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May 2019

UNORTHODOX LIVE TAPING AT HHBJC

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 29TH AT 8 PM



Mark your calendar for a live taping of Tablet Magazine's flagship podcast - Unorthodox. Hosted by Tablet editor-atlarge and Los Angeles Times columnist and former NY Times columnist on religion, Mark Oppenheimer and features deputy editor Stephanie Butnick and senior writer Liel Leibovitz.

Registration Required. The cost for a ticket for non members is \$18. Members are entitled to one ticket each (couple entitled to 2 tickets).

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May at HHBJC

May 1 Joint Yom HaShoah Commemoration at Flushing-Fresh Meadows JC

> May 2, 9, 23, 30 Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Wise

May 4 Simcha Shabbat

May 6, 13, 20 Adult Ed - Book Club with Rabbi Wise

May 8 Yom Ha'atzmaut Performance with Joel Chasnoff

> May 11 Lay Led Shabbat

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May 19 Sisterhood Cooking Demo

> May 29 Unorthodox Podcast

May 31 & June 1 Judith Lesnik Chesed Committee Scholar in Residence



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From the Desk of Rabbi David Wise A Bride for One Night

As I reflect on the recent elections in Israel, I find it hard to believe that six

years have passed since Ruth Calderon became a YouTube sensation with her inaugural Knesset address. Back when she was herself surprised to have made it to the Knesset as a member of Yesh Atid. the new legislator used her maiden speech to teach Talmud in the Israeli parliament. Six years later, I still find myself becoming emotional as she tells her story of falling in love with the wisdom of rabbinic literature, her regret that not enough Israelis appreciate the gift of the Talmud, and her commitment to bringing Israelis of all stripes back to the cultural treasuretrove that can be found in its pages.

It took me nearly five years to read the 160 pages of Dr. Calderon's book of Talmudic tales, *A Bride for One Night*, which I feature in this month's edition of *The Rabbi's Nightstand*. It's not that I'm such a slow reader; it simply took a while to feel ready to grapple with the earthly bound copy of the book. She was so captivating in that speech, as she was

Shabbat Schedule



Friday, May 3, 2019				
Candle Lighting	7:35 PM			
Mincha	7:00 PM			
Saturday, May 4, 201	9			
Achrei Mot	9:00 AM			
Mincha	7:20 PM			
Havdalah	8:39 PM			
Friday, May 10, 2019				
Candle Lighting	7:42 PM			
Mincha	7:00 PM			
Saturday, May 11, 20	19			
Kedoshim	9:00 AM			
Mincha	7:25 PM			
Havdalah	8:46 PM			
Friday, May 17, 2019				
Candle Lighting	7:49 PM			
Mincha	7:00 PM			
Saturday, May 18, 2019				
Emor	9:00 AM			
Mincha	7:35 PM			
Havdalah	8:53 PM			
Friday, May 24, 2019				
Candle Lighting	7:55 PM			
Mincha	7:00 PM			
Saturday, May 25, 2019				
Behar	9:00 AM			
Mincha	7:40 PM			
Havdalah	8:59 PM			
Friday, May 31, 2019				
Candle Lighting	8:01 PM			
Mincha	7:00 PM			

We need your help with our daily Minyan.

Please join us mornings or evenings!

Monday & Thursday 6:45am & 7:30pm

Tuesday 7:00am & 7:30pm

Wednesday 8:00am & 7:30pm

Sunday & Legal Holidays 9:00am & 7:30pm

Friday Morning 7:00am Rosh Chodesh 6:30am

Handicap Access

We have an operating handicapped lift. This is available for all who may need access to any level of the building. Please contact the center office to arrange for one of our staff to assist you in its operation. There is also a handicapped restroom located past the Menchel Social Hall. *The House Committee*

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Notices

Do you receive emails from HHBJC including Rabbi Wise's weekly Shabbat notes? Contact the office to subscribe or subscribe on the homepage at www.hollishillsbaysidejc.org

If you are bringing pre packaged food into the Synagogue, please consult with Rabbi Wise.

Bereavement Support

The Bereavement Support Group meets the First and Third Monday night of the month at 7:30 PM with compassionate, caring, warm and concerned friendly people. Refreshments are always served and are complimentary. All faiths are welcome. Led by Marty Kevelson and Malka Lesnik Belgrod.



I am an official JBS Groupie! Before my interview in January with Rabbi Mark Golub on JBS's L'CHAYIM, I did not have JBS in my cable package but once I was called by Rabbi Golub's office to come to his studio in Fort Lee, NJ for an interview, I called Spectrum and although they made it difficult for me to add JBS to my package, I was determined and made it happen. Once I started to watch the programs, I was hooked!

This station is not like any other. It is a truly all encompassing, allinclusive, extremely informative, educational, entertaining, nostalgic, moving, warm & beautifully Jewish Network. They provide Jewish Education, from learning the Aleph Bet to listening to lectures about so many different subjects. JBS (led by Rabbi Mark Golub) has a fantastically huge variety of Jewish programming...they broadcast lectures, debates (that amicably cover all viewpoints), concerts, interviews with Jewish Leaders/Rabbis/ Cantors/Performers/Actors/ Composers, Movie/TV/ Broadway Producers & Directors, they carry live streamed Friday Night Kabbalat Shabbat Services from Central Synagogue in Manhattan, Movies with Jewish themes & backgrounds, Memorial programs, Hebrew Classes, Israel News, etc. etc. etc. 3

Rabbi Golub is one of the warmest & most insightful individuals I have ever met. His love & knowledge of Jewish History, Jewish Culture, Jewish Music, Jewish Tradition & Jewish thought is remarkable. He is able to consider both sides of the aisle while maintaining his own view. He is sincerely respectful and understanding of the many different backgrounds & denominations that encompass the Jewish people. He is passionate about our Jewish legacy, our customs & traditions and he is steadfastly devoted to our beloved State of Israel. He is inspiring, motivating, and a true Mensch!

Next time you are in front of the television, turn to JBS, check the guide to see what is listed on their programming and set aside some time to take a Jewish Journey, whether by movie, lecture or concert. You too will become hooked. JBS, the Jewish Broadcasting Service, is a non-profit television network covering Jewish life & learning. It is based here in the Tri State area and aired across the U.S.

As we get closer to Mother's Day, I want to personally thank all of our Mothers/Mamas/Moms/ (/(Kamas & Great Grandmas...for being the rock in our lives, the shoulder we lean on and the ones we run to for comfort & love. A Jewish mother is like a security blanket...she lives, breathes, cries, laughs and sacrifices for her family. Happy Mother's Day!

See you in Shul.

Cantorially always,

Cantor Sol Zim

(Rabbi Wise Continued from page 1)

on the other occasions I heard her speak since then, that I wasn't sure the book would live up to my expectations. I was wrong.

Calderon takes 17 rabbinic vignettes and recasts them in her own form of midrash-a creative expansion of the narrated text. Each chapter includes the original text, her narrative spin, and her commentary on that spin. A reader might wonder why she didn't simply write a commentary on the original text; why include this middle step? In her introduction, Calderon explains her methodology in a way that should invite us not only to read her book, but to emulate her:

"When I retell a Talmudic story in my own words and comment on it, I am engaging in an act of exegesis. This is a way of assuming ownership of a story I love or coming to terms with a text that unsettles me. In so doing, I may achieve any of several goals, among them acquiring a new heroine for myself, redeeming a literary figure from her tragic fate and creating a better life for her, crafting role models for my own children to replace images of oppression, and coming to terms with the complex cultural legacy that I have no choice but to understand because it is a part of me and I am a part of it. It is a sort of psychological family therapy. Allowing myself the interpretive freedom to tell these stories anew is also a

form of *tikkun olam*, that is, of repairing the world" (p. *xii*).

It may have taken me years to start reading A Bride for One *Night*, but it also took me two months to finish it. But it's only 160 pages! That's an average of less than 10 pages per chapter. What took me so long? I would read it on Shabbat, one chapter after dinner and one after lunch, so as to absorb Calderon's writing in small bites, allowing the taste to linger, adding to my oneg Shabbat, my Sabbath joy. Now, as we approach Yom Ha'atzmaut, Israel's celebration of independence, I return to her hopeful vision for Israeli society. I pray for a day when the texts and values of our tradition can bring all Israelis into a conversation about how to navigate the differences among them. If an avowedly secular Israeli woman can teach Talmud from the rostrum of the Knesset, then anything we dare to dream can be willed into reality.

Wishing you a festive Yom Ha'atzmaut,

Rabbi David Wise

Temple Family

Rebecca Mandell and Asaf Peres are thrilled to announce the birth of Shira Leah Peres, March 7, 2019, 6 lbs. 19". Robin and Mark Mandell are the lucky grandparents.

We want to thank everyone for the good wishes given for Jonathan and Hillary's Wedding June & Cantor Sol Zim

Mazal Toy

Thank you to Rabbi Wise for a beautiful service for Jeff's mom. We appreciate all you do.

Ann & Jeff Wohl

Thank you to the Judith Lesnik Chesed Committee for the Shiva meal for Jeff's mom. It's much appreciated Ann & Jeff Wohl

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Dan's Keyfood: 73rd Ave./ Bell Blvd. 105-02 Queens Blvd.

Danny's Drive In Cleaners: 190-05 Union Turnpike

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Ohr Chadash News

The students at Ohr Chadash had a blast being involved in numerous activities in honor of the Purim holiday. The students joyfully sang with our very own Morah Chava playing her guitar and teaching the students all sorts of fun Purim songs! The children enjoyed baking chocolates and yummy Hamentashen led by Morah Shari and her brother, Paul. The children also had a blast making a beautiful arts and crafts project. The students made Groggers and painted them all sorts of beautiful colors and designs. All of our students were ready to make lots of noise when they heard the name of Haman during the Megillah reading at synagogue.

The children also participated at the annual Purim carnival, this year held at Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center. There were plenty of fun games and activities and even a bouncy house!

Additionally, the families from Ohr Chadash had an amazing experience at our Kabbalat Shabbat Family Dinner & Celebration at Hillcrest Jewish Center. The children enjoyed the lively service with upbeat, Carlbach tunes. In the midst of the Lecha Dodi song, Rabbi Kogan and others in attendance at the service created a circle and began dancing with all of the children in the synagogue! The children were so happy at this most meaningful service. After-

Sisterhood

Well, Spring is really here - and that means that Sisterhood is really busy.

Before we talk about regular things, though, as a Sisterhood we send a virtual hug to our sister Ruth Kessler, who is always in our minds and hearts.

What is going on with Sisterhood now:

• We are finishing up Our Purim Project, and extend our thanks to everyone who helped - especially our "basket" designer, Vicky Wolkofsky.

• Thanks too to our Challah Bake organizer, Jo Ann Luquis. Those challahs were yummy!!

• We are looking forward to May 19th - our Kosher Chef demonstration by internationally-renowned food artist Paula Shoyer. We only have 40 slots total, so please send in your check and \$36 immediately.

• June ends our year with another special treat: How to make your own tallit, a two session program by Judy Greene from Marathon Jewish Center. Please note that the time of the first session has changed. Because of the Salute to Israel parade, we are meeting on June 2nd at 7 pm, not in the morning.

• There is also one more Sisterhood-sponsored June event to note: If you are a Mah Jongg player, you may want to join us for our Mini-Marathon and brunch on June 23rd. Reservations must be made in advance, so please send in your \$36 now.

• Now we are up to Summer and watch your mail please. We send our Honey From The Heart info - where you can inexpensively send a jar of delicious kosher honey to friends and relatives, with your personal greeting, before Rosh Hashanah. Then you will get your membership request for our next year - and we hope you will join or re-join us.

• A new year also means new ideas - so please let us know what you see as new possibilities.

See you soon!



Join a committee Membership - Engagement Fund Raising Adult Education Facilities Life Long Learning Chesed Committee Green Team Call the Office Now

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Unorthodox Podcast Live Taping Wednesday, May 29, 2019 at 8 PM

Mark your calendar for a live taping of Tablet Magazine's flagship podcast - Unorthodox. Hosted by Tablet editor-at-large and Los Angeles Times columnist and former NY Times columnist on religion, Mark Oppenheimer and features deputy editor Stephanie Butnick and senior writer Liel Leibovitz.

This internationally popular podcast has taken to road over the past year with live tapings in Cleveland, Pittsburgh, Seattle, LA and Houston. Their NY live audience tapings have been in Manhattan. This is their first venture to the outer boroughs. So come be part of a delightful evening and a moment when HHBJC takes a place in podcast cyberspace.

Unorthodox's mix of conversation and interviews-smart but never wonky, and often irreverent-succeeds precisely because it welcomes all who are Jewish or Jew-curious. Each show begins with a roundup of the weekly "news of the Jews," offering listeners a digest of Jewish stories from across the globe. Then there are two interviews a week with guests which include authors, actors, chefs, rabbis, teachers, and more. The program hosts Zionists and non-Zionists, leftists and rightists, observant and non-observant. The guests always include a Jew and a "Gentile of the Week," who gets to ask the hosts that question she or he has always wanted to know about Judaism but been afraid to ask. The podcast has managed to capture the attention of Jews young and old across the religious and political spectrum.

From download statistics, evidencing 1,879,000 downloads, the program has listeners in over 50 countries. Live shows, showcasing Jewish conversation and music-have been taped in Manhattan JCCs, Seattle, Cleveland, Houston, Palo Alto, West Palm Beach, Boston, the United Kingdom, and elsewhereand have drawn thousands. That is why the podcast has been identified as one of the Top 50 podcast and certainly one of the leading Jewish podcasts.

The cost for a ticket for non members is \$18. Members are entitled to one ticket each (couple entitled to 2 tickets). This will be a ticket only program given the anticipated size of the audience that will be attending.

To register go to https://hollishillsbaysidejc.shulcloud.com/event/Unorthodox. Members register on the left side of the event page by logging in with your email. If you don't have a login password, contact the office and you will be sent one. Any non members who want tickets, should register by entering your details on the right side of the event page. You be charged \$18 per person for your tickets.

For more information, contact the office at 718-776-3500.

Queens Village Chit Chat 'Bout This & That By Sue Heppenheimer

We hope you all enjoyed the Pesach days,

And the tasty food that came your ways,

It's always a blessing to celebrate these days together, Everyone present considers it a wonderful pleasure,

We wish you a pleasant time into Spring,

And the great times that this season will bring.

This month we want to wish a Happy Birthday to Mark Reiss, and to my daughter, Margo Gray. Also, a Happy Anniversary to her & my son-inlaw. Thank you, too, to all of you who sent birthday wishes to me, it was a great celebration.

We hope to see each other soon at a meeting & find out what our future holds.

Please send any news items to for the next issue.

Please visit our Facebook Page at

https://www.facebook.com/ hollishillsbaysidejc/



JUDITH LESNIK CHESED COMMITTEE

Welcome to Spring! The Chesed Committee will be presenting a learning opportunity for all.

We always think about the patient or the one in need. We never think of being a caregiver. It's ramifications are huge and if you have ever been in this position, or want to be ahead of the curve when you least expect it, please join us on Friday, May 31st for Shabbat dinner and Shabbat morning and afternoon, June 1st, with our Scholar In Residence. Rabbi Steven Glazer. I have been in touch with the Rabbi for 2 years and now we finally have the opportunity to hear him and ask questions.

Rabbi Glazer has been speaking about caregiving for many years and has written 2 books. And then one day, he WAS the caregiver. Not only does he have professional direction with this subject, he has personal meaning to share.

Please see the inside flyer which gives you all of the information.

We look forward to seeing you at this one time event.

Stay healthy and be happy.

Laura Brodsky

We now have a list of members who will help give rides to doctor's appointments during the week and to synagogue on Saturday morning. If anyone needs help please contact the synagogue office. If anyone else is interested in signing up to help, please contact the office.

Cut Out and Save

Contact Information (in confidence): Leave or Send a Message to Our Support Lines

> To Reach the Congregational Nurse Linda Liederman, R.N. Phone: 718-776-3500 Ext. 201 Email:

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Chesed Committee Chair Laura Brodsky: Ibrodsky@hollishillsbaysidejc.org

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H2I Youth Director News

Jennifer Gold

Dear Congregants,

This May, our members will be busy with a bunch of meaningful programs! We will also be having many members attend regional events this month including LI Israel Fest (May 5) and Regional Convention (May 17-19) in Upstate NY. We are looking forward to our annual dinner and elections (Thursday, May 16) along with USYers take the Cake, Yom Ha'atzmaut programming and stressbusters during finals time.

Please see our May events for each group below.

Kadima-Grades 4-8-

(6:15-7:30) - ICCJ Sun., May 5: Survivor! - ICCJ Sun., May 12: Mother's Day – NO PROGRAM Sun., May 19: Yom Haatzmaut Program – ICCJ Sun., May 26: Memorial Day Weekend – NO PROGRAM

USY-Grades 9-12- (7:30-9) - ICCJ

Sun., May 5: USYers Take the Cake - ICCJ Sun., May 12: Mother's Day-NO PROGRAM Thurs., May 16: Dinner and Elections – Location: TBA Friday-Sunday., May 17-19: REGIONAL CONVENTION-Details to Follow Sun., May 19: Relax, Take It Easy – ICCJ Sun., May 26: Memorial Day Weekend – NO PROGRAM

If any questions arise, please feel free to reach out at any time at my email H2IYouth@H2Iyouthgroup.org

Thank you,

Jen Gold

Purim at Ohr Chadash



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wards, we had a delicious Shabbat meal with an array of platters of Chinese food. Rabbi Kogan sang numerous fun Shabbat songs with the children throughout this meal and fun was had by as it was self evident by the smiles on all of their faces. Ohr Chadash takes pride in teaching our students about their Jewish heritage in a fun and interactive way. As we begin to prepare for the holiday of Passover, the children will again be exposed to our beautiful, rich heritage with many hands on activities.

Rabbi Dr. Boaz Tomsky







Introducing...

JOEL CHASNOFF

Comedian and Former Tank Gunner In the IDF 188th Armored Brigade





A Yom Ha'atzmaut Performance Celebrating Israel's 71st Birthday

Date: May 8, 2019 at 8 PM

Hollis Hills Bayside Jewish Center

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Israeli Fare Dinner Buffet

Please RSVP ASAP to the office 718-776-3500

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Nichum Avelim

MAY G-D GRANT CONSOLATION TO THOSE WHO HAVE SUFFERED A LOSS IN THE FOLLOWING FAMILIES:

Eva Wohl, beloved mother of Jeff Wohl

Rabbi Gary D. Kessler, our esteemed Associate Rabbi and beloved husband of Ruth Kessler

Steve Cochran, beloved husband of Dan Clivner and beloved son-in-law of Mira Clivner

MAY THEY BE COMFORTED AMONG THE OTHER MOURNERS OF ZION AND JERUSALEM

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In memory of Sara Goldberg Sandie Altman-Baker

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In honor of the Brooks/Landau families sponsoring the Life Long Learning Kiddush Luncheon in memory of Sarah Leslie Brooks Harriet & Bernd Bildstein

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Below is a monthly calendar for posting on bulletin boards and refrigerators

			~ Nisan -			
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			 Nisan 26 11th day of the Omer Minyan Times 8 AM and 7 PM (evening minyan at Flushing-Fresh Meadows JC) Joint Yom HaShoah Commemoration at Flushing-Fresh Meadows JC - 7 PM 	Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7 PM	Morning Services	 4 Nisan 29 14th day of the Omer Achrei Mot 9 AM Mincha 7:20 PM Havdalah 8:39 PM Simcha Shabbat- 9 AM
5 Nisan 30 15 th day of the Omer Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM Rosh Chodesh Iyar	6 Iyar 1 16 th day of the Omer Minyan Times 6:30 AM and 7:30 PM Rosh Chodesh Iyar Rabbi Wise - Book Club - Catch 67 - 8PM	7 Iyar 2 17 th day of the Omer Minyan Times 7 AM and 7:30 PM	 8 Iyar 3 18th day of the Omer Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM Yom HaZikaron Yom Ha'atzmaut Performance and Dinner with Joel Chasnoff - 8 PM 	Minyan Times 6:30 AM and 7:30 PM	10 Iyar 5 20 th day of the Omer Morning Services 7 AM Candle Lighting 7:42 PM Mincha 7:00 PM	11 Iyar 6 21 st day of the Omer Kedoshim 9 AM Mincha 7:25 PM Havdalah 8:46 PM Lay Led Shabbat - 9 AM
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Sisterhood Cooking Demo (by		Minyan Times	22 Iyar 17 ^{32nd} day of the Omer Minyan Times 8 AM and 7:30 PM	23 Iyar 18 33rd day of the Omer Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Lag BaOmer Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Wise - 12 PM	24 Iyar 19 34 th day of the Omer Morning Services 7 AM Candle Lighting 7:55 PM Mincha 7:00 PM	25 Iyar 20 35 th day of the Omer Behar 9 AM Mincha 7:40 PM Havdalah 8:59 PM
Minyan Times	27 Iyar 22 37 th day of the Omer Minyan Times 9 AM and 7:30 PM	Minyan Times	Minyan Times	30 Iyar 25 40 th day of the Omer Minyan Times 6:45 AM and 7:30 PM Lunch & Learn with Rabbi Wise - 12 PM	31 Iyar 26 41 st day of the Omer Morning Services 7 AM Candle Lighting 8:01 PM Mincha 7:00 PM Chesed Scholar in Residence Weekend with Rabbi Steven Glazer	

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Scholar in Residence Weekend Rabbi Steven Glazer

A Special Program Sponsored by the Judith Lesnik Chesed Committee

BEING A CAREGIVER:

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May 31 & June 1

Friday May 31— Shabbat Dinner

(No charge if reservation is made by May 28)

Shabbat, June 1— Lunch & Learn

Steve Glazer is Rabbi Emeritus of Congregation Beth Emeth, Herndon, VA and principal of Glazer Consulting, who serves as a resource to individuals, caregivers, and health-care professionals dealing with issues related to aging, illness, and dementia.

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Rabbi Glazer is co-editor of the award-winning book, "Seasons of Caring: Meditations for Alzheimer's and Dementia Caregivers", a first-of-its-kind volume of over 140 original mediations by 70 religious leaders and care specialists, representing 17 faith traditions. He is currently co-editing a second first-of-its-kind book, entitled "Dementia Friendly Worship", due out in June.



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Rabbi Dr. H. Joseph Simckes Life After Retirement <u>THE FIFTH PASSOVER</u> <u>QUESTION IN 2019:</u> WHY DO THE MAJORITY OF <u>AMERICAN JEWS FEEL</u> ALIENATED FROM ISRAEL?

Great question! Let's analyze it for substance, fluff or fabrication.

Reason (or rationalization?) #1: The Israeli Government or Prime Minister has done some grievously things recently; wrona Reason (or rationalization?) #2: Israel's Concept of Nationhood & Righteous Self-Defense clash with current PC progressive or liberal ideas of universal governance and their downplaying of national identities & national armies which have, for liberals, the taint of ugly Fascism and oppressive dictatorship, old-fashioned nationalism gone amok as in the case of Nazi Germany & the Stalinist Soviet Union. Reason (or rationalization?) #3: Israeli military deliberately kills or maims Arab women and children who innocently gather to protest Israeli territorial over-reach and illegal grabbing of Arab lands as in the recent case in Gaza when Arab children and their mothers gathered at the border to express their protest against "Israeli landgrabbing & occupation related oppression" were deliberately fired upon by the IDF.

Analysis: Israel declares that the Gazan claim is totally false. Rather, the entire affair was clearly a case of Israeli national selfdefense against prior Gazan firing of missiles and incendiary devices on Israeli towns and villages without warning or provocation. The loss of Arab life was the result of the ideologically driven Gazans deliberately placing their children & mothers in the front lines as a shield with the hope their children would be wounded or killed and become "martyrs going straight to Allah-blessed heaven" thus providing the Gazans with a glorious propaganda victory whereby they could claim: "See, O noble journalists (i.e. water carriers for the antilsrael members of the U.N. and their cohorts in the EU), the Jews are murdering our innocent children and their mothers! They must be punished or at the very least soundly condemned by the world press!

The Washington Post and the NewYork & London Times would publish that outrageous defamatory claim without hesitation. What are the facts? First off, Israel is not Nazi Germany or Stalinist Russia! Israel's government and all its political leaders and functionaries are duly elected in free, open national & municipal elections. In fact, not only has Israel long been cited as the one & only democracy in the Middle East but Israel's voting record at the U.N. -easily verified- is the most supportive of U.S. positions and policies in the General Assembly, beating out Great Britain and our democratic northern neighbor, Canada!

Gazans claim that Jews have no legal right to govern that section of the Mediterranean coast. Their claim, however, that Israel has no historic linkage to that specific territory is pure bunk, born of ignorance, enduring malice & hate. Gaza was once a flourishing Jewish-ruled area under legitimate Israelite hegemony. I, together with other visitors in 1968, were shown by our official guide the mosaic floor of an ancient synagogue in Gaza, rich in colorful depictions in colorful stone of Jewish religious items from 2nd Temple times, i.e. a shofar, a lulav, etc. In fact I found an ancient bronze coin there which I treasure to this day, hard evidence of flourishing economic activity in Gaza under Jewish sovereignty over 2000 years ago!

Indeed, there is multiple evidence that Gaza is old Jewish territory. Israeli sovereignty over that part of the Middle East is old historically rooted news! Radical Moslems and self-deluded anti-Semitic members of the UN who deny that truth are egregiously wrong. The facts of history prove otherwise. When Great Britain freed that strip of land from Ottoman rule and promised to return it to the Jewish People in the Balfour Declaration on November 2, 1917, it was clear to the civilized world and to every member of the League of Nations that Jewish sovereignty was soon to be re-established there on its ancestral Jewish soil ASAP based on historical facts and social justice. The British Mandate was established by the League of Nations on that premise.

Why? Because that particular slice of the Middle East belonged to the Jewish people not only by "Divine Right" but by "historical political reality" ever since King David ben Yishai established his Judean kingdom there with Jerusalem his political capital over 2000 years ago. Before Rome, Athens, London or Paris dreamed up their claims to national identity Jeremiah preached glorious breath-taking sermons within the walls of that ancient, thriving Jewish metropolis. Surrounding nations envied its physical splendor and its spiritual creativity. Ancient Israel was a proud nation stretching from the Mediterranean coast to the hills of Lebanon!

Consider this additional factoid heavily reported in the international media: Iranian officials have continuously linked America and Israel as partners-in-evil, vilifying them

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both publicly as BIG SATAN & LITTLE SATAN, worthy only of defamation, delegitimization and future destruction! Why so? Because these two democratic countries, Israel and America, separated by thousands of miles, are nevertheless forever united by thousands of chords of ethical steel. They both represent what autocratic Iran and her brother Jihadist states can never be: free, just, compassionate & committed to the principle that all human beings are divinely created in the image of G-D, free to think and worship as they choose.

The very existence of democratically governed America & Israel is a mortal threat to the autocratic Moslem countries in the Middle East. These twin models of political liberty, creativity and religious freedom, rich in opportunity for security & shared growth for all its citizenry could easily motivate Arabs living in relative poverty and oppression under their current rulers to revolt, a disaster devoutly to be avoided at all cost by local Middle East autocracies! Israel and the United States have an indestructible bond, the belief in the dignity and supremely precious value of all human beings regardless of color or creed or social status. Why then are so many American Jews losing their faith in and admiration for the State of Israel, America's twin sister?

YOTAV ELIACH, the Principal of the Rambam Mesifta in Lawrence, New York, has recently published some insights into this problem. Check out his thoughts or read Whittle's devastating "Origin of Political Correctness" on the internet. Their insights may give us all some hints as to why even some American Jews have lost touch with the fundamental ethical truths that have bonded America's unique destiny with that of the postage size State of Israel which just happens to be one of the greatest innovative, start-up countries in the world, among the first to send its medical and scientific help to other countries-in-need around the globe, i.e. Thailand, Chad even Greece! Recently it joined America, Russia and China in achieving the goal of landing a space ship on the moon!

Shame on our deluded coreligionists who have been reeled into the nets of sly Jew-haters who defame and delegitimize America's closest ally whom President Harry Truman - politically, a democrat, by the way- was the first man on earth, representing the most powerful government in history, our own blessed America, to welcome the reborn modern State of Israel into the family of nations as a respected freedom-loving member of the international community on May 14, 1948, a day that will live in history as a moment to be respected and emulated by all ethnicities and communities yearning for freedom and selfpotentiation!

Shalom al America v"al Yisrael!

Rabbi Dr. Hirsch Joseph Simckes

P.S. Can you answer this fifth question of the traditional seder? After millennia of faithful loyalty to the biblical promise of our returning with love to ZION, after the bloody yet noble defeat at Masada, after the anguish of the Spanish Inquisition, after all the brutal pogroms of the Middle Ages, after the horrors of the Holocaust and the glory of Israel reborn in 1948, "MA NISHTANA HADOR HAZEH MI KOL HADOROT"...I.E. Why has our generation shifted, drifted away from our age-long love affair with Zion?



The site has been given a new look with more up-to-date information. There is a section where you can find Shabbat hours for the coming weekend. There is an events section to keep you informed on all of our exciting programs. There is a section for Loss and Shiva information.

Please check out all the changes and let us know if you have any suggestions to further aid us in putting our best face on the web for current and potential members.

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Jo Beth Greenbaum	5/20
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