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where emergency instructions could be relayed to guests under similar conditions.

But let's not hit the MGM while it's down. The whole town must get behind them and help.

We must find ways to absorb their personnel with food and immediate jobs. We certainly will find a way to absorb their future bookings -- so let's help them with their problems. Most of all we must help rebuild the image of Las Vegas as a one - of - a - kind town where the visitor is king.

Only a full scale effort by the surviving hotels can assure a secure future for Las Vegas. The MGM Grand will return. Let's all say we all had something to do with its rapid recovery and reopening. It's only right. One of us has fallen, but will return bigger and brighter than before. The GRAND will be GRAND once again!

Women of Faith

BY RABBI MARC H. TANENBAUM

Nearly 100 key women religious leaders from the Jewish, Christian, and Muslim communities met for two days last week in Stony Point, New York, to examine the status of Women of Faith in the 1980s. It was an extraordinary experience.

Thanks to the leadership and the tune set by its organizers, Inge Lederer Gibel of the American Jewish Committee, Sarah Cunningham of the Presbyterian Church, and Catholic Sister Ann Gillen, the women's conference was marked by a profound respect for religious differences, and at the same time was characterized by a deep sense of shared sisterhood.

In a brilliant keynote address, Catholic Prof. Rosemary Reuther targeted the patriarchal religious systems as the oldest and most



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authoritative sanction for the subordination of women in society. Religious structures must be made to become the paradigm of the liberated community of mutual service, she said, rather than the last bastion of sexism and domination.

Inge Gibel movingly said she did not intend to be robbed by a patriarchal leadership of a heritage she treasured. "I cannot reject my Jewish heritage and its greatest scholars and sages because most of them were male, human and fallible.'

Muslim scholar, Dr. Riffat Hassan of Pakistan said that women were treated on the level of children in most Muslim countries, and expressed determination to struggle against that victimization. So strong were the bonds of solidarity forged at that conference that the women agreed to set up a permanent steering committee to pursue the cause of humanizing religion and society.

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