

## Olmert: Peace with Syria means ceding Golan

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Link from my friend Darrell...

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Olmert has told a Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee that Israel would have to give up the [entire Golan Heights](#) if it was to desire peace with Syria. In his meeting with the committee yesterday, Olmert also stated that previous Prime Ministers, including Binyamin Netanyahu, has been working on the assumption that Israel must withdraw from all territory taken from Syria during the Six Day War. The Golan Heights were captured from Syria on the last days of the war, in order to prevent Damascus from being able to mount another surprise attack on the Jewish nation. Olmert's remarks on peace with Syria seem foolish to say the least, for now Syrian President Assad can expect a full Israeli withdrawal from the Golan Heights for virtually nothing in return. Because of Olmert, the onus is now on Israel to make the peace, rather than the nations that started the war in the first place.

**Quote:** *"The whole world knows that in any future negotiations, if they are renewed, we will have to give up on the entire Golan Heights,"* Olmert said during a heated exchange with opposition leader Benjamin Netanyahu (Likud). Netanyahu had reacted angrily to Olmert's assertion that three of his predecessors, Netanyahu included, had held talks with Syria on a complete Israeli withdrawal from the Golan Heights. □

It's not the first time Olmert's tongue has landed him in trouble. Last year while on a trip to Germany, Olmert bragged to news reporters that Iran desired to have [nuclear weapons](#) like Israel, shattering Israel's long-held ambiguity policy. Prime Minister Olmert is also pushing ahead plans for a [disengagement](#) from the Judea and Samaria, despite the current situation in Gaza, in which two terrorist organizations are running the government and continuing to mount daily attacks against Israel.

I despair for Israel because of the state their government is in. The government is corrupt, immoral, unjust and spiritually blind to what is going on around them. I sometimes feel if I were Prime Minister of Israel, I would do a much better job of things. I wouldn't be listening to the international community for a start. If countries wanted peace with me, they

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would have to earn it. I would build up the defences and protect the  
Israelis and the Palestinians that dwelled securely in my country. And those  
that committed terrorism would find themselves in prison where  
they belonged. Praise God that when Yeshua HaMashiach  
returns, He will set things right.

Matthew 19:28

And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which  
have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall  
sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones,  
judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

Isaiah 2:4

And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many  
people: and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their  
spears into pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up sword against  
nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

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