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*Blessed Are The Peacemakers: For They Shall Be Called The Children of God. Matthew 5:9*

## U.S. EMBASSY MOVES TO JERUSALEM, ISRAEL MAY 14, 2018



**By Sister Ruth Moore**

**SIXTY-NINE YEARS** after Israel declared Jerusalem as its capital and 23 years after the US Congress passed a law mandating that Washington move its embassy there, the US formally opened its embassy in the city on Monday afternoon, in a move Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu called “courageous” and “momentous. He said, “What a glorious day. Remember this moment!” Netanyahu entreated the applauding crowd. “President Trump, by recognizing history, you have made history! All of us are deeply moved. All of us are deeply grateful!”

Occurring on this date May 14th coincided with Israel’s 70<sup>th</sup> birthday. For it was many years ago that in agreement with the November 29<sup>th</sup> 1947 vote of the

United Nations, calling for Israel to be a sovereign nation in their ancient homeland. Palestine has never been the name of this nation. It was given to the children of Israel 3,000 years ago. In 70 AD, Rome had destroyed the city of Jerusalem; with the intent to drive the Jews away forever and in their contempt, called it “Palestine,” the name which the Bible has quoted as the greatest enemy, which Israel faced in their years as a nation.

After 2,000 years of being driven from one nation to another in Europe, Gentile rulers took advantage using the ability that God gave the Jews to gain wealth and countries would use that to make their nations strong. Then, because of jealousy and fear of the Jewish leadership, they would drive them out of the nation confiscating their homes and wealth, leaving them with no home and only wearing the clothes on their back. In Poland and Russia, they were able to build great universities but as always in 1932, with the election of Adolph Hitler, they were driven into concentration camps where they were worked to death or starved with barely bread and water to eat and then killed with Zyklon B gas. They were buried in unmarked graves with no identification or reverence. There were six million Jews who suffered that fate.

Thank God, that those Jews still struggling to live in poverty in Palestine began to receive strength from Jews around the world who had in 1897, formed the World Zionist Organization affecting them all over the world.

In 1896, a young playwright who was not particularly religious was sent to Paris to report on the trial against a Jewish officer, Alfred Dreyfus in the French army who was being accused of betraying his government and the entire anti-Semitic program was made of lies against him. As Theodore Herzl witnessed this crime, he went back to his hotel room thinking about how it would be if the

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# Passover

## ISRAEL AND MOSES

By Brother Orville Wallace



Passover is one of the most beautiful stories in human history, especially to the Jewish nation. Joseph won the favor of Pharaoh saving the nation. A succeeding Pharaoh not knowing Joseph, had no knowledge of Israel that was in their midst and he began to use the children of Israel as herdsmen and bond slaves for the house of Pharaoh,

The young child, Moses was born of the house of Levi, and raised by Pharaoh's daughter. A command had gone out from the ruler that all male babies were to be killed. The child's mother used a ruse to save her child from death, by floating him in a bulrush basket at the time when Pharaoh's daughter was to take her daily bath.

Later, the young Moses became involved in a struggle between an Israelite and an Egyptian in which Moses slew the Egyptian and buried him in the sand. The incident became known and Moses fled Egypt and found himself in the desert of Sinai. The young Moses married the daughter of a Midianite priest, Jethro, and became a common goat herder. He served Jethro for 40 years.

One day the goat herder, Moses came upon a burning bush and approached it in fear. He soon heard the voice of God commanding him to take off his shoes, for he was standing on "holy ground". This experience changed the life of Moses and he accepted the job of freeing his brethren, but not until he had pleaded his slowness of speech and the Lord telling him that his older brother, Aaron, would become his mouthpiece.

The hardships of the desert taught Moses humility and this was one of his greatest assets. It was said of Moses "that he was the meekest man in all the earth". Upon his back rested the deliverance of God's People, Israel, and it would take a man of this caliber to do the job.

The court of Pharaoh was, no doubt, shocked to see this man of the desert coming into it making demands upon the ruler of all the earth. But God stood with Moses and his brother, Aaron, by sending plague after plague upon the whole land of Egypt. The final test came with the Pass over in which the children were to slay a lamb and put the blood on the doorposts and lintels of their houses. They were to have no leaven and were commanded to eat the lamb before morning.

Thus, was this most beautiful of Jewish Holy Days, Passover. The Hebrew phrase for this celebration is called "Seder Pessach."

One important aspect of this feast was the command to have their shoes on their feet and their staff in their hands because this was the night of their deliverance and they must be ready. The leader God had sent to deliver Israel was an unknown. He had been away from his people for 40 years and it was a hard matter for them to really understand Moses and his goals.

At first, the call for their deliverance sounded good but the voice that they heard was the voice of the desert goat herder. It was crude and this problem would often crop up as they travelled through the wilderness of Sinai in the years to come. But through this voice, God had made known His willingness to make a blood covenant with Israel, thus was born the Sinai Covenant.

The blood covenant was first made with Israel while in Egypt, when the Lord said, "When I see the blood, I will pass over you and the plagues will not be upon you to destroy you when I smite the land of Egypt". God said, "This day shall be a memorial to you and ye shall keep it a feast to the Lord throughout your generations and ye shall keep it a feast by an ordinance forever". God had made a national covenant with Israel and offered them national salvation. Previously, God had covenanted with individuals and families and had been their protector wherever they might have been.

The mourning went all over the land of Egypt as the death angel began to take his toll and Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron and told them to leave the land, with their herds and all that they possessed. There wasn't any house, which had not suffered the loss of their firstborn of Egypt; only the households covered by blood escaped the death angel.

The thousands of Israelites began making their way to the east in the middle of the night, but Pharaoh was not about to let the slaves escape, and he soon gathered his armies together and followed the Israelites in hot pursuit. Thus it was that the Word of the Lord had come to Moses when he said, "And I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and he shall follow after them and I will be honored upon Pharaoh, and all his host; that the Egyptians may know that I am the Lord".

The people did not understand or know Moses, and they began to cry out, "Are there graves in Egypt? Hast thou taken us away to die in the wilderness? Wherefore hast thou dealt with us to carry us out of Egypt?" They didn't understand God's leadership. Faith was not in their hearts. After they had possibly witnessed all the plagues that had fallen on the land of Egypt and the miracle of the death angel passing over their homes, yet there was no faith in their hearts and they complained. They didn't

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know that God could use an individual, though, as uncouth and strong was Moses, and they began to complain.

I wonder, if we in this modern world, sophisticated society, our great organizations, our polished theologians, could recognize the delivering voice of the Lord, if we heard it. This is a question that possibly haunts the minds of a lot of religious leaders today as well as conscientious children of God. Moses said, “Fear not. Stand still and see the salvation of the Lord which He will shew to you today, for the Egyptians which ye have seen today, ye shall see them no more forever, the Lord shall fight for you and ye shall hold your peace”. And the children of Israel saw the terrible monster that fell upon the host of Pharaoh as they pursued the children of Israel into the Red Sea. The Lord said, “I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians,” a cruel, hard lesson of faith in God in the heat of almost certain defeat and disaster, was not allowed, and the end result was that they panicked. Then, as they got across the Red Sea and looked back, they saw the pursuing hosts of Pharaoh who were drowned in the sea. Their faith began to mount up again and they rejoiced as Miriam sang, “The Lord is a man of war, the Lord is his name.” They began to sing this song because they saw victory.

That victory was short-lived. Hardly had they gotten away from the Red Sea till they began to wonder. It said in the 15<sup>th</sup> chapter of Exodus, verse 24 Against Moses, saying, “What shall we drink? And he cried unto the Lord, and the Lord showed him a tree which when it was cast into the waters, the waters were shade sweet. There he made for them a statute and an ordinance and there he proved them.” The waters of life and especially the waters of religion are bitter to the taste. Most religious activity today requires a life of servitude, demands, regimentation and all things that cause our flesh to cringe. And it took a green tree. Remember that when the Lord Jesus Christ came and said that the law and the ordinances of Moses were against Israel. They were embittered by all of these commandments. But the Lord offered them a green tree which was Jess. That beautiful green tree was cut down and put in the bitter waters of Mara and it caused them to be sweet.

So the children of Israel were delivered again. Again, God came to the rescue of Moses and the children of Israel. Once again, their faith mounted up. But because of the length of the journey, because of the broad desert they had to cross, because of the fears of war and the rumors of the great cities that were in Palestine, the children of Israel murmured. Thus it was that God forced them to spend 40

years in the wilderness The beautiful day of Passover, the time when God answered them from Egyptian bondage, melted away in their memory. It no longer held that

sweetness. That beautiful time of fellowship, that beautiful time of communion one with another, because of their present circumstances and their fear. Thus it was that God forced the whole nation to spend 40 long years in the wilderness. The symbols that were used in the Passover. First of all, the lamb; secondly, the unleavened bread, the cleaning of the house, the feasting together; this has become a ritual. It has lost a lot of its meaning. Yet, when we study the present Passover, as it is taken today, and see the Afficomon, the central piece of unleavened bread, which is broken in two and hidden. Whosoever finds this half loaf of unleavened bread wins a prize. If you will notice, the picture at the picture below, the heading says, “I found it,” that person wins the prize.

What a joy it is when a person finally finds the other half of the Afficomon. What a joy it is just to know that the Pascal Lamb that delivered the children of Israel in the days of the Egyptian bondage was the type of the Lamb of God who was introduced to the world by another priest, John the Baptist, at the River Jordan.



“Behold, the Lamb of God which taketh away the sins of the world.” He that eats of that lamb can have deliverance. They, as we referred to the Afficomon, the half of the loaf. This historical Jesus, the One that history records as being a Rabbi, a teacher, a visionary, and some say He was a prophet, when one is found. When this Jesus was found, we see that it is the one in the middle. He is the historical Jesus. History has a way of referring back to His life and ministry. Even our calendars, the Gentile side, points to Him. This is the historical Jesus. The One who gathered disciples about Him. The One who walked the shores of Galilee. The one who lived with fishermen, this is the historical Jesus. The One who rebuked the pigeon sellers, the money changers in the courts of the Temple.

There is another part and that is the Jesus, the resurrected Christ. He who went back to His Father. He who appeared back to His disciples and walked with them 40 days, taught them, gave them the secrets of his heart. The burden that His Father had given Him was now being given to His disciples. This is the Afficomon, the hidden One. He who finds this One finds joy. He who finds this one finds peace, and has won a great prize. ☆

# Shalom and Blessings from Jerusalem



**Dear Friends,**

On Monday, May 14th, 2018, we will celebrate our Israeli Day of Independence; seventy years ago the State of Israel was born. It is an historic day with memories of the past, which are very special. Actually, every day it follows me as I walk on the streets of Jerusalem and when I travel in the country, and I can sense the blessed miracles of the Land; you run into them everywhere, see them with your own eyes; miracles such as Ethiopian Jews, Russian Jews, and Jews from Iran coming home to their land from the North, the South, the East and West in a startling prophetic fashion. The Miracle is in the restored land, in the restored Hebrew language and the broken people of Israel reborn, and as it was told by Prophet Ezekiel:

*“Thus saith the Lord God; when I shall have gathered the house of Israel from the people among whom they are scattered, and shall be sanctified in them in the sight of the heathen, then shall they dwell in their land that I have given to my servant Jacob.”*

*“And they shall dwell safely therein, and shall build houses, and plant vineyards; yea, they shall dwell with confidence, when I have executed judgments upon all those that despise them round about them; and they shall know that I am the Lord their God, “ (Ezekiel 28: 25-26)*

We have returned to the Land after 2000 years of exile.

Our country that was ruled by different nations, but on May 14th, 1948, Israel was born – a dream of that people it has come to pass. It came suddenly when we were not many in the country. Those among us who had escaped the Second World War, who had lost all their hope in Europe; all their loved ones were killed and others who have escaped from the Moslem countries where they were persecuted. They escaped and came as refugees. We have come to the wilderness, to the Land that was forsaken, but we have returned home to rebuild Zion, farming the desert, doing the work of the impossible. Yes, we were pioneers; we had no roads, no housing, but sufficient supply of water, not enough food. We lived in tents in the City of Jerusalem and all over the country, but we have not given up the faith that we are in this special period of time of prophecy and we will march together for our future.

*“Fear not; for I am with thee: I will bring thy seed from the east, and gather them from the west; I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, keep not back: bring my sons from far, and my daughters from the ends of the earth.”*

*(Isaiah 43:5-6)*

The days of miracles are not over. The mountains, the hills and the soil are rejoicing that the sons and daughters have returned home. We are independent in our Land.

*“The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for thee, and the desert shall rejoice, and blossom as a rose.”*

*(Isaiah 35:1)*



*Blessed Are The Reconcilers For They Shall Be Called The Children of God. Matthew 5:1*

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# GEORGE WASHINGTON, ABRAHAM LINCOLN AND THE JEWS

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President's Day in the U.S., on January 19<sup>th</sup> this year, honors the first and 16<sup>th</sup> presidents. Both have birthdays this month and both contributed significantly to the status of Jews in America. Based on this, we can assume that Haym Salomon, a Polish-born American Jewish businessman and financial broker, and other leading Jews took part in the parade and completed that day at a table with the delights of kosher food.

When Prof. Jonathan Sarna of Brandeis University was in Jerusalem during his sabbatical this year, he gave a lecture describing how he and others worked diligently to bring to light a letter penned by George Washington and sent to a Jewish congregation in Newport, Rhode Island. Sarna quoted a part of the letter in which America's first president offered his own guarantee that "the government gives to bigotry no sanction and to persecution no assistance". The U.S. Sarna added, was the first country to grant Jews full rights of citizenship.

In his acclaimed book *American Judaism*, Sarna writes, "The place of Judaism in the new nation was defined in the Washington Post correspondence". He continues, "Redolent with biblical and liturgical language, the address noted past discrimination against Jews, praised the new government for 'generously affording to all liberty of conscience and immunities of citizenship' and thanked God for all the blessings of civil and religious liberty that Jews now enjoyed under an American Constitution".

Religious liberty was a major concern at that time and the letter assured it would be granted. Sarna emphasizes that by "echoing the language of the Prophet Micah, Washington and that America might itself prove something of a promised Land for Jews, a place where they would inherit and enjoy the good will of the other inhabitants, while every one shall sit in safely under his own vine and fig tree and there shall be none to make him afraid".

During the time of the American Revolutionary War, Haym Salomon joined the New York branch of the Sons of Liberty. In September 1776, he was arrested as a spy. He underwent prison and other punishment but in 1778, He managed to escape and made his way with his family to Philadelphia. Once resettled, Salomon resumed his activities as broker. He became the agent to the French consul as well as the paymaster for the French forces in North America.



In 1781 he began working extensively with Robert Morris, the newly appointed Superintendent for Finance for the thirteen Colonies. From the period of 1782-84, records show Salomon's fundraising and personal lending helped provide \$650,000 (approximately \$16,870,212.74 in 2013 dollars) in financing to George Washington in his war effort. His most meaningful financial contribution, however, came immediately prior to the final Revolutionary Battle at Yorktown.

In August 1781, the Continental Army had trapped Lieutenant General Charles Cornwallis in the Virginian coastal town of Yorktown. George Washington and the main army and Count de Rochambeau with his French army decided to march from the Hudson Highlands to Yorktown and deliver the final blow. But Washington's war chest was completely empty, as was that of Congress. Without food, uniforms and supplies, Washington's troops were close to mutiny. Washington determined that he needed at least \$20,000 to finance the campaign. When Morris told him there were no funds and no credit available, Washington gave him a simple but eloquent order: "Send for Haym Salomon." Salomon raised \$20,000, through the sale of bills of exchange. With that, and \$1,400,000 personally loaned by Robert Morris. Washington conducted the Yorktown Campaign, which proved to be the final battle of the Revolution.

Salomon is believed to have granted outright of bequests to men that he thought were unsung heroes of the Revolution who had become impoverished during the war. One example is Bodo Otto, a senior surgeon in the continental army. Otto joined the army at the age of 65 and served for the entire war. Among other things, he established the hospital at Valley Forge, where he often used his own funds to purchase medical supplies. Due to Salomon's bequest, Otto was able to rebuild his medical practice in Reading, Pennsylvania at war's end. The Treaty of Paris, signed on September 3rd, 1783, ended the Revolutionary War but not the financial problems of the newly established nation. America's war debt to France was never properly repaid, which was part off the cascade of events leading

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to the French Revolution.

Haym Salomon died suddenly and in poverty, on January 8, 1785, in Philadelphia, after contracting tuberculosis in prison. Due to the failure of governments and private lenders to repay the debt incurred by the war, his family was left penniless at his death at age 44. The hundreds of thousands of dollars of continental debt, Salomon bought with his own fortune were worth only about 10 cents on the dollar when he died. When Washington asked what compensation he wanted in return for his financial contributions to the American Revolutionary War, he replied "He wanted nothing for himself but that he wanted something for his people". While there is no evidence, there is a theory that the 13 stars representing the colonies on the Great Seal of the United States were arranged in the shape of the Star of David in commemoration of Salomon's contributions. This can be seen on every American one-dollar bill,

**LINCOLN: YES TO JEWISH CHAPLAINS**

Several years ago Sarna's *Abraham Lincoln and the Jews*, which he wrote with Ben Shajell, revealed several eye-opening historical facts. No one had ever realized how many ties there were between the 16th president of the U.S., Abraham Lincoln, and the Jewish community. The book was replete with wonderful reproductions of Lincoln's letters to the Jews, and has just been translated into Hebrew. During my years in Delaware, I was excited to see Lincoln's original signature in the Delaware Historical Archives. Also found there were original signatures of Andrew Jackson and Henry Clay on a document authorizing a military appointment for a Jew in Delaware.

The document in question included Lincoln's signature for the commission of Henry B. Nones to be an officer in Delaware's "Cutter Force", which later become the Coast Guard. In the state's historical archives, I found Nones' picture. He looks very distinguished, in full uniform. I also located his grave in the city's main cemetery. Nones' grandfather was a Revolutionary War veteran who had nine children. He was awarded a special silver cup for helping break away from England. The cup is now on display at the University of Pennsylvania in the collection of Dee and Arnold Kaplan.

Since we did not celebrate Lincoln's birthday in Georgia, where I lived when I was younger (one of the southern states did), our historical studies of the Civil War period were somewhat shortened. We did not spend too much time on a conflagration that engulfed the South and led to its utter defeat. My curiosity about this historic figure led me to encyclopedias and other historical works. I knew nothing about connections between Jews and

When I entered the US Army in 1965, as a Jewish chaplain, I was unaware of what Lincoln had done to ensure that there would be a Jewish chaplaincy. As we all know, politicians love to add their own positions to large bills that are about to be passed. In 1861, a bill on some other matter contained a law that forbade Jews and Catholics from being chaplains in the Yankee Army. Surprisingly the Confederacy was more favorable toward Jews and gave approval since the beginning of the Civil War for "rebel" rabbis to be chaplains was worrisome to Northern Jews.

What did they do? They began to organize, approaching large donors in the Republican Party. In New York alone, there were a number of wealthy Jew-ish supporters of Lincoln. The national organization of Jews, the Jewish Board of Deputies, had a letter composed and signed by the right person. Since Reverend Arnold H. Fischel had been turned down after he applied to be a chaplain, he was sent with the letter to see Lincoln in person. For about a month and a half he sat in the White House just outside Lincoln's office. Finally, when allowed to see the President and tell him what his problem was, Fischel quickly learned that Lincoln was completely in the dark about the discriminatory law. Lincoln immediately went to work with the Republicans in the Senate and the House of Representatives. Once it was realized that the president wanted the original chaplain bill overturned, his party members in Congress moved quickly and passed a new bill allowing Jews and Catholics to be chaplains. Lincoln signed that bill into law.

Another key moment in American Jewish history involves US General Ulysses Grant in December 1862. Grant issued an order for the Union army expelling the Jews from certain territories with which he dealt. Allegedly, Jews were buying and selling in a criminal fashion and so, Grant decided to crack down on them. American Jews were loath to take this act expelling their brothers and sisters without a fight. One of the few national organizations in the US at the time was B'nai Brith. While Jews from the Union States overwhelmed Lincoln's office with letters of protest, one individual is noted in American Jewish history for its personal actions in this trying period.

Of the tense situation, Sarna writes: Cesar Kaskel, of Paducah, Kentucky, Whip, was one of the Jews expelled, rushed to Washington. He contacted Congressman John A. Gurley of Cincinnati, Ohio, and together they went to Lincoln's office in the White House, Sarna relates, "It turned out that the president knew nothing of the order, which he had never seen." Sarna then describes the president's response According to a revealing but unverifiable later tradition, Lincoln resorted to biblical imagery in

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Jews had their own homeland. What a story! He told later that he wrote like a flame burning in his heart for a place that his people would not any longer be persecuted or hated. When he finished writing, it became a book entitled "THE JEWISH STATE."

The book was published in 1897 and it stirred the hearts of Jews everywhere. As a result, a meeting was called in Basel, Switzerland in the fall of 1897. It was there that the leadership of Jews throughout the world formed The World Zionist Organization. As a result, many Jewish young people such as David Ben Gurion and Golda Meir joined that group along with many others and planned to move to Palestine in order to build a homeland for their people.

As these organizations began all over the world, every one which had lived through the time when they were hated and despised, their hearts began to dream of what it would be like to have a homeland. The first Prime Minister of Israel, David Ben Gurion, came as a boy of 14 and slept on the sand where the city Tel Aviv now stands and he told others later on that it was there, he felt like he began to live. Many years of struggling, working and learning was what was required in his lifetime from that childish beginning until he was able to witness the state of Israel.

Theodore Herzl was so affected by his own vision that he had no idea how long it would take before that dream became a reality but he dedicated his life to see it come about and he prophesied that it would take place within 50 years. Counting 1897 from 1947 when the UN voted for a Jewish state was just less than 50 years.

World War I, a war that could have ended all wars, took place in 1914 and lasted until 1918, when Britain was aided by a Jewish man who discovered how to make bombs, which saved them in the war. As a result, they wanted to award him with an honor and he requested that they

give a state to the Jews and it was agreed to in what is now referred to as the Balfour Declaration. It was not yet a state but Britain allowed a certain amount of Jews to immigrate to Israel and make their homeland there.

The Arab world did not agree with that and with their wealth in oil, they have caused many Israelis to suffer. On May 14th, 1948, Israel declared the State of Israel as an independent state and the Arab world has attacked Israel seven times with Israel defeating the Arabs each time. Some folks who thought they had an answer suggested that Israel would have peace if they gave the Arabs more of their land. After giving them Gaza, the Sinai Peninsula and parts of the West Bank. The Arabs are never satisfied and Israel learned that they do not want peace. The only way the Arab world will ever agree to that would be when the Jews were all killed and driven out of their homeland but it **WILL NEVER HAPPEN GOD GAVE THEM THIS LAND AND IT IS THEIRS FOR ETERNITY.**

For many years, every US president who was elected promised that they would recognize Jerusalem as Israel's capital but each one failed to get it done. Thankfully, God chose someone who wants to do right and they have now fulfilled that hope which is for Jerusalem to be the capital of the nation of Israel.

It has been a long struggle and what some never believed would happen but it is now established and God will bless America because of it.

President Trump's son-in-law spoke and said, "The USA stands with Israel because we both believe in freedom. We stand together because we both believe in human rights. We stand together because we both believe that democracy is worth defending".

As Israel turns 70, the search for lasting peace turns over a new leaf" One of realism and of courage to stand with our allies for what is right and for what is true." Prime Minister Netanyahu said, "The US always be a

great friend of Israel and a partner in the cause of freedom and peace." President Trump said, "We extend a hand in friendship to Israel, the Palestinians and to all of their neighbors. May there be peace. God bless this embassy. May God bless the United States of America!"

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**IN BELOVED MEMORY**

**BRO. DILLARD MUNSELL**  
**Oct. 11, 1938 – March 29, 2018**  
 Waterloo, Illinois  
 Beloved Husband of  
 Sister Iris Munsell

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His interview with Kaskel, a reminder of how many 19<sup>th</sup> century and Americans linked Jews to ancient Israel and America to the promised land."

Lincoln reportedly asked Kaskel: "and so the children of Israel were driven from the happy land of Canaan? Kaskel responded, "Yes and that is why we have come unto Father Abraham's bosom, asking protection." Lincoln said, "And this protection they shall have at once". This is a beautiful legendary story demonstrating Lincoln's concern for the Jews of America. He rescinded Grant's order via General Halleck, the overall commander of the army of the area where Grant served.

The resolution came swiftly. Halleck's telegram to Grant dated January 4th, 1863, reads: "If such an order has been issued, it will be immediately revoked".

Of the expulsion case, Lincoln is also reported to have said: "To condemn a class is, to say the least, to wrong the good with the bad. I do not like to hear class or nationality condemned on account of a few sinners". These are some of the reasons that George Washington and Abraham Lincoln, who are honored on Presidents' Day, are praised with great zeal by Jewry in America and all over the world.

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