# Nishma Research – Israel, Zionism, Politics, Impact of War with Hamas February 2024

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# Verbatim Responses

This document contains all of the verbatim responses received via this survey. They are presented by question, for the Modern Orthodox and Haredi respondents, alphabetized and without editing for spelling or grammar. You are reading the unfiltered views of the community.

# How has your feeling of connection to Israel become stronger?

# Modern Orthodox

- A personal feeling
- A realization about how tenuous its existence and its democracy are and how common Jewhatred is left & right and around the world
- A stronger deeper desire to live there, be a part of a nation that is mine in a land that is mine amongst people that are mine
- A stronger recognition of the necessity for Israel to exist for all Jews' survival and well-being
- A war
- Actually my connection has always been very strong and IY"H will stay that way.
- Aliyah
- All my life I love Israel since 7 of October I become depressed including my Jewish friend in usa we were traumatized Long l8fe to Israel the light of the world ! I wish to HASHEM that the hostages get back home Asap !.I wish to go to Israel soon bh,
- Always felt strong connection, but now davening more and saying more tehillim
- always strong, now more intense

- Always wanted to make aliyah . Now even more.
- Am Yisrael Chai
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- As an Orthodox Jew my heart breaks for the way Hamas has been torturing the Israelis.
- Atrocities
- Became even stronger and prouder
- Because of the existential threat that Hamas, Hezbollah, and other Iranian proxies pose to Israel's very existence.
- because the plight of Israel represents our whole Jewish community
- become more aware of news and calling and touching base with friends and family
- Been watching Israeli new casts daily to check for family and friends
- Before: I thought of Israel, and my friends and family and others who live there, every day. I participated in informal Israel advocacy on social media, and donated monthly to Honest Reporting. Now: Everything as before. In addition, Israel is the first thing on my mind when waking up; I check related social media accounts and war news right away; I donate regularly to OneFamily Together: I watch one or two survivor, released hostage, or hero

interviews daily; I stop the video and look up all the new Hebrew words as they come up, and my comprehension of Hebrew has improved.

- Beyond sentimentality and spirituality, I have become more active on behalf of the right of the State of Israel to protect itself and its citizens.
- By volunteering in the war and risking my life to protect and defend the future of our homeland
- Care more about people there and helping fight for a one state solution.
- Checking news every day. Reading each name and looking at each picture.
- Concern for family and friends living there
- Concern for hostages, safety of IDF and greater Jewish community in Israel and worldwide
- Concern for welfare of family and friends living there!
- Concerned for hostages and are praying for them day and night. Praying for IDF and the Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.
- Connection to peoole
- Considering Aliya
- Constantly watching news. Donating money. Demonstrating.
- Contributing funds and being pro-active in discussions
- Deepening attachment
- Definitely feel much more connected. anti-Israel rhetoric that targets me in an antisemitic manner has become much more prevalent in my daily life reinforcing that identity
- Emotionally
- Empathy toward Israelis who were attacked, raped, killed, and kidnapped, along with their families.
- Engaged in WhatsApp groups. Assisting with delivering of items for soldiers. Writing lots of checks
- Even more concerned and just feel an even deeper pull there
- Family there is suffering and many in my local community and friends are in the IDF. Hamas is Natzis and the world is not caring or recognizing the atrocities. Therefore we only have Hashem and each other to rely on.
- Feel more connected to what's going on
- Feel more of a pull and a responsibility to help, support, daven, understand, etc. what is going on in Israel and stand with them firmly.
- Feel more protective

- feel more united to Israelis and my family and friends who live there.
- Feel the need to advocate for Israel here in the US more strongly. Also visit and volunteer in Israel more often.
- Feeling the pain, empathy
- Follow news more closely. Sadness over major loss of innocent young lives.
- Follow the news more. More concerned about what is happening there
- Following Israel more closely in the news and donating more money.
- Following news from Israel much more often.
   Following (with disgust) the news reports from the whole world, of open displays of hatred towards Israel and Israelis, especially from groups like LGBTQIA, who have zero reason to hate the only country in the Middle East that is tolerant of alternate lifestyles.
- Fragility of any "peace." Daughter and family live there
- friends live there
- Giving more charity Reading more More advocacy
- Greater dedication in the form of prayer and charitable contributions
- Growing overt world-wide anti-Semitism requires greater Jewish unity in general, and support for Israel in particular.
- Have children in Israel. Have always had very strong feelings and belief that we Jews should live there.
- Have family in the IDF. Sending more emails supporting Israel and trying to educate those who don't acknowledge that Hamas is a terrorist organization, even towards the Palesinians.
- Having family serving in Gaza I feel like I am there with the IDF soldiers.
- Hear about it more, follow the news.
- I am a strong supporter of Israel
- I am currently now in Israel for a volunteer program where my husband and I worked for 5 days in Sde Boker area. We also came because our American granddaughter made aliyah on Oct. 10 and our grandson is in a yeshiva for his gap year. We have always been VERY connected to Israel but now are even more so since Oct. 7 (and my husband was here in Israel on Oct. 7)
- I am emotionally invested in the war. I have friends and family in the IDF

- I am even more supportive and concerned for Israel.
- I am grieving for what is happening in Israel and in Gaza. As an American Jewish person, I am frequently trying to explain "our" perspective --which is Jewish but also Israeli. And the hatred of Hamas drives home that it could have been our family.
- I am in a position to "explain " the importance and value of Israel and in deal explain/educate on just what happened
- I am in Israel right now
- I am more concerned about politics in the Middle East. Worried about friends there. Concerned about the fact that my husband and brother in law are buried there and I will be as well
- I am more concerned than ever with what is happening in Israel.
- I am more regularly consuming news about Israel.
- I am more worried about my family and all Jews living in Israel.
- I am more-closely monitoring events in Israel and staying more in touch with those living there.
- I am not a fan of the Netanyahu government, but the attack was unwarranted and has demonstrated the extreme hatred of Jews that exists both in the Middle East and in Europe and North America.
- I am obsessed with the news, the war, the experience of every day Israelis. My son is studying on a gap year so I am paying attention to the risk levels in different parts of the country.
- I am praying more for the country and people. I am certain that the only true safe place for Jews as a people is in Israel where we can defend ourselves.
- I am reading and watching news or newsletters, podcasts etc about Israel every day, I am going to marches, I am just more involved.
- I am reading Israel news reports multiple times a day, and on a few whatsapp group about helping Israel now, sending letters of support, or letters asking others to take action pro Israel.
- I am reading the news constantly, in touch with friends there, donating to Israeli causes, planning a trip.

- I am strongly considering Aliyah and I recognize that Israel is the only place for a Jew to be today
- I believe Israel deserve to win the war and if the war is to end now it should be in favour of Israel
- I can't stop thinking about Israel and reading the news from Israel.
- I care deeply about what is happening with our people and homeland. I have traveled to Israel and in addition to visiting my daughter, spent some time volunteering.
- I care more about what is going on there, due to current events. (I use the term "care" without regard to whether my feelings are positive or negative toward any events and/or policies.)
- I check in with my family who lives there more. I reminisce about my times visiting / living in Israel. Any thoughts about making aliyah have gotten stronger. I am more focused on the Israel-related prayers.
- I check the Israeli websites and watch English language Israeli news channels
- I didn't really think too much about it before.
- I empathize with the families of the hostages and with the families of the chayalim.
- I empathize with the families who are victims of terror and the heartache of parents sending their children to fight as well as with the bravery of the soldiers
- I feel a responsibility to defend Israel in the west.
- I feel acutely we are all family and we are all responsible for each other.
- I feel as if Israel is an extension of my own Jewish self and its pain is my pain. Its future is my future and the future of my children.
- I feel as though I've been personally attacked. My kids live in Israel. I'm obsessed with standing up for Israel. I watch every event closely, every day and my heart breaks for my brothers and sisters.
- I feel closer, because of the loss of Jewish lives..
- I feel deeply responsible for Israel's future and that I have a role to play by countering antisemitism and spreading truthful reports to friends and acquaintances.
- I feel every thing that is happening in Israel is like it's happening to all Jews all over the world and I follow the news out of Israel so much. I am doing extra davening, Tehillim, tzedaka and rallies and other mitzvot in the merit of Israel.

- I feel for my extended family over there and I wish the war should come to an end as soon as possible
- I feel for those who have been displaced, and families who lost loved ones in the south during the attach by Hamas. I have been to israel 4 time since Oct 7th to assist those in need, visit the injured, visit the familes that are morning loved ones. Isrtael right to exist no lonfger should be taken for granted
- I feel like I have a stronger need to make Aliyah and plan towards that
- I feel like we are all 1big family more than I did previously.
- I feel like we need to be there more for them, in a supportive and outreach way
- I feel more attached to every Israeli, and more emotionally vulnerable to any news about Israel
- I feel more connected to the land and the people
- I feel more connected to the people as if we are one family.
- I feel more invested in what happens to Israel, geopolitically. And I feel more than ever the inevitability that we will end up living in Israel.
- I feel more motivated to support Israel, but Israeli products, and promote hasbara.
- I feel more obligated to protect Israel for the safety and future of the Jewish people
- I feel more of a need to make aliyah soon and be with my people.
- I feel more of a responsibility for Israeli Jews and am accelerating my Aliyah plans.
- I feel more of an urge to vocalize my connection to Israel on college campuses.
- I feel more strongly that more Jews should live in Israel and help make Israel strong on all fronts
- I feel much more connected to the people of Am Yisrael who live in Israel and who's lives have been changed since the war started.
- I feel now it is essential that I be personally involved through speaking out for Israel and being more dedicated than ever to being Jewish in my life.
- I feel so much sadness for what is happening and those that were killed and still hostages. I also have Israeli relatives that have been impacted.
- I feel such empathy for Israel and such outrage for the atrocities that continue to be committed against its people.

- I feel that Israel is the land of the Jewish people and despite the adversity we are facing it's clear from this that it is all from Hashem which we see clearly written out in the Torah and Neviim.
- I feel that there is no future for my grandchildren as Orthodox Jews in America and I want to purchase something in Israel so they can escape to Israel if needed in the future
- I feel that with antisemitism at an all time high all Jews must band together as a united front. We are hated by the majority of the world and if we as a nation aren't united than we have no chance of national survival.
- I feel the need to find any ways which I can help
- I feel the need to speak out to defend Israel more - it's not that my feeling of connection has strengthened as much as I have become more vocal.
- I feel the pogrom was a terrible crime and I want political change in Israel to get rid of the criminal Netanyahu government.
- I feel tremendous heartache every day for each soldier lost, for every person who suffered the atrocities on Oct 7, and for the hostages still captive. It doesn't end. The delegitimization of Israel in the US is incredibly difficult.
- I felt such anger about what happened on Oct 7th. and what's currently happening in Israel makes my blood boil. I feel more protective and more love for Israel. But I also trust Hashem and no man or government will ever defeat Israel because the G-d of Abraham, Isaac and Yaakov is still the protector of aretz Yisroel and am Yisroel.
- I felt very connected with Israel before 10/7. However, my heart and mind are always with Israel and its people now. I'm constantly looking at the news and looking for opportunities to help. Especially with rising anti-semitism in the US, I more identify with fellow Jews in Israel than people in the US.
- I find myself paying attention to it on the news much more, and going out of my way to look up current events.
- I follow events there more closely. I say extra tehillim
- I follow news more closely, check in with my Israeli friends and family more
- I follow the news and think about it constantly.
- I follow the news daily on multiple sites & listen to podcasts often
- I follow what's going on throughout the day

- I give more charity because that's the only way I can help.
- I have a granddaughter serving in the IDF and she is a lone soldier
- I have a Grandson in the Army and Grandchildern and Greatgrandchildern that live in the State of Israel
- I have a grandson in the Army and several grandchildren learning in Israel and 1 about to make Aliya.
- I have a greater sense of solidarity with Israelis, I'm more comfortable thinking about myself as a Zlonist
- I have a lot of family who live in Israel but I feel close to All Israelis as they live through this horrific nightmare.
- I have always been very connected to Israel but now I watch the news non-stop, have donated more to charities associated with the ongoing efforts, and daven (pray) more.
- I have always been Zionistic but seeing the antisemitism around the world has made me realize that supporting Israel is more vital than ever. I used to think poorly about "single issue voters" in the US who would vote for the candidate that supported their views on Israel. Now, that's how I intend to vote.
- I have always felt connected to Israel. Now, I feel even more connected to its people.
- I have always supported Israel but now I am doing all I can to help in the war effort especially financially and spiritually by donations and prayers
- I have children & grandchildren there potentially in harms way.
- I have dedicated more time to doing avodah for the merit of Israel. I spend more time reading news about Israel. More of my thoughts are focused on Israel
- I have donated for the needs of the soldiers.
- I have family and friends in harms way
- I have family there.
- I have relatives in tanks somewhere in Gaza. How can I not feel strongly connected?
- I have two children in a gap year program and have visited twice
- I it increased my desire to make aliyah much stronger. Made me realize how uncomfortable I am living in chutz laaretz.
- I just think about Israel more often, and with more emotion.

- I keep closer contact (more often) with family and friends there; read more and more articles in various and varied media
- I keep up with the news and feel more personally connected to the people there
- I listen to the news more, feel worried. Also feel sense of Am Yisrael
- I live in Israel and I am more convinced than ever that this is home.
- I long to be there!
- I lost cousins who lived in Kibbutz Be'eri. I worry more about friends and family there.
- I love Israel
- I need to show more support to balance those against it
- I never gave much thought to the vulnerability of Israelis living in the southern towns. Now I empathize with them so strongly.
- I now have 7 family members serving in IDF so it's much more personal.
- I pray everyday gor israel. Send money Pack packages Run findraisers
- I read news articles, dream about Israel, my emotional state is more connected to whats going on there
- I read the news every day often for several hours. I frequently contact my relatives and family In israel. I have donated large sums of money to Israel.
- I realize that we are all responsible for each other's wellbeing, whether here or there. My body may be here bug my heart and soul are in Israel!
- I realize this is the Jewish homeland and must be be protected to provide a safe home for all Jews
- I recognize that a strong Israeli state is the only reason we as Jews feel safe everywhere else
- I see how much anti-semitism there is. It frightens me and I know my own future is tied to Israel.
- I see it's time for all of us to decide if we want a Jewish state. I decided yes.
- I talk about Israel much more in my daily life
- I tend to overlook its illiberal leanings.
- I think about Israel and my connection to it every single day whereas it was less frequent before
- I think about Israel constantly before it was always in my mind but not at the forefront. This is driven in part by the fact that my daughter made aliyah in August, and her

boyfriend is currently serving in Gaza (as were two of my nephews before their units were withdrawn)

- I think about israel daily, many times a day
- I think about Israel every day
- I think about Israel every day and am constantly concerned about its well being. I feel now more than ever that Israel is our homeland and must be protected by any means necessary.
- I think about Israel every single day
- I think about Israel more often
- I think about Israel more than ever, I'm more concerned for her future and for my friends and family there. I feel more of an obligation to defend her.
- I think about Israel much more often & say Tehillim.
- I think about Israel on a daily basis.
- I think about Israelis themselves more often, and what they're going through.
- I think about it a lot. I think about my family members there. I want to support their economy
- I think about it all the time. Watch news, check reports (daily if not more often)
- I think about it constantly
- I think about it non stop and appreciate so much more how much we need the state. I feel guilty that I am not sacrificing on behalf of Israel in the same way that Israeli families are
- I think about the situation and worry about it every day.
- I think about what is happening there daily and my concerns for the future have deepened in many ways.
- I think of the hostages frequently
- I think what October 7 reminded me is that, for all my abhorrence of Netanyahu and this government and the direction they are leading Israel in, I have a connection to Israel that transcends all that. It's a kishkes thing.
- I track news daily. I traveled to Israel and volunteered. I donated money.
- I understand why people want to join IDF and fight for Israel
- I visited Israel recently, after about 6 years
- I want to make Aliyah
- I watch the news in Israel daily. I visited Israel and volunteered. I donated money.
- I went on a solidarity mission I've raised thousands of dollars I've gone to many rallies I daven for Israel every day

- I went to volunteer in December
- I worry about Israel much more and mourn the many losses of 10/7 and of the war.
- I worry about the hostages and those forced out of areas in the north and south. I am concerned about Jewish longevity in general.
- I worry about the IDF, hostages, and pray for the State constantly
- I yearn to be there in a way I never did before.
- I'm actively following the news daily via times of Israel. I've reached out to family and friends.
   I've tried to volunteer to help the economy.
- I'm following the news more closely and I just feel more invested in defending it
- I'm glad Israel is finally standing up To the world and said enough is enough.
- I'm having an emotional struggle to survive my days because of the trauma that happened, just like every Israeli.
- I'm more outspoken about my support of Israel
- I'm much more engaged with the news surrounding 10/7 in Israel and the global repercussions, including the explosion in antisemitism
- I'm proud that a horrible event brought all of us (Jewish) together, around the world!
- I'm really aware on a day to day basis of how lucky we are to have the state of Israel + the sacrifices generations of people have made to protect our Jewish homeland. I'm also in more contact with friends+ family living in Israel
- I've always felt very connected. Mission last week affirmed that connection. ליבי במזרח.
- I've always had a connection to Israel. But more so now as my brothers and sisters need our help the most. I have a lot of family living in Israel as well.
- I've attended rallies in supportive Israel, I've lobbied members of government, and I've checked in with friends living in Israel on how they are doing.
- I've been a bit more defensive about it, and a little more focused and active in discourse
- I've been davening and crying a lot about the situation I was scared about my family's safety and everyone there. After about 2 weeks of crying so much (I couldn't celebrate my birthday because how could anyone if this is what happened on their birthday=shmini atzeret), I couldn't focus or eat anything for 2 weeks. Then one day, I had some dream (can't remember what it was exactly) but I woke up

with this feeling of comfort. Hashem gave me the feeling of Comfort. As if to say, "don't worry, everyone and everything will be ok, your prayers are answered. The war will happen and things needs to take place but everything will be ok". I've been saying tehillim when I can and say igeret haramban each day-with hashems help. I connected with a few soldiers and try to dmpower them as much as possible-whenever I have the opportunity to do so.

- I've been willing to overlook, temporarily, the Trumpism corruption of the Netanyahu government
- I've never felt a stronger need for a Jewish state for the Jewish people in my life. And I've highly considered moving to Israel in the last few months post 10/7
- I've realized the importance of having this country. I've also realized how evil people can really be. Hamas aren't just motivated by wanting land.
- Identification with the Israeli people in time of great anxiety and distress.
- If i could be there, I would go and volunteer. If I could make aliyah at this time, i would. I also have a son in Miluim and another son awaiting draft date.
- Importance of Jewish homeland with deep historical ties to defend Jewish lives and enable a more complete observance of the mitzvot. Realizing Jews and Israelis as "my tribe" because there is no one else really looking out for us.
- In the immediate aftermath of October 7th, I felt deep emotional connection to the pain of my family, friends, Jews, and all people in Israel because of the horror inflicted by Hamas, including family whose kibbutz was attacked (they are ok). I have been glued to the news and feel, as an American Jew, I have a lot at stake with what happens, and also in the spotlight. In the months since, I have also felt increasing unease about the massive civilian casualties inflicted by Israel and in stronger disagreement with their actions towards Palestinians and Gaza, which is definitely a minority opinion in our community. Nonetheless, despite this criticism, I feel an intense connection to Israel and deep care about what Israel and Israelis do.
- Increased advocacy and financial support
- Increased unity between fellow Jews in Israel

- Intensely following the news throughout the media.
- Israel is always on my mind. I have started making a point to purchase items from Israeli designers and stores if possible.
- Israel is embattled and threatened on all sides by forces that want the country erased. How can one NOT become more strongly connected - emotionally - to Israel? In many respects, this feels like the end of days.
- Israel is in an existential war, more than during the second intifada when I lived there and was 2 blocks away from the first bomb. Israel is also villified more than ever before.
- Israel is on my mind throughout every single day! I pray for them to be safe and free.
- Israel is under attack from Hamas, hostages are being held, and antisemitism is on the.rise
- It aroused my sense of Jewish connection to the land, just as the 6-day war did.
- It clarified the importance of Israel and the ways in which anti-Israel is anti semitic. It also strengthened my experience of myself as a Jew.
- It has intensified. I read everything I can about Israel and it is at ten forefront of my mind constantly.
- It has shown that Israel is the only safe place for Jewish people in this world
- It is date in our communities such as 9/11, Summer Olympics in 1972, starting of the holocaust.
- It is on my mind 24/7, and I'm in closer touch w my Israeli family
- It is on my mind even more, and I feel more strongly than I already did that the Jewish people really needs Israel to survive. It is our homeland and we have always wanted to return there.
- It reinforced for me that all Jews are family, and That Israel is the only place where we won't experience constantly recurring social antisemitism
- It seems to be the only refuge site on the entire planet where a jew can live with the increased world wide spike in anti semitism .
- It was an amazing thing to see the Jewish people come together after the October 7th attacks. I wish it didn't take a tragedy for it to happen.
- It's actually always been quite strong, but I feel like I just want to be there and be part of and

helpful to the healing process. Israelis should not have to go through this alone

- It's becoming Jews against the world with little regard for facts, history
- It's deep in my heart each day.
- It's hard to describe -- but I think about Israel more often
- It's not so much that my feeling has become stronger as that it has become more allconsuming - I think about little else.
- It's on my mind more than usual. I have tried to educate other Jews about the importance of connection to israel
- It's on my mind more. Spending more time on Israeli news sites. Trying to contribute to Israeli causes and charities more.
- Its on my mind every day. Before it was a thought every so often, wish we can go back sooner. Now its my purpose to return
- Just that.
- Keep donating money to different causes involving Israel, the IDF, Magen David adom, zaka, Hatzaloh. I'm going in may to volunteer in Israel. I have family in Israel.
- Living in Israel with a permanent home for a majority of the year
- Local, national, professional organizations, media, university and their involvement in tolerating to promoting antisemitism. The sense of Am Yisrael being (mostly) one indivisible interconnected organism. How Israelis from across political and religious spectrum have helped and supported each other and have shown the world how to fight ethically with morals and values.
- love for all Jews
- Love israel and pray for it and it's people
- Made an effort to visit and volunteer
- Monitor news all day every day via Walla notifications.
- More attention to Israeli coverage in media and the public sphere. More prayers for Israel. More activism for Israel. More checking in and discussion about news from Israel from anglo Israeli news. More checking in with Israeli relatives.
- More attention to news in Israel, prayer focused on Israel, speaking to Israeli family and friends more frequently...
- More concerned about how the people are being hurt by the corrupt Netanyahu

government. Ben Gvir and Smotrich must be expelled

- More concerned. Pay even more attention. More vocal about support.
- More contact with friends and family in Israel, following the news more closely, becoming more vocal in my support, writing to my legislators
- More davening, more sense of urgency
- More davening, tefillah and Israel charity and speaker events
- more emotional
- More emotionally connected.
- More in touch with the pain of our brothers & sisters Need to provide more support. More davening.
- More of a one family feeling
- More reading news, phone alerts, including in davening
- More tefilos for Israel. Their plight is more on my mind on a daily basis.
- More to the people I know there- I check in more. I post more than usual about the hostages.
- More top of mind, more aware of the need for a safe space to flee if needed
- more vocal
- More worried and concerned.
- Much more attentive to what is going on in Israel in every aspect of life there -- worried about family and friends.
- My attention is more focused on the daily updates in Israel. I feel less whole since Israel is in the midst of a different war than I have known in my lifetime.
- My brain is constantly focused on Israel and what is happening there, politically, militarily, socially and emotionally.
- My connection to Israel and Israelis is stronger than ever before
- My connection to Israel has always been strong. I would say my connection to her people has become stronger and overall my connection has deepened. Reawakening of my desire to make aliyah
- My daughter is currently there for the year. I feel like when Israel was attacked that I feel attacked as well. The security of Israel is critical. It made me realize the importance of making Aliya and the crucial Israel/ America connection. I also took note of all of the Israel/ American soldiers who were inspired to make Aliya due to

the amazing work of our Day schools and camps.

- My feeling was very strong before. Now, however, I am following the details of the news much more closely (reading/watching more news from Israel).
- my feelings become deeper
- My heart bleeds for the families of the hostages and those who were murdered by hamas. I'm worried about my best friend who lives in Israel and her children. I'm still looking for my voice. My mom was a hostage in 1970. It's so complicated. But Bibi scares me.
- my heart breaks for all the families who have lost loved ones, and for the families of hostages...my son who graduated from YULA served in the IDF for 20 years so I have very strong feelings for our country
- My prayers have focused more on Israel due to the situation there, and I've been feeling more viscerally that I am family with Jews living in Israel
- My support of Israel and their right to exist as well as their right to defend themselves. Also seeing a lot of ignorance around the role of Hamas and the "oppression" of Palestinians. This has become synonymous with anyone's desire for freedom.
- My underlying level of feeling has stayed the same. I was and am a proudly staunchly Zionist jew. I feel more connected to my friends and the entire nation living there, in the challenges and the people close to me who had been killed. strengthend my bond with them
- Need for them to destroy Hamas
- Need to be more vocal in my support of Israel
- News of events has more emotional resonance
- Not only am I more Zionist, but I have become more of a political advocate for Israel and also have shown more vocal support for local elected officials that are pro-Israel.
- Ordered an Israel shaped pendant from 'Rockets to Roses", wear my Chai more prominently displayed
- Pain at massacre Families of killed, hostages and soldiers Sovereign Jewish nation
- Paying more attention to events there, feeling distressed about the situation, hearing about affected individuals
- Prayer, donation of money, social media, demonstrations in suport, letters to editor

- Prayers are more intense, checking news very often, flying there for first time in 18 years
- Praying for soldiers and the country everyday.
- Read more news, communicate more often with friends in Israel
- Reading the news more; praying more for Israel; emotionally devastated
- Realize our time is limited in the USA
- Realize the importance of a Jewish state even more
- Realizing more that Israel is connected every Jew and hatred against Israel is hatred against Jews everywhere
- Renewed appreciation for why Israel exists.
- Seeing & experiencing the great show of Faith, achdut & amazing cooperation & genuine love/welcome while in Israel is all encompassing, encouraging, & strengthening
- Seeing everyone come together in this war has made me feel more connected
- Seeing hatred of Israel translate toward hatred of all Jewish people.
- Seeing the beleaugered anti-war leftists, the hostages families, committed coexistence and co-resistance folks, and anti-occupation activists has made it more important to me to boost their voices and their messages
- Sending money, davening, planning to visit
- Sense of longing, importance of identity, necessity to support and defend
- Somehow with all the terrible things happening, I felt like I should be there rather than here. The rise in antisemitism also makes me think about being better off in Israel. In the time immediately following Oct 7, I felt people don't understand how I'm feeling. In Israel everyone understands.
- Someone asked me if I have any family in Israel. I replied, "They are all my family."
- Son a surgeon is in IDF as volunteer and is stationed in Gaza
- Spend a lot of time worrying and thinking about my friends and family in Israel, and strangers
- Started saying tehillim-when able for them and Igeret haramban daily for them-with Hashem's help
- Supporting IDF and donating to Zaka. I'm constantly on social media defending Israel
- Talking to friends and rabbis I know there; attending November rally on the Mall. listening to podcasts about the situation.

- The deaths of soldiers and civilians especially those where I have a connection pains me. I feel that this is a critical moment in Israeli history when fundamental questions have to be decided.
- The amount of hate and vitriol I see towards Israel by ignorant idiots has made me love Israel that much more.
- The antisemitism in America is wide spread that ur gas convinced ne that Israel is more important then ever
- The attack has made me imagine what the world would be like with our Israel. I don't want to live in that kind of world.
- The feeling of being part of the Jewish people as they face not only existential threats, but unjust worldwide anti-semitism, has made my connection to Israel stronger.
- The importance of a Jewish state has become even more glaring. The Jewish people must have a Jewish state.
- The killing & raping on Oct 7 was tragic to the point that it's become Israel & all Jews' 2nd Holocaust. The hostages, who are still in captive, are suffering & the world just blames Israel for the quality of life in Gaza. Oct 7 changed the way the world treats & respects Jews similar to the way it was in Eastern Europe just before the Holocaust began.
- The need that Jews have for Israel is as clear as t has ever been As a child of survivors, I heard many stories about anti semitism in Europe. We must have a strong Israel.
- the need to support Israel feels urgent.
- The occupation has become unignorable
- The people and the land are always on my mind.
- the reactions to 10/7 by many made it clear we really are alone in this world.
- The week after October 7th, it was all I could think about. Over time, the feeling has simmered. But overall, a greater appreciation for the role Israel plays and must continue to play in protecting the lives of Jews across the world. Ironically, in Israel's failure to protect Jews on October 7th, the need for Israel became so much more apparent. That is something that I feel strongly even as someone currently living in America.
- The western world depends entirely upon Israel victory against fascist Hamas and Iran. If we fail, there will be a world war.

- The whole Jewish world is now more unified than ever. It feels that we are under a united goal to defend the Jewish state.
- The world demonstrated its anti Semitism. It showed us we belong in Israel where we are the majority, not the minority.
- Things are bad for Israel and Jews around the world. We are all connected even moreso now. Also feel guilty not being there to do my part.
- Think about Israel and my Israeli "family" on a daily basis. Very upset for the horrors they endured and that they are living through another war.
- thinking about Israel a lot kroe, donating and volunteering
- Thinking about Israel more often now.
- thinking about the war all the time. listening to i24 every day
- Thinking more about the soldiers and pple living in israel
- To the point of trouble sleeping with thoughts of the hostages. We are not considering aliyah yet, but leaning more toward it.
- To volunteer in Israel more To spend more time in Israel To love and help IsrEl and Israelis more and more.
- Verbal attacks and protests from the left were shocking after the massacre by Hamas. Strongly support the war efforts to bring the hostages home.
- Want to travel to Israel more frequently. Sending additional donations to organizations in Israel
- Watching news listening to podcasts reading reaching out to family noticing people's absence to acknowledge hostages
- Watching news more.
- We are all one people.
- We as a population should focus on the concerns of Israel.
- We as our population should remain focus of the time.
- We donate more to Israel than to other causes. We remain interested in what is going on.
- We have been thinking more about the climate in America towards Jews and how Israel is truly the only place where we have people looking out for us. We've looked back into Aliyah, basically only listen to israeli music, speak more hebrew, etc
- We Jews all feel so alone.

- We need to support Israel even more then before and unit
- We worry about family members who are in the IDF along with all of the other soldiers. We are contributing financially to the best of our ability to various charities.
- Wearing Jewish star jewelry and clothing. Spreading information about the attacks.
- What happens there is also part of our story.
- With the rise in antisemitism Israel is most important for Jewish survival
- With the rise of anti semitism in USA, Israel becomes a more viable place to live in
- Worried about relatives and friends.
- Worrying about my friends who live there and their families.

## Haredi

- A grandchild, 4 nephews and about 15 cousins are serving in the military at or inside enemy t.
- Although Israel has a sophisticated army, I see that the enemy can still do a lot of harm. They did the most cruel harm in one day!
- Always checking news
- Always loved Israel and had a connection to the land. Had lots of friends and family there. The connection feels stronger since 7/10 in terms of the pain I feel for the pain of the Jewish people, and the desire to support Israelis and chayalim as they defend the homeland.
- Am Israel Eretz Yisroel Chai
- As antisemitism is rising here in the US, I think it might be better to live in Israel
- As soon as I wake up, I ask Hashem to get the hostages released and protect the chayalim and, (of course) all Jews.
- attending all rallies, etc.
- Because after seeing what they have to deal with
- Because at this time, it's very clear who are the enemies, and we must stand together to defend against them.
- because I feel sorry for what is going on there now
- Because we are on the prescipice of the coming of Moshiach and all Khal Yisroel will be there speedily in our days -Moshiach Now !
- Before Oct. 7th, I wasn't following Israeli politics because it was too contentious. Now I am more connected to my Israeli family and also to the politics.

- Before October 7 the only time I thought of Israel is during davening and study. Now I think about Israel many times each day and while I can't do it I'd very much like to make Aliyah.
- Before, Israel would have played a small role in my opinion of politicians
- by following daily news and donating large sums to help the IDF
- By praying to Hashem and hoping for the best and the speedy coming of meshiach.
- Care and concern for the wellbeing of all Jews but especially those in Israel, the soldiers and the hostages
- Care deeply
- Care more about people, israel, and Jews
- Care more for those suffering there
- Care much more about the people living there and the soldiers and praying more for them
- Checking news more
- concern and prayer for the hostages and chayalim to return home
- Concerned
- Concerned about the safety and future of Israel. It's very survival. So many enemies.
- Concerned more about Israel now
- Connected to all soldiers and their families and evert Jew
- Connected to the residents and their experiences
- Connection to the land and people
- Considering moving now
- Constant reading news, connecting with people living there, charity toward Israeli causes
- constantly on my mind, praying for them, reading the news...
- constantly on my mind. more charity and tehillim
- Constantly thinking about our people and their well-being. Constantly checking news updates. Davening for them. We've now "gotten back to life", but they are always in the back of our mind.
- Constantly thinking about the Jewish nation
- Currently keeping more in touch with day to day news.
- Davening and doing extra things for zechus
- Davening for our soldiers and safety for all of klal Yisrael
- Emotional/spiritual connection has always been strong, but it has been more of a constant on my mind since then.

- Feel more compassion for families living in EY with or without chaylim
- Feel more pro-Israel.
- Feel stronger about issues concerning EY.
- Feel strongly for all
- Feeling of longing
- Feeling the pain
- Feeling the pain of the victims, the hsotages, the soldiiers at war.
- Feeling the pain of my brothers
- Feeling the urgency and need for all Jews to unite in order to face the evil that wants to destroy us as a people, the land and everything associated with it
- Feelings for my people in a war zone state
- Felt a pull to fly down there which we did and felt prouder to be a jew!
- financial support, prayers, checking israel news more often.
- Flying an Israeli flag in front of our home; daily Tehillim for soldiers and hostages; frequent checking of news updates
- Follow news of Israel and he war daily
- Follow what is happening in Israel and concerned for the safety of Israel and Jews internationally, and more likely to want to move to Israel.
- Followoñgnews
- Going to visit Israel next week Feeling very sorry and saying tehillim much more since October 7 that everyone should stay well the hostages released and we should have peace and nit have any more casualties
- Hard to explain. The more people resist Israel defending itself the stronger I feel that Israel needs to exist
- I all concerned any all the soldiers in the s as iDF and have signed up to volunteer for Israel.
- I am a ger, and a pivotal factor leading me to convert was the '67 war and the deep emotional support I felt for Israel at the time. However, it was a longing to be closer to the Creator of the World and the God of Avraham that caused me to convert and deeply appreciate the support of Chabad members as I sought to grow and learn. Although I had felt a strong attachment to Israel before this war, I now feel a much stronger bond with all Israelis on a personal level, as if the chayalim and captives are my birth cousins and family.
- I am always really connected, but now I think about it all the time, and wish I were there

- I am constantly thinking of and davening for our brothers and sisters there.
- I am following news much more closely
- i am mispallel for all the jewes should not get injered
- I am more aware of our being alone in the world as Hashem has said. We can only depend on each other.
- I am more aware of the news and the situation that is going on there. I feel more like brothers/sisters with our people there, despite our diverse backgrounds.
- I am more concerned of my relatives living there
- I am more emotionally involved especially through tefilla
- I am much more passionate
- I am thinking about Israel constantly.
- I am very interested in the details of what is happening in Israel and I read the news avidly. I also pray daily (at least) for the people and state of Israel and the soldiers.
- I am worried about my fellow Jewish people that are hostages and the need for the army with hashem's help to free them and eliminate all terror groups.
- I believe we need to make sure we as jews have a land of our own as the hate is just getting stronger. I now see more than ever how important it is for us
- I care more and daven more for the safety of the people in Israel and that the enemies should give up and recognize Hashem.
- I check the news daily and take more interest in what happens there
- I daven for Israelis
- I daven throughout the day and my heart is with the people of Israel
- I donate more to Israeli charities, say more tehillim for them, follow the news more often, and generally think about Israel more (and worry about my Israeli friends and family more) Israel more, and by default feel more connected
- I feel a desire to help the Jews living there who are suffering.
- I feel for my people the hard time their going through the economy instability due to war
- I feel increasingly that we are all in this together and also that it is very likely that we will need to eventually move to Israel because of antisemitism

- I feel more connected to the people of Israel. With the intense antisemitism, I'd feel safer in Israel than in America.
- I feel more connected to the Tzahal and the non-religious population
- I feel more empathy for the loses they endure continually
- I feel more for the plight of my people in EY, and I also appreciate their pioneering lifestyle more.
- I feel more if a need to join the army.
- I feel so connected to all the Jews in the world. We are one.
- I feel so so much passion for the suffering of all Israeli citizens.
- I feel that I want to help the soldiers more. And I feel more of an urge to find the anti-Israel sentiment in America.
- i feel that our land came under attack
- I feel that this is becoming a very difficult time for Jews in USA.
- I feel the GALUT more stromgly
- I follow the news much more closely and daven much more for Israel. Think of it much more often.
- I have a lot of family in Israel, and the feeling that my family was in real danger was a shock to my system, I now feel a greater need to make sure they are safe or help them in some capacity despite living in the US
- I have always donated to charities that benefitted Israel. I have donated the usual amounts in 2023 plus accelerated my 2024 donations, so that they were made in November, 2023. I have also donated additional amounts for special projects for 4 of my usual charities.
- I have always felt a strong connection. Seeing our people going through a tragedy and struggle, with the ripe potential for growth and Achdus has been inspirational. The reaction of the world has also left me less confident in the kindness of even the most favorable countries.
- I have decided we really need to make aliyah ASAP. I have no interest in the US anymore.
- I have family in Israel and they are constantly on my mind. I pray for our hostages and the safety of our chalyim
- I have family in Israel living through this
- I have many relatives fighting in gaza
- I have many relatives in Israel that have been affected.

- I have more empathy for it and realize that it is more in the need of support than it had been before October 7th.
- I have more empathy for the people there, see their strength and goodness, and feel more united with them against the Jewish people's enemies.
- I know is Israel is the land, heart and neshama of Khal Yisroel. The dangers in Israel is all our danger wherever we live. But, we are stong and mighty people and we are Hashem's ambassadors to the lowest world of malkus. I have a son and eight grandchildren there as well as many friends and relatves. I beseach Hashem for their safety and those of the captives. Isreal is the only real Home for Yidden ! Am Israel Chai -Moshiach Now !
- I know people killed on 10/7
- I live with the heartache every day since October 7
- I love Israel <sup>22</sup>. Even though I live in the diaspora, my heart and soul is with all the people of Israel. When I heard of the horrific atrocities done against our nation it was a wake up call to become a better Jew and pray for all of Klal Yisroel
- I own a condo in Geulah/Yerushalayim and I was there when the war started and I long to go back soon, my wife is still a bit nervous..
- I pary for the soldiers and their families and the Hostages andtheir families and the displaces families etc. I give money and do whatever I can to help
- I pray for Israel very often now, although I have always loved Israel and felt connected, it was not always actively in my davening.
- I pray for those affected, for the widows and orphans, for those who have lost children and loved ones, for those killed, for the hostages. I pray for the success of the soldiers. Overall, my mind and heart are constantly on this war.
- I realize that Israel may be the safest place for Jews to live in this day and age.
- I realized that I care for Israel more than I had thought I did, and cared to understand what is going on in Israel ever since.
- I say Tehillim every day for the hostages and soldiers. I donated money.
- I say thillim in a few groups specifically for Israel. I think about what is going on there constantly. Watch the news that is pro Israel a lot more

- I see the need and value of a Jewish state more than ever with the rise in antisemitism in the US
- I support them as the good guys in the war, even though I oppose the idea of a Jewish State.
- I talk to my friends and family in Israel more often since the war started
- I think about Israel a lot more and about how badly I want to be there.
- I think about Israel all the time now, I'm so worried about everyone there and how they're managing now. Wish I could be there.
- I think about Israel and what's happening there a lot more.
- I think about Israel more and the people living there. Making Aliya is something I think about more, even though I don't currently have plans to make Aliya. I think about the Jewish right to the land of Israel and feel passionate about it.
- I think about it all the time and yearn to be there
- I think about it daily
- I think about the individual people whose lives have been overturned, whether through having to move and leave their homes behind, soldiers who've left their families and are risking their lives for others, and the family members left behind who are worried about their family members. Also, the injured, emotionally scarred, etc. I do not feel more connected politically. Rather on a human to human basis
- I think about the people of Israel everyday when I didn't before I worry about the soldiers constantly I pray for a successful and quick resolution to the fight and hope the soldiers will be returned to their family safely together with the hostages. I was never this strongly connected prior to October 7th
- I think about the situation of the hostages and the soldiers frequently.
- I think about the situation there constantly
- I think about the situation there constantly. Try & do what I can from a distance. Also just spent 2 weeks there. And have my family who live there-close and a lot of them- on my mind and pray for all of Israel's safety
- I think about them more, everyday. I worry about them more. I now think of Israeli's who may not be exactly like me, as my brothers and sisters, which I may not have felt in the past.
- I think and read about what's going on, daven for our hostages return, soldiers safety, end of

Hamas, Hezbollah and the coming of Mashiach!!

- I think more about family and friends who live there, pay more attention to what is going on in Israel, and want to spend more time there.
- I think of all the people living there more personally, previously I thought more about the specific people I know who live there
- I think the country is in danger so trying to do more to help
- i wake up every day and here the news and my heart goes out for our country & the innocent soldiers fighting and the hostages they have not released.
- I want to give more support and speak out for the truth.
- I will support it and defend it against all criticism and will not now argue against Israelis whose political opinions I do not share, whereas I might have done so before Oct. 7.
- I work for a Zionist organization. We are busier now than before thus I feel it more than before.
- I worry constantly about the hostages and the soldiers in Israel. I have much more pride in Eretz Yisrael.
- I'm a dual US/Israeli citizen and I served in the idf, though I've spent most of my life in the US. While I've felt alienated by the rightward shift in Israeli politics in the last decade or so, the Oct 7th attack has reconnected us with the Israeli left as we've felt alienated by the American Left, and made us redouble our commitment to retiring in Israel.
- I'm davening more and thinking about our brethren living there, fighting there, captive there.
- I'm more bothered and disturbed by news I hear out of Israel I pay attention to news of Israel much more.
- I'm more focused on the people and events almost daily We have family in Israel which includes Tekoah
- I'm more pro zionistic than before
- I'm praying nonstop for isreal
- I'm very proud of our nation and how we responded to the situation. I feel more than ever how we are one nation, whether we live in Israel or anywhere else
- I've been praying more
- I've started listening to Israeli music and feeling more interest in hearing about how Israel is doing

- In my prayers more often
- In ways that are in my heart and mind. Israel must survive with the complete destruction of all terrorists wherever they are.
- Israel is constantly on my mind. Keeping updated with the news and davening for their welfare.
- Israel is my homeland. Everything and a thing that happens to Israel is important to me.
- Israel's pain is my pain. I feel heartbroken and scared of the intense anti- semitism
- It feels more like part of my daily life
- It has create a stronger sense of achdus with jews in Israel.
- It is more more on my mind and in my prayers
- It is more on my mind
- It was always very strong, but it's on my mind more often. I also Daven for Eretz Yisroel more. Mention it during my shiurim etc.
- It's impossible not to feel a stronger connection to Israel when our enemies are trying to destroy us.
- It's my main issue. I watch israel news for hours. More Jewish pride
- just love to hear any succes from israel and upset of any loss
- Longing to be with my people
- Lots of worry and concern
- More active thought. More prayer
- More aware of my obligation to support the people and the soldiers regardless of their levels of observance - my feelings of achdus and brotherhood have been strengthened.
- More awareness to their political solution
- More concern for the state. More of a need to know what's going on in the war and around the state. Checking in on friends and teachers
- More daily thinking of my nephews who are in the IDF
- More in thoughts & prayers & more tzedaka.
- more in tune to the news
- More interest and care for the people living there.
- More interested in news on a relatively constant basis
- More involved thinking about the possibility of living there
- More of the appreciation that we are all Jews. A wake up call of Jewish identity for the secular Jews. A sense of hope that Israel will become a land of halachik Jews. A greater appreciation of

the religious dati ppl who sacrifice their lives in defense of the country. A sense that the charadi jews also appreciate the whole of klal yisrael more.

- More on my mind. Keeping me up at night. Constantly checking news.
- More pronounced, more clarity
- More proud to be Jew
- more tefilah
- More visceral, more emotional
- more worried than before
- More worried. Support more both politically and financially
- Must get closer to Hashem. Need to prepare for Mashiach who is already here.
- my children are there and I plan to move there
- My feeling has always been strong and continues to be so, however since the war Israel is on my mind constantly.
- My heart is there, thinking about it all of the time, supporting in any ways i can
- My heart is with my sisters and brothers
- My millions of brothers and sisters are being attacked there and in the rest of the world. Biyachad Ninatzeach!
- Not really stronger, just even more active and involved in kabbalot for Eretz Yisrael: even more Tehillim (such as completing the Sefer every Shabbos), saying my Tehillim at night when the army needs tefillot the most, giving Tzedaka to many important causes in EY, restricting certain enjoyable pursuits until the war is over (and won), dedicating my teaching to the Shmira of those fighting and living in Israel, etc.
- Now I see how there is a connection with Iran in trying to destroy the Jewish people much like Hamas and I also see how warped in thinking young people are on college campuses who support Hamas and the Palestinians
- Obviously, I include Israel/Jerusalem in my daily prayers always, but now they are on my mind almost continually all day, every day. My family, friends and I share news of Israel and the war and any hostage updates constantly. We want to be there to help the country right now
- On my mind
- On my mind more
- Our brothers are fighting and dying. Davening for them every day.

- Personal connection to soldiers, and consuming media covering personal stories of people making a difference there.
- Positively: my destiny as a person is to tie my life to Israel and not to my diaspora home country Negatively: constant existential dread
- Praying more for them
- praying and more charity
- Praying and sending money
- Praying for them and wishing them the best
- Reconnected to a level of connection I had before but had become less of a focus.
- Seeing everyone forget labels and just come together
- seeing so many people get killed is aad
- Seeing these families makes them more real
- Sent packages to soldiers. Involved in fund raising to help out survivors of 10-7
- Solidarity with my people
- Standing together with Israel at a time of need
- Stronger desire to go and visit. Not looking for a touristy trip but one where I can work and volunteer my services.
- Strongly want to make aliyah
- support their army
- The attack drove home that all Jews are in it together and are hated equally, wherever we are, and the targeting of Israel made me feel a stronger bond to it as a Jew based on the worldwide reactions...
- the constant thought of the plight of Israel and the lack of clear objectives after the war is over.
- The feeling of Moshiach being close
- the feeling of responsibility and achdus
- The global response has made me realize that we're pretty much in our own.
- The western world has demonized us and excused anti semitism. I now realize then only safe place is Israel with my brothers and sisters
- There are so many ארץ ישראל in ארץ ישראל right now and I have family in ארץ ישראל and worry for them, along with the rest of the the construction.
- Think about Israel a lot. Say Tehillim.
- Think about it, say tehillim, read the news more
- Think about the situation daily
- Think of it more
- Thinking about and praying for them on a constant (at least daily) basis.
- Thinking about her much more now
- Upset over the loss of life and hostage situation

- was there on simchas torah. made me realise how much I value eretz yisroel
- We are family! Our family is hurting! Chasdei Hashem....
- We are one nation . We cannot depend on other nations . Our faith in HaShem is our only salvation .
- We feel galus has to end
- We have always visited every 5 years or so and have family there but the importance of the connection and prayer for the army and the people is stronger
- We have to help in every way possible.
- We realize how tenuous our relationship in the US is. We are loyal ad dedicated Americans but fear that the future is not very secure for Jews.
- When I listen to the new song am yisrael chai, by eyal golan i honestly get emotional.
- with all the antisemitism and pro palstenian protest. I feel like our place in america is coming to an end
- With increased donations and keener interest in the news.
- Witnessing all the wrong that has been done there
- Worried for Israel daily.
- לראות את העוולות שנעשות על ידי אנטישמים בעולם
- עמו אנכי בצרה

# How has your feeling of connection to Israel become weaker?

#### Modern Orthodox

- Disgust at the crulty, vengefulness, violence and mendacity of Israelis and their gover and US supporters
- Hate Bibi
- I am horrified by the way Israel is conducting its military action in Gaza
- I do not like the antagonism to Palestinian citizens of Israel. Hamas and Fatah don't represent them any more than Satmar represents Israel.
- I don't like the war
- I feel alienated by the decisions of the government and army. I find the continuation of the war and the treatment of palestinian civilians immoral. The glorification of violence pushes me away. How are we a light to the nations this way?

- I feel dissociated from a country that is committing genocide in the name of Jewish/Israeli safety. It makes me have tremendous doubts about how I can consider myself as sharing a deep communal connection with that country, especially when the war has such broad support among Israel civil society.
- I feel even more of a disconnect between my values and the State's
- I feel they are making a grave mistake in the extent of their response to the atrocities of October 7, and they are not thinking clearly.
- I haven't had the courage to contact my friends who live there. I'm apprehensive about my upcoming visit, which might be delayed again.
- I love Israel as a place where a Jewish cultural connection lies, but I've become more and more disillusioned by how quickly blind zionist nationalism turns into genocidal rhetoric and spreads throughout jewish communities without anyone batting an eye and its deeply disturbing how many people don't care about palestinian lives at all and will bend over backwards to justify their murder.
- I love Israel so much, and I am very angry at the government and how they have failed the people. This war has made me feel like I do not share values with most Israelis.
- I see Israel as a strategic liability for the Jewish world. We as a Jewish community are asked to invest more and more to prop it up -- even though we understood its raison d'être as the safehaven of the Jewish people. In fact, it is the most dangerous place for Jews today. Why sacrifice more of our precious Jewish lives, and not to mention communal resources and energy? I feel less faith in the ability of the Israeli government to defend its people and in the ability of its military and political leadership to strategize about its future. Its military campaign is being conducted without any plan for the day after. Judaism and Torah are perfect and the ideals for which we must sacrifice; a nation state in the most dangerous corner of the globe is not. The State and political idea of Zionism has run its course. It is endangering, rather than protecting, Jewish life and Jewish tradition.
- I was very sure in the past that Israel was a force for good and could do no wrong. after the attacks I have looked more into it and the way

the Israeli government is acting is unacceptable and should not be supported by jews.

- I'm shocked and horrified at the war crimes being committed by Israel. It seems to clear to me that the grief and pain over what Hamas did have led Israel's leadership to lash out in an extreme and disproportionate way. Whatever goodwill Israel had coming its way in the aftermath of the Hamas attacks has been totally squandered. For the most part, Israel and the IDF haven't missed an opportunity to disappoint me in the months that have followed.
- Israel as a state has two main fundamental • failings: it did not succeed (so far) in giving many of it's citizens an adequate level of living, many are not within the status of tzedekhaving what they naturally-godly deserve, and find themselves in varying levels of poverty and discrimination. Second, the occupation, meaning the forceful control of millions of Palestinians, has brought with it every kind of corruption and inequity we have been commanded against. Theft, oppression. humiliation, killing, murder, dishonesty etc.. Many people are not just unable to admit these facts but actively push against them as though criticism (known as tshuvah) is a bad thing. I believe the if we wish to correct our ways we must see it as our duty be unabashedly critical and it is a tragedy that the orthodox world blindly supports in place of mindfully criticizing.
- Israel has a right to defend itself, but it's response has not been proportional. The number of civilian casualties is unacceptable. I do not feel as though the government or army is acting in a manner that Hashem approves of.
- Israel's destructive response coupled with its leaders genocidal language, on the one hand, and the insistence of our shuls to back this, on the other.
- It feels so impossible to reconcile my wish for a Jewish homeland with the violence being committed by the Israeli government, especially since October 7th.
- It's really a mixture of both. I felt extremely connected to israel right after October 7, but in the weeks after it's been difficult seeing the lack of nuance from those around me. I've had conversations where me saying "I think we should also recognize that there's a lot of pain happening in all areas of this war" I've been labeled as wrong and/or naive. One of my very

rational friends told me if he came to a blood drive thinking it was for Israelis and found out it was to donate blood to a Palestinian child that he wouldn't donate. I think overall I am more in line with pro Israel supporters over pro Palestinian supporters, but I try my best to be a pro humanity supporter and since I'm mostly exposed to those who are pro Israel at the expense of pro humanity, it's been pushing me to be less sympathetic towards the cause. I believe strongly that if I was more exposed to pro Palestinian supporters over pro humanity I'd be pushed more towards the Israel side. But mostly it's pushed me

- Lost confidence in the government, military and security organizations.
- Seeing how intense Zionism has caused such a deep lack of empathy and often even sympathy towards Palestinian civilians among the Jewish community has only deepened my dislike for the ideology, let alone the state that's, to put it as charitably as possible, not doing as much as it should to minimize casualties.
- seeing the horrid nationalism get worse and the atrocities israel has committed go unmentioned among others i know connected to israel
- Shmostrich
- The connection and trust of the Israeli institutes became even weaker than it was
- Weaker is the wrong word. It is different, but not better

#### <u>Haredi</u>

- Am fed up the Bagatz;the Inside state,& what they contrived the last month during the situation
- What I see is the promise of being a safe haven for the jewish people has been blown up in our faces. The experiment has been a disaster. Israel is not independent. They must follow The whims and dictates of those who support Israel and the world at large. They can exist but the entire nation must be under arms. A failure. Instead of them being a bastion for all of the worlds jews They actually need all of the world's jews to support them in order for them to exist.....
- While my feeling became stronger towards the my brothers living in eretz yisroel. I feel a sort of anger towards the head of state who have distorted jewish religion and has pulled my

brothers to war thinking that they are serving G-D

# How and why have you become more pro-Zionist?

#### Modern Orthodox

- According to history the land belongs to us. Therefore, we should not be chased into the water, the enemy must go down that path. I was there during the Yom Kippur war. Enough is enough eliminate them so that can't eliminate us.
- Almost said "no change." Was strong before, now I see Zionism as only answer for the world.
- Already stated ; due to the increased hatred of Jews world wide.
- Am Israel Chai, we are all in this together
- Antisemitism reinforces the appeal of political zionism
- Antisemitism. Where else whew go?
- As a Jew we need to feel connected to what is going on in Israel
- As mentioned- American Jewry needs Israel more than ever. As anti semitism is on the rise we need a home to fall back on
- As we get older we are more concern for our Mesorah.
- Because evil exists and Oct 7 proved that beyond any doubt.
- Because Hamas is trying to eliminate Israel and murder all Jews.
- Because I understand the importance of having a home for the Jewish people and the fact that we almost lost it was an awakening
- Because in my adult life almost all My friends are pro Zionist.
- Because of antisemitism in the school with people I thought were "friends". With the war, and being nervous about the safety of others
- Because of the war in Gaza
- Because the country is threatened and I see based on worldwide antisemitism that we need to support our homeland.
- Because this is a battle over the state of Israel
- because truth and basic moral values are under attack
- Before I used to two that a two state solution was an option. Now, I see it's not by any means,

the Palestinians don't want to exist along the Jewish people.

- Before, I was able to treat it as somewhat of an assumption; "of course I'm Zionist, I'm Jewish." But now, it's more ideological, and feel like it's a real ideology that I value; "Israel is important to me because..." I also feel like there is more at stake now.
- By reading more articles in the media.
- Calls, rallies, protests. Went to Israel (although probably would have been there anyway)
- Can't explain
- Cannot tolerate the lies and misinformation disseminated by so-call "enlightened" (ignorant) crowd.
- Concerned for the survival of State of Israel and Jewish community worldwide
- Donations to Zionist causes
- Empathy for Israelis who experienced loss or trauma.
- Everyday I become more and more Pro Zionist, building on the truth and Torah
- Feel like we need Israel now more than ever
- Feelings cannot be expressed using mental constructs, they reside but in the heart, not the mind
- Financial, moral, and spiritual support has increased because of rampant Anti-Semitism and anti-Zionism.
- Follow news more frequently. Psalms and prayers for welfare of Israeli citizens.
   Disappointment in Media, UN, Red Cross
- Hamas attack
- Hard to get more pro-Zionist than I already was but it reminded me that I have to be even more dedicated in my activities in support of Israel
- How can one not become more protective of our people when so many want to destroy us??
- Husband strongly defends Israel when we have friends, ordered Israel shaped pendant and wear it prominently with my chai
- I am even more committed to sustaining a Jewish state, but one that is open, pluralist, and treats its Arab citizens as equals.
- I am fighting with Arabs with words on social media to prove why the State of Israel belongs to the Jewish people and will always belong to the Jewish people.
- I am giving much more to Israeli and Israel advocacy organizations and am now buying Israel Bonds again because I feel like the State

of Israel is in need of Jewish support from the diaspora.

- I am more likely to go to rallies.
- I am more vocal in my feelings
- I am now a firm believer that the future of the Jewish people is in Israel and that the golden age of American Judaism is over.
- I believe in eretz Yisrael. .. but Netanyahu is a grievous peoblem
- I believe that future prospects for Jewish life outside of Israel have severely diminished. Israel is more essential than ever for our survival and continuity.
- I believe that Jews need Israel in order to not only survive but to thrive.
- I care
- I care about Israel more, I am worried about Israel more. I think we need Israel more. I am not sure what the political answers are -also worried about that
- I care more about Israeli news and society, because of a greater feeling of unity between me and them.
- I don't know if I'm more pro-zionist, more that I feel like the anti-zionist folks are less reasonable now and thus I am closer to the pro-zionist folks.
- I feel more closely connected to the need of having Israel for the Jewish people than ever.
- I feel more of a desire to live in israel
- I feel more unified with people who live in Israel and Jews of all types since 10/7/23.
- I feel that as a member of the Jewish people, we need Israel more than ever before. We can't take it for granted
- I feel that the existence of the only Jewish country is in danger, and we need to preserve it.
- I feel the importance of Israel as a unique country where Jewish holidays and shabbat are the celebrated norm and where Jewish people are given a safe haven and Jewish symbolism is proudly shown. The Bible comes alive. Israel needs more of us to make Aliya to keep the country strong. They have accomplished so much technogically, educationally, socially etc. I am so proud.
- I follow events there more closely. I say extra Tehillim.
- I have always been pro-Zionist. My father lived in Israel in the late 1930's and again during 1948. I have visited and supported Israel but

now I am so outraged after 10/7 that I find myself constantly thinking of what more I can to to help Israel survive and prosper

- I have become a strong advocate for Israel among both the Jewish and non-Jewish population in the United States
- I have become even more convinced that we can't take Israel's existence for granted.
- I have become more concerned with how many of the so called friendly "world powers" and their leaders try to delegitimize Zionism, saying that Israel is overreacting "disproportionately" to the horrible atrocities perpetrated by Jewhating Arab homicidal terrorists on October 7 against innocent Jewish civilian men, women, children and babies.
- I have become more sensitive to which criticisms of Israel are and aren't fair, and tend to identify more with Israel in mixed spaces.
- I have learnt a lot more facts and information about Israel and the history between Israel and the Palestinians and feel much more connected to the state of Israel and the legitimacy of it and that it belongs solely to the people of Am Yisrael.
- I have less patience for progressives and their views of Israel
- i have notified my elected officials about my views on some of the legislation considered by the US congress.
- I have re-entered the propaganda war posting news and history
- I listen to the news, cry more, daven for the soldiers, hostages and state and give much more charity for Israel.
- I love it
- I made more sacrifices to defend our national homeland because we must prevail to survive and thrive
- I more fully understand how Israel connects the Jewish people, and how we are all responsible for its ongoing existence.
- I must support my people in their hour of need.
- I no longer believe we can give up land or that we have a partner in peace because of Oct 7th and the heightened Antisemitism
- I plan to go to volunteer soon
- I read about Israel, have written emails to politicians & joined events in support of Israel.
- I realize how critical it is for the Jewish people to have their own country and defend it as much as needed.

- I realize how isolated we are and how much more desperately we need a Jewish homeland
- I realize that history teaches Hashem wants the Jewish people in Israel now more than ever to bring the geula
- I realize that the need for a strong Zionist home is more important than ever given the anti-Semitism that has reappeared and reared its ugly head again in the rest of the world.
- I regret not having taken the opportunity to make Aliyah 30-40 years ago. Now I feel it is too late for my family.
- I see Israel as the only safe place for Jews
- I see the hatred in my town and city and in the world for Israel
- I see the need for a state/military that truly protects Jews
- I see what Anti-Zionists are standing for and it is appalling and astonishingly awful. How could anyone stand behind barbaric terrorists??
- I speak more about Israel to others. I have Israel flags on my home, vehicle, and i wear my Zionism with pride. I donate to many Israel causes. I fight online hate. I teach people in person. Israel is vital to Jews whether they know it or not.
- I spend much of my time researching, writing my Substack column What's Happening in Israel and What Can I Do About It?, speaking about Israel, and fundraising.
- I support Israel's actions and defend them against others who don't.
- I think I feel more strongly that our position is justified.
- I think I have become more black and white, seeing less room for possibilities of peace. But at the same time, realize a cold peace or a pressured peace will be fine as a way to move forward.
- I think my politics are just more focused on whatever is best for Israel.
- I understand how important it is for the Jews to have a strong homeland
- I used to sympathize much more with the neutral Palestinian cause
- I want to fight for my brothers, my land, my people. I want to fight back and claim what is ours. I want to be amongst people who are fighting for what is right
- I want to purchase a property in Israel so my grandchildren can escape America when Jews can no longer live here.

- I want to see my country thrive.
- I was in Israel at the time. The sense of horror was capable on everyone's face. The joy in Israel came to a screeching halt as the facts got worse and worse. It also unleashed terrible anti semitism in the world.
- I was in Israel on October 7th and have been deeply inspired by the achdut that followed.
- I'm more outspoken about my support of Israel and definitively don't support a two state solution
- I'm not sure what is meant by the term "pro-Zionist." I still see many problems with the government/politics of Israel. But the importance of Israel as a homeland for Jews is more clear than ever.
- I've been more aware of Zionisms ideals, especially as how they relate to Orthodox Judaism and how I live my life.
- I've understood the hatred people have for Israel and the lengths they will go to and it is indefensible. I must therefirexsupport the Jewish state.
- If Jews are not for Israel, who will be for Israel, to paraphrase Pirkei Avot. Israel at this existential point has to take priority over all other commitments, and thankfully there is not much conflict because President Biden has been tremendously supportive. I do consider more left wing politicians with some wariness.
- Immediate/Increasing Threat
- In favor of resettlement of Gaza which I previously was not
- In my late teens, discovered Young Judaea and began on my Zionist path. As we've become more religious, my wife's and my identities are entirely with Israel and Zionism.
- In recent years I have become comfortable with thinking about myself as non-or even anti-Zionist (a significant change from my youth and upbringing), but since october 7th I have felt more solidarity with Israelis, and been thinking about ways in which my politics could be understood through a zionist lens.
- In view of worldwide anti-Israel & anti-Jewish sentiment & demonstrations, I feel a duty to affiliate with & support the Jewish homeland.
- Israel belongs to the Jewish people- no question about it. I will stand up for Israel in any way that I can (peacefully).

- Israel is even more important as a place for Jews to live considering the outburst of antianti- semitism elsewhere
- Israel is now a top priority when voting.
- Israel is s great country to admire and respect
- Israel is the Jewish homeland. If the rest of the world can't accept that fact we need to prove it to them
- Israel is the only country that is democratic, Israel has to defend itself. I'm involved in Jewish causes. I lived in Israel as a child for 8 years and we're thinking of making aliya.
- Israel is the only place where my family can feel safe.
- It is now crystal clear that the only place for a Jew to live in, is Israel
- It is time that the Arab rule realizes that Israel has every right to fight back to exist on their homeland.
- It was the world's incredibly nasty reactions to Israel defending itself, more than Oct 7 itself, that made me increase my understanding of the logic of Zionism — that in the end, in a way, Jews can afford to trust only ourselves.
- It wasn't really an issue before
- It's a tiny country with a lot of problems, but in the end it is the only place we are ultimately free to be Jews without living at the suffrance of others
- It's actually hard to say. I have always been a proud and loud "Bnei Akiva" Zionist. In my adulthood and now that has continued with an even greater sense of connection and a more nuanced understanding of what it means for us to have and support our homeland even when it is imperfect.
- It's clear how many enemies Israel and Jews have against them.
- it's clear to me that Jews will never fully assimilate into the host societies in which they live.
- It's clearer than ever how critical it is for the world and the Jewish people that the democratic state of Israel continue to exist
- It's ever more apparent the Jews need our own country, self defense, and self determination.
- It's just been clarifying how important Israel is, how important it is to support our fellow Jews and the need for a Jewish state. It is clarifying that we can't stay silent or let anti Israel statements slide because now we are seeing

the results. We can't be wishy washy about our support for Israel

- It's my country! I am American, and Israeli politics and war decisions are not to my liking, but I love Israel and want for it to be a safe, independent, thriving place
- It's sad to think that my home country is not guaranteed to be a place of safe refuge. The only country that vows to protect Jews is Israel.
- Jews need a safe and secure national home.
- Jews should make Aliyah
- Just feel that it's even more important now than ever to be able to defend yourself when the rest of the world reminds you how little you matter to them.
- Just in my feelings and contributions to israel
- Just more willing to post and share and follow Zionist accounts online
- Just reinforced to me that Israel is the only homeland of the Jewish people
- Learned more about the world, compared with my upbringing I'm in a less Yeshivish environment
- Less tolerance for anti-Zionism or criticism of Israel, recognizing the existential danger presented by threats to Israel.
- Less tolerant of non- or anti-Zionists More committed to centrality of Israel to Jewish life
- Less tolerant of those who are anti Israel who should know better based upon education and fact
- living in Israel and becoming more religious strengthened my connection
- Looking into areas in Israel to buy a place.
- Love eretz israel
- may make Aliyah, Israel must be protected and defended
- More active; writing letters, signing petitions & making phone calls on behalf of issues concerning Israel. Although, I was already doing some of those things.
- More aware of the need for a safe place for Jews
- More emotionally driven; reacting against feeling of 1930's
- More supportive, more vocal.
- Moving from the yeshivah world to the modern Orthodox world and sending my kids to modern schools helped teach me more about the state of Israel and feel more connected
- Much more focused on promoting the stories and histories of non ashekanizi jews and Jewish

populations/sects that remained in Israel during the exile. I think it important to communicate the indigenous rights of jews to self determination in our land which has been home for 3000 years. A key part of that story is the role of jews, samaritans and others that have lived in the land during exile, the Arab conquest of the levant. In addition, the fact that Jews come in all colors and races but are bound together as a single ethnic group and a common religion is an important part of the hasbara needed to change the narrative that Israel is a "white settler colonial oppressor" in the American debate. Further, the majority of Israelis are descendants of jews from neighboring Arab colonized countries. The idea that jews can just go back to Poland is racist and presumptive about the diverse jewish experience.

- My conversations about Israel have become less defensive and more proud, confident, and Judean indigenous rights oriented.
- my upbringing
- Need to be more vocal in my support
- No longer consider two State solution
- No one should question who Jewish people are, our land belongs to us. We should protect ourselves and Israel from all evil
- October 7 clarified a lot of things for me. It was (and remains) instructive to observe who is actually a closet anti-semite.
- October 7th solidified my belief that there is no other place for the Jewish People.
- Praying and hoping for the better regarding the war and crisis
- Public pronouncements. Helping our children plan for a non American future
- Reading about the history of Israel despite all the nuances
- Recognizing that the Jewish state is a necessity for Jewish survival and that many of its perceived flaws stem from its struggle to survive as a Jewish state. Israel does not have to be perfect to justify its existence, nor can its perceived "crimes" be a basis for denying its right to self-defense or require its complicity in its own destruction, Chas ve'shalom.
- Rise in antisemitism made me realize Canada is not safe long term for me or my family
- Rise of antisemitism

- We need a nation state where we can control more of our own destiny, not be an unwanted guest anymore.
- So much AS in the world
- Still anti BG Smoreich and Bibi
- Studying their way of life
- Support the rallies and all petitions
- supporting with charity
- The amount of antisemitism that has gone unchecked or excused has affirmed my belief that Israel must exist, even though Jews are still not 100% safe in Israel it still needs to be a haven from everything going on in chutz la'aretz.
- The anti Zionism in my community of Teaneck is purely anti semitism and the blending of the two has strengthened my pro Zionist feelings
- The events of October 7 and the ensuing antisemitism as well as the failure of the people on the LEFT in America to do anything positive for Israel or for JEWS in general has made me even more Zionist!
- The events on Oct. 7th and after demonstrate that a state of Israel is necessary to Jews.
- The existence of Israel is more important than ever.
- The fear and reality of Israel withstanding world views/retaliation
- The horrific events show the need for a strong Israel
- The level of hatred against Jews is something I've never seen before, or at least been aware of to the same degree
- The more I see people in the world saying ignorant, incorrect, or hateful things about Israel, the more I have learned and tried to share of the truth. With everything awful being said and done in the Diaspora (and what has taken place in the past), I feel even more that we need Israel as a place of refuge as well as a place of pride and heritage.
- The necessity of a strong, vibrant, united Jewish state is more apparent now.
- The number of Jews in Isreal
- The safety of Jews worldwide is paramount. Israel needs to exist for Jews' selfdetermination and right to exist.
- The socialist world of my parents no longer exists and has been proven a poor second to religious Judaism. Israel has become fundamental strength in Jewish identity.

- The world appears out to get Israel and they need backing now more than ever.
- The world needs Israel more than ever!
- The world showed us we belong in Israel. Other countries will be happy to see us leave.
- The world's reaction to 10/7 puts paid to the lie that antisemitism is different from anti-Zionism. It makes the connection easier to explain
- There has been a slight shift in my view towards defending Israel due to the rise in blatant lies about what is happening. However, I still do not support Bibi or his government. I have a very nuanced take on the situation and it makes me feel rather alone.
- There is both a broad misunderstanding of Israel and its creation and connection to the Iand as well as a PR campaign and gorilla warfare that allows people to believe Palestinians are being oppressed.
- There is no one that will stand with us, so we have to protect ourselves
- There is too much antisemitism and the Jewish pple need a safe place to go to
- This is the only land we have
- United we stand. Divided we fall! And, not many people are supporting us!
- Want to support Israel. I value it's existence in the world, both for myself as a Jew but also for everyone as a "light unto the nations."
- We are all one people.
- We decided to make Aaliyah.
- We have seen the true colors of the Palestinian people and their leadership and the Jewish people have every right to live in Israel and it's clear that Israel belongs to the Jewish people as it thrives in our presence in the land.
- we have to be in order to fight and combat the intense hate, anti semitism and anti Zionism We are now experiencing
- We must strengthen Israel by supporting Israel in every way, including speaking out for Israel's continued existence and it's democratic track record, it is Zionist and at the same time supportive of diversity and human rights for all Israelis not just Jews. Zionist does not mean racist and does not mean anti-Arab/Moslem/Palestinian. It is not a synonym

for white colonial imperialism or genocide, it is a haven of human rights for any Arab who is an Israeli citizen.

- We need to be more united than ever, because we are facing threats to the greater US community.
- Western Jews have to wake up and smell the coffee
- While I disagree with almost everything Bibi's government wanted to do/change and I think Ben Gvir is a monster, the idea that there could be a world in which there wasn't an independent state of Israel terrifies me and I know in my kishkes we have to exist and defend our land.
- While I hate the current government, I cherish the State ever more. Israel needs every friend it can get in this era, and I try to be well-informed and cogent in my defense of the State.
- World anti semitism Threat against Israel Going to rallies Sending money to Israel causes

## <u>Haredi</u>

- A reaction to the obvious antisemitism in not just the gentile man in the street, but more frighteningly, within national and international institutional structures
- admire army
- Advocating more and thinking about making aliyah
- After seeing what happened
- Am Yisroel Chai! We must have the homeland.
- As feel that I have very at stake. I have never felt like this before.
- beause of all the anti semitism going on now
- Because Israel is our/my homeland
- Because Israel is the only safe place for Jews in the world
- Because Israel needs us!
- Because it is more obvious just how anti-Israel the world is.
- because it seems prophetic that there seems to be an outside force since earliest times whose aim is to destroy the Jewish people.
- Because it's where we all belong, if we're Jewish
- Because my disagreements with the Israeli government are irrelevant to the fact that we are in a war of survival
- Because they are here to help us and trying to save our country with hashems help
- By signing petitions, going to rallies & supporting IDF through prayers, charity & volunteer work.
- Can't wait to walk the streets of yerushalaim

- Cuz I feel with my brothers there! And with everyone who joined the ldf
- Experiences
- Feel closer and more connected
- feelings for my brothers and sisters living in Israel
- Having family living in Israel and serving in the army makes yishuv haaretz more real
- Hearing the discourse these days makes me realize that Zionism has changed its meaning. Were I alive in the 50's I wouldn't be pro-Zionist, but we are not fighting the same battles.
- I am doing what my mother did before me: send money to support Israel. Israel is our home
- I am more sympathetic to Israel than I was before. I read more articles at attend more lectures about Israel than I did in the past.
- I am so proud of my brother who is in the army. I used to be embarrassed...
- I am very pro Israel and it's safety and well being, not pro zionism per se
- I believe that Israel has a right to exist
- I consider myself a proud Jew & a proud Zionist.
- I dont believe it was right from the get go to take over the land. I grew up extremely against zionism and i stil to this day believe it was wrong to throw ppl out of homes n take over land. Yet as this war broke out i got to learn so much and now more than ever stand with protecting our land and believe we need to have that! To the point of us hopefully moving out there one day.
- I feel a stronger emotional, empathetic connection with all Jews, so much so that I am an active member in three tehillim groups for the chayalim, captives, injured and suffering from the war, adding additional names of people in need of prayer that are mentioned in the multiple. I've joined groups to learn on behalf of the chayalim, made phone calls and sent emails to politicians to advocate, sent money to organizations supporting those Israelis in need, and called and texted family members in Israel and friends who have family in Israel.
- I feel it is important
- I feel that Israel is the safest place for Jews and I am more inclined to make Aliya in the future.
- I feel that the weakening of israel will be very bad for all of diaspora jewry, notwithstanding the movements anti religious policies

- I have 3 nephews in the IDF
- I have a burning desire to visit Israel as a volunteer now, but can't due to serious injuries and resulting recent job loss.
- I haven't really changed, but my attitude toward diversity in Israel has become more skeptical and pessimistic.
- I identify with the IDF and feel more personally connected to people in Yehuda and the Shomron, specifically.
- I know now more what our land is standing for
- I know of people killed on 10/7
- I now join with Israelis of all views and backgrounds in fighting against the terrorists and their rabid supporters.
- I read mizrachi articles explaining there views. I think the who sitra acher is wrong
- I realize how the Jewish people are very closely tied to Israel
- I see it as directly connected now with Jewish pride and I feel we are being blamed
- I see that we Jews need to know how to protect ourselves.
- I see the need for someone to protect the jewish identity
- I show more support for Israelis.
- I still don't believe in many of their beliefs but I support them as my people.
- I understand the definition better.
- I was raised secular, kept wing, liberal. I didn't know that G-d gave Israel to the Jews or that He gave us a mission to fulfill. Now that I know that, Zionism makes sense to me
- I've learned from several Rabbionim new perspectives about religious Zionist ideas.
- In the past, I would have been open to peace deals that included giving back land to Arabs. I no longer feel that way. They cannot be negotiated with. Give them nothing.
- Israel has a right to be here.
- Israel has the right to defend itself and we must get rid of the reshaim
- Israel has the right to exist and defend itself. I used to sympathize more with the Palestinian cause, but what I've been seeing recently has decreased that feeling.
- Israel is here to stay. Whoever wants to eliminate our homeland should be destroyed!
- Israel is our homeland We have only one country. There are those who seem to destroy the Jews and Israel.

- Israel is so important and the anti semitism is so blatant now that I am so grateful we have Israel now
- It is OUR land! Hashem gave it to US!
- Ive answered that in the previous response
- Just a greater understating of the need for a centeral government. Still upset it is not according to torah
- Listened to 1840 (Dovid Bashevkin)
- Long for Israel
- More connections to Israel. Travel extended stays.
- More feeling towards them and their survival
- More gratitude toward IDF. More relatable religious representation of the state like soldiers and politicians in Kipas and invoking Gd. Overall secular Zionism seems to be becoming weaker while religious Zionism strengthens.
- obsessively following news
- Oct 7 showed just how important it is for Jews to have their own state and to defend it. The world at large seemingly doesn't believe in the Jew's right to exist in the Middle East and in other parts of the world
- Realized how much Israel's strength matters vis a vis anti semitism
- Response to American anti semitism and free Gaza demonstrations
- SEEING HOW SO MUCH SOLDERS RISK THERE LIVES FOR THERE NATION
- Seeing the evil of the anti Israel camp. Any sane person can not comprehend the hate emanating from the swollen masses.
- Seeing the worldwide anti-Semitism as a result of October 7 and the ensuing war, I feel more strongly that Jews are safest in Israel, in our own country.
- Sending money
- Supporting Israel is now more important than ever.
- Survival of the Jewish people . Israel is our homeland.
- Tbh I'm not sure that's the right word. But I do feel that we should all start thinking about moving back home
- That's what I identify with. Jewish self determination in our ancestral home land. Forever and ever
- The attacks showed that border concerns were legitimate, and that hopes for peace without getting rid of Hamas are unrealistic.

- The connection between the land of Israel and the Jewish people feels more important
- the realization that Israel is our Home where we can be safe and sound.
- The rising antisemitism, especially where I live, has made me more appreciative of Israel and its role in Jewish survival
- The state of Israel is crucial for Jews all over the world
- There needs to be a country for us to go to. It is our indigenous homeland- I previously did not need to put it into those terms until I heard the world claiming we are not the rightful settlers of the land
- This is the only place for us
- Though I don't ascribe to the Zionist philosophy of an irreligious society, I am deeply grateful to Hashem for bringing it to the world by being His vehicle for the first fruits of our redemption.
- To show my support for Israel
- We have no other home. The west is not as safe anymore. We need Israel
- we have only one country as a haven and it is Israel.
- We have our land to defend us and this is a reality
- We love Israel and know it is the homeland of our people.
- We now see that lemaaseh even secular Israelis are connected to the eibishter unlike the secular jews in America and Europe
- When I was younger I think I didn't completely understand the hashkafa why I shouldn't be so pro the state now I wouldn't call it more Zionistic I am more pro the state now that it is existing
- שולח דברים לישראל לומדת עברית הכל בגלל הזעזוע ממעשי טבח קיצוני של חמאס דאעש

# How and why have you become more anti-Zionist?

# Modern Orthodox

- Because the Zionists are doing/justifying a genocide.
- Death count in Gaza and right wing rhetoric
- Following the attacks, I was ready to fly to Israel and volunteer. I believe in a Jewish homeland that is secure. However, the racism of government officials, expansionist ideology of

many Israelis, and the unacceptable civilian casualties in Gaza, make me doubt whether Israel is a peaceful country and a "orr la'goyim". I makes me wonder whether Zionism is functionally means to justify unethical practices.

- I am concerned about the treatment of the Palestinian people
- I am not anti-Zionist but more pessimistic about the Zionist project and more in opposition to others who call themselves Zionists. The post-10/7 lack of awareness and concern for Palestinians by Israeli government/Israeli public/Orthodox Jews is not competent or ethical and, if unadjusted, is not sustainable.
- I am strongly opposed to the idea of political Zionism, i.e. the negation of Exile. Our rabbinic tradition of diasporic communities that live in synthesis with the outside world is a better recipe for the Jewish future and for our Jewish values. The Israeli state is not promoting Jewish values. It isn't protecting its people. The Israeli people are sitting ducks in the line of fire. They have been fed an ideology of the whole world being against them, of their army as the most moral in the world, of their army as protecting them, and none of these ideas are true. I feel for the suffering of my Jewish brethren in Eretz Yisrael but feel that Jewish political sovereignty has only brought a culture of militarism and chauvinism and not safety or healthy cultural expressions.
- I became more pro-Zionist (emotionally if not intellectually) immediately after October 7, but more anti-Zionist after Israel's disproportionate military response. Just like I had friends of friends who died on 10/7, I also have friends of friends who have died in Israeli airstrikes.
- I can't stomach the crimes being done in the name of zionism, and it bothers me to see the Jewish community all around me, proud Zionists, caring so little for the human lives being slaughtered in Gaza. It's hard to look people in the eye knowing that they don't really care about thousands of innocent children being killed in the bombings, not to mention homes, entire cities, being bombed to complete destruction.
- I detest the lack of preparedness and the sadistic response of the current Israeli government

- I don't like the term anti Zionist. I think it is a capitulation to the characterization that Zionism requires full allegiance to the current State's actions, but since I strongly protest those actions, it's my closest choice.
- I don't think Israel is conducting itself in a moral fashion anymore and needs reform. It leads me to identify more as Israeli rather than zionist.
- I feel enormous love for Israelis and worry that Zionism was a mistake in some ways.
- i feel more alienated from zionism because of what israel is doing to gaza and the kind of right wing society it's becoming
- I feel Zionism is ignoring the things Israel is doing wrong which is not the correct thing to do. Also saying "Israel = Jew" is nothing more then a way to get people to hate jews.
- I have become strongly disillusioned with the Zionist framework that seems to insist there are no limits to the suffering that can be imposed on Palestinians in the name of Israeli security. Zionist thought and its concern with demographics is perhaps the greatest barrier to creating a just and equitable treatment for Palestinians. I do not believe defining a state in terms of ethnic membership can ever be moral or democratic, especially when close to 50% of the inhabitants of that land space are of a different ethnicity. I continue to see how concern for Jewish supremacy in Israel leads to greater and greater human rights violations. I am increasingly skeptical there can be a coherent notion of a Jewish state that does not presuppose treating Palestinians and other ethnicities as second class citizens.
- I have observed that many within the Zionist camp, both inside and outside of Israel, appear to be unwilling or incapable of acknowledging Palestinian suffering.
- I oppose apartheid and illegal occupation by any country, in any form
- I would in general describe myself as nonzionist in that it is more important to me that all people living between the river and the sea have safety, freedom, and political representation than what that specifically looks like. If this can be accomplished via a two state solution, i'm not going to spend my time continuing to oppose the state of Israel on the grounds that nation states are bad and the founding of the state involved traumatic displacement of thousands of people- even

though i do believe those things. I have become more actively involved in speaking up about these issues and supporting pro -peace and pro-Palestinian activism since October 7, both because of the unprecedented scale of the ongoing violence that Israel is perpetrating in Gaza, and because the response of much the Jewish community - which continues to express unconditional support of Israel despite its brutal tactics - has made me realize more than ever before how important it is to speak up

- I'm beginning to see a connection between Zionism and unjustified violence against non-Jews who reside in Eretz Yisroel
- It's been very hard to watch how others in my community react with so much undeserved hatred against Palestinians and their supporters, accusing them of antisemitism that's really not there. I attended a pro-Palestinian rally wearing my kippah and Shabbat clothes in November, and other than a couple of borderline truly antisemitic flags, I never felt unsafe or hated there. In fact, one of the Palestinian attendees came up to me and hugged me and said thank you for coming through and supporting them, and it's incredibly hard to paint the movement as inherently antisemitic after an experience like that. I've also read a lot more history lately and realized just how much a day school education (and Zionism in general) tends to whitewash or ignore. Of course, no ideology is perfect and I do see some problems with anti-Zionism, particularly when it gets to the point of denial of Jewish connection to the land (which is still strong for me, even
- Jewish Nationalists who think IDF is Israel IA(attack)F
- More and more I feel Zionism has proved that since it can't keep everyone safe, no one is safe. Prioritizing Jewish safety through the subjugation of Palestinians has had devastating consequences.
- my values do not align with the Israeli government and their actions.
- Seeing the frum world at large mostly not care at all about Palestinians, and the way that America has directly funded what is currently happening
- The absence of respect for Palestinian lives became stark.

- The glorification of violence. I see the violence as a necessary part of a modern nation state and at odds with torah and mitzvot.
- The murder of Palestinian civilians is heartbreaking
- The war on Gaza is clearly beyond any goal of removing Hamas or Freeing hostages and more about pushing palestinians out

## <u>Haredi</u>

- Because i see how their behavior brings unstabilization and problems.
- Ben Gvir's provocations were not done in order to protect Jews. his provocations were done only to further the Zionist movement. Although I recognize that Ben Gvir isn't really at fault for the October 7 attacks, and that the fault lies entirely with Hamas, I don't think his provocations helped matters. If his provocations would have at least been done in the name of security, I would have kept quiet. However his provocations have not enhanced security, they only enflamed the Muslims.
- By the continuous indiscriminate bombing in defiance of Biden's loyal advice, it places Jews everywhere in greater danger.
- Continued failure/refusal on the part of the Zionist government to properly defend the Jewish people.
- Everything that happened was because of the zionistic choices.
- I see how people put the army, its power and weakness before G-d and believe in that first.
- I see how they don't even fulfill there purpose
- I've been questioning more the possibility of having a country that can handle all the diversity in religious views and feel less aligned with Zionist culture than I used to.
- Just another moment to recognize the failings of zionism, and that it was really experiment was a mistake
- just proved once again אם ד' לא ישמור עיר שוא
- The attack on the savages in gaza has accomplished very little in the terms of safety and security of the jewish people. Hamas has not been destroyed. And even if it were, they have created a new generation of potential terrorists. The world at large has only so much sympathy for Israel, And they have carelessly wasted that sympathetic capital on vengeance and grandstanding. What a shame.

- The leftist corruption is zionisim in their opinion. The leftist corruption does not have any room in their hearts for the religious Jewish people.
- They a bunch of fools
- We need a Jewish land not dirtied by leftists
- Zionism enrages the nations of the world which is wrong of Torah Jews in galus

You say you feel a very strong emotional connection to Israel, but are not Zionist. Some people think this might be contradictory. Can you explain?

# Modern Orthodox

- I feel a strong connection to Eretz Yisrael but I condemn Medinat Yisrael and its treatment of Palestinians
- I feel a strong connection to Israel (the land and people more than the state) for various reasons
   -- my time spent there, the religious significance of the land, my fellow Jews who live there (especially two of my closest friends from college.) However, politically I am not Zionist. If
   I had to choose a label I would say non-Zionist, though many Zionists would probably consider me anti-Zionist. My views are a lot to explain here, but basically: I believe everyone -- Jews and Palestinians -- in the land should have equal rights, whether that takes the form of one state, two states, or something else.
- I love am yisrael and eretz yisrael but am heartbroken at how the medina behaves. It's treatment of Palestinians is wrong and against Torah values
- I spent a gap year in Israel and lived there for two summers. I loved being surrounded by Jewish culture, being able to visit the sites that have so much importance in our tradition, hearing Hebrew spoken everywhere, etc. I also have a lot of family there. But as much as I love Israel, I recognize that the state owed its existence to the displacement of thousands of Palestinian people from their ancestral homes, and the disenfranchisement of Palestinian citizens of Israel and residents of the occupied territories. I can't politically support this project, as much as i myself have personally benefited from it.

 I was born in Israel and it is my home, but I do not connect to political Zionism at this time due to the right wing nature of what it has become.
 I hope to again call myself a Zionist in the future once the racism and war mongering is removed from the ideology

## <u>Haredi</u>

- As an agudist I Am very pro- Israel, and advocate for it. However I do not identify with the idea of atchalta d'geulah, and do not believe in the values of the secular state.
- Connection to Eretz Yisroel and the Jewish Community there; I feel no connection to the "State of israel"
- Eretz Yisroel Is Holy, It is the place where the shchina resides it is the place where all jews should live and serve Hashem. The cuurent government widley termed as zionism is the antithesis of Hashems Judaism
- i am a proud jew & love isrel till moshech will come i am anti
- I am an ultra-Orthodox Jew
- I am anti the zionistic secular government of Israel. But feel a strong connection and support the people of Israel. And as all Torah Jews look forward to the coming of Moshiach when the land and Bais Hamikdosh will be rebuilt.
- i am mispallel for all the jewes i am more connected because it is a war
- I am not zionist becuase im frum. we can only have a state if we follow torah and mitzvos. I am deeply connected to EY and yearn with everything that I have to be there
- I believe in the land that Gd gave the people, but I don't believe in the Israeli govt
- I believe very strongly in, and am very much connected to, Eretz Yisrael/the land of Israel (especially with regards to שלימות הארץ) not giving back any land, which I'm a very strong proponent of). Zionism, and the idea of the modern, secular, state of Israel - especially as a replacement for the Messianic era/ גאולה - is not something I believe in.
- I do not believe that Zionism is necessarily correct from a religious standpoint, but I am entirely supportive of the state of Israel in a political and emotional sense.
- I feel a connection to Eretz Yisroel not to the State of Israel.

- I feel a connection to the people but I do not agree with the government policies and agendas
- I feel a very strong connection to Israel because my family there is Israeli and I want them to be safe, but I see Zionism as a political project that is mostly about Jewish sovereignty over Eretz Yisroel and all its inhabitants regardless of religion, not safety for my family and their neighbors
- I guess I am connected to ERETZ Yisroel not the zionist goverment.
- I guess I'm a product of my upbringing and my experiences. It would be more accurate to say that I feel a strong connection to Eretz Yisrael and the Jews who live there, and lessso tot he government and it's policies
- I have a strong connection to the Jewish people in Israel not to the government
- I have a strong connection to the land of Israel, I visited Israel several times and the idea of the holy land bring me strong amotions. The connection of jews to Israel is much older then the zionist movement. Even before the zionist movement took significant traction between the masses. 5 of my great grand parents moved to the holy land at the end of their life and are barried in israel.
- I have a strong emotional connection to the LAND of Israel and the Jewish people who live there, not the secular state and its government.
- I have a strong love for Eretz Yisroel, but not a love for the govt . While I lean more conservative regarding Israeli matters, as an Orthodox Jew I daven for the time that the Torah & our Rabbanim will dictate policy. Not a contradiction at all. Just like the Agudah/Shas participate in the govt, we hope to advocate for policies that help the growing Orthodox population.
- I have a very emotional connection to Eretz Yisroel, not to the state of Israel
- I long to be in EY. Not Israel. The anti-Semitic world at large doesn't understand the difference, so outwardly I am a proud Zionist
- I love every jew and all jews that live in isreal as well, I am against the isreali gonvernment and zionist idea. I can love a jew while disagreeing to their beliefs.
- I love the people in Eretz yisroel but not the zionist entity. no cotradiction.

- I Love ארץ ישראל, not the state of Israel. And I wait for ארץ ישראל, not the state of Israel. And I wait for any Should to come. I love My Jewish brothers and sisters העשבי ארץ ישראל, and I'm concerned for their well-being and safety. I love them because they are Jews, not because they are Israelis. At the same time, I strongly opposed the Zionist idea of an independent Jewish state before משיח came. And because the Zionist movement hijacked the idea of love to ארץ ישראל doesn't mean I need to hate ארץ ישראל ארץ ישראל. At the same time, I'm praying for all of Israel's safety, including the IDF in Gazah, not because I think they are doing a noble act. It is because they're my brothers and sister's holy Yiddishe משיח ארץ
- I'm for eretz yisroel not the secular state
- Idealogically I am not a Zionist. However I am very concerned about the safety and security of the people living in Israel
- israel belongs to the jews. Regardles of Zionisim
- Israel is a Jewish state, not a Zionist
- Israel is our promised land and the land when Mossaih comes we will get back. yet I don't believe we should be having a land now
- Israël was always Jewish. Zionist came to eradicate Jewishness from Jews would never be Zionist.
- It's like someone says to his own brother whom he indeed loves, "I think the way you are acting is against our fathers will".
- My connection is to Chareidishe Eretz Yisroel
- My connection is to the Land, the People, and the Torah of Israel. I believe the political ideology of Zionism has been detrimental to all three (and we see this more and more every day).
- My connection is with the kedusha not with the political zionism
- Oh no it isn't contradictory at all. Israel to us is Eretz Yisroel. Not State of Israel, per se.
- Since We love all Jews and eretz yisroel, we strongly despise zionism as it is historically and currently essentially anti-religous and antigedolim at its route and causes Jews to move away from the Torah. This includes the Mizrachi. This has been the position of almost all mainstream gedolim from before he foundation of the Medina until now.
- Strong connection to the country not the medina
- They are not Shomer Torah Umitzvos

- We daven for Israel & the redemption but not pro zionist in the way the government operates, founding of the sate.
- Were the sincere teleological Religious zionists be able to accomplish something substantial comparative to the blood they shed ,the state might now & in the past be worthwhile. In the circumstances however..
- With the Chabad philosophy, we care deeply about the land of Eretz Yisroel and the people living there, but do not ascribe to the Zionist ideology.
- zionism does not define eretz yisroel and its people
- Zionism is a political ism. My only ism is toras Hashem Strong emunah and shmiras hamitzvos
- Zionism is antithetical to Torah Judaism
- Zionism, as a political ideology, is used by many as a substitute for Torah Judaism. It has nothing to do with love of Eretz Yisroel or the love of its people, which remains unsullied by those who uphold Torah principles. The Zionist government of Israel, together with many of its Knesset members, are opposed to these Torah principles believing as they do, that adherence to the Torah restricts their freedom of secular progress and national advancement.
- Zionist in connection to the people and Land of Israel, but anti the ideology and anti- religious views of the governing and opposing parties

# Finally, is there anything you would like to add relating to your views – or views in your community – relating to Israel, Zionism, etc.?

#### Modern Orthodox

- Am Yisroel Chai. An international day of prayer for the speedy return of hostages and peace in Israel should be held. Biden and the Democrats must be defeated in the upcoming elections. The UN and the International Court of Justice should go to hell
- I am strongly pro-Israel, whatever that means.
- À little worried about Trump-Netanyahu relationship.
- Again, this is a clarifying moment for me regarding Jews who are anti Zionist (I always thought they were beyond the pale but now I think they are traitors plain and simple) and

also clarifies my discomfort with so called DEI and so called progressivism which is actually just Stalinism. I believe in equality and justice for minorities in the US but this stuff has not helped and actually been like a stealth way to brainwash people into antisemitism

- All citizens of Israel should have equal responsibilites to society like paying taxes and serving in the army/ national service
- Although I don't live there now, Israel is home as much as the US. I don't have any blood relatives in Israel but consider all Israelis my extended family. My heart is simply broken these last three months. I am struggling to come to terms with the evil we are up against. After October 7th, I found myself startling awake many nights. Even though I didn't watch any of the graphic videos, I feel like a different person. I daven for each hostage to come home, for the chayalim who protect us to come home, and for Israel to be safe. I davened before the 7th too, of course, but these tefillot are so different. I also feel a little traumatized by the reactions of some people in my US community, and in Israel. I do believe the majority of adults and older adolescents in Gaza support Hamas's unspeakable tactics, but there is a small minority that does not. When people call babies Nazis, it cheapens the word. When they say it's Arab nature to be violent, it disrespects those who risked their lives to save others on Oct 7th. When I see in the background of an Israeli channel 12 news story that chayalim had spray painted "we will do Nova to you" in a UN school, I feel afraid that we have lost a bit of our tzelem elokim. On a separate note, I was wondering why you didn't ask what zionism means to us, since people define it in very different ways.
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- American Jews need to wake up.
- Any Jews who in any way support the sadistic terrorist organization currently hiding in Gaza should be canceled.
- As far as Israeli politics are concerned, as a Zionistic Jew living in the US (as of now) I don't

feel I should really have a say as far as the government in Israel, etc.

- As one who prefers to remain rational when analyzing events, I typically do not focus on how they might be related to any end-of-days scenario, but this war and events surrounding it (e.g. Iran, Hezbollah, Houthis, ICC) have put an end-of-days feeling forefront that I can't shake off.
- Being a progressive American and strong Zionist is a challenging space to navigate. My progressive ideals have not changed, but I have lost my connection to the non-Jewish American progressive community and strengthened my connection to my Jewish community. At the same time, many of my non-Israel-related views differ greatly from much of the mainstream Orthodox community, and this creates its own challenge for me in that space. I find my place in Open Orthodox communities and am fortunate to live in an area with such a community, but find this need limits my geographic options.
- Bibi should resign of meet the fate of shul
- Chayalim, hostages must be rescued and given all the love and support to be whole and healthy in body, minds and souls and Israel should be safe and Hashem should keep Eretz Yisroel united with Ahavat Yisroel. Am Yisroel Chai!
- Clear achievable goals must be established that are announced and measured.
- Democrats need to have a Jeremy Corbyn moment and purge themselves of the disgusting antisemitism. What Elise Stefanik did in calling out the universities was good until you remember that she is a MAGA-fascist and this is just another convenient wedge issue.
- Despite the surge in anti semitism in the world, I think that Israeli should stay strong and annihilate Hamas. We need strong security and strong leadership to keep Israel safe.
- Despite the war, People should visit Israel. I was there on Oct. 7.
- destroy CHAMOS
- Discussing a two state solution before total victory would be disastrous because it promotes terrorism and the Palestinian Arabs already have a state: Jordan.
- Eliminate Hamas. Residents should not return. Israel must take it back and control. Our soldiers should not have died in vain and Israel must be safer than October 7. We must have

learning in yeshivos, but everyone can contribute in some way, except for the most brilliant learners.

- Everyone here, including most non-Jews, is solidly behind Israel.
- For all that I'm both Orthodox and (relatively) Zionist, I'm not a religious Zionist. I don't understand what the long-term plan might be for Gaza,which hasn't changed since before the IDF went in. I'm very distressed by the rise in American antisemitic and the demonization of Zionism.
- Fully support Israel; but believe that Bibi is ruining the country and angry at the failure of the military and govt to prevent these horrendous attacks.
- Great community support for Israel here
- Greatly appreciate President Biden's support!
- Hamas bad, Israel better
- Hard to be an outsider and have a valid opinion.
   Very easy to KNOW what's right when you're not in it
- HaShem should just bring everyone home and end this. Hamas needs to be eliminated so Israel can finally live in peace but I don't think it will ever happen.
- Here, in Boca Raton, Fla, a strong Pro-Zionist community, Israel is supported financially, spiritually by young and old.
- how many more palestinians need to die before the violent thirst for vengeance is quenched? the IDF and the state of israel are a Hillul Hashem and Judaism will take a long time to recover from this failed messianic venture.
- Huge efforts need to be made to understand the other such as the Work of R Yakov Nagen Co-existence is the only option for survival
- I am deeply worried for high school students going to secular college; we need to do better by them and teach them more. There's no reason why someone should go through yeshiva day school and not understand what the word "occupation" means, for example. If we're not the one teaching it -- they'll find out in college and it won't be good.
- I am extremely proud of the Chicago community both within the centralist orthodox and in the Agudah-affiliated community for their support of Israel.
- I am glad to work in an environment that is strongly Zionist and would struggle if I felt

lonely in my feelings of connection towards Israel.

- I am happy to see that all Jews finally realize that we have virtually no friends in the world.
- I am in support of cease fire for the purpose of getting arabs (Palestinians) out of Gaza or to release Hostages. Hamas should be destroyed if at all possible in order to protect Israel's future. Although I feel the US should treat Israel as a friend, I also believe the US should look out for it's own interests and not risk everything for Israel.
- I am no longer able to tolerate anti-Zionist views and am prepared to end friendships over them.
- I am proud to be part of pro Zionist organizations- Bnei Akiva, Yeshiva University etc and am waiting for Israel to wipe wipe out Hamas
- I am so concerned over what is happening and hope that the leaders can negotiate the return of the hostages.
- I am so sad for the loss of so much life. The Israelis Government seems deaf and blind to it. Extremists are running the show to all of our detriments. We will never eliminate HAMAS. Those who are suffering now will reconstitute as some other terrorist organization. Only order of business now: Bring the hostages home NOW.
- I am still in Israel now having been here for the past 2 weeks. We came during the war to volunteer and help out. We have worked very hard and spent almost every waking moment talking with Israelis (mostly Americans who have made aliyah in the past 10 -40 years). The answers to your questions are almost impossible. We are worried about the hostages and we are worried that a government can't make a policy during war based on the lives of 128 hopefully surviving people. We are worried Hamas will attack again and again and again and continue to take hostages each and every time. The situation with the government is dire and depressing (we were at an anti government rally tonight), but the people are amazing and incredible and give me hope for the future.
- I am strongly Zionist; however I believe Israel should be democratic not authoritarian or a theocracy. It needs to be able to defend itself while at the same time taking care to see to it that every Jew and non-Jew is treated as a

human being. Israel is meant to be our homeland and a refuge from a world that has done poorly to protect Jews. We don't need to stoop to the worlds level but we are not a punching bag either.

- I am thrilled that Israelis have united one good outcome of the war - and that some Haredim have joined Tzahal. Our Nashville Jewish community has really stepped up to support Israel and many of our non-Jewish neighbors as well. I wish the press and the world at large would pressure Hamas to release the hostages and that many have defended Hamas. The antisemitic reaction to Oct 7 is both disappointing and alarming. Am Yisrael Chai.
- I am very proud of the support that Pres Biden has given to Israel.
- I appreciate the strong support for Israel in my community but am concerned about the shallow understanding of the.underlying issues.
- I believe in Israel's righ.to exist and in Palestinians' right to self determination, and that both people's futures are intertwined. Anyone acting as if either people has no right to a dignified existence there is not acting in the interest of either people's future.
- I believe the world doesn't care about Jews and we need to take care of ourselves. That said, the settlements into the Palestinian areas and the treatment of Palestinians is unconscionable and will not lead to Palestinian civilian endorsement of peace with Israel. Israel also should have started with a targeted incursion to extract the hostages - assuming the necessary intelligence. It is clear the Putin instigated the Hamas terrorist attack through Iran to draw money and attention from the war in Ukraine, and pushed with urgency by Hamas to avoid Saudi Arabia recognizing Israel. We need to work with Zionists around the world to show that Israel understands the nature of guerrilla warfare, and that massive bombings are not necessarily the answer. We know the world we live in and we have to do everything we can to keep and maintain the state of Israel for generations to come. We cannot do it if Israel enters into a hardline war of vengeance (even if we all really want to do that because
- I deeply wish I could call myself a zionist, but cannot so long as people in that camp dehumanize other people. Hamas are monsters, but not every Palestinian is Hamas, and we as a

nation seem to be losing sight of that. It disturbs me to hear Palestinians called rats and cockroaches by people whom I know to be compassionate and otherwise thoughtful individuals. It breaks my heart to see the direction Israel is headed. We have already had our revenge for the 7th and more, its time to withdraw from Gaza before Israel causes any more damage to its own reputation.

- I do not accept the notion of "secular Judaism" therefore all those so called secular Jews calling themselves "anti-zionists" are in my opinion the actual epitomy of Zionism.
- I don't have the answers to these complex questions. I think people living in Israel have a bigger stake and should have the day.
- I don't like this notion of "pro"/"anti" Zionist. I consider myself extremely pro-Zionist but am still disgusted and appalled by the actions of the IDF and the weak justifications and blood lust by my fellow yid. What Hamas did was disgusting and cowardly, full stop. But the murdering of innocent children and wholesale destruction of Gaza infrastructure, along with the calls for ethnic cleansing by people who claim to be adherents to Orthodox Judaism is absolutely not following in Hashem's path. Bnei Yisrael has a lot to ask teshuva for from HKB"H.
- I don't think Israel is far from any of our minds right now. No need to remind us of Jerusalem by breaking a glass at a wedding etc!
- I feel that Zionism has become a bad word some Jews feel that Zionism is a thing of the past, but I disagree. Regarding the question on Haredi men enlisting, I think some service should be required. It could be IDF or could be Zaka or another service for the people.
- I feel there are many opportunities for participating in Zionist support across many communities in NY. I do feel the high schools in the yeshivah/centrist communities take a back seat in participating and expressing Israel support other than prayer, and wish they would do more. They have such large numbers and would be able to make a big difference in areas like rallies, running phone banks for calls to elected officials to counter the pro-Hamas communities calls, etc.... Prayer IS a very important aspect of supporting Israel yet should go hand in hand with other expressions of support.

- I find I have different feelings when in America and Israel. I'm more pessimistic here in nyc, way more optimistic, reassured and inspired when in Israel
- I find it very hard to watch the Anti-Israel demonstrations who repeat such hateful ignorant canards as calling Israel an apartheid state or From the River to the Sea etc. Our education must be better to teach these young people what these statements actually mean.
- I find myself often at odds with the much more conservative views in my modern Orthodox community with regards to Israel.
- I find that many in the Jewish community are so upset that they'll make blanket negative statements about Palestinians, often that I find very offensive. As painful and unjustifiable as October 7th was, we need to keep in touch with our humanity.
- I firmly believe in Israel's right to defend itself but I am sad that there was no other way to do this that spared more innocent Palestinian lives.
- I grew up in a Yeshiva world which I very much respect..but those days were different...I so disagree that Israel supports a large group of men and families who do NOTHING to give back to our HOMELAND it is such chuzpa for them to expect hard working taxpapers to pay their bills and they give nothing in return..There are many Mitzvas they could do to show their appreciation.....
- I grew up secular and strongly pro zionist. I am • now fully observant (SS/SK) and anti zionist. There are a few reasons why: 1) the state's actions and founding violate Halakhot regarding return to Eretz Yisrael and wars (as outlined in Rambam's Mishneh Torah, Sefer Shoftim, Laws of Kings and Wars). Jews are not taught about the founding of the State, how the zionist leaders in the late 19th century planned to expel the predominantly Arabic speaking, Muslim and Christian population from the Holy Land, how lands were seized and its residents kicked off, and how the land was ethnically cleansed through massacres and intimidation from 1947-1949. 2) the state has greatly damaged the image of the Jewish people by making Judaism all about the zionist political project, lumping all Jews together with the State, thereby making all Jews guilty for its actions, and has turned Jewish identity into an

ethonationalist status, as opposed to a legal status in the eyes of Hashem (which requires us

- I hate the current government. They are the reason Israel is in this hell in the first place.
- I have a child and other family members living in Israel, and my wife and I are planning Aliyah within four years. I feel there is no future for Jews anywhere in the diaspora. Our future and destiny is in Israel only.
- I have not been and am still not a die hard, patriotic Zionist. I believe in the principles of Zionism but have conflicted feelings over the correct balance of democracy and Orthodoxy in the fabric of the State. In general, I lend support and love to Israel but stay out of the specific political discourse since I feel I don't have a full, accurate picture of the realities there as I live in the diaspora. I see the negative impact of secular political interests but also see the corruption and tension in the Charedi community.
- I have seen pro Palestinian demonstrations and confronted a Bryant Park worker tearing down posters of Israeli hostages I got that worker suspended without pay for 3 days
- I have very definite opinions but am mindful of the fact that I live in chutz la'aretz and do not contribute to the war while the people who live in Israel are very affected by it. They are the ones who need to decide this.
- I hope this war ends All hostages returned Every Hamas terrorist surrender and exiled or in jail The people of Gaza are ruled by a government of their choosing that is actually committed to serving their interests instead of turning them all into martyrs. May God protect us all, bring us peace soon and healing to his Jewish ppl.
- I just want to add that I do not want to vote for • Donald Trump (even though I voted for him in 2020. I did not vote for him in 2016 because I do not like him. He handled himself okay in the presidency and was good for Israel so I voted for him in 2020. After his behavior at the end I am reluctant to vote for him again. Even though I think he would take a strong stand against Russia and against Hamas.) I would vote for Haley or another Republican candidate. I am unsure about what should be done in Israel but I hope for a decisive victory and security and peace. I prefer that our soldiers not take risks with their lives to save civilians of a culture that attacked us so brutally. My heart goes out to

any truly innocent people who are caught in the violence.

- I live in an area with 200,000 plus Jews. over 90% are not affiliated with anything and many are deeply left leaning. This is causing a massive rift in the Jewish Community as their thinking is exactly what happened in Egypt 3,333 years ago where only 20% of us left and 80% stayed and died off. We need to be united as Hamas is playing to the left wing including left wing Jews. We are truly at 1939 again and if we do not wake up the horror of what happened in WWII will happen again.
- I lived/worked in Israel, went to mainstream . veshiva post-high school, etc. many or most Orthodox Jews are living in an illusion and seeing or caring about the changing demographic realities in Israel/elsewhere, the rampant racism, the Palestinians unwillingness to tolerate their situation, the injustice of their condition regardless of the security logic, the out of control influence of undisciplined Jews in the West Bank, and many other factors that make the current situation untenable, even if desirable. It's a miracle we've returned to the land at all, we need to have more humility and our conduct as a governing power (internally with zero sum political attitudes, factionalism, economic inequality, materialism- and externally toward the Palestinians who wan what we fought for in 47-48') is not at the level that will merit or secure our continued control. A look at Tanach or any history if the ups and downs should warn us of this. We have a short window to course correct.
- I love the grassroots efforts coming out in support of Israel - Facebook groups to help with volunteering, WhatsApp chats as well. We need to do a better job disseminating the truth. We need to cancel foreign funding of college campuses. We need to cut off Qatari money and influence. I've been blessed with religious Christian neighbors in full support of Israel. We need to recognize the Democratic party's anti-Israel issues. We need to get rid of the antisemitic congresspeople. Israel and the US need to unequivocally stand beside each other in solidarity against Muslim extremism and terrorism.
- I love the podcast and wish you did them more often!

- I never thought I'd see or read about such horror in my lifetime. I thought Jews being scapegoated was a thing of the past.
- I now think the Woke is a bigger threat to the Jewish community than MAGA is.
- I pray that the IDF is successful in eliminating Hamas, but 100 days into the war and rockets still being shot into Israel and over 100 hostages still being held captive, I have serious doubts. I think Israel and its government allowed Hamas, and likely Hezbollah too, to become too powerful. No Arab country wants to open its borders to these animals and now we are stuck dealing with them while the world tells us we are committing genocide. We are living in a very dark and scary time for Jews around the world.
- I pray that the vitriol in the political discourse in Israel has been permanently dissipated by the surprise attack and the war and that Israelis and Jews around the world continue to live in unity
- I strongly support Israel. However since the last few years of the Netanyahu government it no longer feels like a country I can be proud of. Since Oct. 7 that has only gotten worse. It is a fools errand to try to eliminate Hamas since it is an ideology. We had sympathy immediately after Oct. 7 but that has been largely erased by Israel's subsequent actions. Instead of focusing on what will make Israel more secure, the IDF is fighting a punitive war, harming massive number of civilians, and turning Israel into a pariah, while the leadership says appalling things. I have gone from being proud of Israel to being ashamed of its actions. It pains me a lot to see Israel getting such negative public opinion, and I find it very upsetting to see the number of public calls for erasing Israel. However I feel like Israeli leadership has done a lot to bring this on themselves and us.
- I support Israel in whatever it decides is best. I feel I am in a position to know what should be done in Gaza. One thing I do know is that Hamas must be totally destroyed!
- I support Israel unequivocally. My views though are just that . I don't live there so my views on Netanyahu or political decisions are just my opinion
- I think a better job needs to be done, explaining how Israeli Jews live in the current conditions as the war in Gaza continues. There needs to be a better explanation of what Israelis are missing out on in their daily lives, and how Israeli

children are suffering psychologically; the focus of the media cannot solely be given over to what's happening in Gaza without reference to what's happening in Israel.

- I think Ben Gvir is one of the worst things to happen to Zionism
- I think Israeli education for our children and community is very important. Our communities should know how others perceive us and have answers to basic questions about Israel. It's very disturbing following some media reports and accurate information is important. It's also very important for us all to think about public relations when it comes to Israel.
- I think it's important to distinguish between the head and the heart. Between empathy and politics. I don't claim to be a politician or a military strategist. I don't know the right approach to the war or anything like that. Israel needs to feel safe and Palestinians need to feel safe. Given that I'm not a politician, and no one is going to ever ask me for political advice, I view my job to feel. To enter through the heart, not the head. I know I'm my heart that we can't just pick human beings up and move them to another country. I know it's wrong when it's done to my people, I know it's wrong when it's done to other people. Anything politically (chareidim in the idf, ceasefire, etc) I can't know. There are no good answers. All I want is that we can remember that these are human beings created in Hashem's image. And that any idea we have we first run through the lens of "how would I feel if this was done to my people"
- I think it's interesting that you use the term Zionism when I think it's such a confusing word without a clear definition. I think of myself as strongly Zionist but define that in my own way
- I think Jews outside of Israel benefit from Israeli security (this is more obvious now than ever), so not only do we have to be concerned about Charedi men, it seems to me, we are going to have to reckon with all Jews needing to serve in the IDF. The world is no longer distinguishing between Jews and Israelis.
- I think many people have relatives living and serving in Israel. That impacts how they view the situation for various reasons. I found that interesting it was not a question. Or how often one has visited Israel. Thank you.

- I think more so than Israel, what I focus more on is general anti-Semitism. Also, everything is a lot more complicated than can be properly expressed in a survey of course. I don't think I'd be upset to see IDF staying in Gaza until Hamas is gone, but I do have strong concerns about Palestinian citizens. I just don't know what should actually be done. I do, however, thank God I don't have to make these decisions
- I think that Nicki Haley could beat Biden, but she would first have to beat Trump. I am rethinking some of my political positions but I do plan to vote for Biden, even over Haley (should she get the nomination).
- I think there is a lot of anti-Palestinian racism in the Jewish community, which is a problem. It should be possible to be pro-Israel and not anti-Palestinian. I want the current crisis to end in a way which is sustainable.
- I think we need to be able to support the IDF but denounce Netanyahu. When you ask about the "handling of the War" it's not clear if you are asking a military question or a political one or both. I love Zionism but we need to confront racism and anti-Palestinian prejudice. We have to deal with settler violence. If we are supposed to be a light unto the nations, we need to act that way. I would also just note the terrible burden it is to feel that our safety and survival requires the level of agony and death we see in Gaza. We need to hold ourselves accountable for the choice we are making.
- I think you need Jews in Israel and outside as a counter balance. Who know that the Jews outside of Israel would be key support for the Jews inside.
- I truthfully believed right after 10/7 the world and my community will recognize that Israel was right and they are fighting evil. The Orwellian world we live in is frightening in the belief that Israel is wrong and Hamas is justified has shocked me to the core. I said in the Hagaddah בכל דור עומדים עלינו לכלותינו with the belief that it reflected on past generations but not mine - now I see the wisdom of our Rabbis. In addition in my community to see people rallying by foot and cars calling for the destruction of the Jewish people has also shaken me and is unbelievable.
- I try to share emails about Israel with non-frum people.

- I used to be a hard-core Revisionist Zionist. My views have softened somewhat, acknowledging the reality on the ground. I would say that my Zionism today most closely resembles Yossi Klein Halevi's
- I used to support drafting haredi men. Then I became more critical of the army and I learned of positions like nahag boss. I haven't solidified my views.
- I usually live in Israel 4-5 months a yr,; the picture that most people in the US & worldwide get from the news sources is anti-Israel to a degree, in some cases a GREAT degree, & the Israeli news sources are not much help either because of their particular editorialized news presentations.
- I want a binational Jewish Arab confederation/federation state. With smaller autonomous communities for Druze, Bedouin, Samaritan, etc. I want the Jewish and arab states religious democracies, but independent of the rabbinate and shariah law
- I want a relationship with global Jewry writ large that prioritizes doing mitzvot, learning Torah, speaking Jewish languages, creating a rich Jewish culture, where Israel is one of multiple Jewish centers. A "Bavelism", if you will
- I was privileged to visit Israel for the first time in 22 years this summer. It was wonderful. It was so wrenching to learn about the horrors of October 7. Israel needs to do what it has to do, but I still grieve for innocent life lost.
- I wish I could do more.
- I wish it was less taboo to have any modicum of sympathy toward the Arabs, outside of doing so for apologetics toward Israel (talking about leaflets, etc.). None of this is, chos vesholom, a repudiation of the nes of Israel's existence as the Jewish state and a deep connection to Eretz Yisroel and, of course, to our borthers and sisters fighting for their lives and our homeland.
- I wish there was an option for Jews and Arabs to peacefully co-exist but seems it is the impossible dream.
- I would like to see the State of Israel live Peace
- I would really like to see more in my community attuned to the issue of Palestinian civilians who are suffering as a result of the war. I push back against my progressive friends who accuse Israel of genocide, while acknowledging that Israeli force has been overwhelming and

excessive - I have questioned whether Zionism is worth it. I feel little acknowledgment of the pain of Palestinian civilians in our community and it feels isolating to hold these views at times. In my kishkes I also understand my community's apathy - October 7th was traumatic and horrific - I feel it too. But I would hope there could be more. I also think the unapologetic approach towards Palestinian civilians is not strategic for Israel in the short or long term, or for returning the hostages.

- I'm American Israeli. I have more skin in the game
- I'm an Israeli citizen myself. If I was medically healthy, I'd have joined. But because of the situation-it would be hard. However, I hope to one day join the navy- in gratitude for what the army is doing for Israel. I also came up with this new technology I got a patent for. It's good for victims in Israel and the army. Just wish I had some way to connect with them. If possible, please connect with me so I can carry this out in Israel.
- I'm curious to know what the results of this survey are - it has become increasingly difficult for me as a frum person to remain in religious spaces that are so overwhelmingly Zionist - I have to make difficult decisions about accessing religious spaces, continuing shul membership, and engagement across my Jewish life. It should not feel so impossible to be an observant Jew and also be anti-Zionist.
- I'm modern orthodox woman who became religious in College. i work full time and Zionist my whole life. There can be no backing down from Israel: Terrorists must be eliminated or Oct. 7th will happen again. The soldiers/gov't must do whatever they need to find the hostages and secure Israel. The world will hate us no matter what we do - might as well be safe.
- I'm probably part of that segment of the Jewish population that has a fairly strong connection to Israel (lived here, has family, visits, enjoys the culture), but has felt pushed away from Israel. Between the giving of the religious domain to the Charedim and the Palestinian domain to the settlers, I do not have any love for the Israeli government. Bibi's nearly 20 years in power has done much to destroy support for Israel among my peers. I'm a "zionist" because Jews live there and they should be safe and free where

they live, but the government makes it hard to support the "country of Israel" rather than people who live there.

- I'm really heartened to see how many lessconnected Jews have come to speak up strongly for Israel and increase their connection to the Jewish people. I hate that it took this tragedy, but my ahavas Yisrael has increased.
- I'm terrified for what the future will bring for Israel and Jews throughout the world. Moreover, I'm so disappointed in and furious with the liberal and left democrats (these used to be my people) for their lack of support in Israel and for the promulgation of antisemitism, anti -Israel and pro-Palestinian ideas being spread throughout the world and particularly in the US.
- I've long been critical of Netanyahu and have felt he prioritizes his own political career over the state of Israel. Even October 7th wasn't enough to change him. He must go, the future of the state of Israel depends on getting new leadership.
- If Haredim not Enlisting. Should be required to do national service men and women
- In future surveys please separate Staten Island from the bronx - they are very very different Jewish communities. Do you want more people in Staten Island to participate in this poll? If yes please email me at djs127@gmail.com
- Israel advocates online are, thankfully, more numerous, louder, more knowledgeable, and more united than ever. I'd like to see more emphasis placed on Hindu-Jewish solidarity, and our common past experiences under Christian and Islamic expansionism, emperialism, and settler-colonialism. I'd also like to see more attention drawn internationally to ubiquitous, severe child abuse in Islamic societies, not only in Gaza.
- Israel badly needs governmental leaders who focus on what's important to preserve the future of Israel rather than to preserve one's power as a leader. The prime minister after the last election chose a cabinet that was intended primarily to preserve his own power; it was a cabinet that did not represent the vote in the last election. Before Hamas's terror attack on October 7, the PM 's self-serving campaign to neutralize the Israeli Supreme Court's power created national disunity that perhaps was a cause of the terror attack. Israel needs

complete unity now to successfully counter the terrorists on all sides of its borders, so I am not in favor jettisoning the PM now, but after the war, there must a national reckoning.

- Israel cannot exist with the current neighbors. They are not ready for statehood because they are obsessed with our destruction. Everyone in Israel (charedi, men, woman) should serve in army/public serivce - there are other jobs that are non military that can support the country. It's clear that service is needed all over. America should have this as well.
- Israel for once and for all has to wipe out Hamas and not to cave in to outside pressure like the US or any other country. Israel basically stands alone . Am Israel chai.
- Israel has full and complete support in our community. Moreover, there is certainly a silent majority of non-Jews that supports Israel
- Israel has the right to exist, to be a free country, to live in peace, to continue as God's Chosen people and to thrive and receive His Blessings.
- Israel is a failed experiment that diminishes, rather than increases, the security of Jews in the Middle East and worldwide. It also increases anti-Semitism and anti- Americanism. The actions of the IDF and the Israeli government in Gaza are a hillul Hashem.
- Israel is a great country.
- Israel is an apartheid state but not sure what other realistic options there are
- Israel is going to lose unconditional support from the United States in the next 10-20 years and will need to strategically map out how it will continue to survive. Who are other strong allies that can be cultivated? How do you lock in normalization of relations with Middle East and Gulf states so that rogue actors or terrorists groups are seen as a common threat to stability and economic prosperity? The economy can't sustain itself indefinitely in a state of war at the current level. Israel needs to get the remaining hostages and come up with a viable post war plan with the international community that also, ideally, allows them to continue to prosecute targeted raids against wanted terrorists. Lastly, the situation in the West Bank is a powder keg. The longer the war in Gaza goes, the more likely the West Bank will explode.
- Israel is not winning the war right now in securing the return of hostages, nor in the court

of public opinion. Jews need others to support Israel's right to exist. We cannot do it alone.

- Israel needs a coalition government and Ben Gvir and Smotrich must be removed from the government.
- Israel needs to destroy Hamas and the PLO,
- Israel needs to finish the job and eradicate Hamas down to the roots!
- Israel needs to stop bending to world opinion, especially the UN. Its the only country in the world that needs to apologize for defending itself and winning a defensive war.
- Israel not only has a right to exist, it is critical that it continue to exist
- Israel should be fighting as ethically as possible, because (i) it is the right thing to do, (ii) Israel has lost the moral high ground, (iii) Israel has lost the love of the next generation, and (iv) Israel has created a generation of Israel haters.
- Israel should not only eliminate Hamas, but also Hizbollah and Islamic Jihad and should annex Judea, Samaria and Gaza.
- Israel should not worry what the world is thinking. Israel should worry only about Israelis and security and whatever it takes.
- Israel should stop being blamed for everything and people should acknowledge that hamas started this war. And there needs to be more done by the Red Cross to rescue the hostages.
- It is a complete tragedy that American Jews have conflated anti Israel protest with anti semitism or even with anti Zionism and that while our brothers and sisters are fighting for their lives we are filling news cycles with how under attack we feel. The people of Israel and of Gaza are the ones under attack and we should stop making everything about us and do a lot more listening.
- It is extremely frustrating that at a time of war Israel is still embroiled in partisan politics. At the same time it is essential that in the United States the politicians must show strong, unwavering support for Israel.
- It is important to share that the news media is wrong! They are against us Jews. Do not believe the media. Go to Israel! Support Israel! We will not give up our land!! Am Yisroel Chai!!!
- It is possible to hold 2truths at the same time. Hamas is evil and what was done on Oct. 7 was a pogrom AND what is happening to the people living in Gaza is horrific. How to end this mess.... IDK

- It is so discouraging that the world is so against Israel and Jews throughout the world. The truth cannot seem to break through and the international rules do not apply to Israel. I certainly hope this upside down world means Mashiach is coming very soon before things get even worse.
- It is time for Israel to have true Jewish leadership and there is no one better that I know of than Moshe Feiglin, leader of the Zehut party.
- It is very disturbing to see Jews speaking out against Israel and its people. I'm not sure why I'm so surprised at how the world has reacted to 10/7, but it's heartbreaking and un heartening to know the world will never be on our side.
- It seems like everyone I know is polarized in the pro Israel perspective but I think it's important to look at the other side just like we would want them to be open to dialogue
- It's hard to live in a community where dehumanization of Palestinians is seen as necessary to argue for Jewish rights.
- It's important for the Jewish community to push back against DEI. Jewish financial supports to the large universities in the US and Canada needs to stop completely. Money can be redirected to smaller universities that may have a more welcoming approach to Jewish students and Jewish students encouraged to attend these kinds of universities if they prove themselves to be welcoming. Religious and other Jewish university students ought to be encouraged and financially helped to put their educvations on pause and spend a few months in Israel picking crops and otherwise picking up the slack.
- Jewish life for LGTBQ Jews is severely limited outside of Israel, especially for those who wish to remain observant in any meaningful way. Israeli society has proven far more adaptable and quick to change compared to American Jewish society.
- Jewish people need to stand united in their support of Israel.
- Jewish unity is also an important way to support Israel
- Just a note on the draft question: I think Israel needs to move away from a universal draft to a professional army, and so none of the responses available reflected my view.

- Just for the record I am in Israel as I respond and was here on Oct 7 (I was in the US in the middle) Although legally a tourist I have a home here and come 3 times a year for a total of 20 weeks or, so.
- Like a lot of American progressive Jews, I am upset with the abandonment of the Left including false accusations of genocide and buyin to Hamas propaganda. I am also concerned about being judged by people at work and if my children ever went to public school or secular camp, which we have at times considered. I never thought I would feel this way. My Jewish family has been here since the mid-19th century, and I feel like I belong, but the left and the right have surprising amounts of real antisemitism with blood libels even.
- Loving Israel doesn't mean letting right wing extremists destroy it.
- Melbourne Australia has always been a strongly Zionist place, with aliyah and a deep connection to israel as a core part of Jewish education. Even amongst those not in the jewish day school system it is a key marker of jewish identity. Since Oct 7, anecdotally there has been a significant increase of the importance of zionism and identifying with the jewish people. This has been especially true with those who 6 months ago were almost unaffiliated and would not identify publically as zionist or jewish. Very much so in the 25-50 yr old age bracket, which were seen as most likely to not reengage seriously with judaism or zionism in their remaining lifetime.
- More outreach & education is needed to unaffiliated & disaffected Western Jews to support Israel.
- Mostly concerned about destroying Hamas and limiting soldiers casualties. Hamas could end it if they wanted. The world finally openly shows their Jew hatred. Somewhat shocked at the proportion of antizionist Jews
- My community stands with Israel strongly, but the secular community seems confused about why it's so important to defeat Hamas.
- My disillusionment with Israel does not diminish my Judaism. I feel tension going to shul, and feel as though my views are simply a point of tension rather than a point of discussion. I want to feel welcome in frum spaces, without needing to self-censor my progressive views.

- My husband and I have travelled to Israel 2 times in last 10 years
- My Judaism and Zionism are and have always been intertwined. I believe in the State of Israel and our absolute need and right to have that state. I also believe that we have a moral responsibility to lead and live with love and inclusivity and understanding. While I am unhappy with the current Israeli government, my heart and soul believe that Am Yisrael can and will work together for a better state and stronger nation and an improved world.
- My plans to make aliyah have been accelerated both by my desire to be able to vote against Netanyahu whenever the next Israeli elections occur, and my desire to leave the US before Trump even has the potential to disrupt the next US elections.
- My synagogue, liberal Modern Orthodox, has the full gamut of opinions from JVP-style antizionism to people who are near Kahanist and everything in between. Also - I am a convert to Judaism (Orthodox conversion) - my father was a Southern Baptist minister who was very strongly Christian Zionist
- Netanyahu belongs in jail
- Netanyahu is destroying Israel. He and his rightwing allies have to go. Far from being protectors of Israel, they are threatening the country's existence. This is not why we need a Jewish state.
- Netanyahu's involvement in the proposed changes to the judicial system, his domestic policies, are a negative. I recognize that he has managed well during wartime, but his other negatives should be considered in post-war plans.
- No, but why the prioritization of New York and New Jersey in this survey?
- October 7 proved our need for our own land and army
- October 7th has finally kicked me in the pants to make Aliyah. Israel needs Jews.
- October 7th shows us even more how strongly we need Israel.
- Opposed to the pre-Oct. 7th moves by the current Israeli government in terms of their attempts to change the government. Still pro-Israel (like one can be pro-America while oppose one administration or another).
- Our community is ignorant about Israel and too many people hold their tongues when talking

about the fascists and criminals in the Israeli government. We should be open in our opposition to them and Netanyahu.

- Our synagogue community provides a strong link to Israel.
- peace and victory in Israel
- Polarization is a bigger threat than Hamas, et al.
- Prayers.
- Praying for the safe return of all the hostages, while acknowledging that prayer is not a strategy!
- Pro Israel pro medina not really a zionist pragmatic rather than ideological
- Re Haredim serving in the IDF, I do not feel that should be compulsory. However, I do feel that some form of community service should be (sheirut l'umi).
- really no answers to this... Hope that as much of Hamas infrastructure, arms, tunnels etc can be destroyed. Hard to know how to control so many more radicalized Palestinians even without Hamas...and such high birthrate -- what to do???
- Religious extremism and zionist messianism frighten me. This is both in their political and religious implications.
- Religious parties -Smotrich, benGvir -are destroying the country. Haredim must be conscripted and their financial benefits abolished.
- Seeing the toxic views of Jews all around me, it makes it hard to remain observant. If this is observant Judaism, a Judaism that cares nothing for the lives and safety of people who aren't Jewish, then is this really a community that I want to be teaching its defective morals to my children? Israel has disappointed me but American Jews have disappointed me just as much with their reflexive complete support for whatever Israel does, no matter how many war crimes committed, no matter how many civilians killed. This isn't Judaism, this is midas sdom.
- Strongly considering aliya
- Support even more strongly organizations such as AIPAC who are so influential in getting American support in all its forms.
- Teaneck, which is a pro-zionistic community, is so focused on Israel that the community is missing what's going on around them. The antisemitism and anti-Zionism is rampant due to the apathy of the Jewish community.

- Thank you for asking these questions.
- Thank you for oppurinity.
- The cluster bombing I am against but target definitely wipe out Hamas but the children I have issues with it will only build more Hate.
- The current conflict will hopefully awaken American Jews to their Jewish identity, and give them the strength to fight against falsehood and evil. Am Yisrael chai!
- The Democrats have to go. All this anti-Semitism is on account of their actions and policies. Under President Trump, he would never allow this anti-Semitism and would have severe immediate consequences for all of the things happening now (anti-Semitism, Prohamas, Open border, illegal migrants, current wars would never have happened etc. )
- The Hostages must be released. Hamas must be eliminated.
- The Jewish community needs to accept that Israel is not acting in our best interest. BUT we can change that! To do so we must first replace the people in charge of the government in Israel and make it clear that criticisms of Israel are not criticisms of Jews. Israel HAS done things wrong and to own that as something the Jewish community has done is a horrible and misinformed at best and antisemitic it self at worst. All in all the best thing the Jewish community can do is get better leaders in Israel, we CAN do this, Together!
- The modern orthodox communities have done an incredible job boosting the Israeli economy by visiting during the war as well as by sending endless money and aid to the IDF
- The most important thing is to slaughter the Hamas savages while minimizing to the greatest possible extent the risk to Israeli soldiers. NOT EVEN ONE SOLDIER SHOULD BE SACRIFICED TO SAVE THE LIFE OF A PALESTINIAN CIVILIAN.
- The Orthodox community is very comfortable with occupation. I hope that changes.
- The Roma have a no state solution. We should consider it.
- The Romans won because of sinat chinam. The Simchat Torah pogrom came after years of sinat chinam taking over modern Israeli society, driven to fever pitch by the Netanyahu government's political "war" against internal "enemies." With other signs, such as the accord between Iran and Saudi Arabia, I believe we lost

our chance. "Reshit tzmichat geulatenu" was a pipe dream.

- The root cause of the war is terrorism in Gaza and the PA, as long as they keep killing any moderates and stealing all the money, they turn it against Israel and perpetuate war. They have never been at peace with Israel for a single day. They must be entirely, totally, defunded and disempowered and moderates must be in charge with Israeli oversight and never allowed to take over again. Every last tunnel, weapons cache, funding source, all must be systematically eradicated otherwise they will just regroup and continue war. Before, I did not feel this way, I thought it was best to let Israel's government decide what was best for Israel. Now, only all-out war against terror is my new viewpoint, and it must be shared by all Americans, because the USA is just as much a target as Israel and it is in our national interest to have a zero-tolerance all-out anti-terror proactive foreign policy. Israel happens to be our best ally and the more we back Israel's war on terror, the more it will work
- The Supreme Court ruled correctly
- The virus of the world financing terrorists are the Khomeini who should be eliminate before hamas..then it will be peace...Amen
- The war has brought our community closer together. Support for Israel is steadily increasing. In our area we are receiving grade support from the non-Jewish community as well. The security of Israel's future cannot be compromised.
- The war has made me more strongly consider Aliyah
- The Zionism in practically all modern Orthodox communities has become so pervasive and strong that it's become really hard for me to attend a shul in good conscience, which is incredibly sad because I love Judaism and was really starting to make an effort to participate more after a few year period where I wasn't particularly frum. I really hope that one day there will be an anti-Zionist or at least non-Zionist shul that I could feel good attending, but until then, I feel like I don't have any real options and that hurts a lot.
- There needs to be consideration of the plight of the Azans who have lost their homes, livelihoods, families. I do not agree that thee are NO innocent victims. The Azan population

did not elect Hamas. Hamas overthrew hte Palestiniamn AUthority in Aza by force. These Azatis have suffered.

- These questions are not really nuanced or sophisticated enough.
- This is a significant turning point in Jewish history. We have to learn from the past that Jewish people must be in solidarity with each other. We can not afford to split or even allow self hate or protest of each other.
- This is a very important survey--thank you for undertaking it.
- This is an opportunity to eliminate hamas and create a permanent peace with our Arab neighbors. We need to go out of way to protect and support civilian Gazans. It is a once in a generation opportunity to get rid of evil and create good will
- This survey did not define "Zionism" before asking if we support Zionism or not; I think there may be different views regarding the meaning of that term.
- This survey is not very satisfying and didn't capture the complexity of my experience these days related to Israel.
- We must all fight the lies against Israel, however we can.
- We must do everything we can here to support Israel 100% and we must show our soldiers that we fully support, pray for them & love them!!!!
- We need a more effective way to disseminate the REAL facts on the ground. Every time that is done, Israel comes out on top. The crowd "bleeding" for the Palestinians is living in another exoplanet.
- We need strong practical zionist education and political advocacy education in our schools
- We need to also work on the lies that Social Media are spewing out
- We need to continue to hold strong and steady against all threats to Jews in Israel and abroad!
- We need to do more to help unaffiliated progressive Jews see why they should support israel as well.
- We need to fight anti-Zionism, anti-semitism and take down posters and placards that are anti-Israel.
- We need to focus on our core values of Torah and Jewish values. We need to strengthen Jewish communities around the world and stop sending our money and our best young people to the most dangerous place in the world for

Jews (sadly, of course!) -- Eretz Yisrael. In our holy land, their lives are in danger and their souls also in danger of being swept up in a national ideology that emphasizes nationalism and militarism at the expense of traditional Judaism.

- We need to stand together. The antisemitism that has been unleashed is so painful and frightening. I'm less scared to be in Israel than I am to walk in Manhattan.
- We pray throughout the day for the hostages and IDF. We wish the Israel gov't did not entertain the current U.S. Abomination administration, just do what you need to do to win. We wish IDF did not have to give "gaza" so much "aide" and yet no hostages are released! May HaShem intervene and give Israel and the Jewish community victory and peace
- Westchester should be listed as an area of NY
- What is happening to the Gaza Palestinians is unconscionable. Jews can't treat other humans that way. Israel needs to find a better way to get to Hamas.
- When I say I am Zionist I mean I support the idea of a Jewish state. I think this war is a disaster, the Israeli people are a mess, and the leadership is horrendous. It's a very frustrating time.
- Whenever someone complains about the war in Gaza they should be reminded that it would end in a heartbeat upon full surrender by Hamas and release of hostages and bodies.
- While at first American Jews, of all sectors, were shocked by the events of Simchat Torah and impulsively exhibited an outpouring of concern, the passage of time has diminished the concern significantly. American Jewish life proceeds as usual without consideration for the implications of the war and the rise in antisemitism. This is an indication of the failure of American Jewish leadership on all levels.
- While I am pro Israeli, I think there is too much media especially on social media about the war
- While I often disagree with much of what goes on in Israel, I feel, especially now, that I have to be publicly supportive online, on social media, and other venues, because there are too many haters and enemies out there.
- While Jewish Organizations and official entities continue to express unconditional support of the State of Israel, more and more young Jews are becoming non or antizionist. The Orthodox

community - like the rest of the Jewish world is alienating hundreds of young Jews, including many of those who are most passionate about Torah, Mitvos, and Jewish communal life, by continuing to elevate political support of the State of Israel above investing in actual Jewish life at home.

- While the only real solution in Gaza is expulsion, it is politically unfeasible, so Israel will have to contend with the increased security requirements as a result. For the Haredim, they must participate in the same minimum capacity as any other Israeli in military service.
- Why are there still buildings standing in Gaza? Israel should turn Gaza into a parking lot. Also, Israel should execute captured terrorists, especially anyone holding leadership positions
- Why are you not asking about Iran and what should be done?
- Will continue to support the state of Israel.
- Will note vote for Donald Trump, only undecided if the republican candidate is not Trump.
- Wipe out most of the Arabs.
- Wish we could finish them off and be able to have an upper hand in negotiating. We were weak and we still look weak in the world. We need to build our strength again to make sure we don't get attacked.
- Wish we had a vocal Jewish leader who could be influential in secular and non Jewish societies.
- With regard to what should happen in Gaza, I believe the Israeli government is best positioned and has the most information, intelligence and clarity to make these decisions. There is info that the average US citizen is not privy to at this time, so we must do what we must to neutralize and eliminate and render Hamas powerless.
- World wide Jewry should wake up and make its home in Israel
- Would like champs eliminated forever. There is no future for Israel as king as they are around. We need Hashem to help us.
- yes- regarding relocating Gaza's- I strongly support this but only if it voluntary. Secondregarding drafting charedi Jews- I would support requiring them to serve for those who are not learning seriously. (i.e. enforcement of this rule)

- You should've asked a question whether Prime Minister Netanyahu should remain after the war
- Your question about where I live, "other USA," is offensive, only giving NY and NJ. NY centrism is a big problem in the Jewish world and you have perpetuated it.
- Your questions are vague or not specific enough and can/will lead to misinterpretation of data. For example, when I say I'm not fully pleased with handling of war, it can be viewed as I think Netanyahu is too strong. But, my reasoning for disagreeing is I think we are being too soft. We are too concerned for world views and should really be more aggressive and forceful to recover hostages, eliminate Hamas and take back full control of Gaza. Your question did not allow for a clarification on the viewpoint and therefore from a statistic standpoint will not allow for accurate interpretation. I can disagree but is it because I am more "left" or "right".
- your use of the term "zionist" is a bit opaque you should define what you mean: someone who is in favor of the state of israel? You seem to be using it to me "right wing pro-netanyahu" etc
- Zionism is curiously one of the least criticizable views within the Modern Orthodox community. Controversial opinions regarding women's issues, homosexuality, divine authorship of the Torah are more able to be aired without one's membership in the community being questioned. Substantive critiques of Zionism however put one immediately outside of the community. There's no reason why this should be, there have been a broad range of views on Zionism since it's beginnings as an ideology in the 19th century, and the "success" of Israel should not be a barrier to criticism.
- עם ישראל חי

## Haredi

- A jewish state before moshiach is prohibited by hashem and he is the only one that could return us to our land. Hashem should take us out of this terrible position the Zionist's have placed us.
- According to my views, based on comments from other people, the education system in America failed. The Israeli generation today and next generation of Israelis should be educated more in Torah thoughts so as not to

be influenced by the way most young Americans think. As long as young Americans cannot think for themselves, America may be weakened. This cannot happen in Israel. Young Israelis need to be more Torah educated.

- Ain Od Milvado!
- all jews must stand for israel!!
- All Jews should be praying for peace and safety for Jews everywhere.
- Am Israel Chai!
- am Yisrael Chai
- Am Yisrael chai
- Am Yisroel chai
- Am Yisroel Chai
- Am Yisroel Chai
- Am Yisroel Chi!
- Anti Semitism is full blown on the USA. The WOKE and BLM movements are to blame for much of the Anti Semitism Pro Hamas supporters who have Visas should be expelled Those who have new citizenship should have citizenship revoked. Education institutions must be held accountable for Anti Semitic activity. Those who support terrorism and Anti Semitism must lose federal & state aid.
- Armchair Zionism must be a thing of the past Publicly Active Anti Zionist haredim should be named and shamed
- As an anti-zionist it's ironic that I wish Israel to succeed, but my reasons for wanting Israel to succeed has nothing to do with zionism. Israel today is home to millions of jews. The Arabs today would devour them given the chance. Israel cannot lose this war.
- As far as the world is concerned I am fully pro the state. As far as the Jewish community, I do not support the secular government in its values. However, as a person raised in a democracy, I am deeply concerned with the way the Israeli Supreme Court has ruled via judicial fiat- in a way that is unacceptable in any other democracy, and not subject to any review or oversight. I'm that regard I fully support the Netanyahu government's efforts to change the procedures for the Supreme Court. I find the courts actions a true threat to democracy.
- As I started exploring my relationship with Israel, about seven years ago (my father passed away and in going through his papers I found much more Zionist leanings than I had been aware of), I swung more pro Zionist. Sadly, how I see the behavior, I couldn't sustain that pro-

Zionism. I will do what I can. Went to the March for Israel. Contact my elected officials. Pray. Etc. but secular Zionism remains problematic for me.

- Before Oct 7, never realized the level of antisemism so high.
- Can't understand 18-24 support for Hamas
- Dissappointed in Rosh Yeshivas response to DC rall on Nov 14, 2023
- Elya ber vachtfogel said that the Israelis are only fighting gaza because of ego. That is so nasty to say that. I would love to know what he would do if groundhogs attacked his garden. Its to deter this from happening again. Gilad shalit is a response to that barbaric statement.
- Feeling strongly connected to the land of Israel and not being pro Zionist are not mutually exclusive
- FERVENTLY PRO-ZIONIST...VERY DISAPPOINTED THAT THE ISRAELI GVMT IS CAPITULATING TO EU AND US DEMANDS TO PULL BACK, GIVE WAY TO ALL THOSE BARBAROUS hamas ANIMALS DEMAND FOR EXCHENAGE OF HOSTAGES....I DAVEN FOR THE HOSTAGES, BUT REALITY IS THOSE ANIMALS WILL KILL THEM...AND ISRAEL WILL PULL BACK...AND THE SAME HORRIBLE CYCLE OF VIOLENCE WILL ENSUE, EVIDENCED BY 50 MISSLES SHOT INTO ISRAEL YESTERDAY, TUESDAY, 1/16/24, FROM AZA...
- First off that I enjoyed this survery, thank you. I believe we need to educate our people. Ive come to learn why satmar is so against zionism and how it stems from his own guilt post ww2 and i think it's important for the jewish nation to understand and learn history- from a non biased egotistical pount of view.
- Gedolai yisroel should be making these life and death decisions
- GOD SUOULD BLESS U N U SHOULD BLESS GOD
- Government ministers especially from the Religious Zionists should keep quiet and refrain from making inflammatory statements and comments. Others should stop making statements in the foreign press and on social media about who they have been in contact with e.g the Libyan Foreign minister is in permanent hiding because of the Israeli minister saying how he had been in secret talks with her about forming relations with Israel. I wanted to move to Israel but I could not live with the boastful bragging and corruption that has been happening and the attempts to

control the legislature. The current prime minister will do anything to remain in power and avoid standing trial. If the government had been focusing on the security of the country this disaster would not have happened. They have facilitated the corruption and mismanagement and should be held to account for what has been happening throughout Netanyahu's time in power. Settler violence should be stopped and not facilitated by

- Hashem should protect all of Am Yisroel, both in Israel and everywhere else
- hazlacha
- I am just a Jew who believes that Israel is a Jewish land that Hashem gave us . I'm not sure if you call that Zionism, it's just Judaism .
- I am mostly pro all orthodox Judaism so anyway that's helped and the community can grow and prosper and the state of Israel is helping/allowing... that I am pro that
- I am not sure that Herzl's dream is compatible with the vision of the Torah. He wanted to normalize the Jewish people and end antisemitism by establishing a Jewish state. Though his state was indeed born, and many Jews live there, they are not less subject to anti-Jewish violence than their grandparents in Europe were. The main difference is that we now have our own army and they fight for us. This feels good for many people! But, objectively, I don't think the Jewish people are more safe or less subject to antisemitism them before 1948. Ultimately, we're still in Galus (and this is due to our sins, not military weakness), and only HaShem can end that, hopefully soon!
- I am part of an orthodox community that is Pro Israel . It is somewhat disappointing that some a prominent Rabbi has chosen to encourage Jews to vote Democrat ! G-d redeem us soon !
- I am strongly connected to Eretz Yisroel as our Holy Land and to my brothers and sisters in Eretz Yisroel. I have visited several times and pray for them constantly. However, I do not support the establishment of a secular Zionist state as a Jewish homeland, which often tramples on Torah principles. At the same time, I pray for the safety and success of our soldiers in their mission to defeat our enemies and save Jewish lives. Does this make me a pro-Zionist or an anti-Zionist?
- i am very pro zionist in the sense that the Land of Israel is the homeland of the Jewish people

and i want those that live there to be safe. I am against secular Zionism.

- I believe strongly that we are in exile. On the other hand Israel and all of the yidden cannot be treated as scapegoats. People should not forget the horror they went through on OCTOBER 7, and the purpose of this war.
- I believe that the negotiations and concessions over territory demanded by our "friends," allies, and the international community only lead to bloodshed and the continuation of the struggle. Eretz Yisrael was given by Hashem to the Jewish people and belongs to us for eternity. That should be our stance.
- I believe that the rabbis in Europe who were originally opposed to the creation of a Jewish state were right. However, now that Israel exists, the government needs to do whatever it can to protect its citizens. Unfortunately, there isn't much of a choice but to continue the war against Hamas. It is sad that so many innocent Jews need to die in order to achieve that military objective.
- I believe that there should be a required national service option for Haredi men that can be done in conjunction with yeshiva learning (part time learning, part time national service). Service activities could be similar to things done by the Israeli women who opt to do national service instead of IDF.
- I believe the actions of today's so-called "Naturei Karta" - not the Naturei Karta of my youth - should be more openly condemned like Satmar Rebbe did.
- I didn't get a definition of what Zionism you're asking if we're supporting is. And are you asking from a political or Torah perspective
- I do not think any Israeli government can "solve" the problem that Israel has with the Arabs, both within the country and around it. I daven that in the merit of increased Torah observance since Oct 7 that Hashem will protect them in the meantime until He sends Moshiach.
- I do not think diaspora Jews should be pushing Israel or its government on anything. Only the Israeli citizenry has the right to say how their government should run, and who should run their government.
- I don't believe Zionism as a political ideological movement that it was from inception to the late 1980s exists. I don't think the behavior or

ideals of the founders of the Zionist movement and state of Israel have any relevance to any contemporary questions about Israel. (From what I see the only people who still talk about "Zionism" as a political ideological movement are it's opponents talking about their perceived enemies) My biggest current issue with the state of Israel is the dictatorial powers the antireligious far left supreme court has, although the people on it are not Zionists according to the way anti-Zionist describe Zionism. My main relationship with the state of Israel is efforts to help it citizens.

- I don't consider myself a Zionist per se, but am 100 percent pro Israel
- I don't think that it's worth risking soldiers lives to rescue bodies. I also don't think that any prisoner exchanges for terrorists should ever happen.
- I feel it is important to have strong support for the Jewish state
- I feel like it used to be you were more pro Israel if you were more stereotypically modern Orthodox. Now it feels like all segments of orthodoxy are more supportive and this helps our family support more. For example, we are somewhat yeshivish and hung an Israeli flag on yom haatzmaut every year and it felt off for ppl like us. Now it does not anymore bc it represents caring for the Jewish people as opposed to before when it felt more like "zionism"
- I feel minimal connection to Israelis who wear tattoos becoming more commonplace in Israeli secular society.
- I feel relatively indifferent, I don't believe views should change because of a war, and I think people became much more pro Zionism due to the war and are not seeing it for the war that it is. Also I don't really feel educated enough on the subject to have strong opinions on either side.
- I feel strongly connected to Israel and believe in all of the religious/spiritual significance of Israel, but am uncomfortable with Zionism because I don't align with its roots and many of its current manifestations
- I felt that I couldn't really answer the zionism questions without definitions. I grew up Reform, sort of pro Israel, but not too much; Now as orthodox, I am very connected to Israel, through experience, children, family friends and

general concern, but I wouldn't call it Zionist. The changes felt since Oct. 7 are more emotional and worry for their safety, and of Jews everywhere and increasing anti Semitism here in NY and everywhere, and that has moved its place to front and center vis a vis American politics.

- I find it shocking People will question their leaders the rabbi's and their community policies, As a matter of course. But whatever Israel does is Correct, Prescient, And prudent. I would expect from intelligent people to be a bit more Critical in general of whatever policies or positions Israel Promotes, Regardless what your position is on Zionism in general.
- I fully support the annexation of Judea and Samaria into the state of Israel
- I grew up in the yeshivish school system which was slightly anti Zionist. My family was neutral but my grandfather was a "radical" in that he was someone Zionist even though he was chareidi. This was a family pride for us, altho we did see both the Zionist and anti-Zionist arguments, mostly in that the Zionist movement was too secularly controlled
- I hope the hostages are returned home safely in the very near future. I hope the IDF is able to abolish Hamas.
- I just pray to Hashem that all of Klal Yisroel is safe always.
- I like Dr. Kaduri's idea to divide Gaza into family clans Israel to oversee that enemy militants are not allowed access.
- I love and connected Israel, but I don't consider myself a Zionist in the political sense, and hystorical sense
- I love Eretz Yisroel very much and feel very connected, both to the land itself and the people living there. I don't know much about the government and honestly don't care to know much. Eretz Yisroel has always been a special place, regardless of which government happens to be in power.
- I love Israel have been there twice, and always want and hope to go back.
- I love Israel but am not particularly zionistic. I don't have strong feelings about the government there and probably don't know enough to give educated answers to political questions. In terms of US presidential elections all I know about how I will vote in 2024 is that I will not vote for Trump. All the questions about

how Israel should fight the war and what should happen in Gaza "the day after" are so so hard to answer. I really don't believe there can be peace between Israel and people who dont accept her existence but I also can't support moving a whole population of people from their homes. I think Israel should do whatever is necessary to keep themselves safe even if it ends up killing a lot of civilians but I still hate knowing that so many people are being killedeven though I know they probably would support killing Jews and Israelis. It's really a no win situation until Moshiach comes.

- I love Israel!! Am Yisroel chai!
- I love you all my fellow Jews. We will overcome this with HaShem help!
- I Love ארץ ישראל, not the state of Israel. And I wait for ארץ ישראל, not the state of Israel. And I wait for any Should to come. I love My Jewish brothers and sisters העשבי ארץ ישראל, and I'm concerned for their well-being and safety. I love them because they are Jews, not because they are Israelis. At the same time, I strongly opposed the Zionist idea of an independent Jewish state before משיח came. And because the Zionist movement hijacked the idea of love to ארץ ישראל doesn't mean I need to hate ארץ ישראל ארץ ישראל. At the same time, I'm praying for all of Israel's safety, including the IDF in Gazah, not because they're my brothers and sister's holy Yiddishe בשמות Should to come.
- I see Israel in a very Rav Kook sense, of a diverse place with a specific religious and Torah based foundation. My views are definitely painted by that perspective, and we are planning to make Aliyah as soon as it is feasible for our family, soon BEzrat Hashem.
- I still don't currently understand what zionism is and I find the Israeli government vis a vis my religious identity to be confusing. I love my fellow Jews and I don't want there to be infighting. I wish the Israeli government embraces their Judaism more or at least their belief in Hashem. At the end of the day, the Jewish people were given the Land of Israel, I just don't know what our obligation to fight for it is in the diaspora. While I'm not lubavitch, I find solace in the guidance of the Rebbe when, in the past, he was vehemently opposed to giving away land. Clarity is hard to get in this day and age but regardless, the Palestinian people have expressed no interest In a real two state

solution so I don't know why Israel should create policy surrounding the wishes of the world opinion and not on the wishes of their hostile Palestinian neighbors. Walking on eggshells around every nation hasn't helped. Israel should step up and create incentives for the Palestinian people to emgi

- I strongly support Israel's fight for their security and existence. It is important that Jews have our homeland.
- I think decisions on what to do going forward need to be made by Israelis living there who understand and feel the reality most acutely on the ground. It's above me to figure it out to the end. But what I am sure of is that Israel's enemies will only be deterred through military strength. This is the only language they know and respect unfortunately. As Golda Meir said, " When they love their children more than they hate ours- then there will be peace." We must stand with our Jewish brethren everywhere and engage in Ahavas Yisroel in any capacity possible.
- I think Egypt should annex Gaza, or Israel should develop some kind of Federalist one-state system similar to the USA. For example there could be 2 Arab states and 3 Jewish states, a total of 5 states under one non-sectarian Constitutional Republican Federal government. But as an American, it really isn't any of my business what they do in Israel.
- I think if the IDF would do more to make the army more accommodating to chareidi men, they would be much more likely to enlist. This would need to include top standards of kashrut, completely separate sleeping facilities for men and women, 3 minyanim a day etc.
- I think that 75 years after the creation of the state we should finally realize that the good klal yisrael had from the state by far outways the problems it brought (at least from Begins time it definitely does outway the problems)
- I think the Israelis need to improve there pr and fight back against biased media around the world
- I wanna show that you could be a Hasidic Jew and still be pro Zionist
- I would like to differentiate between my strong feelings for israel and zionism.my feelings are not pro zionisim in the way that is against the torah. it is purely through a torahdik view on israel being a holy land

- I would think that Netanyahu has too many sworn enemies, he should be foreign minister and someone in Likud should be PM.
- I'm glad to provide more detail about my responses, and I would definitely like to know the results of this survey. (As I've said to my grandson who just left in August to learn in yeshiva, this is a crucial time in all of Jewish history. HaShem has put every one of us here at this time for a reason. May we all find and have wisdom and courage as we each see the path we should go!)
- I've been anti-Zionist for most of my life. I still am but since October 7 toned down my anti-Zionism, at least temporarily. Let Israel crush the evildoers decisively, we will sort out Zionism later.
- i"m pro the zionist shomrei torah that wasn't called zionists till lately
- If made to choose between "pro-Zionist" and "anti-Zionist" I have to choose pro, but that term carries some implications that don't apply. I don't view the establishment of the current state as a religious/messianic event. My Zionism is defined by our having a right to be in our land and the fact that if any other power were to take over that land at this point, it would come with profound Jewish suffering and death.
- If the Palestinians are to be permanently • relocated to other countries, they should preferably be Arab countries. Great effort should be made that the Palestinians should NOT come to the countries with a large Jewish population. In that case, it would be safer if they remained in Gaza. Because at least then Israel would still defend the Jewish people. In other countries, not only would the government not defend us, but they'd actively defend and help the Palestinians. If it gets to that point, then even Israel won't be strong enough to protect any of us (including the Israelis). So it may just be better for Palestinians to remain in Gaza, under Israeli control.
- If there is any possibility for a long lasting peace deal, & the Palestinians stop educating their children to hate Israel, then Palestinians can stay in Gaza. If not, then Israel has no choice but to take over Gaza & remove all that want to destroy us!!!

- In chabad we are against Zionism but pro the Israeli people (too complicated to explain here) Therefore, I would not write that I am pro Zionist in any way even after Oct 7th I am pro the people not the state.
- Israel belongs to the Jewish nation it is non negotiable. It was given to us by G-d! We are not allowed to discuss given up even one inch of our G-d given land. As soon as we start negotiating we lose. When we hold strong and firm we win - when we vacillate we invite tragedy r'l. Why do the Christians like CUFI understand this and we are still busy apologizing and empowering our enemies? WE NEED MOSHIACH!!!!!
- Israel has a right to safety and must do what it takes to ensure it
- Israel has two options perpetual wars or attempt at two states. There is nothing else. Both are problematic
- Israel military should create special divisions for charedi men., where truly can train in trade and business and study Throw the Arabs out of Israel. Arabic should not be a language on signs, etc. Arabs should be relocated from the West Bank and East Jerusalem. Jews must control the Temple grounds and all historically Jewish sites No privileged to Christian and Moslems - they aren't friends if the Jewish people or Israel.
- Israel must be supported by everyone, Jew and non-jew alike. It is only because of Israel that the world is existing.
- Israel must do what it has to do to defeat Hamas without listening to the Biden administration and must disregard wolrd opinion. The world hatres Jews period.
- Israel needs to do a better job of PR Especially with the antisemitism world wide And in the USA. Congress will be introducing resolutions to qualify what the funds Israel is given might not pass now but down the road in the future
- Israel needs to put safety and security of all lives, including Palestinian, over PR. Crush Hamas and save lives. Fail to do so, or make decisions based on international pressure, and lives are lost unnecessarily. Charedi men should be allowed to study as that too saves lives through a spiritual battle against the evil. However, anyone merely using that as an excuse should be compelled to serve.

- Israel needs to totally destroy Gaza to eliminate at least one boarder with an enemy. Israel needs to talk less and clear Gaza quicker without having to defend its actions. Most of the Arab world & others are very clear...they want Israel & all Jews GONE
- Israel should be strong and eliminate their enemies from being a threat according to Shluchan Oruch
- Israel should not be pressured by American government or liberal views. It should do whatever is necessary and safest for its citizens
- Israeli culture should understand that Israel as a Jewish state can never forget the Jew part of it. Judaism isnt geographical, its religious. It is beyond comprehension how there can be people in Israel who are pro israel and anti torah. The entire concept of Israel is from the Torah. So support torah learning, treat them as our national royalty, and watch the bracha come down. At the same time, the frum should continue to contribute to the secular national country they live in by doing all the chesed they can. it should not be a contradiction but each side using their best to complement each other. but the non-religious needs to undersated that the entire basis of existence is the religion, based on torah, otherwise its not a jewish state but a group of people living there geographically for no reason other than they happen to be there.
- It is nice to see liberal Jews finally wake up. I don't expect I'll receive any apologies for the mocking and nasty comments I have received, but just seeing these morons realize they are not safe is enough.
- It is truly time the believers in God pray for the peace of Jerusalem as the bible speaks of.
- It is very sad but true that rescuing hostages makes it more likely that more people will be taken hostage. That makes it very difficult to comment on what one should do. It is equally sad but true that the media does a good job of making the bad guy look like the good guy, and vice versa. Only Hashem can fix this.
- It really depends what you mean by Zionism. Personally and religiously, my views are somewhere between Agudah and Satmar - not pro the founding of a State at all, but now that it's here, we shouldn't be totally disengaged and deal with the cards we've been dealt. Politically, I think anyone not Jewish who denies

the existence of or wishes the destruction of the only Jewish state in existence is an antisemite. But the concern for my brothers and sisters in Israel hasn't changed, except that we are even more concerned because they are in so much danger right now.

- It's difficult to answer these questions. A
  person can be very supportive of Israel and the
  right of Jewish people to claim the land because
  of religious reasons, without being a zionist,
  which is a secular political philosophy.
- it's forbidden for Jews to be a Zionist
- It's hard for me to answer whether I'm a zionist or not. I'm mostly an Agudah person, which in the Herzl sense isn't Zionist. The foundation of the state of Israel isn't reishis smichas geulaseinu. However since so many yidden live there we have to deal with the reality of the current, non halachic government.
- It's important to understand that Lubabvitch is 100% non zionist but in a sense we are to the right of even the most extreme zionist politicians.
- Jews should be taking a much more active role in fighting back against the supporters of the terrorists and should apply their own tactics (demonstrations, etc.) against them.
- Just a sample-Shall we imagine what the Maccabees reaction would have been to the insidious record of the damaged kibbutzim; ENDLESS Promotion of LGBTq perversion; expanding mixed gender corps. to the top in IDF; the wild Rave we're supposed to mourn;viz a viz the ensuing events of October? A noted irreligious figure wrote a couple of years ago regarding about much he disliked Chanukah. Chanukah, in his words, was a group of hardliner nationalistic religious trying to impose their worldview and will on the hellenizing [i.e.secularising] free majority socio-culture. He challenged his coreligionists to be more honest with their families, and stop celebrating the holiday of Chanukah. If there is any comparison between the Chashmonaim and the past year however comparably mangled it might venture to be-it would a bit closer to the pro judicial reform supposedly 'dividing ' israel during the previous nine months of 2023 p.s The Achdut trope since Oct.7 has been proven sadly only to ha

- Just don't understand how Israel let it get so bad and didn't know what was happening. Very upset about this point.
- just reiterate the point i made earlier
- Just that I was totally changed by the liberal response to the events of 10/7
- Kahana tzodek
- Keep Up Israel we NEED you!
- Kill hamas
- Let us just pray for peace and unity going forward.
- Many of us love Israel in the religious sense, not politically
- Many people in my community are faced with the duality of supporting Israel as brothers under attack and watching coreligionists going out to a war against our beliefs. People need to separate the conflict, for which they have both strong positive and negative feelings and they are finding it easier not to struggle with the whole thing and rather just ignore their feeling from both ends, which leads to less discussion on the whole issue. In some other communities, much of the support for the war is all about the chayalim, which hypes up the matzav. In addition, the less exposure to social media, the less media about the war is shared, which makes the war further from the mind. This is not to say that we don't talk about the war and sympathize with our brothers. Our newspapers report on Gaza weekly and many express the hope that all Jews should be safe. Personally, I have multiple family members there and I pray that they, along with everyone, should be protected by G-d's right hand.
- May the Ribono Shel Oilam redeem us!
- Mshebeirach for tzahal is being said regularly where it never had been before! I know,because i'm the one asked to make it!
- My community is always been very involved with Israel. We were involved, but since Oct 7 we had many programs, rallies and projects such tying Tzitzis for the IDF and saying Trillim at at the minyanim at the Shul.
- My feelings that Bibi should remain as prime minister are not because he is doing a good job but because I don't know if anybody is powerful enough to do better
- My husband and I plan on making aliya within the next 2 years or so.
- My lowest point was Yom Kippur when I heard about the anti religious protests. I thought that

era was over. The reaction of the country after Simchas Torah has given me new hope.

- My views are aligned with those of the Lubavitcher Rebbe whose support for Israel is unconditional but not due to anything related to Zionism.
- My community is very Zionistic
- No, except hamas bad.
- Our community prays for the release of our brothers and sisters being held in Gaza and the safe return of all the IDF soldiers.
- People in my community seem very disconnected from Israel, which is disappointing and frustrating
- Please stop the bloodshed and end this war.
- Please stop the ground invasion. We cannot afford to lose more precious lives! Use other technologies to minimize loss of life. Bulldozers, drones etc.
- praying for a miracle, the only option is messianic Zionism
- Pretty clear that we need Moshiach and we need to go with Torah not with our own emotions...!!
- RE prior questions Expulsion is ideal and could have been done in 1967 now its unlikely and israel cant occupy gaza indefinitely so some type of UAE Saudi Egypt control of the area would prob be only gfood solution.
- Regarding the question about enlisting Charedim into the army, I really would have chosen not only to maintain the status quo but to have enlistment completely optional just like the Arabs and other groups. Of course, though, I believe that everything needs to be done in consultation with Gedolei Yisroel and Daas Torah (of course, provided that the question the gedolim are presented with are from a true and practical lens). In regards to my views on Zionism, I identify as a Zionist, although I believe it is necessary for us to have a halachic state. (This would include the Chief Rabbinate not being subject to what the Knesset or Israeli Supreme Court says.) All the above are my own views (which I think many people - including those who I am close with - might find controversial) and not necessarily the views in my community. Also, I would just like to elaborate on the first question that I identify more as right-wing Modern Orthodox.
- Religious Zionist organizations must reach out & educate both the unaffiliated and Chereidy

Jews about the religious significance of the State of Israeli

- since my opponency to Zionism and the state of Israel is based on the torah and not on fillings, therefor there is no change from before oct 7 to after, it's the same forbidden.
- Some of the questions were not clear. For example, you should have included "independent" as a choice for Political orientation.
- some questions are imprecise. For instance: am I pro/anti Zionist? Did you mean pro the survival of the jewish state? Theologically, politically, emotionally,, etc.? Other questions,, as well, needed nuance.
- Strong support for Israel is not synonymous with secular Zionism. So that question may be a little misleading
- That Israel does not represent Jews at all and that we don't represent Israel.
- The answer options do not have all the nuances I would have liked. Among other things, support for the people living in Eretz Yisroel, particularly at a difficult time like now, has nothing to do with Zionism or the state of Israel in the religious or political context they are usually mentioned. One can be very anti-Zionist in a religious context but very supportive of the state of Israel in the geopolitical context they are usually mentioned. Whatever my views on Zionism are, they have no bearing on my view of those who were born to secular Israeli parents years after the state of Israel was established. Like any Jewish child of secular parents I love them and wish the best for them (provided they aren't hostile to religion).
- The Israeli Government is far from perfect, but I agree that allowing our barbaric enemies to remain alive and in power is absolutely unacceptable; therefore the war must continue until complete victory. The US and other countries are trying to make Israel stop the war and make a bad deal. I appreciate that Netanyahu is holding strong. Our brave soldiers want to achieve a complete victory as well. Most Chareidim are doing their part for the war effort through the shemira achieved through learning, davening, and Chesed. Staying united and growing in Yiddishkeit is necessary to activate siyata d'shemaya. HaShem is running the show and we must continue every possible

hishtadlut to see a better outcome to this horrific time of suffering for all of Klal Yisrael.

- The issue of hostages & cease fire is far more complex than a simple answer. It is a tortuous decision. One that left to the abilities of those in the knesset is far above their call. While I realize it is their responsibility such is an example of needing Torah guidance!
- The only reason for continuing the war should be to return the hostages home
- The question regrading chareidim joining the army should have had an additional option.
   "Should not be forced and not (strongly) encouraged
- The questions are about Israel and Zionism but my responses are reflective of my feelings about the wellbeing of other Jews. Had Stalin and his fellow anti religious and anti Zionist communists been successful with creating their Jewish county in Birobidzhan, and it now had the same demographics and was facing the same issues as the state of Israel, and this survey was about Birobidzhan my responses would have been the exact same. As would my feelings about that country, which would be a very strong identity and empathy with the Jews living there and interest in and concern for them. But politicly I would not be a "Birobidzhanian". Similarly the motivations and behavior of the people who founded that country would not have any influence on my current attitude towards it.
- The reason I chose not to make Charedim mandatory in the army is because in its current state, the army is a very dangerous place for Charedim, spiritually. If there was some way to make the army a better place for Charedim to be, then I would be for it being mandatory for them as well. There has not been a solution that works for this yet so I don't think it should be mandatory, but the ones who are able should be encouraged to join Nachal Charedi.
- The survey questions are way too generalized, there is a lot more nuance in these situations that isn't covered by an of the answers
- There are many Israeli "charedi" Bochum/men that do not learn/teach all day. The charedi leadership needs to acknowledge that that life is not for everyone and encourage people to join army, go to college and work.

- There are no simple answers. No matter our opinions, we can't have it all- until moshiach comes
- There is a difference between being pro-Israel • and pro-Zionist. I am very pro the Jews living in Israel (and all Jews worldwide). I am opposed to many of the policies of past and current Israeli governments as they are contrary to halacha. I praise the Israeli government when they follow Torah. A very fundamental foundation that the past and current Israeli governments fail to realize is that the Holy Land belongs to us BECAUSE G-D GAVE IT TO US. Only once they realize this, will they be able to effectuate good policy and lasting peace. I strongly encourage whoever sees this to watch the video: How Israel Can Achieve Complete Victory and a Lasting Peace | The Lubavitcher Rebbe https://youtu.be/5BmFRCRpJ7s. I also encourage you to watch the other recently published videos on JEM's YouTube channel, as they share Torah's view, as taught by the Rebbe.
- There is disconnect between the State of Israel government and the Biblical and Talmudic way of life. Throughout out history, already in the times of the Judges, around the passing of Yehoshua bin Nun, the nation suffered attacks from the surrounding nations, only to repent and cast away their strange gods. In the times after Gilad and Avimelech the nation of Amon attacked. G-d said Go call out to the gods that saved you until now- they will help you. But they didn't. The nation repented and G-d sent the Judge "Yiftach HaGiladi" to help them. So we see in this current crisis. The more we come together and come towards G-d, and rely only in Him, the more we see His salvation. We still await the IDF leaders Yoav G. and his crew to recognize G-d's hand, as the foot soldiers have already started a movement of teshuva, wearing tzitzit, tefillin, and many taking to guard the laws of Shabbat. Hashem Yishmor Aleinu!
- There is no good about the war but it is needed due to the circumstances brought on by Hamas and radical anti-Israel activities.
- There is no way peace can be made with the Palestinians if they want all of Israel. They should be given the opportunity to live in Jewish Israel and if they don't want that they

should be relocated to countries with similar beliefs.

- There is religous and secular Zionism, which makes a very big difference in the Chareidi community when you're discussing the term. This survey was very unclear about that. I am very pro-Yidden and pro-Eretz Yisroel, somewhat to very anti-Medinat Israel.
- There should be more religious observance offered in the public venue to maintain Israel as a Jewish State. No need for a theocracy. I believe every Jew should have Aliyah available and it should be as smoothe and easy to establish as possible.
- There should be special units for Chareidim, where they can train and study. Arabs in the "West Bank" must be routed out and relocated. Their seek to destroy Israel and murder Jews. Israel should return to the Draconian position of punishing the family, the neighbors and friends of Arab terrorists. This will limit domestic terrorism and further. participation by Arabs living within Israel's borders.
- There was no category for frum Zionism....Definitely identify as such.
- This tragedy was caused by the chilonims hatred of the chareidim and anti-religion, they should behave if they want Hashem to help them. I think you should withdraw the ground troops and just bomb Gaza by air.
- This wasn't clear. I believe Zionism was rotten from the start but now that it's in place it must be supported to keep the Jews in Israel safe. I think this is the view of most litvish gedolim of the last few decades.
- TRUE ZIONISM should be eliminated!!!!
- We all believe that the Palestinians are objectively evil and Israel needs to defend herself.
- We all must take time to share in the pain our brethren are facing.
- we all need to be "all hands on deck". Davening, learning .volunteering raising money.. everything.
- WE ARE ALL IN FLUX NOW. THE SAFETY OF THE JEWS IS NOT GUARANTEED ANYWHERE WE NEED TO LET THE GOVERNMENT IS ISRAEL AND THE ARMY DO THEIR JOBS. BUT THEY WILL ASO HAVE TO ANSWER WHAT WENT WRONG ON OCT 7 IT WAS COLASSAL FAILURE. IN THE

## MEANTIME THEY ARE OUR BROTHERS WE MUST STILL SUPPORT THEM

- We are very pro Israel. We are not Zionistic. Our shul says the mishebeirach for tzahal, but not for the medina. We care deeply about artzenu hakdosha and each and every Yid, there and abroad.
- we must get these innocent hostages back home
- We must remain strong as ONE. We must NEVER 'return' any land or do anything that will act to cheapen the lives of those we lost, nor may we do anything to expose us to extra danger or give or enemies a chance to rearm
- We need Mashiach now
- We need moshich
- We need the chareidim in yeshiva learning. That's the best protection for all Klal Yisroel.
- We need to be united waiting for Mashiach
- we need to continue doing good!
- We need to promote a strong connection to Israel.
- We need to promote zionism within the chasidish community in the US
- We need to rely on our Father in Heaven
- We should all be in Eretz Yisroel as soon as possible with Moshiach
- we strongly support the idf, not their ideology but the fact that they are helping protect all the people in e'y, sending whatever we can and however much we can afford to help them get through this war
- While I'll group myself with zionists, it's also about it being eretz yisroel, eretz hakodesh
- While my views on Zionism are from the viewpoint of Torah, I do have a viewpoint based on the political and broader world context independently.
- While not a 'Zionist' an actually somewhat opposed to the philosophy as I undertaker it, I am pro Jewish which means pro Israel as regardless of philosophy Israel is being targeted due to its Jewishness.
- While we love the US, we are seeing that our people are being threatened on campuses and the streets. The authorities are afraid of our enemies and are unable to protect us.
- why is pupa not part of the list ?
- Why is there no 'it should not be required' option on haredi men enlisting? Without all the extra words. No modern country has a draft, and neither should Israel.

- Will not vote for Trump
- Wishing them to end this war asap with nit having to worry about Gaza being ruled by terrorists and having the hostages returned asap and we should be zoicheh to bring mashiach very very soon so all our troubles will be answered
- With much family there, I am always concerned for their safety.
- Would like to see results of this survey.
- Your answer options don't allow for enough complexity in a situation that brings up very complex emotions and questions. I don't feel represented by the answers I chose even though I chose the best of the possible answers. Your survey results won't be fully authentic because the answer options don't allow for full authenticity.
- zionisim is causing antisemitisim
- Zionism can mean different things. The questions should have been explicit as to whether they're talking about Eretz Yisrael (settling, living, connection with the people) and the State of Israel (the government and its institutions). Feelings for the former can be extremely positive, while feelings for the latter can be extremely negative, and there is no conflict between those feelings.
- Zionism is a strange topic. We believe the land belongs to the jews and we should have a jewish state, HOWEVER, the jewish state NEEDS to be run according to halacha which is currently not being done. Do that and the world will back down
- zionism is not good we need to wait for hashem to release us but ones its already here we need to do to protect us with hishtadlis and just kill out all terrorists including IRAN
- Zionism is not the answer. I strong Stable Israel is the answer for not just the jews but the entire world peace. Israel is a Jewish Country because said so not because the UN said so. and the world should respect that!
- Zionism isn't judaism. War when defensive is judaism. The idf does not have a culture that is appropriate for haredi jews. a framework for a Jewish war outside the idf is not practical.
- Zionism should cease to exist as it's against the Torah. A jew can't be a zionist
- Zionist should not force their non Jewish views on Jews. And Jewish zionists should be offered

more Jewishness /correct one Or else Israël is becoming one more non Jewish place

- אין לנו להישען אלא על אבינו שבשמים
- הפתרון היחיד משיח בן דוד
- ישראל חי <u>ווווווווווו</u>עם ישראל חי
- ציניזים איז אקעגן די תורה