

EXPLORATIONS

Rethinking Relationships Among Protestants, Catholics and Jews

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Hitler Followed Instructions Written by Martin Luther in 1584...

FIRST, their synagogues should be set on fire.

SECOND, their homes should likewise be broken down and destroyed.

THIRD, they should be deprived of their prayer books and Talmuds.

FOURTH, their Rabbis must be forbidden under threat of death to teach any more.

FIFTH, passport and traveling privileges should be absolutely forbidden to Jews.

SIXTH, they ought to be stropped from usury.

SEVENTH, let the young and strong Jews and Jewesses earn their bread by the sweat of their noses.

Martin Luther attacked the Jewish people in his paper titled, *"The Jews & their Lies."*

Today, a prominent Lutheran teacher, scholar and author, **Dr. Norman A. Beck**, is leading the movement to eradicate anti-Jewish language from Christianity.



Pastor Galloway Urges Christians to End Anti-Semitism

Reverend John T. Galloway's Good Friday Sermon expresses his deep remorse for the terrible injustices inflicted upon the Jewish People throughout the ages. He reminds Christians that Jesus was a Jew and urges them to abandon any negative thoughts or actions they may take against their Jewish neighbors.

We test mailed Reverend Galloway's sermon to 10,000 priests and ministers nationwide, along with a survey requesting their opinion. Approximately 90% of the responses were in complete agreement with Reverend Galloway's remarks. Here are several examples:

"This was a great teaching that is desperately needed in our world and in my congregation. I will push the issue."

Rev. John Maxwell

St. John Catholic Church, El Corrito, CA

"Excellent and a wealth of scholarship. Bravo on his courage to preach on this subject. I am certain that he will receive many negative responses. It isn't easy being "A Voice Crying in the Wilderness," however, the church needs such Prophetic Voices again." The Rev. Dr. Ronald A Sparks

United Church of Christ, California City, CA

"I am on the Jewish Studies faculty of Purdue University and teach Biblical Hebrew in the Foreign Language Department. I am glad to be able to share Dr. Galloway's superb sermon."

Stuart D. Robertson, Pastor

Faith Presbyterian Church, West Lafayette, IN

"I have said from the pulpit often that Jesus was Jewish. I have also stated that I am amazed that any Christian could ever have problems with the Jews."

Dr. Edgar Pierce

Cedar Grove Baptist Church, Kingsport, TN

Your support will help us distribute these sermons to the other 200,000 priests and ministers across the nation. Call 215-925-2800, ext. 103.

For more information about Reverend Galloway's message, see pages 3 and 4.

Norfolk Interfaith Session a Huge Success

Dr. Robert Rubin, Chairman, along with co-hosts from the leadership of the Tidewater Federation, organized an outstanding meeting in Norfolk, Virginia. They invited hundreds of area Priests, Ministers and Rabbis to participate in an interfaith dialogue and luncheon.

The Guest Speaker was Steven Berneking, Senior Translator for the American Bible Society. He delivered an enlightening talk about and what really happened in the First Century.

Later that evening, Bob Rubin held a dinner at his home for the hosts of the event. They discussed the work of the American Interfaith Institute and pledged significant funds in support of A.I.I.'s mission .

Guests in Norfolk:

Ann & Robert Copeland
Gloria & David Furman
Bootsie & Morton Goldmeir
Connie & Judge Marc
Jacobson
Bernard Jaffe
Tavia Gordon
Phyllis & Dr. Arthur Kaplan
SaraLee & Milton Kramer
Telsa & Arnold Leon
Betty & Eugene Levin
Eleanor & Julian Rashkind
Rose & Kurt Rosenbach
Annabel & Harold Sacks
Art and Steve Sandler
Marilyn & Marvin Simon



Speaker Steven Berneking addresses the audience.



Dr. Robert Rubin (l) and Bob Copeland chat with other guests.



Guests included (l to r) Marvin Simon, Marilyn Simon, Judy Rubin and Betty Levin



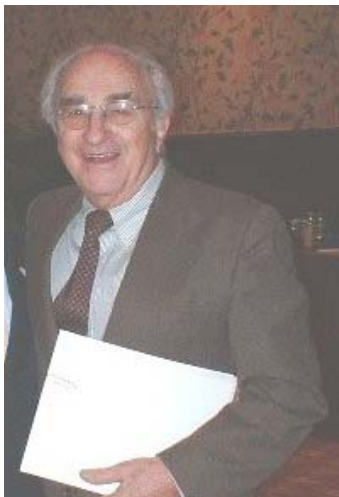
Rabbi Michael Panitz (l) gave the invocation; Father John Capellaro (r) delivered the benediction.

Pastor John Galloway Addresses New York City Leadership

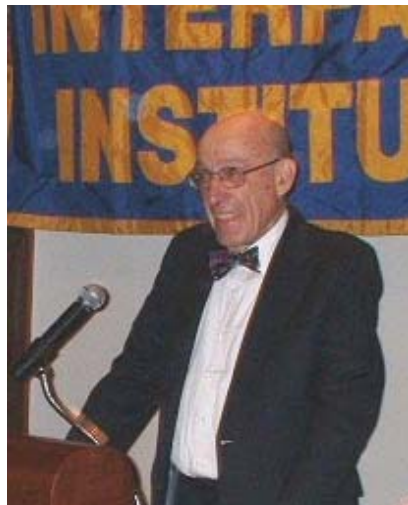
Host Gene M. Grant and Co-Hosts Leo Greenland and Ernest W. Michel presented a riveting program on “Anti-Semitism and Changes in the New Testament” at the Harmonie Club in New York City.

The Keynote Speaker was Dr. John T. Galloway, Pastor of Wayne Presbyterian Church in Wayne, Pennsylvania. “*Anti-Semitism is a Christian Disease,*” Dr. Galloway told the audience, “*We are working on the cure.*”

Holocaust Survivor Ernie Michel, Executive Vice President Emeritus UJA Federation of New York, explained why this cause is so important to him and how other others could help.



Co-Hosts Ernie Michel (l) and Leo Greenland (r) were pleased to see the outstanding turn out for this important meeting.



Participants included (l to r) Reverend William Crawford, Larchmont Presbyterian Church, Larchmont, NY; Rabbi Jeffrey Sirkman, Larchmont Temple; Program Host Eugene M. Grant and Reverend John Galloway, Wayne Presbyterian Church, Wayne, Pennsylvania.

Among the attendees were:
Judy & Leslie Fastenberg Baum
Alan Byer
David Caplan
Rev. William Crawford
Bernard Eichwald
Terrence Elks
Bell Faber
Rev. John Galloway
Jocelyn & Bob Goldman
Ilene S. Goodman
Arthur Gordon
Josh Gorfinkle
Barney Gorman
Melinda & Jonathan Gould
Allison Gunn
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Mr. & Mrs. Jean Claude Levy
Barbara & Herbert Louis
Oliver Mendell & Martin Berkowitz
Michael Menkin
Andrea R. Nierenberg
Jacquelin Paprin
Jack Polak
Joseph Rosenblatt
Deborah Schneider
Gerry Schreier
Fred Schwartz
Dr. Judson Shaver
Rabbi Jeffrey Sirkman
Bernard Spitzer
Michael Stoler
Judy Tenney
Ester Treitel
Hal Wilshinsky
Aaron Ziegelman

Did the Jews kill Jesus? Should Christians try to convert Jews?

These are just some of the controversial questions Dr. John T. Galloway poses to his Presbyterian congregation when he teaches the dangers of anti-Semitism.

Guests at our luncheon meeting at the National Liberty Museum were overwhelmed by Dr. Galloway's presentation. Many pledged to support our efforts to distribute his Good Friday Sermon to Priest and Ministers nationwide.

Participants at the Philadelphia meeting included:



(1 to r) Dr. John Galloway and Board Members Joe Mendel of Montreal and Dr. Herbert Kean



Attorney Aaron Freiwald, author of "The Last Nazi."



Dr. David Efroymson, LaSalle University Professor of Religion Emeritus



(1 to r) Long-time supporters of the American Interfaith Institute Leon Levy, Bob Goldberg and Arnold Peskin



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