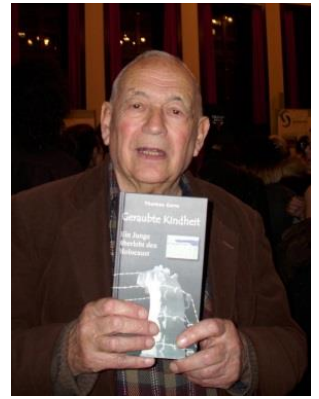


## Messages from Thomas Geve's Testimony



**Thomas Geve was a boy who lived in Germany  
as the inferno of World War II raged around him.  
Being a 13-year old Jewish boy  
entering Auschwitz concentration camp in 1943,  
surviving through to freedom at 15 in Buchenwald 1945,  
meant being against-all-odds-lucky-to-be-alive,  
and learning a very tough and cruel lesson about the meaning of life.**

**His story is our history.  
It is not just the history of the Jewish people.  
It is the story of all the peoples of Europe.  
It is the story of the whole of Humankind.**

**It is a story about POWER –  
The Power of Hatred  
The Power of Fear  
The Power of Ignorance and Ignoring**

**The Power of Memory  
The Power of Will**

**The Power of the Body  
The Power of the Spirit  
The Power of Friendship  
The Power of Humanity**

**The Power of a Drawing  
The Power of a Word**

**The Power of Youth**

**The Power of Choice  
The Power of Freedom  
The Power of Life...**

**It is a story of one child's struggle and brave victory over a sophisticated giant man-made-machine that was built to work him to exhaustion, erase his identity and finally eliminate him.  
But his indomitable human spirit won through !  
He survived and thrived.**

**Thomas Geve grew up in one of the darkest eras and darkest places that planet Earth and humankind has ever known.  
Despite being surrounded by war, hunger, persecution, cruelty, suffering and death, Thomas held to his youthful belief that humankind could and should be better...**

**He chose to embrace life and to become a messenger;  
to give the story immortality through his sketches, drawings and books;  
to bravely share it in lectures, interviews, articles and films.**

**Thomas message to all coming generations:**

***"Know the past – exactly what happened.***

***Comprehend the deep meaning of it.***

***Act accordingly."***

**It is up to us and future generations  
to remember the possible hellish outcomes of bad choices  
so no one will make those choices again.**

**To choose, every day again and again, to use our powers wisely  
and to choose to go along the path of respect for all life,  
cherishing its sanctity .**



**Thank you for listening  
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