

**EF-003A****Eruch Jessawala**

Mandali Hall, Meherazad, India

1980s

18:17

**Note:** Ed asks if Baba ever spoke about abortion... Eruch responds.

**Content**

Baba said not to go in for abortion. [trivial and difficult to understand discussion by some older Indian BL not transcribed]

Baba said he comes only in a human body on an earth-like planet. [Possibly implied is the planet then inhabited by the continuation of this civilization.]

Please don't quote me that Baba said this. We never asked the deep question about what Baba meant by 3/4 of the world. Animals, sanskaras, human beings, the creation itself -- we never sought a complete answer.

Baba referred to the Holocaust, but in a positive way [Eruch means that the trial caused a spiritual push for those who suffered, not that the Jews had it coming or some such political whitewashing.]

People of the world came here and said, "If there is a God, why did he permit such a thing as the Holocaust?" Baba said, with a deep sigh, "Should I tell you the truth? Do you want to know?

What do you make of this Holocaust?"

The questioner sets the stage. "There was tremendous suffering, mankind was crying out, the very stories we hear gives us shivers at the atrocities that were committed by man to man. But why did you permit it?

Then he said, "Suppose everything had gone off smoothly for mankind, no great world war, no holocaust, no Nazis. There would have been an atmosphere of complacency -- water would have been free, air free, food growing in abundance everywhere. Mankind would have lapsed into animality. Now take the other picture. What happened with the holocaust as you call it? It is my great compassion and love for humanity that has permitted this. Why? At least this thing -- the most important thing in creation is to remember the Lord all the time, to cry out to him with all your heart and soul, love Him at all times. At least a cross section of humanity was permitted this benefit. Because the situation was such that calling out to Him was all that one could do.

[Eruch asserts his own view that the majority of those who died in the gas chambers have come to Baba now, in this their next incarnation, particularly those who cried out to God in the end. Eruch notes that it took 40 years for him to accept Baba as God, but along

come these new people, young people whom he is seeing, and in something like 40 seconds they affirm Baba as the living God and establish their connection to Him.]

Eruch continues, citing Baba's explanation in Baba's words: "It was my love and great compassion for humanity that permitted them the gift of that suffering and the resulting push forward. [Ed adds that it happened while Baba was on the earth, in his presence, so to speak, and Eruch agrees.]

Baba comes to the Earth not to make things easy but to arouse people from their complacency. [Ed: As Jesus said, 'I came to bring the sword...' and Eruch agrees.]

That's why he's the saviour, not the one who allows you to savor your existence. [light laughter]

What Baba wants from us is that cry, that need for him, and that need could not be created unless and until some drastic circumstance arose. Why was that particular sector the target of such drama? [Amidst laughter, Eruch and Ed riff on the fact that they called themselves the chosen people. It doesn't sound as though this is a conclusion of Eruch's, but just some levity.]

[There are the suffering servant psalms in the old testament (properly the Hebrew Bible), Ed points out. Among the assembled people there is the judgement that suffering is a gift, since the reward for the suffering is to orient one's focus toward God. Note however that, Eruch apart, the people who are expressing these views have not undergone such suffering.]