

The Raphael Patai Memorial Lecture Series

"A Natural Act of Vengeance": The Threat of Jewish Fundamentalism

Within two decades Israel has witnessed a significant growth of Jewish fundamentalism. The pogroms at Huwara and other Palestinian villages are but a visible manifestation of a network of divergent Religious Zionist groups, all having as their goal the transformation of Israel into a theocracy. Some of the groups, indeed, see the current war as nothing but a harbinger of messianic days and a pretext for political violence.

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