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Dear Josh

I'm wondering how you are coming along with the preface for my book. Just remember: you are the position of the Grand Master and you don't have to take sides on any of the issues. You can be as succinct as you like.

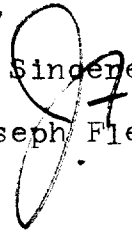
Seems to me you can do what's hoped for in a brief sitting, just sort of welcoming one more contribution to the whole area that's opening up. I certainly don't want you to endorse what I think, unless you choose to.

It's likely we'll entitle it: The Ethics of Genetic Control: Engineering Humans. Got a better idea? We have to make it a descriptive title, using key terms, for sake of computerized searches of bibliography.

Have you seen Jim Knight's new book, Medical Student: Doctor in the Making -- something good out of Tulane! He speaks well of both of us.

This summer I've done pieces for PRISM, the new AMA magazine; for the Journal of Reproductive Biology; a preface for a new book on the Beacon Press; a piece to appear in the October Intellectual Digest. Plus some simple goofing off with my son-in-law on his boat at Westhampton.

I'm still eaten up with curiosity and interest about the book you are to do for Doubleday. Loosen up, tell me.

Sincerely

Joseph Fletcher

August 27, 1973

Handwritten notes:
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