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In her ongoing multi-volume *Holocaust Memoir Digest* Esther Goldberg is producing a work indispensable to any understanding of the increasingly complicated field of Holocaust studies. The growing phenomenon of Holocaust denial demonstrates the urgency of preserving and transmitting the testimony contained in survivors' memoirs. Nor is Holocaust denial the only threat: a growing number of scholars regard survivors' testimonies as all but irrelevant to understanding the Holocaust. I have heard historians say that we should not look to the survivors for a sense of what the Holocaust was about precisely because they were there, trapped in the midst of the whirlwind. Survivors' accounts are “tainted,” it is argued, by their personal perspectives. Goldberg's *Digest* refutes this position.

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