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## We salute Pope Benedict XVI on his historic visit to Israel.

This momentous trip reaffirms his commitment to enhance relations between the Vatican and the State of Israel.

- Pope Benedict has pledged to keep strengthening Catholic-Jewish relations.
- He has reaffirmed the Catholic Church's unqualified repudiation of anti-Semitism and Holocaust denial, continuing the path of his predecessor Pope John Paul II.
- He has taught that Christians should gain a new respect for the Jewish interpretation of the Old Testament.
- He has asserted that God's Covenant and promises to the people of Israel are alive and irrevocable, further demonstrating his belief that the Jewish people "are beloved brothers and sisters."

The Anti-Defamation League shares his goal of making the world a better place to live for people of all religions and races.

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