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John 16:33

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It's true that -- it was then as it is today, that a Russian person if he has told a child that God exists that person is considered a counter revolutionary, is thrown into prison and the child is put into an orphanage where he will be taught that there is no God. One day in 1931 I was eating in a boarding house and the people said with the terrible conditions we are in now it won't be long before that crazy group headed by Hitler is going to take over control, and after six weeks they will have made such an utter failure of things that the communists will take over and we'll be in the condition that Russia is now. That's what the people expected. When they get into a situation like that the bulk of the people are ready to take just about anything. And so it is easily understandable how a group of thugs, a group of clever thugs, a group of able thugs, nevertheless a group of thugs managed to get control.

After I left Germany, they had a great presidential election. Hitler ran for president and was defeated by the old war-hero Gen. von Hindenberg. Hindenberg was old and frail and the people who did not want Hitler put him up as the last hope of something better, but Hindenberg was too old to do much, and by manouvering the communists(?) though they had not been elected got control. They had not seized it very long before the terrible atrocities began. And Germans who had disagreed with Hitler were thrown into concentration camps, some of them, others were killed.

A special object of hatred of the thugs who now had control in Germany was the Jew. It is easy for one who was there to understand why they felt like that. We here know nothing about that. But I <sup>mentioned</sup> ~~mentioned~~ the situation of the inflation. Now in that inflation people who possessed any property were willing to sell it for anything just to