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Ep 08: Izzy Posen | Exploring religious freedom

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Continuing our series of discussions exploring religious freedom, Alastair Lichten spoke with Izzy Posen. Izzy grew up in the Chasidic community and attended an illegal, unregistered school where corporal punishment was routinely used, particularly to silence children who asked questions. He is now president of Bristol University's Free Speech Society.

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This was part of a series of interviews leading up to our major conference [Secularism 2019: Reclaiming Religious Freedom](#). Information on all the speakers and a videos from all the talks are now available.

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