



**What would it be like
to live in a country that by definition
does not make a distinction
between 'synagogue and state'?**

Just decades ago, David Ben Gurion publicly declared "the establishment of a Jewish state... to be known as the State of Israel." But what does it mean to be a Jewish state? Do these two characterizations, 'democratic state' and 'Jewish state', work well together? What happens when they don't?



Faces of Israel explores the delicate balance between state and religion in the Jewish homeland through the context of marriage.

The documentary poses questions, such as:

- How, if at all, should Jewish tradition influence Israeli law?
- Should the Chief Rabbinate represent the views of all denominations of Judaism?
- Should civil unions and same-sex unions be legalized in Israel?



Faces of Israel introduces the viewer to Israelis from a variety of backgrounds and beliefs who offer their own answers to these questions.

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