

DENK MAL

- A PLACE TO REMEMBER -

Jesus represents the sexually abused child

“TRULY, I SAY TO YOU, AS YOU DID IT TO ONE
OF THE LEAST OF THESE MY BROTHERS,
YOU DID IT TO ME”

Remember ...

- that it was not long ago, it's happening today.
- that it does not happen elsewhere, but in your surroundings.
- whether you are aware that perpetrators act strategically.
- whether you would address abusive behavior.
- whether you would stand up for another person's rights.
- whether you act consistently.
- whether you would accept detriments.
- where your blind spot is.
- that you need to campaign and fight for your values;
otherwise someone else will take the lead.
- that you are responsible for your actions and failures.
- which of your least brothers is let down.

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Door of the chapel of the school of Ettal

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AND TO BE AWARE TODAY

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What remains of my soul
and joy after the abuse?

The victims are labeled as
traitors and are expelled by
those who are responsible.

It is a trusted friend, rather
than stranger, who lets the
child down



Something goes numb in
anyone who is exposed to
abuse, some commit suicide.

Those who should help,
remain apathetic if a child
exhibit signs of psychological
damage .

For some time, there have been
rumors about abuse and violence,
but nobody has listened or
investigated their origin.

In February 2001, it became public that, for about 4 decades, children were sexually, physically and psychologically abused in Ettal and various other boarding schools.

After intense discussion between the victims and representatives of the monastery, an agreement was reached in 2011, and was implemented in the following years.

It was the first successful process for reappraisal in Germany.

Important milestones in the process for reappraisal:

- Acknowledgement of the events by the monastery.
- Financial support for psychotherapy.
- Indemnity of damages in conformity with decisions of civil courts.
- Sociological survey „*Why did this take place when nobody wanted it and what did it do to the victims?*“ (ISBN978-3658147440)
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