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Arab And Jew: Wounded Spirits In A Promised Land

Two part documentary based on David Shipler's Pulitzer Prize winning book is a portrayal of the Arab-Israeli conflict in human terms presenting a revealing look into the minds of Jews and Arabs in Israel.

Ages 15 to 18, Post Secondary -Introductory, Post Secondary -Advanced, Adult 120 minutes, order 9-1105-IN

Bolivia: Then And Now

An enriching survey of Bolivia's history and culture from 1880 to the present, featuring period photographs as well as interviews with political science professor Eduardo Gamarro.

Learn about the mix of Indian and Spanish cultures in Bolivia today, and how some customs practised in the 19th century are still very much alive. Distinguish fact from fiction in the exciting legend of Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid, who came to Bolivia to make their living as robbers.

Ages 15 to 18, Adult 25 minutes, order 1-8832-IN

A selection of videotapes on the history of our world

Chile: The Hidden Revolution

The Life Choices Series

Overview of the dramatic changes taking place in Chile relating to the struggle for democracy, and the role of the Catholic Church.

Ages 15 to 18, Adult 30 minutes, order 5-4280-IN

Chile: The Challenge Of Democracy

The Life Choices Series

Discussion by leading experts offers insightful look at the sweeping changes to democratic leadership and reform in Chile.

Ages 15 to 18, Adult 30 minutes, order 5-4281-IN

Chile: The Impact Of Third World Debt

The Life Choices Series

Role of multinational Corporations and the international banking community in the internal affairs of Chile.

Ages 15 to 18, Adult 30 minutes, order 5-4282-IN

Chile: The Role Of The Church

The Life Choices Series

Explores the unique role of church leadership in the political and social life of the Chilean people.

Ages 15 to 18, Adult 30 minutes, order 5-4283-IN

The Chinese Series

hare a rare, insider's **J**view of China, a nation more than five thousand years old, struggling to blend ancient tradition with modern reality. Journey from the countryside, where ancestral customs and beliefs survive, to Tiananmen Square, where political tensions erupted in apocalyptic violence. Upto-date appraisals examine prospects for the world's most populous nation.

Reform in Crisis: The Aftermath of Tiananmen

Impact of the reform movement of the 1980s is evaluated along with the growing influence of Western ideas, financing, and technology. Order 5-4100

Overview of Chinese History

Explores the importance of Imperial rule in Chinese culture past and present.

Order 5-4101

The Legacy of Mao Zedong

Assesses the political legacy of Mao.
Order 5-4102

Man and Nature in China

Deals with the special relationship Chinese have with food in a country that often has had less than it needs to survive.

Order 5-4103

Food and Feasting in China

The bleak farms and eating habits of the North and Central China are examined along with the critical role of rivers and irrigation projects.

Order 5-4104

Introduction to Traditional Chinese Beliefs

Role of Communist Party teachings and the central government's control is explored in the context of Buddhist and Daoist traditions. Order 5-4105

Communist Ideology after Mao

Considers the Cultural Revolution's impact on China and the current reaction to it. Order 5-4106

Social Control in Chinese Society

Focuses on the legal system, which is largely shaped by past influences. Order 5-4107

China's Legal System

Explores contemporary attitudes that illustrate the preference for private mediation as the preferred method of conflict resolution. Order 5-4108

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Marriage and the Chinese Family

In the small villages of China, tradition dies hard when it comes to marriage and the family's critial role in the long established rituals associated with the ceremony and the new lives of the young couple. Order 5-4109

The Status of Women in China

Examines the role of women in China since the changes instituted by the Communist Party takeover in 1949. In particular, the marriage rite and child rearing are scrutinized in the context of Chinese traditions that give societal supremacy to the males.

Order 5-4110

Social Organization in China

To understand the basic social structure of China we examine the family unit and the important role played by the elderly in Chinese society.

Order 5-4111

Welfare and Health Care in China

Low such groups make decisions and how the individual willingly accepts such decisions.

Order 5-4112

Sources of Social Conflict in Chinese Society

A neighbourhood mediating committee tries to get an estranged husband and wife to stop divorce proceedings. Order 5-4113

Conflict Resolution in Contemporary Chinese Society

Examines how the government policy of one-child families is enforced at the neighbourhood level.

Order 5-4114

Peasant Life in China

Examines daily life for China's rural population and its agricultural work, still a highly labor-intensive pursuit. Order 5-4115

Economic Reform in Rural China

Shows the effects on the peasantry of social and economic changes brought about by communism.

Order 5-4116

Industrial Life in China

The industrial life of China is explored.

Order 5-4117

Industrial Reform in Contemporary China

Now the most productive workers reap the larger rewards.

Order 5-4118

Foreign Trade and Economic Development

The Chinese government's new "openness" policy to stimulate economic growth is examined.

Order 5-4119

The Open Door Policy

Joint ventures are transforming communists into entrepreneurs and consumers, and accelerating Western influence. Order 5-4120

Introduction to Chinese Arts and Literature

Western techniques and Chinese "soul" in artistic expression are explored in the aftermath of the Cultural Revolution.

Order 5-4121

Intellectuals and the State

The tradition of artists motivated from within by an absolute ideal, not by outside forces, has prevailed against the control of the "Cultural Revolution".

Order 5-4122

Traditional Chinese Science

The link between heaven, Earth, and humans, and the concept of "Ying" and "Yang" has greatly influenced how they use the science and technology of the contemporary world. Order 5-4123

Technological Advances in Contemporary China

Illustrates the new respect for the importance of Western science in a country that seeks its place as a world power. Order 5-4124

Facing the Future: China Approaches the 21st Century

Analyzes the events at Tiananmen Square, offering thoughts on the probable future awaiting China in the wake of the bloody clash.

Order 5-4125

30 minutes each
Post Secondary - Introductory,
Ages 16 to Adult
780 minutes, order 5-41000-IN

The Gate Of Heavenly Peace: Tiananmen Square

An intimate and personal account of the students' pleas for democracy and the tragedy that followed, using still photographs, eyewitness accounts, and news soundtracks to recreate the events surrounding the Chinese democracy movement.

Ages 12 to 14, Ages 15 to 18, Post Secondary - Introductory, Adult

Gorbachev: His Life And His Country

10 minutes, order 7-7000-IN

Comprehensive
documentary about his
early life and political
career, from Mayor of
Stavropol to Soviet
President, Perestroika and
the attempted overthrow
by hardline forces.

Ages 15 to 18, Post Secondary -Introductory, Adult 28 minutes, order 1-8435-IN

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Includes 205 QuickTime Movies and 322 Still Images.

Ages 12 to 14, Ages 15 to 18 minutes, order 1-11010-IN

Holocaust As Seen Through The Eyes Of A Survivor

"Start packing and take only what you can carry. Come with me on a journey that you will remember for the rest of your life." David Bergman, survivor of several Nazi death camps, involves viewers so that his story becomes their own, a personal, effective retelling of the harsh realities of the Holocaust.

Ages 12-18, Adult 30 minutes, order 1-8172-IN

How To Prevent A Nuclear War

A refreshingly upbeat look at the kinds of activities that anyone can engage in to lessen the threat of nuclear war. Fifteen vignettes will inspire viewers with the feeling that they can and must make a difference.

Ages 16 to Adult

30 minutes, order 9-3018-IN

International Security: The Canadian Role

Compelling look at Canada's role in United Nation's peace-keeping activities around the world. Covers the history of the U.N., Lester Pearson's accomplishments, the Gulf War and the quagmire in Somalia.

Ages 15 to 18, Post Secondary -Introductory 29 minutes, order 9-1205-IN

Japan, The Living Tradition Series

This series examines the pre-modern history and traditional culture of Japan. The programs were produced for high school through adult audiences, and are designed to introduce North Americans to Japanese history and culture which is still tightly woven into the fabric of modern Japanese society.

Dr Edwin O Reischauer says, "These programs offer an understanding of Japan, and its history and culture, which would otherwise take years of study and residence in Japan to acquire. I know of nothing else which so clearly and dramatically conveys a realistic impression of Japan as it has evolved through the years and as it is today."

The programs are an exciting blend of onlocation scenes in Japan, stock film and video footage from the Japan Broadcasting Corporation and other Japanese archives, plus film and still photos from American archives. Film and video tape rarely seen in the United States are included in the programs. Dr Reischauer introduces the series.

The Japanese, Part One

Looks at traditional LJapanese family living in a suburb of Tokyo. Viewers will identify a number of similarities between the Japanese and themselves as well as very clear differences between the two cultures.

Order 5-1785

The Japanese, Part Two

Shows how Japan's Slocation and its physical & geographical resources have had a marked effect upon the origins and development of its history and culture.

Order 5-1786

Early Japan, Part One

Early Japan is an exploration of the forces that have shaped the Japanese people and their culture from the earliest times. Begins with three of the earliest of Japan's prehistoric periods; Jomon, the Yayoi and the Kofun. Order 5-1787

Early Japan, Part Two

An important development of the Heian Period (794 to 1184 A.D.) was the control of the powerful Fujiwara family in the Imperial Court, and the spread of Buddhism. A system of writing also grew.

Order 5-1788

The Feudal Experience, Part One

A feudal nation for nearly 700 years, politically Japan was ruled by a rising class of military men called samurai. Details the political, cultural, social and economic developments. Kamakura and Ashikaga eras.

Order 5-1789

The Feudal Experience, Part Two

Shows how some great military heros rose out of the common origins to bring success of the third and peaceful stage of feudalism. Explores strategies used to solve problems of military rivals. Order 5-1790

The Visual Arts, Part One

Considers the development and varied uses of the four materials the Japanese have worked with since ancient times - wood, clay, fibre and metal, focuses on wood which has always been dominant.

Order 5-1791

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The Visual Arts, Part Two

Continues with the exploration of clay, fibre and metal and shows how the Japanese live and work with them. A contemporary artist illustrates how their traditional techniques still apply in modern art.

Order 5-1792

Literature

Introduces the literature of pre-modern Japan following the development of poetry and prose forms of Japanese literature including brief commentaries on their history and readings of important works.

Order 5-1793

Literature, Part Two

Takes viewers from the Tokugawa period to modern times discussing the literary forms developed after the 17th century. Explore effects of seclusion, and literary development during modernization period. Order 5-1794

The Performing Arts, Part One

Discusses early origins of theatre and dance using film clips to show actual performances, interwoven with discussion and narration by an authority on Japanese theatre.

Order 5-1795

The Performing Arts, Part Two

Looks at performing arts, particularly the unique form of puppet theatre called Bunraku, music and dance of kabuki and modern films.

Order 5-1796

Religious Experience, Part One

Introduces the question of what it means to be religious in Japanese society. Discusses three major human needs which religion meets and discusses special religious ceremonies and practices which have developed in Japan.

Order 5-1797

Religious Experience, Part Two

Discusses the major religions - Shinto, Buddhism, Confucianism and Christianity. Each is examined through a survey of its origins, function in society and relationship to the other religions of Japan.

Order 5-1798

Ages 16 to Adult 420 minutes, order 5-2226-IN

Japan: The Changing Tradition Series

This series examines modern Japanese history from the first contacts with the West in the 1500s to the 1970s, tracing the emergence of the nation from isolation to its present-day position as a leading economic power. The programs of this series were produced for high school through adult audiences, with the

active assistance of the Japan Broadcasting Corporation as well as other Japanese agencies and institutions.

The documentary-style programs include sequences filmed on location in Japan, as well as footage assembled from Japanese and American archives. Much of this material has never before been available to North American viewers. By drawing upon Japanese documentaries, news film, historical dramatizations, and even television commercials, the series is able to present a view of Japan more comprehensive, and yet more intimate, than any previously available.

The Cross and the Gun

Highlights Japan's first contacts with the West in the 16th century. The Portuguese and other Europeans brought two important things with them, guns and Christianity, the beginning of a great many changes. Order 5-1799

Revere the Emperor

The signing of a commercial treaty with the U.S. threw Japan into a period of internal political dissension. This program covers 1854-1868. Two slogans characterize the period: Expel the Barbarians, Revere the Emperor. Order 5-1800

Rich Country, Strong Military

Examines ways in which Japan changed from a feudal state to a major world power during the reign of the Meiji Emperor in the last half of the 19th century. It includes discussion about the constitution of 1889.

Order 5-1801

The Meiji Transformation

Through much of the Meiji Period, 1868-1912, the government was experimenting with reforms and looking to Western models for ideas. It introduced, or struggled with compulsory education, industrialization, and parliamentary government. Order 5-1802

Men of Action

This program examines the major political and social developments during the Taisho period, 1912 - 1945. During the 1920s the military became restive and the civilian political authority lost power in the face of serious internal problems. Order 5-1803

The Road to Disaster

After the invasion of Manchuria in 1931, the military slowly took control of the civilian government. This program shows how the continued expansion of the Japanese empire and the reaction of the Chinese led to war in 1937.

Order 5-1804

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Rebirth of a Nation

This program discusses the great changes which occurred shortly after the end of World War II. Under General Douglas MacArthur, the American Occupation undertook a wholesale reform of Japan's social, economic and political structure. Order 5-1805

A Nation Among Equals

During the 60s, Japan's economic growth put it on an equal footing with the world's developed nations, but the boom was not without problems, including political confrontations, crowding, pollution, inflation.

Order 5-1806

Made in Japan

Japan is dependent on the Joutside world for most of its energy, raw materials and a large part of its food. Its economic success is the result of its greatest asset — creative, hardworking people.

Order 5-1807

The Fragile Economy

Explores some of the problems facing Japan - high inflation rate, increased pressure to provide a more equitable trading system and increasing urban crowding and industrial pollution.

Order 5-1808

Of the People

This program describes the organization and the structure of Japanese democracy, with a look at the major political parties. Examines particularly the Liberal Democratic Party, the most powerful party since 1955.

Order 5-1809

Democracy with a Difference

This program looks at how the primary institutions fit into the Japanese cultural tradition and how they affect the people who work within them.

Order 5-1810

Society and the Individual

Though most Japanese live in urban communities, many of the older social traits continue, even if in modified form. This program describes contemporary Japanese social organization.

Order 5-1811

The Search for Opportunity

Studies the avenues of success available to the Japanese and the barriers that block these avenues to many. Most people achieve their place through education, but many are still discriminated against. Order 5-1812

The Japanese Style

Japanese life today is a blend of modern mass living and traditional styles. This program looks at people living along the Hankyu commuting lines who are very modern and urban and distinctively Japanese at the same time. Order 5-1813

Three Families

Takes an intimate look at contemporary life by following the daily routine of three different Japanese families, those of a farmer, a small independent businessman and a middle management worker.

Order 5-1814
30 minutes each
Ages 16 to Adult minutes, order 5-2227-IN

The Kenyan Way Of Life

Presents the history, demographics, lifestyle, government, education, traditions, development and geography of this gorgeous country that is home to forty different cultural groups.

Ages 16 to Adult, Ages 9-14 22 minutes, order 1-8465-IN

Malcolm X

Compelling program traces the life of this historic figure, whom some saw as a visionary and some saw as an advocate of violence, from his humble beginnings to his assassination in the prime of life.

Ages 12 to 14, Ages 15 to 18, Adult 27 minutes, order 1-8575-IN

Nelson Mandela And The Struggle To End Apartheid

In 1912, the black people of South Africa formed the African National Congress (ANC) to oppose racial segregation known as apartheid. By 1950, Nelson Mandela believed the time had come to organize the masses.

Through interviews and film footage of Mandela and other leaders of the ANC, its Youth League, and white South African political leaders, this program traces the historical events from 1950 through Mandela's release from prison in 1990.

Ages 15 to 18, Adult 27 minutes, order 1-8838-IN

People And Places: Cambodia

The People And Places Series

This program takes I viewers on a journey to Cambodia, home of the Khmer people. Viewers will learn about Cambodia's geography, climate and transportation system and will travel to the country's capitol, Phnom Penh, the Temple Angor Vat and the Island of Kok. Khmer history, traditions including handcrafts, dance and shadow theaters--and mythology are discussed, as well as the predominant religion, Buddhism. Viewers also learn about the nation's economy, visiting fishing villages and rice fields.

Ages 12-18 22 minutes, order 1-2483-IN

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People And Places: Cuba

The People And Places Series

This program takes I viewers to the beautiful island of Cuba, located in the Caribbean Sea. Viewers will learn about the history of the nation and the importance of its capitol, Havana, to the economy. Cuba's road and railway systems are covered, as well as its chief imports and exports, which include sugar and tobacco. Viewers learn about the country's geography and semitropical climate, its legends and animal life and will travel to the Trinidad Museum, Del Morro Fort and Revolution Square, which became famous around the world when Fidel Castro Made his inflammatory speeches. Ages 12-18 20 minutes, order 1-2484-IN

People And Places: Indonesia

The People And Places Series

ocated in the Indian LOcean, Indonesia consists of more than 17,000 islands. This program gives viewers a look at the country's largest islands—Sumatra, Java and Jarkata-and teaches viewers about Indonesia's population and geography, including its volcanic activity. The workings of the country's government and the Islamic religion are discussed, as well as Indonesia's agricultural economy, weather and transportation system. Viewers also learn about Indonesian theater, arts and funeral ceremonies

and will visit the Sonde Islands, where the largest reptiles in the world–Komodo dragons–live.

Ages 12-18 22 minutes, order 1-2486-IN

People And Places: Israel

The People And Places Series

This program explores Israel's rich history and geography, taking viewers to the ancient cities of Jaffa Tel Aviv, Jerusalem, Nazareth, Jericho, Sodom and Bethlehem. Viewers learn about Israel's economy, including its modern agricultural technology and tourism business, its mediterranean climate and diverse population and are taken to the Holy Sepulcher Church, which encloses Christ's tomb, the ruins of Solomon's Temple and the Garden of Gethsemani. among other historical places. The program discusses the history and traditions of the Christian, Jewish and Islamic religions, inleuding the discovery of the Dead Sea Scrolls. It also introduces the animals that live in the country's two reserves and teaches viewers about the Kibbutz lifestyle, a collective society. Ages 12-18

Ages 12-18 22 minutes, order 1-2485-IN

Race To The Moon: The Real Story

Expanding Frontiers: The Exploration Of Space Series

From the 1957 launch of Sputnik to the lunar landing of Apollo 11 in 1969, the United States and Russia engaged in a cut throat competition to reach the moon first. Race to the Moon, chronicles the glorious successes and tragic failures of both nations in that tensionfilled decade.

Ages 12-18, Ages 16 to Adult, Post Secondary 34 minutes, order 8-1137-IN

Rails To Hell ... And Back

In 1944, twelve year old David Bergman, along with his family, and all other Jewish people of Boczkow, Czechoslovakia, were herded into cattle trains bound for Germany and Poland. In a moving interview Bergman recounts the ordeal his family and millions of other people suffered at the hands of the Nazi's.

Ages 16 to Adult 66 minutes, order 1-8173-IN

Reaching For The Moon: Project Gemini

Expanding Frontiers: The Exploration Of Space Series

The "giant leap for Mankind" in 1969 was actually the result of dozens of small steps throughout the decade. This program spotlights Project Gemini, the series of historic flights that laid the groundwork for that first trip to the moon.

Ages 12-18, Ages 16 to Adult, Post Secondary 35 minutes, order 8-1139-IN

Sally Ride: America's First Woman Astronaut

Expanding Frontiers: The Exploration Of Space Series

When physicist Sally Ride made history as the first female American to fly in space in 1983, she became a symbol for women's achievements in all male-dominated fields. Her journey from Stanford graduate student to national icon is an inspiring story of courage, confidence and the determination to fulfill one's dreams.

Ages 12-18, Ages 16 to Adult, Post Secondary 33 minutes, order 8-1130-IN

The Shifting Sands: A History Of The Middle East

Extended Version

rom when history was first recorded in Mesopotamia during the early Sumerian civilization through the religious and social influences left by the Babylonian, Persian, Egyptian, Roman and Greek civilizations, to the religious and cultural differences of today's Arab and Israeli civilizations, program analyzes the pertinent issues that continue to cause conflict in the region.

Also available in a 29 minutes version: *Video Cassette* (order 1-8483), *Laser Videodisc* (order 1-84831).

Ages 15 to 18, Adult, Post Secondary - Introductory 47 minutes, order 1-8484-IN

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Also available in an Extended Version (47 minutes, order 1-8484) and in Laser Videodisc (29 minutes, 1-84831).
Ages 15 to 18, Adult 29 minutes, order 1-8483-IN

The Soviet Mind

This entertaining, thoughtful program interviews soviet students and explores the changes that have taken place throughout their vast nation.

Ages 12 to 14, Ages 15 to 18 30 minutes, order 1-8143-IN

The Soviet Union Chronicles 1905-1924

The Soviet Union Chronicles Series

Shows how the Junbalanced economy during the rule of Nicholas Il led to the Bolshevik Revolution, Russia's involvement in World War I, the murder of the Czar and his family, and the civil war. The program ends with Lenin's death and the stage set for Stalin to take power.

Ages 15 to 18, Adult 27 minutes, order 1-8577-IN

The Soviet Union Chronicles Series

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Host Peter Graves traces Russia's political and social history from its Czarist roots to its current struggle.

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27 minutes, order 1-8577

The Soviet Union Chronicles 1924-1945

Stalin collaborates with Hitler; invades Poland; divides Germany; forces Baltic States into the Soviet Union setting up puppet governments.

22 minutes, order 1-8578

The Soviet Union Chronicles 1945-1993

Stalin's death; Khruschev; Shrezhnev; Andropov; Chernenko; and Gorbachev; The Missile Crisis; Warsaw Pact and Detente; war and space technology; rise and fall of the Berlin Wall. 29 minutes, order 1-8574 Ages 15 to 18, Adult 78 minutes, order 1-85770-IN

The Soviet Union Chronicles 1924-1945

The Soviet Union Chronicles Series

Follows Stalin as he collaborates with Hitler, invades Poland and divides Germany. The program closes as the Cold War begins.

Ages 15 to 18, Adult 22 minutes, order 1-8578-IN

The Soviet Union Chronicles 1945-1993

The Soviet Union Chronicles Series

Russia's involvement in foreign conflicts, the leadership of Khruschev, Brezhnev, Andropov, Chernenko and Gorbachev; The Missile Crisis, Warsaw Pact and Detente; war and space technology; and the rise and fall of the Berlin Wall. Ages 15 to 18, Adult 29 minutes, order 1-8574-IN

Viking Voyage

Follows the six month journey of nine men and one woman as they attemp to recreate Leif Eiriksson's expedition of 1,000 years earlier, sailing from Norway to North America in a seventy six foot replica of a Viking ship - the Gaia. Historical details of Viking way of life

Ages 15 to 18, Adult 24 minutes, order 1-8456-IN

World War Ii: The Eastern Front

In reverently cited statistics, in archival footage and stills, the brutal realities of Hitler's assault on the Soviet Union are documented. Accented by movingly read poety of Russian masters and Goya's factual drawings.

Ages 12 to 14, Ages 15 to 18,

Adult 30 minutes, order 1-8045-IN

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