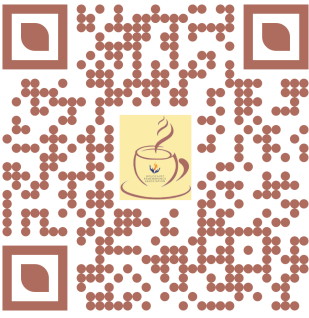


JOIN US FOR A FREE VIRTUAL ZOOM EVENT - NOVEMBER 9



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- Why was Kristallnacht a turning point in the persecution of the Jews in Nazi Germany?
- Why was the church silent, when synagogues were burning and Jewish property was being destroyed?
- Most importantly, what did their silence communicate to the Nazi leadership?
- How do we need to consider the past to understand the days we live in?

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