Overview of the 3-Part Seminar

Session 1: Individual Rights vs. Collective Rights

Objectives

Participants will:
- Learn to define individual rights and collective rights.
- Determine that individual rights lie at the heart of liberalism.
- Determine that collective rights lie at the heart of nationalism.

Learning Experience

- Engage in the Musica Cabana (story) debate between individual and collective rights.
- Discuss the terms of nationalism and liberalism.

Materials

- Music Cabana Story.
- Definitions for individual and collective rights.
- Definitions for Nationalism and Liberalism.
- Yuval Noah Harari excerpt on liberalism.

Inquiry Questions

- What are individual rights? What are collective rights?
- How can the two come in conflict? How can the two work together?

Session 2: Zionism as a National Liberation Movement

Objectives

Participants will:
- Understand how Zionism fits on the nationalism and liberalism spectrum.
- Examine cases of Jewish national and individual rights.
- Navigate where Zionism should be in the “middle ground” between nationalism and liberalism.

Learning Experience

- Review the definitions of “Nationalism,” “Collective Rights,” “Liberalism,” and “Individual Rights.”
- Explain the importance of the “middle ground.”
- Concentric circles activity to discuss the “middle ground.”
- “A Tribe of Brothers and Sisters” song.
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Session 3: Striking the Balance

### Materials
- Signs for “Nationalism” “Collective Rights” “Liberalism” and “Individual Rights”.
- Spectrum between Collective Rights and Individual Rights.
- A Tribe of Brothers and Sisters song.
- "A Tribe of Brothers and Sisters” Lyrics Handout.

### Inquiry Questions
- How is Zionism a form of Jewish national liberation?
- How should the Jewish people balance collectivism/nationalism and individualism/liberalism?

## Session 3: Striking the Balance

### Objectives
Participants will:
- Analyze Hatikvah (Israel’s national anthem) as an example of the collectivist/individualist rights coming in conflict.
- Examine what to do when the balance between individualism and the collective goes astray.
- Explore how to remain fiercely loyal and critical of Israel at the same time.

### Learning Experience
- Listen to Hatikvah.
- Unpack Hatikvah as an example of collectivism and individualism coming in conflict.
- Discuss what to do when one disagrees with Israel’s policies.

### Materials
- Computer (or USB) to play clips
- Hatikvah lyrics (handout)
- Hatikvah clip https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1DPqNHkm1bM
- "The Silent Judge” article (handout)
- Neshama Carlebach clip https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-scv-7ab8WE

### Inquiry Questions
- How is it possible for Israel to strike a balance between collectivism and individualism?
- What happens when you think that Israel does not balance collective rights and individual rights properly?