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"Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they might be saved." – Romans 10:1

We were just over a week into the Iraq war as we were going to press. We will comment on it further in the next issue. — Zola

# "Road Map" to Nowhere

By Cal Thomas, Jewish World Review



resident George W. Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair — both stalwarts in urging the United Nations to live up to its numerous resolutions on Iraq — changed the subject for a moment last week by announcing their support for a "road map" they say can bring peace between Israel and the Palestinians.

The announcement was timed to help Blair's falling political support, but the "road map" won't bring peace because it has been created with the wrong political coordinates — that what Israel does or does not do affects the behavior of Palestinian terrorists.

Both Bush and Blair praised the naming of a Palestinian prime minister,

Mahmoud Abbas (aka Abu Maazen), by Yasser Arafat. Abbas, whom some have labeled a "moderate," is a Holocaust denier who has called for the murder of Israelis. In a 1983 book, Abbas claimed fewer than 1 million Jews were murdered by the Nazis (not six million, the figure generally accepted) and that Zionist leaders conspired with the Nazis in order to gain international sympathy for Zionism. Only the worst anti-Semite would believe such a fantasy.

In a June 24, 2002, speech about the Middle East, President Bush said that Palestinian Arabs must "elect new leaders, leaders not compromised by terror." Using the President's definition, Mahmoud Abbas is not such a leader. In a March 3 inter-

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# Mr. President, About That "Palestinian" State...

By Jack Engelhard, "A View of the Absurd" (Syndicated Column)

Dear Mr. President, do you truly believe that Arafat has rights to Jerusalem? Scripture says otherwise: "Blessed is the Lord from Zion, who dwells in Jerusalem." Mr. President, you are a man of faith. You frequently use the Almighty in your speeches.... So it is disappointing and astonishing to find you in support of a Palestinian Arab state within the boundaries of Biblical Israel, as originally outlined in your "two-state solution" speech of June 24, 2001. Through Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the Land of Israel was deeded to the Jews a one state solution. "To you will I give this Land," said God to Jacob... not to Mohammed.

Yet, you favor a "Quartet" and a "road map" that would chop Israel into pieces and create a homeland to the very people God commanded the Israelites to drive out, "lest they become as a snare unto you."

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## Sons of Israel -Our Newest TV Series

Filmed on location where it happened in the Holy Land, Zola teaches on the fascinating lives of some of God's key men — from Abraham to the Messiah and the Apostles. An informative and stunningly beautiful history of the people God chose and the special men among them that He used for His purposes. Nine halfhour programs plus a bonus program.

**The Father of a Nation.** From Mount Scopus in Jerusalem, Zola begins this series with the father of the nation. Abraham.

This humble man from Ur relocated to a land he had never seen and received a promise to be a blessing to all people on earth. We find a school that teaches recent immigrants from the former Soviet Union about their Jewish history and culture.

**The Blessing.** From The Holy Land Experience theme park in Orlando, Zola presents Abraham's child of the promise, Isaac, and his son Jacob. We look at the lineage of these famous patriarchs and the impact of choice. We interview Yitzhak Navon, former president of Israel and former personal secretary for Ben Gurion.

Sons and Tribes. The twelve sons of Jacob formed a nation set apart from the world. Zola goes to the Upper Room where the Lord met with His twelve disciples who would change the nations of the world with message. Anthropologist Nili Wazana discusses tribal culture and its historical context in ancient Israel.

**Out of Exile.** From the Holy Land Experience in Orlando, Zola teaches on Moses, the reluctant leader who set aside his place in Egypt's royal court to lead the Hebrews to the promised land. We interview former President of Israel Yitzhak Navon about his experiences and memories of David Ben Gurion.

**A Nation Ruled.** With the Knesset in the background, Zola chronicles the time of the Judges and how Israel

needed a political system to keep order. Two experts discuss Theodore Herzl, the founders of the modern state of Israel and how Biblical mandates influenced its development.

A Desire to be Like Others. In view of David's Tower in Jerusalem. Zola teaches on Israel's desire for a human king which resulted in Saul, David, and ultimately Jesus. We interview Messianic Pastor Avi Misrachi on the day



he invited an Arab

Christian congregation to a joint worship service. These two groups are separated by politics yet united in Christ.

**A Promise of What is to Come.** From the Holy Land Experience in Orlando, Zola reviews how the prophets guided the people of Israel to become what God had called them to be. Archaeologist Steve Pfann explains how the law went from oral to written form at Qumran, the site of the Dead Sea Scrolls.

Free at Last! Zola teaches on the Messiah, what Israel was looking for and why the majority of the Jewish people did not recognize Him when He came the first time. We also talk with Neil Cohen, the Vicar of Christ Church, about how far the church has come from its Jewish roots.

**Unto All Nations.** From the ruins of Emmaus, Zola chronicles how the gospel spread through Paul, Peter, and the other disciples. From Abraham to Christ, the legacy of a nation and its people continues. Modern day Jewish evangelist Yacov Damkani is hard at work spreading the good news to modern Israel.

(Please see page 15 to order.)



view with the Arab newspaper *Al-sharq Al-Amat,* Abbas characterized recent discussions he had with several Palestinian terrorist groups: "We didn't talk about a break in the armed struggle.... It is our right to resist." Abbas suggested that all territory on the West Bank belongs to Palestinians and should be defended with armed force.

Even more dangerous to Jews, to Israel, and to US interests in the Middle East is the suggestion by Bush and Blair that the "road map" can be implemented "as progress is made toward peace." This is a troubling phrase, because the language suggests that Israel might be forced to make new and dangerous concessions in response to token or insincere moves by Arafat. Since Palestinian and Hamas terrorists have conducted homicide bombings against Israeli civilians, why shouldn't they be required to stop and renounce terror before Israel lowers its guard?

Blair and Bush spoke about "democracy" and "free and honest governments." But there is only one democratic, free, and honest government in the region, and it is Israel's. Blair went on about the need for a "Palestinian leadership that acts decisively against terror and builds democracy." Nice words, but there is no evidence that Arafat and his deadly conspirators have ever considered stopping terror, which is their preferred instrument to eradicate Israel and its democracy from the region. Arafat has his own "road map," and there is no exit marked "Israel" on it.

In a previous *Levitt Letter* we showed a picture of some animals in a petting zoo with the caption "Your donations at work." In reality your donation dollars were spent strictly on security, Anatot informs us. The petting zoo came about from another project. All money donated for the Anatot fund goes toward security equipment and procedures there.

These pre-Israel Canaanites were worshipers of Moloch, the "god" that demanded child sacrifice — a ritual still vigorously practiced today by these same people, when they strap their children with explosives and send them to commit self-sacrifice and murder.

To these people of Moloch you award a state? You are a God-fearing man, a man like King David, who follows his convictions even against the warbling of the mixed multitudes. Your steadfastness is a blessing to those of us who are proud to be Americans, Christians, and Jews. You read the Psalms, so surely you draw strength from King David, who wrote: "He who is a God-fearing man, in him God instructs the path to choose."

But when it comes to Israel, Mr. President, your path is not righteous. How can you, a man of the Bible, join these nations that call upon the dismantling of God's Covenant, when instead you should join the Psalmist: "The Lord has annulled the counsel of the nations; He has foiled the schemes of peoples." Against those who wage treachery, your Biblical wisdom demands that you heed the

following: "Do not touch My anointed ones, and do not harm My Prophets." Today's Palestinians were never a distinct nation and have never even had a distinct Palestinian heritage. The very term "Palestinian," to mean a defined Arab people, came about only as recently as 1964. Has there ever been a single "Palestinian" judge, king, or prophet within the Land of Israel?

But... from Joshua's conquest onward, the Land was ruled for centuries by *judges, kings, and prophets*. From David to Zedekiah, from Amos to Malachi, all were Jews. None were "Palestinian" Arabs. By what historical legitimacy, then, do the Arabs assert rights to even an inch of God's Everlasting Covenant? The Jewish presence in the Land of Israel has endured for some 4,000 years and remains fixed to this very day further upon the word of God to Jacob... "and to thy seed after thee will I give the Land."

Yes, Arafat *wants* Jerusalem...and I want to play center field for the New York Yankees. The one entitlement is as deserving as the other. ■



### **World**Affairs

### Unsteady Leaders in Uncertain Times

By Tony Blankley, *The Washington Times* 

When those planes knocked down the World Trade Center Towers, they created worldpolitical reverberations of which we are only beginning to take the measure. Inevitably, the United States was going



to act. And, given our military, economic, diplomatic and cultural strength, inevitably, the rest of the world could not help but to react to our action. Now, 17 months on, we are still at the early stages of that action/reaction process.

But it is not too early to judge that the September 11th event has created an historic discontinuity in the international order that may well turn out to be of the magnitude of the French and Russian Revolutions or the First and Second World Wars....It is not surprising that even the senior statesmen of the major nations are performing unevenly, even unsteadily.... The fact is that these waters are uncharted — and are likely to remain uncharted for several years to come in this journey in which the world finds itself. It is an oddity of history that in such moments as these — when world history is shifting under our feet — that even the most experienced statesmen are, effectively — inexperienced....

The estimable British Premier Tony Blair, who only a few months ago was considered the most politically secure and effective European leader, is dangerously close to being deposed from office by his own party. France and

Germany, which seemed destined to dominate the European Union, suddenly find their hegemony contested by the United States — of all countries.



We are slipping into the old British strategy of keeping the continent divided by aligning with the weaker powers of the continent against the strongest. (For centuries Britain would ally with Germany against France or France against Germany, or Holland against Spain, or Austria against Russia, etc.) Now, under [Defense]Secretary Rumsfeld's Old/New Europe gambit we are aligning with Eastern and Central Europe, Spain,

Italy, and Britain against France and Germany. The US never before has been forced by events to make such diplomatic calculations. It is unclear whether Mr. Rumsfeld stumbled or marched into the new strategy. Whether it is a new strategy or a temporary situation, no one knows yet. Whether the UN and NATO can be salvaged — and whether that is important — remains to be seen. It is in the nature of such unfolding events that every country and all of its leaders and opposition parties are making it up as they go along.

Under such circumstances, we should allow for the inevitable miscalculations and intemperate remarks — and not necessarily assume the worst. Regretfully, neither can we assume the best.

Among events that will cause a "historic discontinuity" of the international order, nothing will ever equal the magnitude of our coming Kingdom! We have to wonder if these current day calamities and "wars and rumors of war" aren't leading straight there. — Zola



#### **Good News from a Far Country**

Our Israeli Tour passengers know that our guides, drivers, and TV production crew love them. The affection that blossoms from each tour's fellowship seems to carry and intensify from one tour to the next. We want our friends there to know they're in our prayers, so we have established a benevolence fund called *Good News from a Far Country*. If the Lord leads you to participate in this, then please mark your checks "Good News from a Far Country." The work goes on. We're now showing *Sons of Israel* which our TV crew helped produce a year ago (see page 2).

### **News**Briefs

### Palestinians Support Saddam

Thousands of Palestinians holding pictures of Saddam Hussein poured out of mosques after Friday prayers to protest the US-led attacks on Iraq and show support for the Iraqi leader.

In the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, a cross-section of Palestinians from militant groups, various political factions and ordinary people turned out in the rain to shout slogans of encouragement to Iraqi fighters, reviving some chants from the 1991 Gulf War.

"Oh, beloved Saddam, we are ready to sacrifice our blood for you," a crowd chanted in downtown Gaza City. In Jerusalem, worshippers on the Old City's hilltop mosque compound shouted together, "Our beloved Saddam, hit Tel Aviv."

Source: Ibrahim Barzak, The Associated Press

### "Don't Drink Foolishly"

More than half a million red and white bottles with looping script advertising "Classic" cola sold out within a week in France this Ramadan. But it wasn't Coca-Cola that American-product boycotters were thirsty for — it was Mecca-Cola.

"You can't fight violence with violence, so we're pressuring America in the economic way," says Tawfiq Mathlouthi, the brand's creator. With 10 percent of its profits fund-

ing Palestinian relief, increasing numbers of countries are heeding Mecca-Cola's call: "Don't drink foolishly, drink with commitment!" Saudi Arabia ordered 5 million bottles, and the two-month-old company's filling orders from throughout the Middle East, Pakistan, China, Russia, and even the United States.

Palestinian donations are a major selling point. Instead of celebs sipping soda, online ads show real-life footage of the Palestinian uprising. One features a Palestinian father crouching with his son against a wall moments before the son was supposedly shot dead in a crossfire [but see page 12 "The Onlookers Laughed"]. The cola is selling so well that Mathlouthi's considering

alternatives to other American products like laundry detergent, soup, fried chicken and cigarettes. Unfortunately, Islamic Barbie is already taken; Razanne the Muslim Doll (her name means "modest" in Arabic) comes with a removable head scarf.

Source: Gretel C. Kovach, Newsweek

If this were an Israeli drink, Coca Cola would have them in court on the day it came out. — Zola

### Granny a "HAZ-MAT" Offender

It was a tasteful case of mistaken identity that shut down a busy area of La Guardia airport for two hours yesterday after a security screening machine detected a gas mask and a suspicious white powder in the luggage of a Texas grandmother.

Betty Feir, 60, had no idea she was the subject of an FBI-NYPD counter-terrorism investigation that forced the closing of a section of the ticket-counter area of American Airlines while HAZ-MAT [Hazardous Materials] units decontaminated six security personnel and police dogs sniffed the strange white powder. "They thought I had anthrax in my bag," she said in a thick Texas drawl. "It was Cream of Wheat."

Feir, a child psychologist from Texarkana, explained she had just returned from Israel where she was visiting her daughter and son-in-law and their eight children. She crammed her bags with presents — including Cream of Wheat, the kids' favorite breakfast cereal. "I guess some of it spilled out," she said apologetically, adding that the gas mask was a present from her grandchildren.

Source: The New York Post



### ZOLA'S BULLETIN BOARD



#### **Dear Friends:**

s we go to print, "Operation Iraqi Freedom" has been underway only over a week. We certainly support the President on every single one of his policies, except for his mouthing the absurdity about his "vision for a Palestinian state." No matter what he is trying to do, he needs to stop saying this because of the dangers it presents to Israel, as well as the US should this nation fail to support the Holy Land.

Things that seem momentous right now (like this war in Iraq) appear that way because they point toward the fulfillment of End Times prophecy, in the same manner that a state highway sign might point you to the access ramp for an expressway. But in this case, the "interstate" goes to Israel and Bible prophecy.

We're watching Israel because it's God's time clock and it's the center of His operations on earth. Always has been, always will be. Thus when the President of the US, as leader of the Free World, keeps on this discordant harping about a Palestinian state, no matter who he's trying to please, as we said last month, it's a major mistake. It's like digging a big hole in the main expressway ramp, forcing people to stay on the side streets.

A generation ago, hardly anyone even cared what was going on in the Middle East, even in Israel. Stories from that region almost never merited front page coverage in newspapers. Nor was there much coverage of the wars there in the past; battles have been raging there for centuries and the Arabs have been fighting with each other for thousands of years. Nobody paid that much attention until now, because in our time the current war becomes a predictor of the Tribulation.

The point to keep in mind in the war against Iraq is that it's preparatory for the invasion called Gog and

Magog, which is itself precursory to Armageddon. Look at it this way: After Israel's war of independence in 1948, there started ever-larger Arab attacks against Israel, including Egypt in 1956; Egypt, Jordan, and Syria in 1967; and the Yom

Kippur attack in 1973. In each of these the Arabs lost badly. Then followed Yasser Arafat's infamous Intifadas, which are simply brutal murders that continue constantly. (Isn't it interesting how the whole world criticizes America for each civilian casualty in the war with Iraq, yet turns a blind eye toward the many Palestinians — for whom President Bush has a "vision for a Palestinian state" — leaving home every morning with the hope of killing Israeli civilians?)

The logical continuation from here would be the invasion by Gog and Magog (perhaps provoked by the Iraqi war) and then on to the ultimate battle, Armageddon seven years later. History is filled with fanatical attempts to dislodge the Jews from Israel, which simply cannot be done because God's covenant with Abraham is everlasting (Genesis 12:3).

Another sign of the End Times is found in Matthew 24:10. where Jesus warned. "You will hate one another and will betray one another."

One place where such betrayal can be seen (as well as its results) is the Moody Bible Institute. Once this school did many good works, including training missionary pilots and Bible students. The institute had retail outlets featuring a number of accurate, Biblical books published by Moody Press (in fact, Dr. Tom McCall and I wrote several best sellers for them in the 1970s).

A Note From



In the 1980s, the Joseph Stowell administration came along and evidently tried to transform Moody into a big-money, liberal arts college, ultimately with its own investment bank! When Tom and I confronted them with the problems in their theology that were creeping into the school along with these changes, we were betrayed. Officials fabricated stories about us, said we were lying, and then lied again when we caught them in their falsehoods. When our people wrote to them and pointed out that they were not teaching proper theology in their Bible courses, they replied with seven-page discourses with all sorts of weasely expressions trying to justify what they were doing.

Since Moody no longer adheres to Biblical commands to bless Israel, God apparently has stopped blessing them. According to our sources, the school has discontinued pub-

> lication of its magazine, Moody Monthly, and has even been forced to close down some of their other endeavors, including their famous flight

school (as well as their banking operation and retail outlets).

If they'd go back to being the real Bible school they were commissioned to be, they might once again succeed. Instead, they claim, somewhat like Saddam Hussein, that they are doing nothing wrong.

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#### To: staff@levitt.com

I believe the Levitt show is continued religious propaganda that only helps to spread rumors and lies. Tonight's show is further proof of this message The

interview with [Palestinian spokeswoman] Hanan Ashrawi could have been a place of constructive dialogue and debate. Instead, Mr. Levitt simply nodded and smiled at Hanan's words and then had his own com-

mentators analyze and criticize what Hanan had to say, with no way for her to defend her opinions. This sort of behind-the-back analysis shows Zola's need to perpetuate lies rather than debate the truth. I have never seen the show before and don't plan to watch again. However, I will be sure to warn all that I know of the propaganda that is spread from this show in hopes that they will try to convince others of the real truth. — AV

#### **Dear AV:**

The scholars shown on this program were not my "own commentators," but eminent Arab Christians of unquestionable expertise in the subject. And there is no defense for Hanan Ashrawi's "opinions" anyway.

Sorry you were offended. We'll sure miss you. — Zola

#### Dear Brother Zola:

I'm writing you to thank you for all that you are doing for Israel. I respect your ministry and I watch your show all the time. But I do have one question for you.

I have seen in your online book store a book called *Genesis One.* This book, from what I understand, tries to mix in evolution with creation by saying that the six days in Genesis 1 were really 15 billion years. Do you personally believe this? If you do, with all due respect Brother, how can you believe this, being such a renowned scholar on the ancient holy scriptures, especially the Old Testament?

Faithfully Serving Messiah, J.R.

#### Dear J.R.

You remind me of the rabbis who criticize the New Testament; they typically have not read it, but feel as though they can comment authoritatively on it. Please order a copy of *Genesis One* [advertised on page 16] so you can see what it really says. — Zola



Hi Zola:

I have not read anything you have written that I do not agree with. I am not fond of any Jew, converted or not, that I have known. I think you are stiff-necked and

hard to please, and feel superior to non-Jews. That does not mean that I disapprove of the way the Jews are trying to protect their people and rightly inherited possessions including the land that God gave them. I display a "Pray for the Peace of Jerusalem" sticker on both my vehicles. I buy trees for Israel.

But even you, Zola, seem prouder of being Jewish than Christian too much of the time. Could you look through your Christian eyes, forgetting for a few minutes that you are a Jew, and understand what I am talking about?

I still love your work. Sincerely and with a lot of respect,

LM

"I am not fond of any Jew"

#### Dear LM,

If I were you, I would work on my relationship with the chosen people. The first thing you'll do when you go to Heaven (and that could happen tonight) is to have a face-to-face interview with the King of the Jews. — Zola

#### Dear Zola:

My wife and I will both be 80 years old and both accepted Jesus when we were young. We would like to make a suggestion: We read the *Levitt Letter* and then pass it on to others. May other of your readers do likewise.

We have seen the gathering of the Jews from all the nations. We believe this to be a sure sign of our Lord's soon return. (We should live each day as if it might be His return.)

May our wonderful Lord bless you and Sandra and all that are with you. You are in our prayers.

Love in Christ, DW

#### Dear DW,

This is wonderful — what a beautiful letter. Our newsletter is free for the asking for any of your friends. You shouldn't have to pass it on.

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Please send a copy of your letter to Moody, Dallas, and Talbot Seminaries if you don't mind. They don't seem to understand what you do. — Zola

#### staff@levitt.com,

I have been listening to four tapes I have of music by Zola and lyrics by Charlynn — again and again! So beautiful. Today as I listened to "The Woman" I felt like crying — for joy. Thank you for producing it — and sharing it with me. — JB

#### staff@levitt.com.

Although I agree with Zola on some things, I recently saw an episode of his TV show and it drove me to want to pull out my hair. He kept reiterating that Salvation is a free gift and said that, technically, a person could go to Heaven without doing any good works. Also, he said that "faith plus nothing equals salvation."

This is a grave distortion of the Apostle Paul's teaching. I could list many verses contradicting Rabbi Levitt's view, but I will try to be brief. The whole sixth chapter of Romans says that unless a person dies to his sin, he can't be saved. In Galatians 5:19-21, certain kinds of sinners are said to be unable to "inherit the kingdom of God." James 2:26 says that "faith without works is dead." Hebrews 11:14 says that "without holiness no one will see the Lord." In the book of Acts, whenever Peter proclaimed the Gospel, he said you have to repent.

In view of all this, it can hardly be said that a person can technically go to Heaven without doing any good works or leading a righteous life.

I don't mean to offend Zola since I have great respect for Jewish people and I certainly agree with his stance on the Middle East.

Thank you, AS

#### Dear AS,

I did not say that we should not do good works, and of course I agree with all the Scriptures you cited, and you cited them accurately. What I said, however, is that there are no works that qualify us for salvation.

For example, tell me if you can what good works were done by the thief on the cross to whom Jesus said, "Today shalt thou be with me in paradise" (Luke 23:43)? Some people will evidently get to Heaven without good works.

— Zola

# Sheik Joins Rabbi's Condemnation of Arafat

By Art Moore, WorldNetDaily.com

A Muslim sheik who condemns Yasser Arafat as a terrorist joined a Jewish rabbi in a protest outside the Palestinian Liberation Organization's UN mission in New York.

During dozens of demonstrations and memorials in recent months, Rabbi Avi Weiss, president of the Coalition for Jewish Concerns, had been calling, unsuccessfully, for a Muslim leader to join him in protesting Palestinian terrorist attacks. One has answered the call, though he was in the US only for a visit.

Sheik Abdul Hadi Palazzi, secretary general of the Italian Muslim Association, says it is time for the "world and civilized nations not to consider the Palestinian Authority as representative of a people, of having a place among the nations, but rather as a gang promoting terror, educating children in terror from elementary school age."

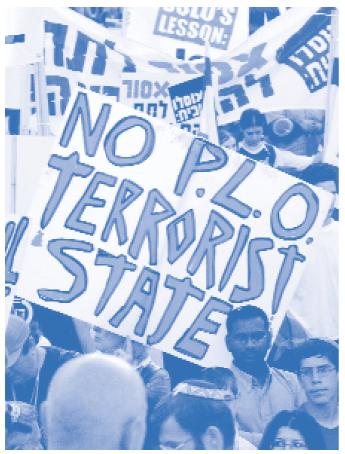
Responding...to the attack in Haifa that killed 15 Israelis, Palazzi said at the New York protest, "We must ask if the perpetrators were educated to become suicide bombers with funds originating with American or European taxpayers."

In an interview with *WorldNetDaily* before returning to Rome yesterday, Palazzi urged the United States to become consistent in its fight against terrorism. He fears a repeat of history following the likely, upcoming defeat of Saddam Hussein.

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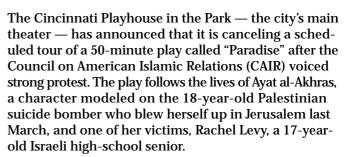
### **Inside**Israel



Israeli citizens display their disapproval of President Bushs' Road Map to peace plan.

### Hug a Muslim!?

By Laura Ingraham, Jewish World Review



Glyn O'Malley, the playwright, screened a reading of the play before an audience that included Majed Dabdoub, an engineer. Dabdoub brought ten other Muslims to the reading and afterward confronted O'Malley in outrage, objecting to how the play portrayed Palestinians, branding it "anti-Islam." One of the Muslims present, according to O'Malley, ranted that suicide bombing was the equivalent of America's "Give me liberty or give me death."

According to the *New York Times*, Dabdoub alleged that the play stereotyped Muslims when it showed the Palestinian girl putting on a head covering (a *hijab*) before she set out to explode herself. "Why are we focusing on this? What is the message? To promote hatred?" he told the *Times*.

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### **Hebrew**Lesson

#### Prepare for the Kingdom!

By John J. Parsons



#### **Hebraic Insight**

What does it mean to "lift up one's soul" to the Lord? What does the phrase nafshi'essa mean? Well, the word 'essa comes from the verb nassa, often used in the Scriptures to refer to the lifting or bearing up of something (like the waters that lifted up the ark of Noah [Gen. 7:17] or hands that are lifted up in prayer [Psalm 28:2]). The word for soul (i.e., nefesh) refers to the breath of life within us — that force that animates our inmost will and desires. Nefesh is the gift of God's breath (nishmat chaim) wherein Adam became a living soul (nefesh chaiyah) (see Gen. 2:7). When we "lift up our soul" unto the Lord, then, we are directing our inmost

will by consciously focusing on the exaltation of the Lord God of Israel. And just as the waters lifted up the ark of Noah — above the adversity and raging of the great storm — so our soul is lifted up when we focus on the glory of the Lord God of Israel and put our trust in His Son, Jesus the Messiah. May you, like King David, lift up

Read right to left:

ng David, lift up your soul unto Him and trust in the Lord Jesus for your salvation this day. Amen

Unto thee O LORD do Llift up my soul.

Unto thee, O LORD, do I lift up my soul. O my God, I trust in thee (Psalm 25:1-2 KJV).



### WarOn**Terror**

### **Black Muslim Traitors**

By David Horowitz, FrontPageMagazine.com

Suppose the traitor who rolled three grenades into the tents of our soldiers in Iraq, killed a captain and wounded 15 others, was a member of Jerry Falwell's Thomas Road Baptist Church or Robert Schuller's Crystal Cathedral.

Do you think his picture might be on the evening news or page one of the *New York Times?* 

In fact, the culprit, Asan Akbar (aka Mark Fidel Kools) is a black Muslim from South Central Los Angeles, and a member of the Masjid Bilal

Islamic Center there. What this incident would show us, if the press were doing its job, is that there is a connection between the ideas people devote themselves to and what they wind up doing.... Last July, the spiritual leader of the Nation of Islam, Louis Farakhan, traveled to Baghdad and had this to say: "The Muslim American people are praying to the almighty God to grant victory to Iraq."

What people say they often wind up doing. America needs to wake up to the fact that there is an army of people in this country, some Muslim some not, who identify with our enemies and pray for their victory....

Examples of irrational and apolocalyptic hatred are easy to come by. "Bush is the disease. Death is the cure" is example taken from a Los Angeles demonstration against the war. We live in a democracy, where the people are sovereign and elect their leaders. Calling for death to the President, or revolution for that matter, are signals of criminal intention, and need to be taken as such. "We Support Our Troops When They Shoot Their Officers" — a banner paraded at an illegal demonstration in San Francisco — is another sign of criminal and treasonous intent.

Those who participate in illegal efforts to sabotage homeland defense, and who proclaim irrational hatred of America and its leaders, are telling us something it is important that we hear. They are telling us who they are. They are telling us that they are at war, and that we are their enemy. They deserve to be taken seriously, not for their sake, but for ours.

Of course some Muslims are peaceful and can be trusted. But this tragedy, like the DC Sniper incident (in which a Black Muslim has been charged), demonstrates what can happen when Bush and other US officials adopt the fiction that all Muslims are peaceful and are always to be trusted. Israel never requires Arab citizens who serve in its army to fight other Arabs. The US military needs to follow this sensible decision and permit Muslim soldiers to serve their nation without placing them in a position where they may be tempted to harm their American comrades in arms. — Zola

### **Candid CAMERA**



hard-hitting talk [last December], describing Israel as being "under assault in every public arena" from media sources as diverse as NPR and CNN to National Geographic to Glamour magazine. The "campaign of defamation" against Israel "has been building at least since the Six-Day War," he said; after which the David-and-Goliath equation was reversed in the public mind" (now Israel is Goliath while the rest of the Arab world plays David).

He walked the audience through several examples of coverage he considered biased, including what he called the "fabrication" that Israeli occupation in the Arab territories is illegal. It is not, he said. On the issue of the Palestinian right of return, he said media sources seldom deal with the cause of the problem when reporting on it: "If Arabs hadn't rejected Partition in 1948, there would not be a single Arab refugee. Since Arabs caused the problem, let them solve it."

On the subject of Islam, Safian said, "since Sept. 11, many media outlets have acted as virtual public relations outlets for Islam. They don't touch on militant Islam." For instance... CNN reporter Christiane Amanpour has said that nothing in the Koran justified attacks like those of Sept. 11. That is not the case, Safian said, reading two excerpts that seem to contradict Amanpour's statement.

CNN "does damage control for Islam," he said. "The underlying message in covering up for radical Islam is: blame Israel...." In addition... "people who attack Israel are never called terrorists."

To an audience question about what media outlets or reporters can be trusted in Middle East coverage, Safian named Fox News' Jennifer Griffin and NBC/MSNBC's Martin Fletcher. CBS' Bob Simon "blows with the wind," he said. As for NPR, "just turn it off... All you'll get is Palestinian agit-prop."

ABC's Peter Jennings, a frequent CAMERA target, "is pathologically anti-Israel, and he has the veto" on news coverage on that network, Safian said. "I don't say this about a lot of people, but Jennings' (anti-Israel views) descend into anti-Semitism.... People say he has a problem with Jews."

Source: Pauline Dubkin Yearwood, The Chicago Jewish News

### "The Onlookers Laughed"

WorldNetDaily.com

The "martyrdom" death of 12-year-old Palestinian Mohammed al-Dura at the hands of Israeli soldiers — which



received widespread international news coverage and spurred on the current *Intifada*, inspiring countless "suicide bombers" to attack Israel — was actually a "staged" piece of street theater, according to an in-depth report in the current issue of *Whistleblower...*.

Now, a just-completed, long-term journalistic investigation conducted in France concludes that the Mohammed al-Dura affair was actually a piece of Palestinian theater — similar to the dramatic Palestinian funeral processions last April after the Israeli incursion into the Jenin refugee camp. During that public spectacle, a martyred "corpse" twice fell off the stretcher, only to hop back up and retake his place in the procession. The Palestinians had claimed 3,000 deaths in Jenin — the actual toll was 52.

The groundbreaking investigation and its conclusions are spelled out in *Contre-expertise d'une mise en scène*" published by *Éditions Raphaël*. In the book, Gérard Huber, a psychoanalyst and permanent Paris correspondent of the Israel-based *Metula News Agency*, reports on the investigation conducted by a team of journalists, including Huber and Stéphane Juffa, *Metula's* editor in chief.

"What really happened at Netzarim junction?" asks Huber. "One thing is certain: Given the position of the protagonists during the firefight it is impossible that the child was hit by Israeli bullets. Mohamed al-Dura was not killed by Israelis. And the bigger question remains: Was Mohammed really killed?"

Whistleblower cites stunning reports of Palestinians playing to the camera, including Israeli commentator Amnon Lord's account of the larger scene at Netzarim Junction when al-Dura was supposedly shot to death. He describes "incongruous battle scenes complete with wounded combatants and screeching ambulances played out in front of an audience of laughing onlookers, while makeshift movie directors do retakes of botched scenes."

Palestinian journalist Sami El Soudi echoes Lord's observation, who discloses that "Almost all Palestinian directors take part more or less voluntarily in these war commissions, under the official pretext that we should use all possible means, including trickery and *fabulation*, to fight against the tanks and airplanes the enemy has and we don't.... Our official press reported 300 wounded and dead at Netzarim junction the day when

Mohammed was supposedly killed. Most of the cameramen there were Palestinians.... They willingly took part in the masquerade, filming fictional scenes, believing they were doing it out of patriotism. When a scene was well done the onlookers laughed and applauded."

Even more disconcerting, says the *Whistleblower* report, is the fact that France 2, the news organization that broke the story of Mohammed al-Dura's supposed "martyrdom" at the hands of Israeli soldiers, adamantly refuses to release all the raw footage taken by its Palestinian cameraman....

Meanwhile, every French television station to this day refuses to broadcast a film by German director Esther Schapira, titled "Three Bullets and a Child: Who Killed the Young Mohammed al-Dura?" Nominated for best TV documentary in Germany, it also concludes Israelis did not kill the boy. ■

### Hug A Muslim!? continued from page 10

Catholics asked similar questions and expressed similar outrage three and a half years ago in New York when the Brooklyn Museum of Art featured an exhibit, "Sensation", that included a painting of a black Virgin Mary smeared in elephant dung. When then-Mayor Rudy Giuliani clashed with the Museum over funding, Manhattan's cultural elite rushed to the museum's defense. First Amendment lawyer Floyd Abrams stepped in on behalf of the museum and immediately enlisted the support of groups like the New York chapter of the ACLU, activists like actress Susan Sarandon, and the editorial boards of most national newspapers. "There's a simple solution for those who object to the exhibition: Don't go to see it," sniffed an editorial in the *Los Angeles Times*.

The mayor's plan to freeze the museum's funds was written off as political pandering that eviscerated artistic expression. Cries of censorship were heard from the art houses of Manhattan to the coffee shops of San Francisco.... The "Sensation" exhibit was a huge hit, the talk of the town. The cultural elite won another round, and the Catholic critics were written off as "narrow-minded."

But not so with the Muslims who took offense to the play "Paradise" in Cincinnati. Not only did they get the play's school tour canceled, they have succeeded in convincing O'Malley to redraft the play, presumably to make it more "balanced."

Message to Christians: if you're offended, get over it. Message to Muslims: We feel your pain, and we'll make you feel better, even if it requires censorship.

### Hollywood's Love of Money

By Daniel G. Jennings, CNSNews.com Commentary

Vast numbers of movie stars are participating in anti-war protests and trumpeting their opposition to the war, while almost no movie star has come out in favor of the war except for *Law & Order* actor and ex-US Senator Fred Thompson (R-TN).

Where, average Americans wonder, are vaunted Hollywood conservatives like Charlton Heston, Dennis Hopper, Mel Gibson, and Arnold Schwarzenegger? Does everybody in Hollywood oppose the war? No, not at all.... Hollywood actors don't want to make their support for war public because it would hurt their potential box office draw outside the US.



Most of Hollywood's profits are now made outside the United States; many movies only turn a profit when they are released overseas. Part of the reason why theaters are filled with movies Americans don't like and won't watch is that there's a large market for those films overseas.

Old-fashioned flag-waving patriotism has largely disappeared from the movies because Hollywood money men fear it will turn off foreign filmgoers. This of course is only human nature; Chinese and German audiences aren't going to cheer the Stars and Stripes any more than Americans would cheer the flags of those nations.

If an actor or actress were to become known as a warhawk or American super patriot, their box office draw overseas could be hurt. Especially in Europe and Japan, which are lucrative markets for American films, and in the Islamic world where virtually every home has a VCR and American action films are the favored entertainment. This explains why people like Clint Eastwood, Mel Gibson, Tom Cruise, and Dennis Hopper are keeping their mouths shut.... Of course, the reverse is true. Actors and actresses who take a strong anti-war stand and are seen on CNN chanting at demonstrations "No war for oil!" could boost their careers overseas. Sean Penn and Jessica Lange could become bigger box office draws in France and Malaysia by standing up to evil American imperialism in Iraq.... Hollywood's anti-war movement is really motivated by the thing that motivates most of what matters in TinselTown: the profitability of movies.

The Academy Awards viewership was down by fifteen percent. I didn't watch because I was not interested in hearing a big sound-off against the US, and apparently many other people in America felt the same way. I used to watch *West Wing* but don't anymore. I used to like it. But I don't want to watch Martin Sheen using his TV role as "President" and pretending to have the authority of that office to pronounce on things like sanctions, claiming that they work when they have not, and so forth. — Zola

#### Sheik Joins Rabbi's Condemnation... continued

After the Gulf War in 1991, he noted, the US pressed Israel to accept the Oslo peace process, which resulted in the present *Intifada*, or uprising. Palazzi fears that after Saddam's demise, the US will make a similar miscalculation and renew a path toward the establishment of a Palestinian state.

"Why would you destroy a totalitarian regime in one part of the world and create it in another?" Palazzi asked. "You defeat Saddam Hussein and then you reward the Palestinian Authority, which was the best ally of Saddam Hussein, funded by him from the very beginning."

"Who was the best friend of Saddam Hussein?" he asked. "Yasser Arafat. Who gives money to families of suicide bombers? Saddam Hussein, who claims his people are dying of starvation because of the embargo."

Arafat is the only terrorist leader who has "seen all his crimes forgotten, whitewashed by the international community," he said, noting, for example, Arafat's alleged responsibility for the murder of the US ambassador to Sudan, which did not prevent the Palestinian leader from later visiting the White House as an honored guest. "This only increases terror, showing that terror can win," Palazzi said.

"It's time for this reality to change," he asserted. "There is no good terror or bad terror. It's necessary to fight terror in all its forms. If you promote a Palestinian state with American and European funds for the PLO, you increase the opportunity for terror."

Much the same goes for Dallas Seminary, whose president tells Christian people not to care about Israel. As we noted in our September issue, the leader now representing this school once taught correctly in the classroom, but now talks out of the other side of his mouth as a fundraiser, thereby betraying God's Word. We're not as informed about Talbot Seminary and others, but we are aware that complaints came from all over as soon as we started to shine a light on these three institutions.

Pointing out these betrayals is not something I like doing, and would rather not have to do (we have many other ministries, which are much more important). But someone has to call attention to this errant teaching because it has created, and continues to create, pastors and churches who believe errors after hearing them for fifteen-plus years.

News reporters and publications can also betray us and our Lord. *The Dallas Morning News* recently ran a piece, "Undercutting Saddam: Bush Should Release Israeli-Palestinian Plan," which offered a warped view of what should be done in the Middle East following the war with Iraq. With tortured logic, the editorial claims that the new "prime minister" that Arafat appointed now gives President Bush a reason to push for a Palestinian state.

According to this biased editorial, "Although he [the new prime minister] may not substantially disagree with Mr. Arafat, it befalls Mr. Abbas to quickly demonstrate his 'real authority' — and for Mr. Arafat to let him. Mr. Abbas should sack a minister. Hire one. Sign an international agreement. Declare a national holiday. Anything. Just as long as he demonstrates that he's the free actor that the Palestinian legislature envisioned when it created the post. By so doing, he would deny Mr. Bush any excuse for further delay."

Here's the logic: Let's pretend that Arafat has really appointed someone who has some authority and that the Palestinians are no longer being governed by one man. And then let that appointee just fake it — even merely declaring a national holiday — and that will "prove" he's an effective and independent prime minister. And then that will somehow mean that the US should push for an independent Palestinian State that will simply be a dictatorship placed on Israel's land.

With editorials like this, you can understand why I quit taking *The Dallas Morning News* long ago. They've always taken the stand that the Palestinian conflict was some ancient struggle when in fact the Arabs didn't even identify themselves as a distinct group called "Palestinians" until 1964. The Jews have been in Israel for thousands of years. When I confronted one of the *The Dallas Morning News* editors with this point, he countered that this was "your opinion, and other fellows have their opinion."

I protested, "No, that is history. That's the truth."

To which he replied, "Mr.
Levitt, there's no truth out
there. There's only people's
opinions." And this guy was in
charge of the Viewpoints page in one
of America's largest city news-papers.
This sort of political correctness makes
all opinions equal and makes both
truth and history irrelevant.

Fortunately there are also many who do not betray those around them and who have remained true to our Lord and His teachings. I had the pleasure to interview one such "good guy" for my TV program: Aviel Schneider, the editor of *Israel Today*. He's a real believer and a "settler" and I recommend his magazine (which you can subscribe to online at http://www.israeltoday.co.il/ or by writing to Israel Today Magazine, 9 Othniel St., PO Box 10010, Jerusalem 93503 Israel).

Currently we're making plans for our trip through the Midwest where I'll be speaking at colleges and seminaries. (I doubt that Moody, in Chicago, will invite me—but I will go if they do and will try to straighten out their views about Israel.) This schedule is filling up, but we'd like to hear from schools where we might speak so we can add you to our route. Churches in the Midwest are also certainly welcome to book us as well. School officials or pastors interested in having me speak should immediately contact Claudia at (817)417-0059.

(Sandra and I will be traveling in an RV on this trip and readers who are aware of good points and the problems on various routes we may take, as well as suggestions for hookups, are surely welcome to contact us before we leave. Thanks.)

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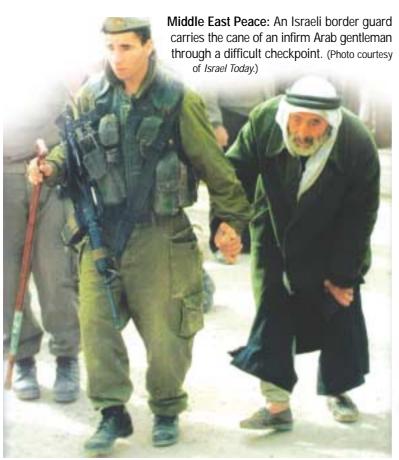
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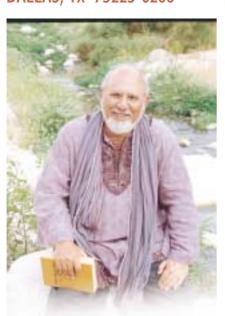


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