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Across
1 A critical event with extreme and far-reaching implications, often concluding something long-planned or awaited, such as the end of the world or annexation of the West Bank and realization of Zionist goal
9 Anthony Eden or Albert Ellis or Anita Eckberg (initials)
10 Gender-neutral personal pronoun (first person singular) (in German) ("... bin ein Berliner") ("I am a donut" JFK)
11 Gender-neutral personal pronoun used to refer to people identifying as non-binary or trans
12 Divination by study of remains of human sacrifice
16 Popular news program with Mike Willesee known for stories about fad diets, welfare cheats, shonky tradie hidden camera exposés, bad doctors and fat pets (initials)
17 Famous homo (not Sapien or Ecce)
18 Texting abbreviation indicating period of turmoil resulting from a catastrophic event ( $1,1,1,1$ )
20 Leonard Teale or Larry Tate or Leon Trotsky (initials)
21 The quality of awe-inspiring grandeur and profundity perceived by contemporaries in the art of Michelangelo (esp. Moses)
24 Condition endemic in public service (not Mondayitis) (or stress leave)
25 The Damned (initials)
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27 Ancient measure based on length of forearm from elbow to tip of extended finger
30 James Dean role (not Jim Stark or Jett Rink) 32 Korean inventor of video art
34 Japanese Zen master author teacher (also motorbike)
36 Adorable Palestinian American supermode with heartthrob English boyfriend and charismatic LA real estate mogul father
38 Israeli Prime Minister assassinated in 1995 by religious fanatic claiming justification in Torah as legal defense at trial (unsuccessful)
39 Enormous; also made of ivory (with gold) (such as statue of Athena in Parthenon)

Down
1 Term used for devastating event in modern Palestinian history known as al Nakba
2 Predatory parasitic worms used in medicine
3 Made in Heaven (initials)
4 Ancient coastal city in northern Israel with crusader fortress and Baha'i temple (visited by Francis of Assisi and Nachmanides) (also home of national fencing champion and 2014 Miss Israel Avigail Alfatov)
5 Sea monster in Greek mythology living in the Strait of Messina causing violent whirlpools by swallowing and regurgitating vast amounts of seawater three times daily creating, with monster Scylla on the other side of the strait, an ancient sea route of extreme peril

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6 Precisely; with care and attention to detail
7 Ripped, torn esp. in two
8 Exquisitely limpid (also haunting Björk song)
13 Exquisitely limpid (also haunting Björk song) The act of killing one's father or perpetrator of act (Oedipus, Lizzy Borden, Richard Da
Lyle and Erik Menendez, Cy Walsh etc.)
14 Middle East or Miss Earth (initials)
15 Closed community characterized by fanatical adherence to a belief system often of an extreme nature and used to justify eccentric, French Revolution or Fernando Rey (initials)
22 Famous start of Bible (also John) (initials)

23 Demons in male form which have sexual relations with women while asleep (not Bill Cosby)
28 Far-right, Eurosceptic, Islamophobic political party with platform of "restoring Britishness" and counteracting "existential crisis" of "Islamification" of Britain etc.
29 Unexpected return of nervous symptoms while out
31 Of similar character
33 Animals as Leaders (initials)
35 "How...?!" Term from cricket (also catchy Sherbs song)
37 Damien Hirst or David Hasselhoff or Dick Hickock (initials)

