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Dear Dr. Lederberg

A year ago, after meeting you in Washington, I was brassy enough to write and ask you if you'd look over a book I am doing for Doubleday on the ethical issues posed by the new biology, especially genetics and new birth technologies.

You said you would -- for which I am grateful.

Now I've finished four chapters and would like to send them to you in xerox. It is the chapter "Some Facts" that I need your expert eye on especially, but if I am to ask you to write a brief introduction for it, however noncommittal as to the merits of the book, you ought to see all of it first.

If your kindness is still running I'll ship the material off to you.

I don't want it to be a nuisance or a burden. On the other hand I have a hunch that some it will please you, most of it interest you. But I don't want to be wrong in technical matters.

If you reply Yes again, I'll get in the mail quickly. And the rest in a month or two.

I won't say "happy" new year, but wish you a good one.

Sincerely,  
*Joseph Fletcher*  
Joseph Fletcher

January 2, 1973  
JF:fh

*FLETCHER, Joseph*

*Yes!*  
*Joshua Lederberg*  
*Smith AIBS*  
*Lederberg*  
*Memo. 2.*

*Have you seen the  
Report, Com. Medicine  
& Public Health, H.R.  
dated Nov. 1972?*