



Israel & Palestine.



**The historic relationship
explained.**

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Israel and Palestine EXPLAINED

Nationhood and Jerusalem

- Israel became a nation in 1312 BC, 2,000 years before the rise of Islam.
- Arab refugees in Israel began identifying themselves as part of a Palestinian people in 1967, two decades after the establishment of the modern State of Israel.
- Since the Jewish conquest in 1272 BC the Jews have had dominion over the land for 1,000 years with a continuous presence in the land for the past 3,300 years. The only Arab dominion since the conquest in 635 AD lasted no more than 22 years. For over 3,300 years Jerusalem has been the Jewish capital. Jerusalem has never been the capital of any Arab or Muslim entity. Even when the Jordanians occupied Jerusalem, they never sought to make it their capital, and Muslim leaders did not come to visit.
- Jerusalem is mentioned over 700 times in the Tanach, the Jewish Holy Scriptures. Jerusalem is not mentioned once in the Koran.
- King David founded the city of Jerusalem. Mohammed never came to Jerusalem. Jews pray facing Jerusalem. Muslims pray facing Mecca.

Arab and Jewish Refugees

- In 1948 the Arab refugees were encouraged to leave Israel by Arab leaders promising to purge the land of Jews. 68% left without ever seeing an Israeli soldier. The Jewish refugees were forced to flee from Arab lands due to Arab brutality, persecution and pogroms.
- The number of Arab refugees who left Israel in 1948 is estimated to be around 630,000. The number of Jewish refugees from Arab lands is estimated to be roughly the same.
- Arab refugees were intentionally not absorbed or integrated into the Arab lands to which they fled, despite the vast Arab territory. Out of the 100 million refugees since World War II, theirs is the only refugee group in the world that has never been absorbed or integrated into their own peoples' lands. Jewish refugees were completely absorbed into Israel, a country no larger than Wales.

The Arab – Israeli Conflict

- The Arabs are represented by eight separate nations, not including the Palestinians. There is only one Jewish nation.

- The Arab nations initiated all five wars and lost.
 - Israel defended itself each time and won.
- Hamas & Fatah have not removed the call for the destruction of the State of Israel from their constitutions.
- Israel has given the Palestinians most of the West Bank land, autonomy under the Palestinian Authority, and has supplied them with weapons.
- Under Jordanian rule, Jewish holy sites were desecrated and the Jews were denied access to places of worship.
- Under Israeli rule, all Muslim and Christian sites have been preserved and made accessible to people of all faiths.

UN Record on Israel and the Arabs

- Of the 175 Security Council resolutions passed before 1990, 97 were directed against Israel. (Wikipedia)
- Of the 690 General Assembly resolutions voted on before 1990, 429 were directed against Israel. (Wikipedia)
- The UN was silent while 58 Jerusalem Synagogues were destroyed by the Jordanians.
- The UN was silent while the Jordanians systematically desecrated the ancient Jewish cemetery on the Mount of Olives.
- The UN was silent while the Jordanians enforced an apartheid-like policy of preventing Jews from visiting the Temple Mount and the Western Wall.

Palestinian History

- The proof of the pudding is that prior to the 1967 Arab-Israeli war, there was no serious movement for a Palestinian homeland. Why? In 1967, during the Six-Day War, the Israelis captured Judea, Samaria and East Jerusalem. But they didn't capture these territories from Yasser Arafat. They captured them from Jordan's King Hussein. Why did the so-called Palestinians suddenly discover their national identity after Israel won the war? Why wasn't there a demand for a Palestinian homeland before?
- The truth is that Palestine is no more real than Never-Never Land. The first time the name was used was in 135 AD when the Romans committed genocide against the Jews, erased the Temple Mount and declared that the land of Israel would be no more. From then on, the Romans promised, it would be known as "Syria Palestina" as an insult to the Jews. The name was derived from the Philistines, a people conquered by the Jews centuries earlier.

- Contrary to what the PA says the Philistines were extinct by that time. Abbas likes to pretend his people are the descendants of the Philistines. Actually, the name was simply a way for the Romans to add insult to injury to the Jews. Not only were they annihilated, but their land was renamed after a people they had conquered.
- Palestine has never existed before or since as a nation state. It was then ruled by Rome, by Islamic and Christian crusaders, by the Ottoman Empire and, briefly, by the British after World War I. The British agreed to restore at least part of the land to the Jewish people as their homeland. Who rejected that idea? - the Arabs. Now, at least to Western audiences, Abbas and some other so-called "moderate" Arab leaders will tell you that it's OK for the Jews to have their homeland, side-by-side with the Arabs.

Why wasn't it OK in 1948?

- There is no language known as Palestinian. There is no distinct Palestinian culture. There has never been a land known as Palestine governed by Palestinians. Palestinians are Arabs, indistinguishable from Jordanians, Syrians, Lebanese, Iraqis, etc. Keep in mind that the Arabs control 99.9% of the Middle East lands. Israel represents one-tenth of 1% of the landmass.

History as told by the PA (Palestinian Authority)

- The official Palestine Ministry of Information has undertaken a complete re-write of the history of Jerusalem. It is described as "an old Arab city built 5,000 years ago over the hill (Al Dohor), known today as Al Tur, overlooking Silwan village south-east of Al-Aqsa Mosque".
- They say "Some Orthodox religious Jews consider it as a holy place for them, and claim that the wall is part of their temple, which all historic studies and archaeological excavations have failed to find any proof for such a claim."

What Does the Bible Teach?

- God makes a Covenant with Abram (Genesis 12:1-3) God tells Abraham that He will take him to a country where He will make him into a great nation.
- Genesis 12:7 The Lord again appears to Abram and says, "To your descendants I will give this land." And again in Gen 13:15 "For all the land you see I will give to you and your descendants – forever."
- Does that inheritance include Ishmael? (Genesis 17:1-2 and 17:19 onwards) After Ishmael is born, God again appears to Abram to remind him that the everlasting covenant which involved the Land would be established through his 'son of promise' - Isaac and his descendants and not through Ishmael. Nevertheless, God remembers Hagar and makes provision for Ishmael - Genesis 21:18.

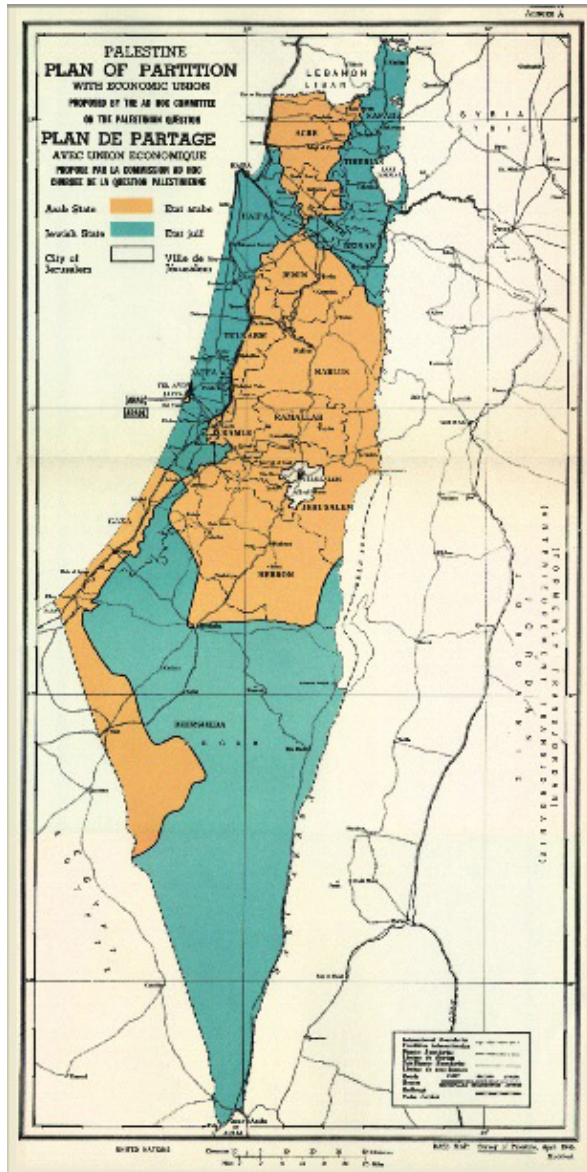
When does hostility begin?

(Exodus 17:8) Israel had just emerged from 430 years in Egypt. They had fled from Pharaoh under the protective hand of God, through Passover, the Red Sea and the defeat of Egyptian army. As they faced the wilderness journey to the Promised Land,

Amalek descended upon them in battle. Joshua defeated Amalek with the sword – the first of many battles for the Israelites.

When will it end?

(Jeremiah 31:35-37) God says through Jeremiah that Israel will never cease to be a nation before Me. The end will come when Jesus the Messiah comes to rule and reign and defeats all His enemies. Zechariah 12-14 speaks of these days when Israel is in the Land, but all nations want to destroy them. Jesus comes to their final rescue, upon Whom they will look and live.



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