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'... Eighteen Centuries of Jewish Suffering’

This controversial book provides a critical account of the historical, political and cultural roots of Zionism. John Rose shows how this powerful political force is based in mythology; ancient, medieval and modern. Rose argues that, as Zionism is a living political force, these myths have been used to justify very real political ends - namely, the expulsion and continuing persecution of the Palestinians.

Chapter-by-chapter, Rose scrutinises the roots of the myths of Zionism. Mobilising recent scholarship, he separates fact from fiction, presenting a detailed analysis of their origins and development. This includes a challenge to Zionism's biblical claims using recent and very startling Israeli archaeological conclusions. He provides a detailed exploration of Judaism's links to the Middle East. He shows clearly that Zionism makes many false claims on Jewish religion and history. He questions - its rationale as a response to European anti-Semitism, and shows that, if there is ever to be peace and reconciliation in the land of Palestine, this intellectual dishonesty must be addressed.

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