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**1. “Innocents Abroad”: 1867
Mark Twain Holy Land visit**



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**2. Bible sites: Dan, Hatzor,
Kinneret, Tiberias (4 “Holy
Cities”), Safed, Jordan River**

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**3. Neg. descriptions of
land/people, almost no
mention of “Jews”**



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**4. 1899 “Concerning the Jews”
essay: largely positive, some
anti-Semitism**



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5. Point No. 1: 'Jew not violent; homes true; honors elders; supports poor...'



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6. '...Jewish businessmen honest; Rothschild trusted by Duke; Vienna cem. spared...'

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7. Twain Q: If Jews good, why treated bad? A: success in everything...



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8. (Most famous) Point No. 6: historical impact summary; 'what secret of immortality?'



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9. Rebbe: Nissan month of becoming Chosen



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10. Lesson: ensure that descendants are part of Eternal Nation

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