroes are these great calips of antiquity, and we have seen as oil wealth has floated to that world, first a Nasser, then an Iranian shah, the king of kings. Remember that great anniversary that he celebrated with so much wealth and pcmp in the desert to proclaim the rejuvenation of the ancient Persian Empire which had once bestrowed the world. Now Sadan Hussein, one after another, these men arise who are determined to enjoy the caliphate, to come to an perial power, their authority, their prestige, their word be heard and will become the dominant word in the world.

And there's an old rule of Middle Eastern politics, that when the two great power centers, Egypt and Persia, are weak one of the northern tiers of states.

Iraq, Iran attempts to gain the gemini, and this old struggle is as old as Biblical days. When Egypt was weak, Persia was weak, the Babylonians tried to achieve power, and this kind of political action has taken place down throughout history. Here was Egypt, caught up with weakness of its own economy, involved now completely with the West, the Camp David accords. There was Persia, involved now as Iran, in its own revolution, its economy, its army, weakened. Here was the opportunity for Sadan Hussein who controls the third largest deposit of oil in the Middle East to make his move, and Hussein made his move. He moved to control the Shatalab, the waterway through which all of the oil of Iran and Iraq move down into the Persian Gulf. He moved, more importantly, to control the little islands whose cannon controls the access to the Straits of Hormuz through which all the oil of the Saudi Arabian, Kuwaiti, United Arab, Omanet oil fields must If he can control this area he essentially controlled the Arab and Persian and Iranian world he actually in many ways controlled the world because if he could impose himself upon all shipping through which forty percent of the energy which the West consumes must pass through the gates of Hormuz he then could impose his will on the states of the world and on the West. Iran was weak. Iraq has never recognized the legitimacy of Kuwait, Kuwait would probably be the next to fall. blackmail the Saudis who are weak despite their great military machine. All their oil must go through the gates of Hormuz. In controlling the oil he would control the black gold which is power now in our world, so he made his move - meshuganah, passion, race, religion, ambition, imperial ambition, all these are part of the explosive witch's brew which is now roiling that part of the world and in fact shock waves are being felt wherever people live ...

But you know, one of the truths about this war is that all madness is not limited to Iraq and to Iran, nor even to countries like Jordan who jumped to the support of Iraq, or countries like Syria and Libya which have gone to the support of Iran. We've been mad. Our policies have been mad. There are twelve million Iraqi. Iraq went to war a month ago with more fire power than the combined armies of France

and Germany. There are thirty-six million Iranians. Two years ago their military power was equivalent in fire power to the fire power of all of the armies of Western Europe. That their armies have less explosive power today is no tribute our restraint but simply to the folly of Khomeini.

Now, the Russians have largely supplied Iraq; we have largely supplied Iran, tools of violence of incredible magnitude, and it is these that are being thrown about with great abandon during this first month of the war. What did we think we were achieving by putting all of this destructive power into the hands of governments which have only in the last two decades begun to emerge out of the Middle Ages? What were we doing? What was Russia trying to do? We were trying to buy friendship, or rather to buy oil. We were trying to keep our cars running, our plants operating. We were kow-towing to the vain glorious ambitions of people in that part of the world, and we were saying to ourselves, there's no problem; the only real problem in the Middle East is the problem between Israel and the Arab states. There are no other problems. They'll never use these weapons for any other purposes and ultimately, in some way, we'll restrain that. We'll bring about some kind of accord between Israel and the Palestinians. What nonsense, what madness.

You know, there's a line in the Bible, they have eyes and see not, they have ears and hear not. How could we believe that the only real issue in the Middle East was that between the Arab countries and Israel, and that if only Israel would be more forthcoming the West would be guaranteed an unlimited supply of the oil they need relatively bearable prices. The Iranian revolution took five and a half million barrels of oil a day out of circulation. The Irqui-Iranian war has taken another three and half million barrels of oil a day out of circulation. Twenty percent of the world's oil supply has been withdrawn from circulation and Israel obviously had nothing to do with either contretend. If you look at the Middle East these past twenty years what do you see? The United Arab world, united Muslim world? Not at all. You see a world in which Egypt and Libya have their armies at each other's borders and they've already

had several pitched battles. You see a world in which Libya and the Sudan have been at war in which Libya has sent down its military might into the Sudan to subvert Numeri's government. You see Syrian and Iraqi troops at each other's border. You see ten year of fighting between Iran and the Courds. You see fifteen years of fighting between North Yemen and South Yemen. You see the subversion by Khomeini of the Shiites throughout the Arab states. You see thirty thousand Syrian troops in the Lebanon. You remember the pitched battles that Jordan fought against the PLO to remove that threat from within Jordanian borders? You look at the reason that Jordan has rushed to the defense of Iraq and you see it very clearly, they're afraid of the Syrian armies on their northern border. You see that the Saudis are terribly afraid of subversion from within. Tranquility, peace, unanymity, an Arab world united? Not at all.

Arabs will fight each other with the same abandon that Europeans have fought each other over the long centuries. Why should we believe it to be otherwise? And their fighting now is fueled by the fact that great rewards for the victor, the wealth of the world is theirs to be taken. There are fights between the revolutionary states and the conservative states, between the Bah states and the Muslim brotherhood. It's a witch's brew, not an Arab world. There's more disunity than unity, and the only thing that unites this world at all is the fact that they have an issue called Israel. All of these struggles would be taking place if Israel were not there. Yet, the West has convinced itself that these are relatively reasonable countries who will do the reasonable thing, but unreason rules in the Middle East.

The Saudis have come up with a new oil-pricing policy which indexes the cost of oil to a variety of factors but keeps it considerably above the increase in the cost of manufactured goods coming into Saudi Arabia from the West. It is a costing process which is guaranteed to undermine the economic viability of the West. The Saudi government must know that if the West cannot support it four hundred families that rule the Saudis will quickly go under, but they continue with this kind of gouging because they, too, are moved by more than diplomacy - real politik.

Khadafi of Libya has one advantage. He says what other Arabs only think. And in a letter that he wrote to King Kalid about two weeks ago encouraging King Kalid to take the side of Iran in this struggle, he wrote the following:

This war is part of the confrontation between Islam and Christianity, between East and West and between the Islamic countries and foreigners.

Chauvinism? Xenophobia? Religious crusade? Racism? All these are part of this explosive witch's brew which is coursing, bubbling all through this world. In the West the diplomats are much taken by the calmness and the suaveness of many of the Arab ambassadors and diplomats because they seem to be cultured and cultivated people our diplomats tend to assume that they're operating with the same basic diplomatic assumptions that we are. And what I'm trying to suggest is that nothing could be further from the case. We live in a country which has been prosperous for many years now. We live in a country where religious tensions are at a minimum, where pluralism is an accepted way of life. We live in a country which assumes that religion is a helpful device for all peoples and where no religion can claim the keys to the kingdom. We live in a country which has not any two thousand year old border struggle with any neighbor. We live in a country where the civilians do not engage in long blood feuds, one family against another. The Hatfields and McCoys belong to the hills of Tennessee and Kentucky. They are not part of the real civilization in America.

But in the Arab world there is now great wealth, great prize. There is the tradition of blood feud. There is the tradition of racial intolerance. There is the tradition of religious intolerance. The Jewish community of Iran was one of the most benighted, persecuted communities on the face of this earth in the nineteenth century. The nineteenth century caliphs gave authority over most domestic things to the Shiite clergy, the very group from which the Ayotollah emerges, and such is the xeno-hpobia which is part of this Shiite tradition that they look upon the touch of any non-Muslim as polluting. If a Christian or a Jew should as much as touch a Shiite that

Shiite must be purified in various kinds of ritual ways. Jews and Christians were forbidden to be out in Iran during rain, when it occasionally rained in Iran, because if a drop of water would touch the hat or the shoulder of a Christian or a Jew and then fall on the person of a Shiite Muslim that Muslim would be contaminated and would have to be ritually purified. That's the world. Those are the passions, the medieval passions which surge.

It took the West, you will recall, a hundred years war in Europe to finally develop a modis vivendi between Protestant and Catholic. The emergence of the Arab world is just beginning. There are going to be decades of war, subversion, between Shiite and Sunnite, between other religious groups before the struggle is over. The one thing that the Middle East needs now more than anything else is time. I'm afraid that the one thing the Western diplomats are least willing to give the Middle East is time.

From the ninth, tenth, eleventh, twelfth centuries when the Arab civilization and Arab economic power was stronger, more viable, prosperous than that of the West, Islam went into a long, long slide. And we have to remember that it's only within our lifetime that the Middle East has, for the most part, thrown off the imperial yoke. The Basks came to power just twenty some odd years ago. They took power from a Hashermite royal family which had been posed on Iraq by the British. And many of you have read in the last day or so that the Iraqi soldiers are still using a battle plan which was devised for the Hashermite king by his British generals thirty years ago. It's that recent that the imperial yoke has been broken in the Middle East. And so they're still in a crusader mentality. They still look upon the West as the enemy, to be feared. They are not convinced that we no longer have imperial ambitions and they're going to show us for all of the indignities that were heaped upon them over the century.

But there's a problem. The cost of the centuries of degradation, of economic lack, has been illiteracy, lack of technical skill, lack of having developed the way the West has done, and so they are still very medieval in their religious views. They're still very medieval in their racial views. Their knowledge of history is minimal. They're given to flights of passion because they react to propaganda. They have

nothing to judge propaganda against. None of these problems can be resolved quickly. There needs to be time. But the West wants its oil and wants it today and tomorrow and the day after.

A word about Israel. If the West has eyes to see Israel stands to gain, at least in its relationships with the West because the Arab world was till now rather successful in making the case to Western diplomats that the only thing that stood in the way of a continuous flow of oil was Israel. And if only Israel would give back the West Bank and give back East Jerusalem and would give back Gaza everything would be well. And so the screws have been turned, one after another, upon Israel in order to make good for the West. Begin has become the bad boy to the West because more than any other diplomat he has recognized the nature of the Arab world, what the Arab world is really like, that you reason simply with madmen and that though it would seem logical that if only you would give back the West Bank and East Jerusalem there can be permanent arrangements, that's not the way blood feuds work. The West Bank today, something more tomorrow.

I was struck by the fact that when Jordan announced its support of Iraq and took into its airfields for security most of the Iraqi air force, Hussein made one of those passionate pronouncements which our great little friend of Jordan has given to making in recent years, and he said the way to Jaffa begins in Koranshan. And interestingly, they chose Jaffa. Jaffa is not on the West Bank. Jaffa is not in Gaza. Jaffa is simply Tel Aviv, a code name for Tel Aviv.

The West has eyes and ears and a mind. The West will take away some of the pressure that it's putting on Israel and Egypt now, particularly on Israel, to make good on the West Bank, give up the West Bank and find some accommodations for Jerusalem because that's not the problem. The real oil-related problem is the problem of the Persian Gulf, that's where the oil is. There's no oil in Israel. There's no oil in Jordan. There's no oil in the Lebanon. There's a minimum amount of oil in Egypt. The real problem for us is in the Persian Gulf. In the Persian Gulf there are these tremendous differences between wealth and poverty. There's a feudal class which rules

in most of the Arabian peninsula and the working class, the imported workers from Jordan, Palestinian, Syrians, Iraqis thirty, forty percent of the work case in Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, united Amorites, ready to be subverted. There are the poor peasants of these countries who have always been Shiite who can be subverted. There's a roiling convulsive state of affairs in this madness.

I don't know how you deal with madness. In hospitals we restrain sometimes the mad when they become too violent. I don't know how the West or the Soviet, if it wished, could restrain Iraq or Iran. The only way I can discover is simply to cut down on the explosive toys that we send to them, that we have a military-industrial complex and we want to get back some of our petro dollars. Just this week France announced that despite the fighting she would continue to send to Iraq enriched uranium for the nuclear reactor, uranium of sufficient consistency to produce atomic weapons. Madness? You bet.

Just this week France announced that she was signing a 3.8 billion dollar arms deal with the Saudis, the most advanced ground-to-ground missiles within a thousand mile range. Madness? Of course.

And we? We have it seems given the Saudis a blank check on our arson.

Whatever they need we will send. For how long will these feudal families rule that
country? And can we be guaranteed that they will use these weapons only for rational
real politik purposes? Israel has a good case because these weapons can be turned within
a matter of minutes from East to West.

I wish I had a solution for the problems with which the Persian Gulf faces us. There are some but nobody wants them. If the United States were to announce to-morrow that we would no longer import any foreign oil that's a solution. Our economy would go into a tailspin, but we'd not be dependent on that part of the world and we could deal with them as one must deal with mad men, with restraint, but that's not to to poen. What is more likely, I would hope, is that we double and redouble our efforts to find new energy sources and bring them on line to make them workable,

mass produce coal energy, synthetic fuel energy, nuclear energies. In measure as the West disengages itself from its dependence upon the Middle East the Middle East loses power. That's the only equation that makes sense, but are we willing to do that? I wonder. I wonder how many of younoticed that it is the Saudis who put strings on their oil that comes to the United States, not the United States who puts strings on the technology and the weapons that we send to the Saudis. What would be more responsible than for us to during periods of relative peace to begin stockpiling oil, so we began to do it; but a year ago Saudi said no more, so we stopped doing it.

Now if you want to deal with madness, my friends, you've got to deal cold-bloodedly, calculatingly, you've got to know what you want, you've got to do it regardless. One of the truths of the Middle East, one of the real politik truths of the Middle East, is that no oil producing country has ever cut down oil supplies below the amount of money which is required in order to maintain its development processes. They know that they've only got x number of years in order to develop an industrial infrastructure, new industry, new economy and new economic base because oil will ultimately both run out and disappear as the major source of energy. And so they, too, have reason to want our technology, our skilled man power, but we don't put any restraints on those we consider our friends. We just keep pushing in whatever toys of vain glory that they may want.

We've got to find, develop, sustain a major energy policy, clearly, we,
Western Europe and hopefully the Russians. We've got to know exactly how far we're prepared to use our power because power may have to be used in that part of the world in
order to sustain our national interests. And we've got to be ready to use that power and
to know that that power will be effective if we put it to use.

The Bible tells us that David's feigning of insanity before the King of the Philistines was successful. David was allowed to leave, resign his commission. He returned to Israel and he became the great friend of Jonathan, he enlisted in the army of Saul, which, I guess, raises the question: will Israel be as successful as its first king?

At the moment Israel has gained from this battle. It's diverted attention from Israel. Troops are being used, more importantly equipment is being used, and used But I am convinced as I stand here that once this war is over, if it ever is really over, the West and Soviet Union will push new and more violent and more destructive weapons upon the Iraqis and the Iranians than those that they have lost. They'll want They'll have the money to buy them. They'll be sold to them. And, of course, the more developed the weapons, there can be a raid against Israel, the greater the danger that Israel faces. But if the West has eyes to see it's for this that I pray. If our diplomats begin to recognize what they have up till now refused to recognize. that Israel is not the problem, the problems are in the Persian Gulf, the problems are with the emergence, the violent emergence of an Arab world. When they begin to recognize this then perhaps some of the pressure which is now put upon Israel will be diminished. There will be a chance for Israel and Egypt to work out arrangements together, and if other countries want to join so much the better and the West will turn its attention to the real problem: how to deal with madness, how to quarantine madness, how to restrain the madness that has broken out throughout the Persian Gulf.

If you want a prophecy, the war will go on for a considerable length of time. It will go on, much to the surprise of the Arabs, because the Persian revolution, the Iranian revolution, is a popular revolution and there is martyrdom and there is a martyrist ideology present. It will go on because these ancient hates are there even if there are temporary truces arranged for this or that Muslim religious holiday, it will be quickly broken. There's going to be more bloodshed than the Arabs expected The Irania will not be able to establish a jemini that they really hope to achieve, but there will be the resupply by the West and Soviet of these armors and ultimately violence will increase. To what end? I don't know. United Nations is powerless. The West has no policy. The Soviet is backing both sides. Reasonable men must run for cover because unreason rules the day.

If these struggles do diminish and ultimately disappear, then I'm afraid that the weaponry of that part of the world will be diverted to the West. The Arab

world will need a whipping boy. They'll need a cause which will again give a sense of surface unity. There's only one cause that serves that purpose, the enmity of Israel. And I remind you that since 1947 Iraq has been at war with Israel. And I remind you that in the last two years at least the Iranian government has been the staunchest most violent, most vociferous allies of the PLO.

I wish I could end on a word of hope, but it's hard to find hope in this mess, this madness. The only hope is that the shock of recognition is such that we, the West, will begin to reposition our policies and exploit whatever small opportunities there are to exploit in order to maintain the energy that we need until we find and develop other sources of energy in order to restrain other countries from pitching in in joining this ghastly little war.

wrote a book called 'Tis A Mad World. Do I need more mad-Thomas ness? The answer is no. Do I see reason triumphant? I do not. Is there hope? There's always hope, but we have to begin with little things. We're not going to solve the problems of Sunnite and Shiite, of Aryan and Semite, and all those ancient hates overnight. We're going to have to build a policy which is as realistic as we can make it, as extensive as we can make it, and be satisfied with half a loaf. And most of all, I pray, that the West at least will restrain itself in rearming these mad men. To see a Sadan Hussein equipped with atomic weapons is something that is absolutely impossible to contemplate. He'll use them. The problem, however, for the Israeli is both sides are their enemy. But we're alive, United States is strong. We won our share of Nobel prizes this year given the technological skills of this nation and I find it absolutely beyond belief that we cannot devote a crash program which will ultimately break us free of our dependence upon the madness of the Arab world. That's my hope. And I wish to God that I were hearing programs of that kind spokenout by the candidates for our presidency because I'm not. I've given you as much hope as I can

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# Kaddish

Friday \_\_\_\_\_\_ OCTOBER 19

# Those who passed away this week

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#### REALITY

Man is afraid of things that cannot harm him, and he knows it. And he longs for things that cannot help him, and he knows it. But actually it is something within man that he is afraid of, and it is something within man that he longs for.

Chasidic

In a dream we live seventy years and discover, on awakening, that it was a quarter of an hour. In our life which passes as a dream, we live seventy years, and then we waken to a greater understanding which shows us that it was a quarter of an hour.

Chasidic

### JOY

Rav said: A man will have to give account in the judgment day of every good thing which he might have enjoyed and did not.

Yerushalmi

One should not stand up to say the Tefillah (the Amidah) while immersed in sorrow, or idleness, or laughter, or frivolity, or chatter, or idle talk, but only while rejoicing in the performance of a religious act.

Berachot

### SHARING JOY

Rabbi Baruka of Huza frequented the market of Lapet. One day Elijah appeared to him there, and Rabbi Baruka asked him: 'Is there among the people of this market anyone that is destined to share in the world to come?' Elijah replied, 'There is none'.... Then two men appeared on the scene and Elijah said, 'These two will share in the world to come.' Rabbi Baruka asked them, 'What is your occupation?' They said, 'We are merry-makers; when we see a man who is downcast, we cheer him up; also when we see two people quarrelling with one another, we try to make peace between them.'

Show business has been good to me all these years, and the biggest bonus has really been the pleasure of making people laugh and helping them to forget their troubles for a few hours.

Bud Flanagan

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