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Remarkable Nonsense about the Holocaust

Annihilation through Catholicism

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The Jewish woman wears a gold crucifix on a chain, given her during the war when she was in hiding. Now, apparently, she is a devout Catholic, while the Polish woman is an atheist.

I have not seen this film and am not impressed by the summary and the too-heavy symbolism described there. The above-quoted line seems to me to convey the message that the Jew's survival/redemption depends on her conversion to catholicism, a message I find rather distatsteful. In fact, the Jew has not been saved, but annihilated. It is a new, Catholic person that emerges from the 'hiding'.

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