

Making the World a Better Place One Person At a Time by Jacob Kagon

St. Anna Revisited by Sandor and Ron Vandor was a very inspiring book to me. What inspired me so much was in the face of adversity Sandor lived because of the goodness of ordinary town people. This showed me that you don't have to be famous, God-like, or rich to help people. Those simple acts of kindness and generosity can make a difference. The people of St. Anna's risked their lives for a stranger.

What courage Sandor Vandor had to be able to escape the inferno amazed me because he could only do this with the aid of others. I see the world differently now that I have read this story. I knew the Nazis were evil, and devil like, but I never knew they were this inhuman. They were insane criminals that stole people's lives and souls. Nazis were criminals and evil because normal people would not be obsessed about killing people. The Nazis are the worst people to ever walk the Earth.

Sandor's story inspires me to now think about what I will do in the future. My commitment to helping those in need has been heightened after reading this story. I feel it is my duty to help people whenever I can. This might be like continuing to raise money for Operation Smile and other humanitarian charities. It also showed me the importance of supporting human rights efforts. Watching the events of the uprisings in the Middle East shows me how the protesters are like the good people of St. Anna's, just trying to rebel against dictators. The people of St. Anna's did it by giving food to the laborers and the protestors are doing it by demonstrating. The protestors show us that it is the common people who are not in power are the ones changing the world. I am inspired to see how the power of a few people can multiply and become a united force with more power than just a single person.

Everyday actions like picking up trash, thanking a classmate for picking up a pencil, or unloading the dishwasher might sound like insignificant events. However, it is simple acts people do from their heart that make the world a better place. If everybody was selfish and didn't think about others, the world would be a sad place to live in. It is by working together and helping those in need that society thrives and becomes a peaceful world.

I doubt there will be holocaust in the United States. But there will be bad things that will happen. I am inspired to come to the aid of others when they can't help themselves. Be it a homeless person, and accident victim, a person on the street who needs directions, I hope I can be there to help them. If everyone did something for others the world would be a better place for all of future generations and us.

I hope I can be as brave as Sandor was. I also hope that I can be as good as the people of St. Anna who help those in need. Hopefully, I will never be in a situation like this and hope a situation like the Holocaust does not happen to anyone ever again. The Holocaust was the worst period of mass human torture and murder in the history of the world. Unfortunately, we still have places on earth where evil people torture and murder other people. The only way to start eliminating torture and evil is one person at a time doing good work for the world.