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JERUSALEM:
A CENTER OF PEACE OR
CONFLICT? – PART 2

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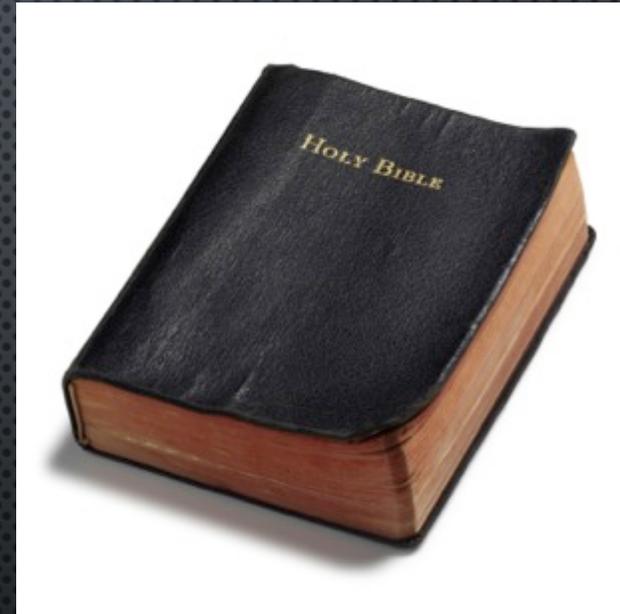


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CHRISTIANS ARE FOLLOWERS OF JESUS OF NAZARETH.



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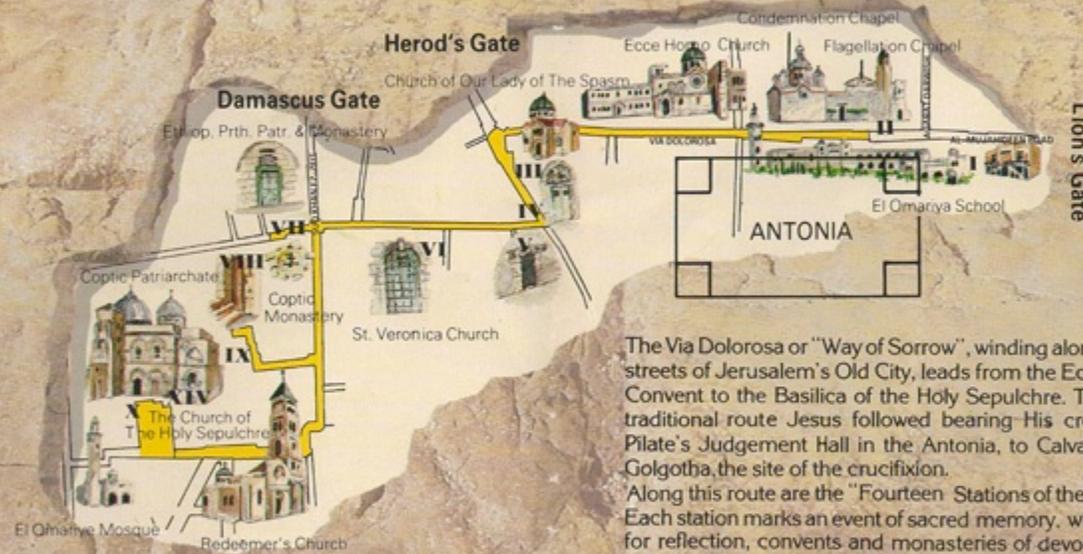
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CHRISTIANS ALSO CONSIDER JERUSALEM
A HOLY CITY.

VIA DOLOROSA

What is a "Holy Place?"

- It is not, actually, the place where Jesus walked. It is:
- Where the Church venerates a mystery of Christ's life.
 - a place, sanctified by the prayers of the Faithful.



The Via Dolorosa or "Way of Sorrow", winding along narrow streets of Jerusalem's Old City, leads from the Ecce Homo Convent to the Basilica of the Holy Sepulchre. This is the traditional route Jesus followed bearing His cross from Pilate's Judgement Hall in the Antonia, to Calvary Hill or Golgotha, the site of the crucifixion. Along this route are the "Fourteen Stations of the Cross". Each station marks an event of sacred memory, with chapels for reflection, convents and monasteries of devotion, and the sacred basilica for commemoration — along Christendom's most hallowed road.



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VIA DOLOROSA: THE WAY OF THE SORROWS



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CHURCH OF THE HOLY SEPULCHRE



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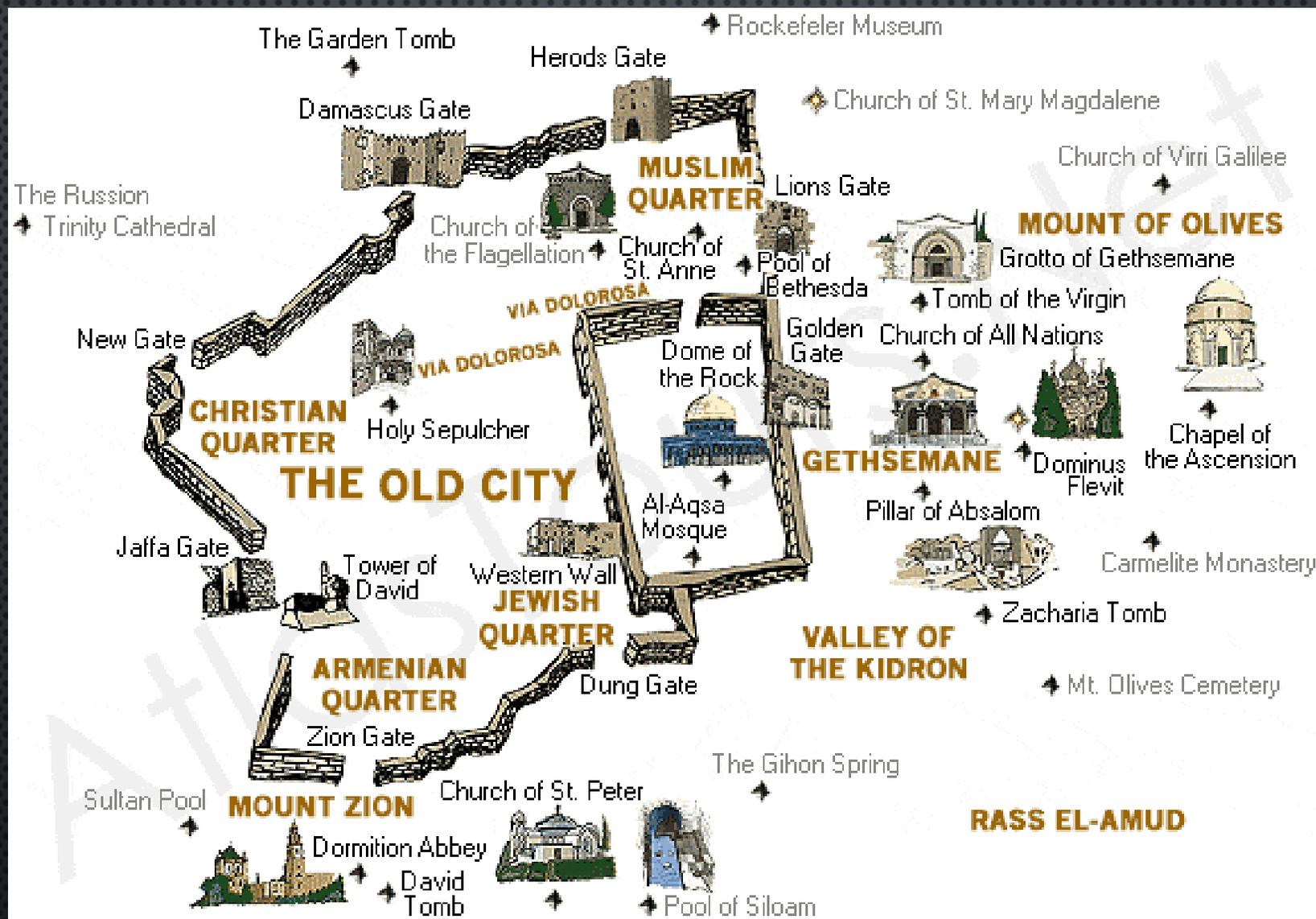
NORWAY'S FLAG

First Century Jerusalem



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CHRISTIAN, JEWISH, & MUSLIM SITES

Religion Name/ Founding Date	Name of Scripture	Name of God	Followers	Founder	Symbol Of Faith	House of Worship	Key Nations
Judaism c. 1700 BC	Torah	Yahweh	14 million	Abraham	Star of David	Synagogue	Israel United States
Christianity c. 33 AD	Bible	Jesus	Over 2 Billion	Jesus	Cross	Church or Cathedral	N. America S. America Europe
Islam c. 600 AD	Qur'an	Allah	Over 1 Billion	Muhammad	Crescent	Mosque	Indonesia Middle East N. Africa



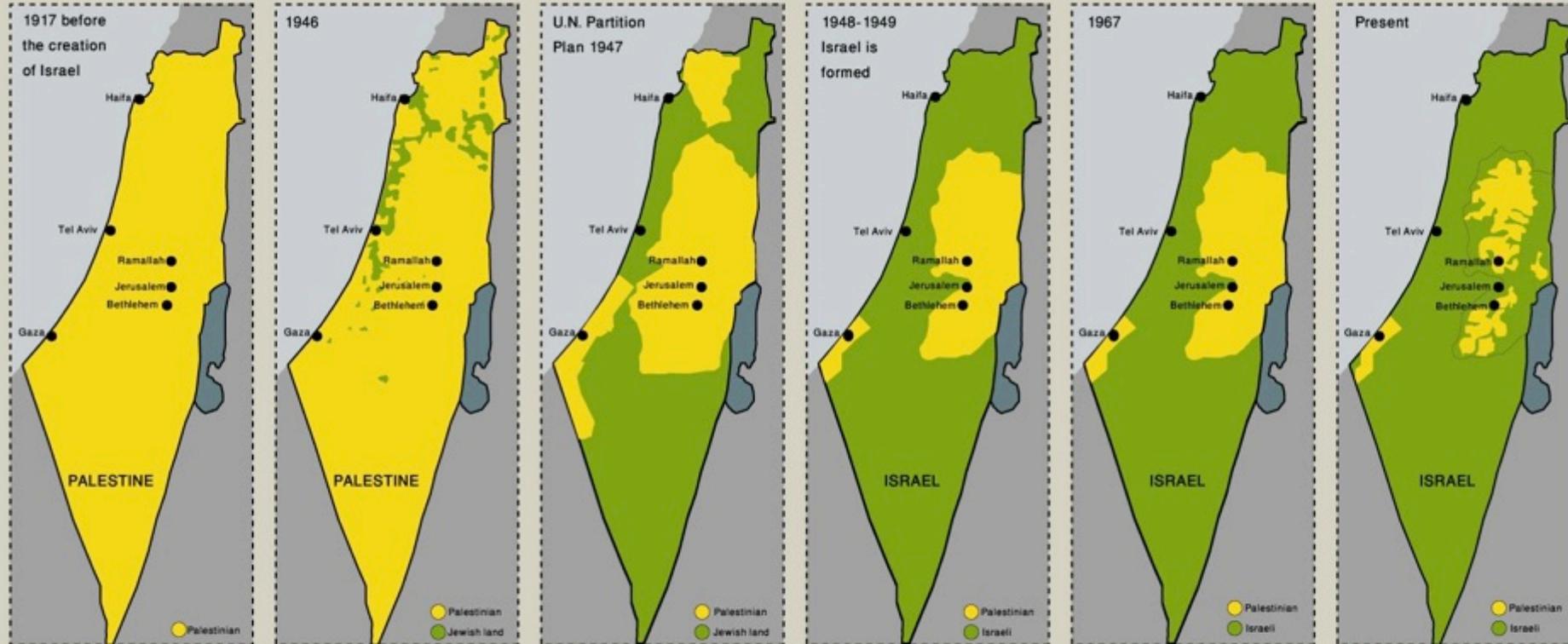
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COMPARING THE THREE RELIGIONS

LOSS OF LAND

The Palestinian-Israeli conflict has dragged on for more than 115 years, where both claim historic and religious ties to the land. The geopolitical disputed area stretches over a 100,000 square-miles landscape, sitting between the Mediterranean Sea and the Jordan River with an unresolved conclusion and far-reaching implications. Over the period of the conflict, Israel's share of land has gradually expanded.

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1897

The World Zionist Organization Founded by Theodor Herzl in Basle during 1897; the Basle Program stated: "Zionism seeks to establish a home for the Jewish people in Palestine, secured under public law."

1917

Under the Balfour Declaration, United Kingdom's Foreign Secretary Arthur James Balfour approves the establishment of a national home for Jews in Palestine.

1946

The illustrated map demonstrates that more than 90 percent of the land belongs to Palestinians.

During this period, Jewish settlers had paid for most of the land they occupied.

1947

U.N. Partition Plan: The U.N. General Assembly initiates a plan to separate western Palestine into two states. While the Jewish leader accepts, the Palestinian leaders reject the plan, resulting in uprisings.

1948-1949

Arab-Israeli War: The Jewish community declares itself independent in the new state of Israel.

Neighboring Arab states then intervened militarily, precipitating the first Arab-Israeli war.

The war left historic Palestine divided into three parts. The 1949 armistice gave Israel control over 77 percent of the territory.

1956

Suez Crisis

1967

The Six-Day War involves Israel fighting against three Arab states (Egypt, Jordan and Syria). It results in Israel claiming control over Gaza and the strategic Sinai peninsula from Egypt, the West Bank from Jordan, the Golan Heights from Syria and East Jerusalem.

Present (2012)

Gaza Expulsion Plan: As part of unilateral disengagement initiative, Israeli defense forces leave the Gaza Strip and four settlements in the northern West Bank.

Israel launches a massive air campaign on Gaza, with the declared goal of deterring Hamas.

Palestinians submit a proposal for membership and statehood to the U.N.

Information source: Foreign Ministry of Israel, BIR Ling, unilco.org, Reuters, jewishvirtuallibrary.org, unipal.ac.org

<http://cut2thetruth.files.wordpress.com/2014/08/palestinian-loss-of-land-genocide-at-the-hands-of-israel-western-media-support-of-genocide.jpgm>

- THE JEWISH STATE OF ISRAEL WAS ESTABLISHED IN 1948.
- WAS CALLED PALESTINE AND WAS HOME TO ARAB MUSLIMS.
- ADJACENT TO ISRAEL IS THE WEST BANK OF THE JORDAN RIVER WHERE THERE HAS BEEN A VERY LONG HISTORY OF VIOLENT CONFLICT.
- GOVERNED BY THE PALESTINIAN AUTHORITY, BUT OCCUPIED BY ISRAELI MILITARY AND 60% UNDER ISRAELI CONTROL.
- THE ISRAELI MILITARY LIMITS PALESTINIANS' PLACES OF RESIDENCE AND THEIR MOVEMENT.



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THE TURBULENT WEST BANK



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- IN NOVEMBER 2012, ISRAEL LAUNCHED A SERIOUS OFFENSIVE IN RESPONSE TO PALESTINIAN ROCKET ATTACKS ON ISRAEL.
- PALESTINIANS SAID THAT THESE STRIKES FREQUENTLY KILL INNOCENT CIVILIANS.
- VIOLENCE ERUPTED AGAIN IN THE SUMMER OF 2014.

GAZA: ANOTHER HIGHLY DISPUTED AREA

“THE MEDIA TRIES TO PAINT THIS AS TWO FORCES THAT WE HAVE TO BRING TOGETHER AND TRY TO RESOLVE THEIR DIFFERENCE. ONE IS TERRORISTIC AND THE OTHER SUPPORTS THE CORE BIBLICAL VALUES OF LIFE, LIBERTY AND JUSTICE. THERE REALLY IS NO PROBLEM CHOOSING SIDES BETWEEN HAMAS AND ISRAEL. THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE ARE THE ONES WE LOVE, ALONG WITH THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL, BUT THE ABUSE OF THE TYRANNICAL LEADERS OF THE PALESTINIANS IS JUST INCALCULABLE.



HAMAS IS TERRORIZING ITS OWN PEOPLE AND THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL, AND IF THEY HAD A CHANCE, THEY'D TERRORIZE AMERICA TOO." ~DR. PAUL DE VRIES, PRESIDENT OF THE NEW YORK DIVINITY SCHOOL - [HTTP://WWW.CHRISTIANPOST.COM/NEWS/CHRISTIAN-LEADERS-MEET-IN-NY-TO-SUPPORT-ISRAEL-SAY-HAMAS-CONFLICT-IS-A-DEFINING-ISSUE-OF-OUR-TIME-123880/](http://www.christianpost.com/news/christian-leaders-meet-in-ny-to-support-israel-say-hamas-conflict-is-a-defining-issue-of-our-time-123880/)

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