**Further Reading for *My Promised Land***

***The Lemon Tree* by Sandy Tolan**

This is the true story of a Palestinian refugee (Bashir) and an Israeli settler (Dalia) that begins when Bashir comes to visit his former home, only to find Dalia and his family living in it. Through them, Tolan describes both a challenging friendship and a divided land.

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/151740.The_Lemon_Tree>

***From Beirut to Jerusalem* by Thomas Friedman**

Originally written in the 80s, Friedman’s work of journalism covers Lebanon and Israel/Palestine. A revised edition was published in 2012. A widely recommended overview of the conflict and the region as a whole.

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/3559.From_Beirut_to_Jerusalem>

***We Can Have Peace in the Holy Land* by Jimmy Carter**

The story of Israel-Palestine peace talks and a call to action from the President who oversaw the Camp David Accords and has spent much of his life working on the subject. You may enjoy this if you want a better picture of the international community’s role in the conflict.

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/6071981-we-can-have-peace-in-the-holy-land>

***A Wall in Palestine* by Rene Backman**

The story of the West Bank barriers, built by Israel in the early 2000s. An account of how the wall was built and what it means for the people on both sides of it.

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/6210209-a-wall-in-palestine>

***Jersusalem: The Biography* by Simon Montefiore**

The history of Jerusalem, the city at the heart of much of the Israel-Palestine debate. Montefiore covers hundreds of years, from Jerusalem’s rise as a spiritual center of three major religions, to its conquest by Crusaders, Ottomans, and British. Only the last two chapters are about Israel-Palestine specifically, but you may enjoy this if you want broader historical context.

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/9477628-jerusalem>

***Palestine Speaks*****by Cate Malek and Mateo Hoke**

An oral history collection telling the stories of Palestinians from all walks of life. From a laborer to a lawyer and an artist to an athlete, these sixteen stories will give you better insight into what life in Palestine today looks like for many.

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/20893872-palestine-speaks>