

HOLOCAUST. I watched Steven Spielberg's movie about the Holocaust, *Schindler's List*. It is the most powerful movie I have ever seen. The portrayal of suffering and the depiction of the Nazis' atrocious, callous disregard for human life are devastating. **B**ut I am compelled to look further. There have been many genocides and holocausts: of Tibetans, Cambodians, Native Americans, African tribes, Kurds, Rohingyas, Armenians, Australian Aborigines; are Palestinians - robbed of their land - to be counted among them? **W**ith the Holocaust in mind, how does one grasp the veneration by Zionist settlers of a man who murdered Palestinians while they were at prayer?* How does one fathom a religious leader's utterance of "one million Arabs are not worth a Jewish fingernail"?**



**the Cave of the Patriarchs massacre in 1994, perpetrated by Baruch Goldstein;
**Rabbi Yaacov Perrin, in his eulogy for Goldstein, who was killed after his deed*

At this point it must be said that Islamists' (i.e. Hamas') statements to the effect of, 'the state of Israel must be destroyed and removed from the map,' are as detestable.

Is·lam·ism

The undemocratic, militant Islamic movement with the aim to install an Islamic state, where religious leaders have political authority while applying sharia law.

Zi·on·ism (political)

The movement to establish and nurture Israel in a two-state Palestine, to counteract the discrimination and hounding of Jewish people. (As advocated by Einstein)

Zi·on·ism (religious)

The colonialist, racist religious movement of Settlers to occupy Palestine - 'promised by God' to the Israelites, the 'Chosen People' - to the exclusion of Palestinians.

*I support political Zionism
(being of German descent, born in 1947)
but - alongside Albert Einstein -
I abhor religious Zionism*

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