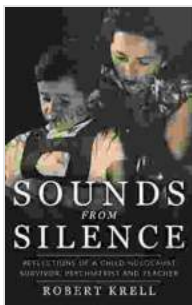


Reflections of a Child Holocaust Survivor: A Psychiatrist's and Teacher's Journey

The Holocaust is a dark chapter in human history, a time of unimaginable suffering and loss. The survivors of this terrible tragedy have lived with the scars of their experiences for decades, and their stories continue to offer important lessons about resilience, healing, and the human spirit.

One such survivor is Dr. Edith Eva Eger, a psychiatrist and Holocaust educator. Born in Hungary in 1927, Eger was just sixteen years old when she and her family were sent to Auschwitz. She endured the horrors of the camp for nearly a year, including the deaths of her parents and sister. After the war, Eger immigrated to the United States, where she earned a doctorate in psychology and became a dedicated advocate for Holocaust education.



Sounds from Silence: Reflections of a Child Holocaust Survivor, Psychiatrist and Teacher (Jewish Children in the Holocaust) by Robert Krell

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In her book, *The Choice: Embrace the Possible*, Eger shares her firsthand account of the Holocaust and explores the ways in which people can find hope and meaning in the face of adversity. She also offers powerful insights into the human psyche, based on her experiences as a psychiatrist and her own journey of healing.

The Holocaust: A Time of Darkness and Loss

For Eger, the Holocaust was a time of unimaginable suffering. She witnessed firsthand the horrors of the Nazi regime, including the mass murder of Jews, Roma, and other marginalized groups. She also experienced firsthand the brutality of the camp guards and the dehumanizing conditions of life in Auschwitz.

Despite the horrors that she endured, Eger never lost her sense of hope. She found strength in her faith, her family, and her friends. She also found solace in her art, which she used to express her emotions and to connect with others.

After the war, Eger immigrated to the United States, where she earned a doctorate in psychology and became a dedicated advocate for Holocaust education. She has spoken to countless audiences about her experiences, and she has helped to raise awareness about the Holocaust and its impact on survivors.

The Power of Choice

One of the most important lessons that Eger has learned from her experiences is the power of choice. She believes that even in the darkest of times, people have the power to choose how they will respond to their circumstances.

In her book, *The Choice*, Eger writes: "We cannot change the past, but we can choose how we respond to it. We can choose to be victims of our circumstances, or we can choose to be survivors."

Eger herself chose to be a survivor. She chose to hope, to love, and to find meaning in her life. She chose to forgive her captors, not because they deserved it, but because she wanted to be free from the hatred that they had instilled in her.

Eger's story is a powerful reminder that we all have the power to make choices, even in the most difficult of circumstances. We can choose to be victims, or we can choose to be survivors. We can choose to hate, or we can choose to love. We can choose to give up, or we can choose to fight.

The choice is always ours.

Healing from Trauma

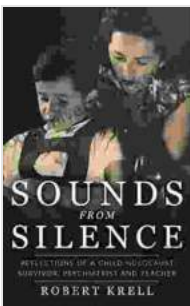
The Holocaust was a traumatic experience for Eger, and it took her many years to heal from its effects. She struggled with nightmares, flashbacks, and feelings of guilt and shame. She also had difficulty forming close relationships and trusting others.

Eger eventually found healing through therapy, support groups, and her own spiritual journey. She learned to forgive her captors, to accept herself, and to find joy in life.

Eger's story is a powerful example of the resilience of the human spirit. She has shown that it is possible to heal from trauma and to live a full and meaningful life.

Dr. Edith Eva Eger is a remarkable woman. She is a survivor of the Holocaust, a psychiatrist, a teacher, and an advocate for peace. She has dedicated her life to helping others to heal from trauma and to find hope and meaning in their lives.

Eger's story is a powerful reminder of the resilience of the human spirit. It is a story of hope, healing, and forgiveness. It is a story that inspires us to believe that even in the darkest of times, we can choose to live a life of love and purpose.



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