

## As Military Reservists Threaten To Stop Serving, Debate in Israel Rages

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It is the time of year in the Jewish calendar called “Bein hametzarim” or “Between the straits,” a period of mourning, commemorating the destruction of the two Jewish temples in Jerusalem. Those of faith believe the Second Temple was destroyed due to hatred among the Jewish people. The destruction led to a long exile from the biblical land of Israel.

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“There is real concern among the reservists that there will no longer be a democratic system that guarantees the orders they are receiving are legal,” said **Dr. Idit Shafran Gittleman, a senior researcher at the Institute for National Security Studies.**

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“The reservists feel that the contract between them and the country has been nullified, that the country is no longer democratic and they cannot rely on independent legal counsel,” said **Shafran Gittleman**, “They feel that by sending these letters they are protecting the country just as they had protected it when they undertook risky combat missions.”

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