

## **An article of interest**

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Dear University Network members:

I'm sending you this article by Isi Liebler. It deals with serious charges against the Israeli military--charges which are unsubstantiated and apparently absolutely false. These charges were publicized by Israeli and Jewish sources, and were picked up by the world media--which seems to enjoy vilifying Israel whenever possible. This article helps us understand the "news" from Israel.

The next issue of Conversations, on religious education, is due out in mid-May. It should be mailed to you then. Please make sure we have your correct mailing address, by going to the website [jewishideas.org](http://jewishideas.org), and going to My Account. Also, please feel free to add your comments to the blog.

Best wishes for a happy and good Pessah.

# **Blood Libels Manufactured in Israel**

**by Isi Liebler**

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*The Jerusalem Post and the New York Jewish Week published articles in which I accused Haaretz of promoting blood libels by providing credence to unsubstantiated gossip alleging that Israeli soldiers were indulging in war crimes. A few days ago the IDF Advocate General released the findings of his investigation which provided a shocking exposé of how a leading Israeli newspaper and the head of an Israeli pre military academy had collaborated in a venture which led to IDF soldiers being falsely vilified as war criminals in front page headlines throughout the world. Far from expressing remorse or apologizing, Haaretz urged the army to check Arab testimonies!*

