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They Would Do it Again

We remember Marion Pritchard.

Who sacrificed her welfare, for 150 Jews.

Arranging hiding places for them,

And says she would do it again.

We remember Oskar Schindler,

Both a Nazi and a rescuer of 1000 Jews.

He went against his own people, his country, risking the loss of his high rank and job,

Stood up for what was right, humanity.

And he would do it again.

We remember Marie Rose Gineste,

Dedicated and devoted, to rescue her countrymen, her neighbors, her friends.

She forged legal documents, baptismal papers,

And she would do it again.

We remember the boy who sacrificed freedom to be with his father in Auschwitz,

We remember the old woman, who gave up her piece of bread for a starving Jew,

We remember them, the nameless,

Who in a world of hate and darkness, stood up for love and humanity.

Risking, sacrificing

A tribute to them,

For they would do it again.
My group of friends laughs over a racial joke,
A choice of courage
I walk away, refusing to take part.
They do not talk to her, that different girl,
A choice of courage,
I do what's right, and befriend her, seeking the good inside.
Today, there is still hate and prejudice,
A choice of courage.
I stand up for what I believe in, and in return hear insults for what I do.
But I stand firm, and will I swear I'll do it again.

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