Even the Palestinian-Israeli dispute, which has typically been referred to as a fight between two peoples over one land, has become a primarily religious conflict. The popularity of Hamas influenced the Islamization of the conflict with the Palestinians. Hamas cast itself as the defender of Muslim land and the group that could liberate Palestine from the Zionist usurpers. Not to be outdone, the supposedly secular PLO leaders now use Islamic themes and rhetoric to inspire and incite the Palestinian population. Not all Muslims hold extreme views; however, enough believe that a Jewish state...