

# Excerpt from a Training Guide by SS-Sturmbannführer Paul Zapp on the “Jewish Question” (end of 1940)

## Abstract

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The outbreak of the war saw the considerable radicalization of Nazi racial policy, which eventually led to a policy of annihilation. With the invasion of Poland alone, the Nazi regime had expanded its sphere of power to include more than 3 million Polish Jews. As the following excerpt from an SS training report on the ideological training of party and SS leaders explains, new ways and means were now needed to achieve the final elimination of the entire European Jewry. The search for the “final solution of the Jewish question” had thus begun.

## Source

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### Jewry

(SS-Sturmbannführer Zapp)

### A. Idea and Reality

The *idea of chosenness* is the foundational idea of Judaism:

Old Testament prophecy—subjugation of all peoples to Israel (“The nations of the earth I will give to you, that you will devour them” —and similar examples from the Old Testament)[.]

Based on this the Jews’ *claim to world domination*.

[...]

Additional evidence for the *political program* of the Jews:

*Protocols of the Elders of Zion*: (Authenticity is widely controversial; the Zionist Herzl is regarded as the author). Content of the protocols: bringing Jewry to world domination.

Even if the protocols are not authentic, the Jewish program is evident from other examples:

*Lord Robert Cecil* (Englishman)—recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize! “Of all the results of the war, only two are significant: the creation of the *League of Nations* and the takeover by the English of the *protectorate* over the *Jewish state* to be created in *Palestine*.”

The Jews’ program of world domination is marked by its *attitude toward non-Jews*. The guidelines for this are supplied by the *law books* of the Jews, the *Talmud* and the *Shulkhan Arukh* (the Torah contains the religious teachings).

Examples from *Jewish law*:

“The *possessions of the pagans* (non-Jews) are like *masterless deserts*; *anyone who seizes them* has acquired them!”

*Non-Jews* are not exactly to be *killed*, but they must not be *saved from death*, for example, if they are drowning—or from a deadly *disease* (*Jewish doctors*!!).

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Child in the body of a non-Jewess = *animal* [Vieh] = *abortion!*

What is a whore?

= *all non-Jewish daughters!*

= *racial defilement!!* [Rassenschande]

The attitude of the Jew to the non-Jew thus always means a struggle against *the non-Jew!*

*The essence of a Volk* is evident from its festivals and its customs. Judaism is incapable of developing the beautiful or of creative achievement. This is reflected in the *Jewish festivals*.

[...]

After the Jewish murder of *Gesandtschaftsrat vom Rath*, the measures of November 9/20, 1938, and the legal regulations passed in their wake brought about the dissolution of all Jewish organizations, the complete elimination of Jewry from economic life.

The *Reichsvertretung der Juden in Deutschland* becomes the central organ of all of Jewry in Germany and uses the Jewish *religious communities* as the executive organs.

The Jewish question thus seems to have been resolved. Its resolution was prepared by a number of relevant laws [:]

- 1.) Law on the Restoration of the Civil Service
- 2.) Law against the Overcrowding of Schools and Universities
- 3.) Law on the Admission of Jews to the Liberal Professions
- 4.) Editors Law
- 5.) Reich Chamber of Culture Law
- 6.) Hereditary Farm Law
- 7.) Law about Admission to the Profession of Apothecary

Crowned by the *Nuremberg Laws* and a large number of ministerial and police ordinances and decrees [.]

Ongoing Jewification of the *Volk* is prevented by the race laws and the marriage regulations for *Mischlinge*—spiritual and economic Jewification is ruled out by the legislation since 1938.

The complete solution to the Jewish question will only be achieved, however, if the question of *world Jewry* has been solved.

[...]

The *complete settling of the Jewish question* can be contemplated only once we have succeeded in delivering a decisive blow to world Jewry. The political and diplomatic leadership of Adolf Hitler has laid the foundation for the European solution to the Jewish question. From here the lever for the solution to the question of world Jewry will have to be applied.

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