

The New-Old Antisemitism

WHAT IS HAPPENING?

HOW DID WE GET HERE?

WHAT ARE WE TO DO?

HOW WILL IT END?

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**Mahmoud Darwish, Palestinian intellectual and National Poet
(d. 2008):**

*The world has little interest nor sympathy
for Palestinians.*

*It is our good fortune that our enemy is
the Jews.*

*For it is only the Jews about which the
world obsesses.*

This is not an easy read.
Each source and teaching
requires careful reading
and reflection.

The stakes could not be higher.

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TORAH QUOTES

~ HASHEM SPEAKS ~

The quotations are paraphrased into contemporary English. The reader is encouraged to look up the sources.

The Root of the Obsession

3,838 years ago G-d said to Abraham, the first Jew: From now and forever all the peoples of the world will be blessed through your descendants, the Jewish people. G-d reiterates this to our forefather Jacob, father of the Twelve Tribes of Israel.

Genesis 12:3, 28:1

An Eternal Inheritance

G-d gave the Land of Israel to the first Jew Abraham and his descendants after him as an eternal inheritance. The land remains exclusively the Jewish people's possession even when they are temporarily in exile – regardless of how long – and others live on its soil.

Genesis 12:7; 13:15; 15:18 - 21; 17:8; Deuteronomy 1:8. Reiterated and emphasized in scores of verses throughout Scripture.

Israel

The land of Israel is like no other. It is The Holy Land.

Deuteronomy 12:2

Our Mandate

G-d chose the Jewish people to be a Holy People.

We are His ambassadors on earth.

Each and every Jew is charged with the mission to be a Light unto the Nations.

The drive to fix the world is embedded in the Jewish soul and psyche.

Exodus 19. Isaiah 49:6

Our Message

The Talmud teaches that every individual is obligated to say, 'The world was created for me'.

G-d's desire, for which He created the world, is to have an intimate, loving and reciprocal relationship with each and every human being.

This means that every human being is absolutely everything to G-d.

Genesis 1.26, 2.9, 9.6. Kings 1. 8 41-43. Tractate Sanhedrin 4.5. Ethics of Our Fathers 3.14

Consequence

When Jews live by the Torah – including promoting Torah's message for humanity as articulated in the 'Seven Noahide Laws' – the Jewish people and Torah will be respected and esteemed in the eyes of the nations of the world.

Deuteronomy 4.6 Zechariah 8:23. Genesis 2. Tractate Sanhedrin 54A, 54B.

The Seven Universal Laws:

- 1. To establish a fair and just judicial system.*
 - 2. To respect G-d and not blaspheme.*
 - 3. Not to worship deities of any kind.*
 - 4. Not to engage in immoral acts of physical intimacy.*
 - 5. Not to murder.*
 - 6. Not to steal.*
 - 7. Not to tear a limb from a living animal (be compassionate to all G-d's creatures).*
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Divine Guarantee

As long as we remain faithful to G-d and His commandments we have nothing to be afraid of. Our enemies will fear us.

Leviticus 26. Deuteronomy 28.

Exile and Redemption

The Jews will betray G-d and will be exiled from Israel.

We will be dispersed and persecuted. Some will succumb to assimilation.

Yet, despite this and **against all the rules of nature and logic**, G-d will miraculously ensure our survival.

Finally, we will seek and return to G-d. Moshiach will come and gather us all to our homeland. G-d will be revealed on earth. Suffering will end. G-dly enlightenment will reign. The purpose and end-goal of creation and all of history will materialise. The world will enjoy peace at last.

Leviticus 26. Numbers 24. Deuteronomy 30. Isaiah, Jeremiah, Daniel, Ezekiel and the books of all the other prophets are replete with prophecies concerning the Messianic Era.

Maimonides, Laws of Repentance ch.7. Laws of Kings 11 and 12.

In Our Hands

The Redemption can unfold haltingly and with difficulty, or occur rapidly and fluidly.

Failure to heed G-d's commandments results in the first scenario.

Living by His Torah results in the latter.

The choice is ours.

Isaiah 60:22, Zechariah 9:9, Daniel 7:13. Talmud Sanhedrin 98:1

Healing the World

By Divine design, **Christianity and Islam** are part of the process that culminates with the coming of Moshiach and Redemption.

How so?

Both faiths, branches of Torah (by their own definition) have brought to billions the Jewish teachings of One G-d, Commandments, the Hereafter and the Messiah.

Although they altered Torah's truth, they have nonetheless been instrumental in **making the world familiar** with these canons. Thus, at the appropriate time, the Jewish people will arise and heal the branches, by inspiring the world with Torah's original and eternal message.

Maimonides, Laws of Kings, Chapter 11.

The Final Hurdle

Torah's **very first** verse contains a prophecy:

A time will come when the nations of the world will accuse the Jews of being colonizers. Zionists.

We will be denounced and vilified for having stolen the land of Israel.

No amount of explanation and justification on our part will ring true. It will fall on deaf ears.

The *singular and only* response that the world will accept is when we will respond with the unadorned truth:

G-d Al-mighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth, gave the Land of Israel to the Jews as an eternal inheritance!

Genesis 1:1. Breishis Rabbah 1:2.

Appears in Rashi's commentary, Judaism's most popular commentary on the Bible.

On the Threshold of Redemption

Before Moshiach comes the supreme leader of Iran will fuel conflict in the Middle East and threaten world peace. G-d will perform miracles and Israel will be saved.

Yalkut Shimoni, Isaiah 499.

The World believes

1. All Jews are **connected**. Every Jew is accountable for whatever any Jew anywhere in the world does.
2. Jews are fundamentally aliens, foreigners.
3. Jews have a **secret agenda** to dominate the world.
4. Jews have no right to a land of their own. **Not by virtue of history, nor by right of conquest**. These rights are axiomatic for all peoples. Not for the Jews. In the words of Turkish Foreign Minister, Hakan Fidan, “Israel is a burden on humanity and humanity can no longer tolerate it.”

Rather than deny these charges and insist that we are no different than any other people, the time has come to completely disarm the world by validating what they are saying:

1. **Yes, we are indeed all connected. Our Jewish souls at their core are all one. We are all limbs of one great spiritual body and we all share the same spiritual DNA.**
2. **Yes, we are not members of the ‘family of nations’. Our souls are sent down here on a mission to bring G-dliness to the world.**
3. **Yes, we do have designs on the world:**

We want the world to know that every human being is created equally in G-d’s image. Life is sacred.

Our mission is to inspire all peoples of the world with the awareness that G-d desires a personal relationship with each individual *here in this world*. The objective of life is *not* to earn a place in the Hereafter, but to bring Heaven down to Earth —

Mitzvah by Mitzvah.

That's why the Pentateuch — The Five Books of the Torah — does not make a single reference to reward and punishment in the Afterlife.

The body is *not* to be suppressed or transcended. It is not the enemy. Nor is the body *dispensable* – our ticket to Heaven. Every human life is infinitely precious.

G-d's desire in creating the world is that each one of us, through observing His commandments, invite Him into our lives.

4. Yes, Israel is not a state like all other countries. Our right to our homeland is unlike that of all other nations to their states. Ours is the Holy Land, bequeathed to us by G-d.

It All Comes Down to This

The obsession the world has with us will not, and cannot, go away, because G-d has woven it into the very fabric of humanity.

Supra-consciousness, the world senses that its destiny is tied inexorably to the Jew.

The world is confounded by our very existence and, despite impossible conditions, our unparalleled achievements.

We are perceived as insidious and as a threat.

The more we seek to be accepted and treated as equals, the more we are reviled.

Only when we fulfill our Divine mandate as Jews with a Divine message, will the world understand, appreciate and embrace us.

*The world-wide agitation with the Jew is G-d prodding us to shed the shackles of exile.
To rise and shine.*

He does not ask us to be perfect.

He asks us to be proud.

To unabashedly declare that our right to Israel is for no other reason than G-d Al-mighty, Creator of Heaven and Earth, gave it to us forever.

He implores each one of us to set our Jewish souls free — our *neshamas* — and live authentically Jewish lives.

One mitzvah at a time.

To light one more candle of truth, for even a little light dispels much darkness.

Then the world will understand its fixation with the Jew and will be at peace with us, inspired and uplifted by our message.

G-d's promise of a world perfected and redeemed will finally come to fruition.

The time is now!

כי מציון תצא תורה, ודבר ה' מירושלים

FROM OUT OF ZION SHALL COME TORAH,
AND THE WORD OF G-D FROM JERUSALEM!

(Isaiah 2:3)

