



Liesel's Story, Chapter 10

It has to be told because there have been so many Holocaust deniers. One only has to look at photographs and newsreels to see that this really happened and unfortunately it is still happening. After Yugoslavia had all the conflicts and they put a new name on it, "ethnic cleansing", it's no different from Holocaust, killing millions of people because of their religion, their sexual feelings, because they argued against the state, it's not good, it has to be told, people have to be aware of this and try to get over these feelings of "Oh I'm not going to talk to you I'm not going to have anything to do with you because you don't worship the same god or you're the wrong colour", and it's wrong. Religion is an accident of birth. If you're born in one house you're Catholic, if you're born somewhere else you're Jewish.

This shouldn't have any relationship on who you're friendly with, who you talk to, you should look at the person, not what they are or what religion they follow.

I've always taught my children to be very open and not have prejudices but I'm only one of millions. I hope in years to come that there will be more tolerance towards creed and colour but I don't know. I really don't know.