

16_Letter to newspapers: A Crucifying, Now of Israel (“EUROPE AND ISRAEL NEED EACH OTHER”)

Shalom,

^ The following letters I sent 2025.6.4 for the third time to the Readers-Writing section of seven leading newspapers in Finland (Aamulehti, Etelä-Suomen Sanomat, Helsingin Sanomat, Karjalainen, Kouvola Sanomat, Maaseudun Tulevaisuus, and Turun Sanomat). This time I was almost 100% sure that my letter would not be published by any of them. Just like the previous two times (checked 2025.5.23 — 6.16).

As an active Christian, according to this "majority," I have become / I am a representative of extreme thoughts, who may be completely ignored. Therefore, this time I made no effort to write without accusations and without spiritual texts, with the following accompanying letter as the result:

"Hey. Two thousand years ago, the leaders of the Jews rejected the Messiah promised to them and initiated His crucifixion. This people and each individual of them has had to suffer terribly for this, as it was foretold in the then closed Old Testament (compare Zechariah 13:7-9a and Matthew 26:31).

- To us Christians, the return of that same Messiah on the Mount of Olives in Israel was promised (Zech. 14:3-4; Acts 1:11).

Instead of helping our people to focus on this spiritual divine hope, you, the leaders and media of our (and other) democracy(ies), call for a similar rejection. Anyway, too that is what was predicted. In the near future almost all states in the world are going to participate in the conquest of Jerusalem (with the aim of giving it to the Palestinians as their capital). Prophesied texts tell us that the Jews will then be given over to all kinds of crucifixion ways (Zech. 14:1-2).

- The following consequences of a nuclear bomb war describe your judgment, without even mentioning the Last Judgment (Zech. 12:3), Zech. 14:12, <And this shall be the plague with which the LORD will strike all the nations that fought against Jerusalem: He will cause every man's flesh to rot while he stands on his feet; every man's eyes shall rot in their sockets, and every man's tongue shall rot in their mouths.>

Who else but our Creator could have foreseen and predicted a return of the Jews and such consequences of a nuclear war? It was described in black and white. It is an easy prophecy to follow. One does not have to be a believer to understand it.

- May so much respect be found for the self-reflection of the population, that you also mention some of these opposing opinions in both your analyses and your news reports. Yours faithfully, Pertti/Bert Hovestadt, Lahti, Finland"

Postscript:

^ When the 60-day ultimatum given by US President Trump had passed without Iran wanting to limit its uranium enrichment process, the next day Israel had started its war with Iran (2025.6.13). With a tweet it was then criticized by Finnish Foreign Minister Elina Valtonen. As if she, and the government, and the EU could have achieved better results with Iran.

Iran has threatened Israel with total annihilation for many years, while it has helped and used Hamas in Gaza, Hezbollah in Lebanon and the Houthis in Yemen in all kinds of ways. It is a country where the murder of Jews (and Christians) is glorified. Moreover, after obtaining nuclear bombs, it could completely destroy little Israel and put it under constant pressure. Promoting such a peace for Israel indicates a bankruptcy of our own values. Organizing peace for Ukraine, for a country in our own European backyard, is another much more difficult story.

^ The historical data I have mentioned concerning the creation of the State of Israel, which went back to the situation after the First World War, tell why Israel has the right to its very land and has the right to defend itself. Unfortunately, blinded by the opinion of the majority of the peoples, Finland and its media, among others, have systematically refused to pass on these kinds of historical truths.

It is easier to stand on the side of a vast majority and to correct little Israel, the only real and even thriving democracy in the Middle East. On the other hand, it is much more difficult to establish new democracies, for example a Palestinian or an Iranian democracy. At the same time, the economic developments of our own Western European democracies are becoming increasingly worrying. This and this postscript indicate the moral, spiritual and literal bankruptcy of our societies.

Europe and Israel need each other!

Small Israel, with a Jewish-Arab population of 10 million inhabitants and a country one and a half times the size of Uudenmaa [Israel is slightly bigger than New Jersey, or Wales], has from its beginning faced a more than thousandfold superiority of all kinds of Islamic neighboring countries. But this is only the tip of the iceberg.

^ In the same way, it is between the teeth of international peace and similar institutions and organizations. For example, in the General Assembly of the United Nations, Israel is condemned more than all the democracies and dictatorships of the world combined.

^ Unfortunately, the media and its so-called experts usually say nothing about this disproportion. Moreover, they forget to mention the following easily understandable historical facts and counterarguments about the origin and existence of Israel.

In the First World War, the Ottoman Empire had fallen into the hands of the Allies. After this, it was divided among many Arab states and the Jews were also promised their own

state. However, due to violent resistance from Arab Muslims, the world power of that time, Great Britain, tried to prevent Israel from becoming independent.

^ In 1948, a small portion of the land promised to the Jews was granted to them by the United Nations. However, the Jews had to figure out for themselves how to defend against five invading Arab armies, without having a real army.

^ An arms embargo by the United States was another problem for them, because this country considered its economic relations with the oil-producing countries in the Middle East more important at that time. It may serve as an example that support from the United States to Israel is never unconditional.

^ The number of Jewish refugees from the surrounding Islamic countries, with their lives as their only possessions, was then greater than the number of Arabs/Palestinians who left Israel. The Palestinian refugee problem should have solved itself in the same way and at the same time, which unfortunately did not happen.

^ In 1967, Egypt, with the help of Syria and others, had first threatened Israel in all kinds of ways and cut it off from the rest of the world. When Israel had started the Six-Day War against them because of this casus belli, Jordan joined Israel's opponents. After this, Israel conquered the West Bank and East Jerusalem from Jordan. After the war, however, Israel was condemned by the majority of the United Nations as the occupier, although according to international rules, it would have been automatically entitled to this as a defending party.

^ In 1973, with the Yom Kippur War, an oil embargo brought the last overt support to Israeli-giving Western European states behind the Palestinians. For the predecessor of the EU, the European Union with almost all its institutions and people, this became the official line.

In the Second World War in Europe, the highest percentage of casualties were in Germany, if the Jewish murdered ones are not included. Bombing Germany (and Japan) would have been the only way to eliminate their dictatorial leaders. And a similar kind of destruction would be needed to eliminate Hamas.

^ Israel is the only well-functioning democracy in the Middle East, with well-functioning human rights for its Arab population as well. In the same way, it yearns for cooperation with other democracies that know that attacks on Israel are attacks on their own system.

^ Under inhuman pressure, it has developed into the state it is today. In the same way, it could inspire Europe and help with its innovations.

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