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*Shalom laYehudim, Shalom laBnai Noach, Shalom laGoyim.* It is the evening of the 4th day, *yud beIyyar*, *Parashas BeHar*, *tav-shin-ayin-vav*, the evening of the 3<sup>rd</sup> day, Tuesday, 17 May 2016, webcasting from Israel squabbling still over the Bibi vs. Bogie brouhaha.

At the same time, Bibi is negotiating with Boojie over joining his cabinet so that he can get rid of Bennett, who is a nuisance, who does not know how to fulfill the role of a subordinate, not one striving to depose his prime minister. And this is one of the most annoying features of Israeli life: this political strife and the making of coalitions and the breaking of them, that, as far as I can tell, does not benefit John Q. Public, although I guess here it would be "Yohanan Kuf Tzibor." These politicians make very nice salaries and spend an inordinate number of hours playing these power games, on company time, so to speak. It is simply revolting that the taxpayers pay for all these manhours that never benefit the common man in Israel.

It's Bibi vs. Bogie and Bibi vs. Boojie. Bibi, Bogie and Boojie; sounds like a vaudeville act. The friction between the first two, Bibi and Bogie, has been a top story for like a week now over Yair Golan's shocking insinuation that some Israelis were acting like proto-Nazis toward the Ancient Ones and that the country had to wake up.

And as I suggested before, in an earlier webcast, what is in play here is the community of collectivists in the kibbutzim and moshavim that have dominated the IDF since Day One. There is a groupthink in the IDF as in other affinity groups. And as I suggested, what we heard from Yair Golan was the worldview of these post-religious Israelis of Jewish extraction whose self-definition is such that it leads them to perceive the Holocaust their way, as if it could happen to any people. Any people could

become Nazis given the same “political processes,” even Jews in their animosity to what Israeli icon Moshe Dayan might have called the “victims of Zionism.” Moshe Dayan and his sabra generation, the heroes of Leon Uris’s historical romance *Exodus*. insisted they were Israelis and not Jews and would not be so ghettoized like them and have compassion for the Other. I almost married an Israeli who was raised in a communist family and insisted that she was an Israeli and not a Jew. The whole purpose of Israel for her and her family was to leave the Jews behind, those wimps who walked like sheep into the gas chambers.

And as no longer Jews, they had become normal; and antisemitism had nothing to do with her. It was something for the Jews in the Diaspora. They suffer from acts of antisemitism but not Israelis. Here it is a national conflict between two normal nations, Israelis and Ancient Ones.

And here was JPost today writing up on the ambush-stabbing in Jerusalem yesterday near, where else (?) Damascus Gate. Here is the lede in this morning’s paper: “A Palestinian man stabbed and slightly wound a Jewish youth near the Old City’s Damascus Gate in east Jerusalem on Monday morning...” And later we learned that the stabber, who was caught by the police, is “a resident of the West Bank.”

And I wondered what would this sound like if a different vocabulary was used. We would not begin with a “Palestinian man” -- for sure, there is nothing Palestinian about this guy -- but “A Muslim man stabbed and slightly wound a Jewish youth.” And by deleting the words “Old City” and “east, we would say this Jewish youth was stabbed near Damascus Gate in Jerusalem by a resident not of the “West Bank” but Judea and Samaria. Then the JPost lede would be: “A Muslim man, a resident of Judea and Samaria, stabbed and slightly wounded a Jewish youth near Damascus Gate in Jerusalem.”

My point is that Israelis, like the JPost staffers, dominated by the non-Orthodox, are as much at fault as all of Israel’s MSM journalists are in their vocabulary that skews the story to suit their ideology and by their vocabulary, they perpetuate the division of Jerusalem.

I find it an offense against truthful journalism calling this 20-something male with a knife in his hand a “Palestinian” when there is nothing Palestinian about him. He is indistinguishable from the Arabs in Jordan and Syria and Iraq. The only distinctions are accents, which is meaningless. There are 50 states in the U.S. and hundreds of regional accents but all its citizens belong to one nation. Likewise, the Arab states with their regional dialects. It still is one nation, and it’s not as if the Arab nation lacks statehood. They have 21 of them over a land mass larger than the United States. They don’t need another state for their nation, and certainly not at the expense of the one tiny Jewish state in the Middle East. When these Israelis speak of “Palestinians,” they create a separate national identity that needs its own land.

In fact, the PLO Covenant of 1964, later revised in '68, opens with a declaration that the Arabs in Palestine are part of the greater Arab nation. It is not a declaration of national independence but just the opposite. It was a message in its day to fellow Arabs that Palestine belongs to them and they should help the immediate victims of the Jews to reverse their triumphs and return the land that they stole from the Arab nation.

Come to think of it: this was the mind of the Bedouins from time immemorial. Let me take change that cliché. Not from "time immemorial" because we most certainly can remember that the Arabs have been this way since the days of Abraham who had to expel his own first-born son -- the father of the Arabs -- who, as Rashi teaches, became a desert-dwelling armed robber.

In my book, there are also two women, one English, Gertrude Bell, one American Beatrice Steuart-Erskine, who were in love with the Arabs and so enjoyed watching them in their tribal raids on one another. It was great entertainment for these two. Life for the Bedouin was tending their goats and camels but also attacking other tribes, raiding their encampments, making off with whatever they could including their women and animals in the knowledge that when their victims, taken by surprise, recovered, they would make an attempt at a counter-raid to take back what was taken and even more.

This was the lifestyle of the Arabs from the days of Abraham into the 20<sup>th</sup> century; and their hatred of Israel, I think, is a function of their belief that as in days of old the Jews stole what was theirs and they have the right to strike back and take back what the miserable Jews stole from them.

And never mind we did not steal anything. If anything, they were the ones guilty of coveting our wealth, the wealth we created here over the previous century of land reclamation and the building of towns, villages, businesses and creating farms in the desert. The Arabs are inveterate thieves and cover up their thievery by insisting that the wealth they covet is really theirs and was stolen from them! They are angry and indignant over the injustice they suffered, which is just more camouflage for their appetite for what does not belong to them.

As my book points out, the invention of the "Palestinians" was the inversion of the truth. When it was the "Arab-Israeli Conflict," 1948-67, the story was of the Arab nations' efforts to destroy the new, self-governing state of the Jews no longer subject to Muslim rule. But after 1967, the invention of the "Palestinians" conjured up a narrative in which it is Israel that is out to prevent statehood for the "Palestinians" who allegedly have been dreaming of their state for thousands of years. The tables were turned.

It is the same narrative as Zionism but now the roles were switched the way the central story of Islam is the binding by Ibrahim of his son Isma'il, which is the Jewish story, only roles and location have been switched.

It is also the essence, I think, of the recent UNESCO resolution by 33 countries that have chosen to think like David Irving -- twisting the truth -- according to which the violence here is not about the Jews' self-defense against their neighbors who want to destroy their country and probably kill a lot of Jews in the process, G-d forbid. No, the violence here is the resistance of the "victims of Zionism" to the Israelis who won't let them have their self-governing state in their ancient homeland.

But I digress.

The top story in Israel today remains the strained relations between Bibi and Bogie even after their alleged reconciliation. And I continue to believe that what is at stake for Yaalon and Golan and their supporters in the army and the country as a whole is their self-image and the ideology of these IDF generals who spent their lives in a hothouse of ideas that were largely the creation of leftist *sabras* who never experienced antisemitism in their lives, their formative years. No classmate on the kibbutz ever pointed a finger at one of them and hissed. "You killed G-d."

What's at stake in Yair Golan's language is the self-definition of a passing generation disturbed by the transformation of their beloved IDF from arrogantly non-religious people like themselves to National Religious types, which transition bothers them greatly.

\* \* (Musical Interlude) \* \*

Now here's an item from last week that I did not get to but don't want to let slip by. It was exactly a week ago that the brand new mayor of London Sadiq Khan responded to Donald Trump's idea of closing the doors to Muslims coming to America.

But before I proceed, I don't want to let slip his name: Sadiq. Clearly another mispronunciation of the Hebrew *tsaddik*, a righteous man. And the odds are great that since Islam emerged almost 2,000 years after HaShem gave Jews His Torah, these uncivilized, meaning un-citified nomads did not even have a word for righteous. As they mispronounce "shalom" as "salaam," so *tsaddik* came before Sadiq. The ibn Ezra, Rabbi Avraham, in medieval Spain, said Arabic was the broken Hebrew of desert illiterates, which makes much sense. The Torah is explicit. Ishmael goes to live in the desert of Paran with his bow and arrow, and was simply not a man for book learning and the proper use of language. So, for 2,000 years, his seed would remain illiterate.

Anyway, back to contemporary times where the new mayor in London...well, here's the Daily Caller website headline: "London's New Mayor Warns Trump: Let In Muslims Or They will Attack America."

I read that and like now started to chuckle. This is a character who indignantly objects to anyone who thinks a Muslim cannot subscribe to modern, liberal, democratic values. And here he was, like a Bedouin marauder, threatening the U.S. that if Muslims are blocked from entering, they will attack. It was functionally a confession that Donald Trump is right to want to keep them out.

Trump had praised the new mayor and said he would be willing to make an exception for him if he wants to visit the U.S, after Trump restricts Muslim entry.

In response, Kahn dismissed the invitation and said Trump's views of Islam were "ignorant." He said his view "plays into the hands of extremists and alienates the mainstream Muslims. Donald Trump and those around him think that Western liberal values are incompatible with mainstream Islam. London has proved him wrong."

The Daily Caller's Blake Neff then took note of a poll last month in the U.K. that found 66% of Muslims saying they would not tell the government if a friend or family member became involved with extremists.

And I say, if so, this is a fifth column in the UK. The indignant Sadiq Kahn sees in his election the compatibility of Islam and Western liberal values when it does nothing of the kind. In order to see true compatibility, Kahn would have to explain why not one of the world's officially Muslim states lives by Western liberal values.

But worst of all is the unconscious thuggery here absent any moral judgment. He does not illuminate why he thinks Trump's ban of Muslims would be unjust. He just threatens that the response will be the terrorism these so-called extremists are known for, which is why Trump wants to keep them out of the U.S.

He makes Trump's point for him. We are dealing with thugs for whom the nasty religion of Islam lets them delude themselves and try to persuade the world into thinking they are not thugs, not highwaymen and armed robbers.

If memory serves, it was that crack by Trump that catapulted him to the front of the pack of candidates in the primary season, and if he is elected, he has to follow through to some degree on that wish.

Well, tactics aside, what I want to see first is a philosophical stance in which political correctness is ignored and the new administration publicly rules that Islam is not like other religions. Political correctness dictates that all religions are of equal worth and that idea has to go. It is not true. I think every mosque in the West should be padlocked by the authorities for the illegality of the polygamy that it approves and practices, which I think is at the root of the degenerate culture that Arab Islam is.

And in some kind of super-natural connection, there is a connection between the assault on the West by sexually perverse Islam and the tidal wave of perversion that has swept the West since the 1960s. A few months ago, and not for the first time, I think, the entertainer Beyoncé was the half-time entertainment at the Super Bowl, the most watched program of the year commonly by family and friends, and there was this scantily clad

woman singing and shaking as if in an African fertility rite dance, or what used to be thought of as supremely vulgar, the kind of entertainment found in a strip club.

The spoken language has also been dirtied with one filthy word after another, which, not coincidentally, associate to sex and the organs of evacuation. Trump talks the American argot these days with his own filthy words, and as people voted for an image in Obama, so Donald's is "one of the people."

As I said after his foreign policy statement which was great, his domestic side scares me, for this builder of gambling casinos and night clubs in them, and golf courses for the rich and his three marriages, is also a supporter of this transgender nonsense. Here is Obama, this twice-elected president, dictating to all the school children in the country that if you're a boy but think you're girl, use the girls' room, and to hell with the girls inside who will object because, by implication, they are bigots who have been socialized by patriarchal society to greedily think they have a monopoly on what it means to be a girl. They must learn that you are whatever you think you are.

I really think America is cracking up. With last summer's Supreme Court blessing of sodomite and lesbian marriages, the West truly is becoming Sodom and Gomorrah. And while I doubt sulfur and brimstone are on the way, the moral of Sodom and Gomorrah is, I think, that societies that pervert the G-d-given, G-d-like ability to create another human being and strip pleasure from procreation, are societies doomed to extinction.

And if all the recent demographic studies of Western countries are correct, that is exactly what is happening.

\* \* (Musical Interlude) \* \*

Well, we left off with the U.S. crumbling onto the ash heap of history, I fear the plague there is also here. Whatever is "up-to-date in Kansas City," as the old Rogers & Hammerstein song had it, up-to-date in the US, penetrates Israel, so that today JPost reported that The Welfare and Social Service Ministry announced yesterday the allocation of an additional 3 million shekels to be given to the LGBT community. And not coincidentally, today, May 17, and apparently not for the first time, although it is news to me, this has been International Day Against Homophobia, Transphobia and Biphobia. The Ministry said it would focus its efforts on assisting the transgender community in particular.

And yours truly insists that there is no such thing as homophobia, transphobia, biphobia. These are psychiatric-sounding terms, since it was Sigmund Freud who introduced the Greek word *phobia* into common speech, these terms are the product not of serious students of the mind, psychiatrists, but the victims of these mental disorders in an effort to persuade people not to disapprove of what gives them pleasure.

I think sexual deviance is no less an addiction than heroin and likely even stronger, and the two are related, chemically speaking. Heroin is a precursor drug to morphine, and

the pleasure hormone produced in the pituitary gland in the brain, stimulated by the brain, produces endorphins, and it is no coincidence that morphine and endorphin sound alike and are phonetically similar. The sexually disordered are as much addicted to their own home-grown morphine/endorphins as any junkie to his smack.

In any case, I think the psychiatric profession has been tragically guilty of malpractice, starting in the early 1970s when the Jewish editor of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders declared homosexuality would no longer be seen as a disorder. He said that if homosexuals were happy doing what they do, they are not suffering from a mental disorder. This fellow just passed away.

And it has been downhill ever since, right up to last summer's Supreme Court decision and the lunacy of last week's presidential decree regarding toilets in public schools, and other insane decisions by some states to insist that transgenders have a constitutional right to use whatever toilet they want, and companies of a certain size have to build toilets especially for so-called transgenders.

And yours truly faults the psychoanalysts and the psychiatrists and the psychologists for never speaking up and saying this is all madness. At the most basic level, the human body does not like what homosexuals do to one another. It is therefore medically contraindicated.

Back in the 70s, I was at a (non-kosher) dinner party in Beverly Hills and fell into conversation with a local MD who said much his practice was extracting foreign objects from the lower intestine and repairing other, self-inflicted damage done by his patients.

I am as tolerant as the next guy, but this business of not only refraining from disapproval but actually approving sexual deviance and accusing those who disapprove of it as bigots is simply insane. Western society is flying off the handle. It is approaching a tea party conducted by the Mad Hatter.

And in a related way, I couldn't believe a news story last Thursday about National Security Adviser Susan Rice delivering a commencement speech in which she said U.S. security personnel are too white.

I read that and it was another jaw-dropper. Maybe it is her youth. I mean, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. must be spinning in his grave. He and A. Phillip Randolph and Bayard Rustin and other Negro Leaders a half-century ago who fought to make skin color irrelevant. And here is Susan Rice who seems to need a refresher course in high school biology. I took it in the tenth grade. If memory serves, they taught us that your intelligence was in your brain; and preachers say your character was in your heart, and here is Ms. Rice who seems to think skin is an organ of thought and character.

The culture has spun out of control.

\* \* (Musical Interlude) \* \*

Last item, a good news item. JPost reported today that the governor of Texas has informed the White House that Obama's request that Texas review its sanctions program against Iran will not be heeded. Governor Abbott said the Texas economy is No. 12 in the world, on a par with Australia and Canada, and Obama's Iran deal is not popular in the Lone Star state. And he also said in this context, "Texas is going to take the lead in sending the message to the international community that we stand with Israel."

Bravo. He is perfectly clear, I think, that the Iran deal is first and foremost directed at Israel. He's no fool. And the people of Texas may be the most pro-Israel community in the 50 states. Maybe when they see Israel's flag with its one star they see a similarity to their flag with one star and a similar tradition of seeing themselves as a people apart from the rest of the U.S., like the Jews are a people apart. Texas was an independent state for about ten years.

Anyway, it is heartwarming that others see through the evil designs of this evil man who I believe will use his remaining months to do as much evil and more damage to the US as he can before he leaves office, starting with this ridiculous toilet diktat, in addition to his crippling of the Navy and the Air Force and siding with the worst of the African-Americans in the Ferguson melee. He makes Al Sharpton his adviser. What a piece of work is this menace of a man.

*Leila tov mi Eretz Yisrael.*