

Everyone should know and no one should forget the crimes committed by the Nazis during the Holocaust. During this terrible time, a man named Albert Göring chose to do the right thing. Albert Göring is an example of how one person can have an effect on many.

Albert was born on March 9, 1895 in Friedenau, Germany. His father was Heinrich Ernst Göring, his mother was Franziska Tiefenbrunn Göring, and his brother was Hermann Göring, one of Hitler's main henchmen. Although his brother Hermann gave orders to kill millions of Jews under the direct orders from Hitler, Albert, on the other hand, acted against the Nazi regime. For example, Albert forged his brother's signature to papers and learned to mimic his brother's voice in order to give orders to release Jewish people from the hands of the SS and the Gestapo. Albert also put his own life and reputation at risk many times. He smuggled Jews out of the country and helped them escape into hiding. Once, Albert saw a group of Jewish people being humiliated. Albert took off his coat, got down on his hands and knees, and helped scrub the sidewalk with them. Albert continued getting into trouble with the Nazis, was arrested, but continued to help the Jewish people even after he was released on his brother's command.

Albert Göring was nominated for the "Righteous Among the Nations Award" in 2013. Maybe this is because Albert showed that no matter what your family believes or wants you to do, it is important to do what is right. Albert Göring did what was right, helped others, and proved "Whoever saves a single life, saves an entire universe" (Mishnah, Sanhedrin 4:5).

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