

Lesson #6

Question #11: What is the secret of [the Jew's] immortality?

The full question, posed by Mark Twain:

"If the statistics are right, the Jews constitute but one-quarter of one percent of the human race. It suggests a nebulous dim puff of stardust lost in the blaze of the Milky Way. Properly, the Jew ought hardly to be heard of; but he is heard of, has always been heard of. He is as prominent on the planet as any other people, and his importance is extravagantly out of proportion to the smallness of his bulk.

"His contributions to the world's list of great names in literature, science, art, music, finance, medicine and abstruse learning are very out of proportion to the weakness of his numbers. He has made a marvelous fight in this world in all ages; and has done it with his hands tied behind him. He could be vain of himself and be excused for it. The Egyptians, the Babylonians, and the Persians rose, filled the planet with sound and splendor; then faded to dream-stuff and passed away; the Greeks and the Romans followed and made a vast noise, and they are gone; other peoples have sprung up and held their torch high for a time but it burned out, and they sit in twilight now, or have vanished. The Jew saw them all, survived them all, and is now what he always was, exhibiting no decadence, no infirmities of age, no weakening of his parts, no slowing of this energies, no dulling of his alert and aggressive mind. All things are mortal but the Jew; all other forces pass, but he remains. What is the secret of his immortality?"

Answer: God and His promises

Key Verses:

Jeremiah 31:35-36, "Thus saith the LORD, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts is his name: If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the LORD, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a nation before me for ever."

See also	Genesis	17:7-8 a	and Psaln	n 106:48.
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Further Notes:		



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Question #12:	Are we intolerant?				
Answer:	Everyone is, thank the Lord.				
Explanation:					
"Intolerance" has be	ecome a swear word in our society. Nobody	wants to be accused of			
being intolerant a	nd yet we all are. Take the test: Do you belie	eve:			
Children sho	uld be taught how to gamble?	□ Yes □ No			
Heroin should be legalized and advertised?		□ Yes □ No			
Hard liquor should be served in schools?		□ Yes □ No			
People should	□ Yes □ No				
Youth should be given cigarettes?		□ Yes □ No			
Video games should replace education?		□ Yes □ No			
Communism	should be taught to kindergarteners?	□ Yes □ No			
Hard core pornography should be shown on TV?		□ Yes □ No			
Youth should	l have no curfews?	□ Yes □ No			
We should el	iminate all speed limits on our roads?	□ Yes □ No			
You probably answ that society would li	rered no to all of these proposals. Why? You ike to thank you!	are intolerant. And for			
	rios are facetious but it makes a point. Societive itself for the next generation.	ty needs a lot of good			
Key verses:					
	at love the LORD, hate evil: he preserveth the of the hand of the wicked."	e souls of his saints; he			
	fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and and mouth, do I hate."	arrogancy, and the evil			
Psalm 37:27, "Depar	rt from evil, and do good; and dwell for ever	rmore."			
Further Notes:					