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Thoughts From THE HEART

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0600hrs:

FINDING MY PLACE PART II

PASSOVER THE NIGHT IN WHICH GOD BLESSED
THE JEWISH NATION AND TOLD DEATH TO PASS.
OVER THE JEWS. ALSO THE EVE OF OUR FREEDOM
FROM EGYPT RULE. BY THE TIME THIS IS POSTED
WE WILL BE IN PASSOVER. SO I SEND MY
GREETINGS TO MY FELLOW JEWISH BROTHERS AND
SISTERS IN THE COLUMBUS, OHIO AREA WHO FAITH
FULLY, VISIT US EVERY OTHER TUESDAY AND WILL BE LOOKING
FORWARD IN HAVING YOU HERE FOR THE SECOND
SEDER MEAL. SINCE PASSOVER (EVE) FALLS ON FRIDAY
I [REDACTED] GREET YOU ALL IN THE HEBREW BLESSING:
[REDACTED] "B'RURKA, ATAH, ADONAI, ELohenu, MELECH,
HA'OLAM".....

JUST THINKING.

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1748hrs:

FOR MANY YEARS I WAS PUZZLED OVER WHY THE

UNITED STATES Fought A CIVIL WAR. THE WHITES OF BOTH THE NORTH AND SOUTH WERE UNITED BY A COMMON LANGUAGE (ENGLISH), A COMMON RELIGION (CHRISTIANITY), (ALBUT WITH MANY VARIATIONS), SIMILAR BELIEFS IN FREE MARKETS, REPRESENTATIVE DEMOCRACY, INDIVIDUALISM, AND OF COURSE, WHITE SUPREMACY. SO WHY, EXACTLY, WAS THERE A WAR BETWEEN THE WHITES OVER THE PRESENCE OF BLACK "SLAVES", ESPECIALLY SINCE VIRTUALLY NO ONE IN THE 19TH CENTURY AMERICA LIKED AFRICAN-DESCENDED PEOPLE, AND MOST THOUGHT BONDAGE NOT A TERRIBLE FATE FOR THEM. I SUSPECT THAT BURIED IN THIS SAME QUESTION IS SOMETHING REVELATORY ABOUT WHAT MADE THE SOUTH DIFFERENT FROM, AND FASCINATING TO THE NORTH. CONVERSELY, THE SOUTH HAS NEVER BEEN OBSESSED BY THE NORTH, ALTHOUGH IT HAS BEEN OBSESSED ABOUT ITSELF. IN THE END, perhaps what was the key about THE DISTINCTION BETWEEN THE ANTEBELLUM GEOPOLITICAL REGIONS OF THE UNITED STATES WAS MERELY THAT, AS AN ECONOMIC NECESSITY, THE SOUTH CHOSE TO LIVE WITH "BLACKS". THE RESULTS WAS A STRANGE CULTURAL ADVANTAGE IN WHICH SOUTHERN WHITES KEPT BLACKS DOWN IN PERVERSIVELY INTENTIVE AND HORRENDOUSLY CREATIVE WAYS. THIS WAS ONE CASE WHERE FAMILIARITY DID NOT BREED MEAN CONTEMPT BUT A FORM OF -
SMUG AND STUNNING INSANITY.

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2200HRS:

JUST WONDERING:

Louis Farrakhan once called Judaism a GUTTER

RELIGION, BRANDED JEWS AS SHARKS, AND WARNED THEM
NOT TO ASSUME THEY COULD ESCAPE ANOTHER HOLOCAUST. HE
WARNED THEM NOT TO ASSUME THEY COULD ESCAPE
ANOTHER HOLOCAUST. HE SAID "YOU CAN SAY NEVER AGAIN, BUT
WHEN THEY PUT YOU IN THE OVENS, NEVER AGAIN DON'T MEAN
A THING." HERE HE STRUCK A RAW NERVE, AND JEWS RESPONDED
WITH ANGER AND BITTERNESS. JESSE JACKSON'S 1988 PRESIDENTIAL
RUN REMOVED SOME PLANTS FROM THE BRIDGE BETWEEN
BLACKS AND JEWS, WHEN HE THREW HIS ARMS AROUND YASIR ARAFAT,
WHEN HE SPOKE OF HYMIE TOWN, WHEN HE REFUSED TO DRAW
FARRAKHAN. BUT JEWS THEMSELVES WERE SO AROUSED
BY THESE INCIDENTS - THEY FORGOT THE TIMES THEY
HAVE USED POPULAR WORDS TO REFER TO BLACKS, THE
SLURS THAT THEY HAVE PASSED IN JOKES TO ONE ANOTHER
THE CASUAL REMARKS, THE SENSE THAT BLACKS ARE OTHER,
STRANGERS, EVEN STRANGER THAN "GOYIM," THAT JEWISH
HUMOR REVEALS EVEN IF POLITENESS WOULD HIDE IT.
JEWS ARE NOT INNOCENT OF ANTIBLACK FEELINGS,
OF A RACISM THAT MAY RUN AGAINST THE CONSCIOUS
GRAIN BUT STILL HAS NOT DISAPPEARED. I, THE WATER
HAVE BEEN THE VICTIM MANY TIMES OF SUCH BEING
THE OFFSPRING OF A BLACK FATHER AND JEWISH
MOTHER - THE WATER - A BORED - ANTI-SEMITISM AND ANTI-
BLACKNESS AND THE **HURT AND PAIN** THAT **COMES** FROM
IT. FROM "**Both Groups**" "**Both Groups**" SEEMS TO FORGET
THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT. **THEY FORGET** - "RABBI
ABRAHAM JOSHUA HESCHEL", LONG-BEARDED, Hairy, DARK
COAT, WALKING ARM IN ARM WITH DR MARTIN LUTHER

King Jr as the line of protesters approached the outskirts of Selma, Ala. They forgot Michael Schwerner ANDREW GOODMAN - Jewish sons of America who bodies were discovered under the bridge in rural Mississippi along with James Chaney, a black man - all murdered by white members of the "KKK" whose only dreams were nightmares. Both groups [Blacks and Jews] forgot what the mothers of Chaney, Goodman and Schwerner said and did: "They fought together for a better America, they died together, now let them be buried together. And so it was what a bold undertaking of these mothers. Both groups forgot, the unknown Jewish lawyers working in NAACP Headquarters, they forgot about the money raised in the living rooms of Jewish doctors, dentists, manufacturers, and investment bankers, son and grandsons of pushcart vendors, of Yiddish-speaking immigrants who had never seen a "Shuartzer" till the bus landed. DR. King said that more than 90 percent of checks he received came from Jews. A kinship lost. A friendship that once was so firm, suffered too many still. But, the history of the two groups [Blacks and Jews] when the, "my TRAGEDY is worse than yours" argument is similar enough to bring together, quite naturally, with full sympathy, the hands of Heschel and Martin King. Believe it or not, Blacks and Jews are bound by shared blood and shared sacrifices. Should both groups take REVENGE for every wrong or humiliation? There are far too many INJUSTICES in the both groups to wage such warfare. We can break the cycle, turn towards each other, or turn on each other, in an orgy of destruction - or return to our once valued friendship. -4-