ISRAEL'S ATTACK ON GAZA: SOME PHILOSOPHICAL REFLECTIONS [ONLINE]

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For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world and lose his own soul?

(Mark, 8.36)

Here is the link to the extended and final article, published online, 5th January 2024, at https://daily-philosophy.com/cave-israel-gaza/

After a background of facts, the article examines typical arguments much used in the media as attempts to justify Israel's determined destruction of Gaza, involving well over twenty thousand Palestinians killed, hundreds of thousands suffering appalling injuries and two million having their lives and livihoods shattered.

I expose inconsistencies, poor reasoning and immoralities of those who support Israeli actions. There is a final touch of Kant and Nietzsche.



For what shall it profit a nation, if it shall gain the whole territory and lose its own soul?

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For my discussion with Dan Cohn-Sherbok, a rabbi/professor of Judaism, on Israel, Zionism and antisemitism, before the appalling events of late 2023 — and indeed for what constitutes the survival of a people, be they the Jews, the Americans, the British — please see our *Arguing about Judaism: a Rabbi, a Philosopher and a Revealing Debate* (Routledge, 2020) For more on territorial rights, discriminations and justice, please see my *The Myths We Live By: A Contrarian's Guide to Democracy, Free Speech and Other Liberal Fictions* (Atlantic Books, 2020)

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