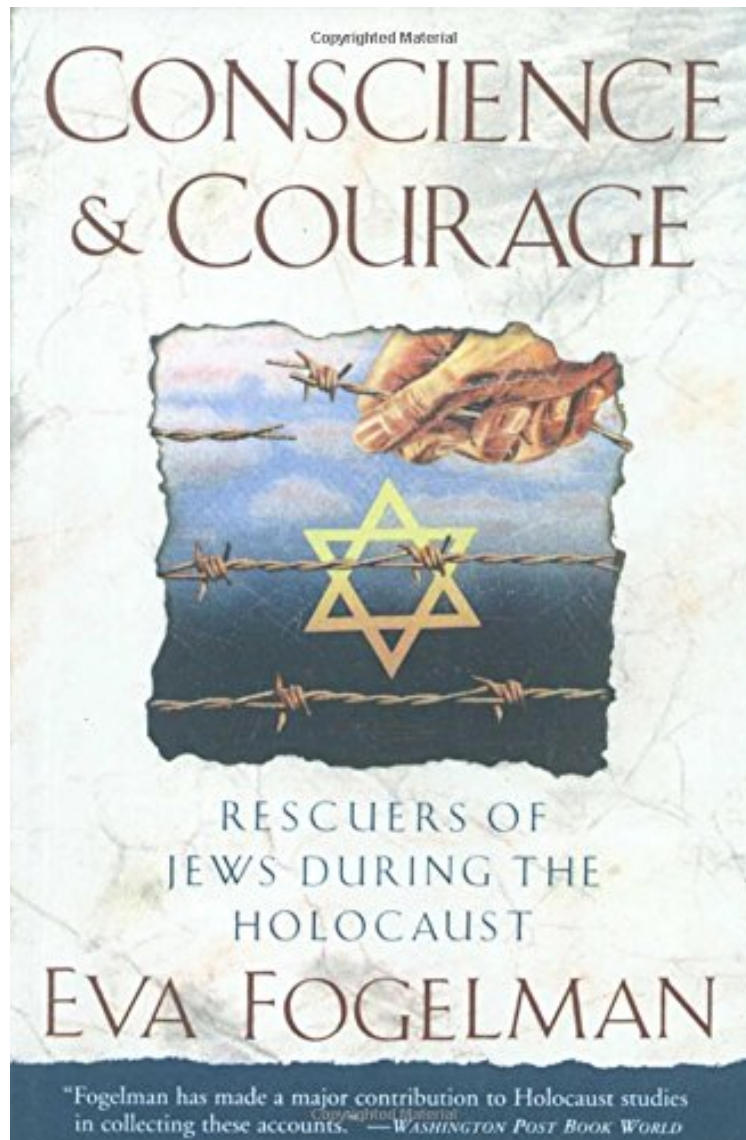


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In this brilliantly researched and insightful book, psychologist Eva Fogelman presents compelling stories of rescuers of Jews during the Holocaust--and offers a revealing analysis of their motivations. Based on her extensive experience as a therapist treating Jewish survivors of the Holocaust and those who helped them, Fogelman delves into the psychology of altruism, illuminating why these rescuers chose to act while others simply stood by. While analyzing motivations, *Conscience And Courage* tells the stories of such little-known individuals as Stefania Podgorska Burzminska, a Polish teenager who hid thirteen Jews in her home; Alexander Roslan, a dealer in the black market who kept uprooting his family to shelter three Jewish children in his care, as well as more heralded individuals such as Oskar Schindler, Raoul Wallenberg, and Miep Gies. Speaking to the same audience that flocked to Steven Spielberg's Academy Award-winning movie, *Schindler's List*, *Conscience And Courage* is the first book to go beyond the stories to answer the question: Why did they help?

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Some sheltered one Jew for a night; others hid several Jews for years. Some performed a single spontaneous act of heroism, like the baker who saved the author's father in Poland in 1942; others were part of an anonymous network. These brave people, along with the well-known rescuers Oskar Schindler and Raoul Wallenberg, had this in common: they were gentiles who risked their lives to save Jews from the Nazi regime. In her deeply affecting book, Fogelman recounts the stories of these Europeans --housewives, businessmen, telephone operators, farmers, diplomats, nurses--and tells how the state of Israel has honored them with the title "Righteous Among the Nations." The author, a New York City social psychologist who directs the Jewish Foundation for Christian Rescuers, ponders deep questions: Why did these particular individuals become rescuers? Can moral integrity be taught and then applied? Is there such a thing as altruism? She explains that one of her reasons for writing the book was "to give altruism back its good name." Her study of extraordinary instances of moral courage will appeal to a broad audience. Fogelman wrote and co-produced the PBS series *Breaking the Silence: The Generations After the Holocaust*. Copyright 1994 Reed Business Information, Inc.
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YA--This is not just another Holocaust book. Instead of presenting a detailed factual account of what happened during the war, Fogelman explores the altruistic personalities of individuals who risked their lives and those of their families to help people considered to be enemies of the State. The stories of Oskar Schindler and Raoul Wallenberg are told along with those of lesser-known individuals such as Alexander Roslan and Louisa Steenstra, who went to extraordinary means to help Jews. The book is divided into three parts--"The Rescuers," "The Motivation," and "Postwar." Each section, complete with personal accounts, forms a mosaic of courage and conviction on the part of both the rescuers and the rescued.
Roberta Lisker, W.T. Woodson High School, Fairfax, VA
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From Library Journal
Fogelman, a social psychologist and Holocaust film producer, attempts to explain why the rescuers of Holocaust victims acted as they did. Rescuers generally fall into five categories: those driven by moral and ethical reasons; those who had a special relationship to the Jewish people; those who opposed Third Reich policies and joined rescuer networks; those who were in professions such as medicine and social work who naturally provided assistance to people in need; and children who became involved through their families. Many individuals acted alone, while others were part of rescuer networks. Fogelman emphasizes the ordinary rescuer but also discusses better-known people like Oskar Schindler, Raoul Wallenberg, and Miep Gies. Besides offering a psychological reason for the rescuers' sacrifices, Fogelman tells the fascinating stories of people who risked their lives to help individuals in trouble. Recommended for academic and large public libraries. Previewed in *Prepub Alert*, LJ 12/93.- Mary Salony, West Virginia Northern Community Coll. Lib., Wheeling
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