

Rabbi Hagee's Help With Restoring Israel Rejects

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[] At the annual convention of the Central Conference of American Rabbis in Cincinnati, Rabbi Eric Yoffie, the head of the Union for Reform Judaism, claimed John Hagee's group Christians United for Israel (CUFI) "advances their theology at the expense of Israel's security and well-being."

Yoffie said the political agenda of CUFI would ultimately imperil the embattled state reports the *Jerusalem Post*.

"Their vision of Israel rejects a two-state solution, rejects the possibility of a democratic Israel, and supports the permanent occupation of all Arab lands now controlled by Israel. If implemented, in fact, these views would mean disaster for Israel."

Meanwhile, Hagee pledged \$6 million to Israeli causes on Sunday. He made the announcement as he joined Benjamin Netanyahu, the leader of Israel's hard-line opposition Likud Party, at a rally in support of Jerusalem remaining united and under Jewish control.

"We do not seek to tell Israelis what to do," he told the *Post*. "When it comes to the issue of land for peace, it is true that I and other Christian Zionists have grown skeptical after watching the results of the withdrawal from South Lebanon and Gaza, but CUFI's philosophy has been that Israelis—and they alone—have the right to make existential decisions about land and peace."