GLOBAL RISE OF RELIGIOUS NATIONALISM

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ISIS is “a strange religion”
BUDDHIST NATIONALISM IN MYANMAR (BURMA)
Rise of Religious & Ethnic Violence
Why Religion? And Why Now?
Religion is not the problem...

...but it is problematic
Images of cosmic war
Why now?
Loss of faith in secular nationalism
The Rise of the Militant Christian Right
Hindus Attacking Muslims
BUDDHIST EXTREMISM IN SRI LANKA
ISLAMIC REVOLUTION IN IRAN

“West-toxification”

--Ayatollah Khomeini
MUSLIM MOVEMENTS IN EGYPT
PALESTINIAN RELIGIOUS NATIONALISM

Sheikh Ahmed Yassin of Hamas
RELIGIOUS NATIONALISM IN ISRAEL

Rabbi Meir Kahane—
“Israel will not be Israel until it is Biblical Israel”
Religion may not be the *problem*, but it may be *problematic*.

The “loss of faith” in the secular nation-state leads to the rise of new politics...

the *religionization* of politics
Worldly conflicts are seen as battles in a cosmic war.
Why religion in a global era?

It responds to the loss of personal and spiritual identity in a secular global world.
Countering the challenges of globalization
Countering the challenges of globalization
providing a sense of identity
Countering the challenges of globalization
providing a sense of identity, accountability
Countering the challenges of globalization
providing a sense of identity, accountability and security
Religion has returned to the global public sphere with a vengeance in the global rise of religious nationalism.