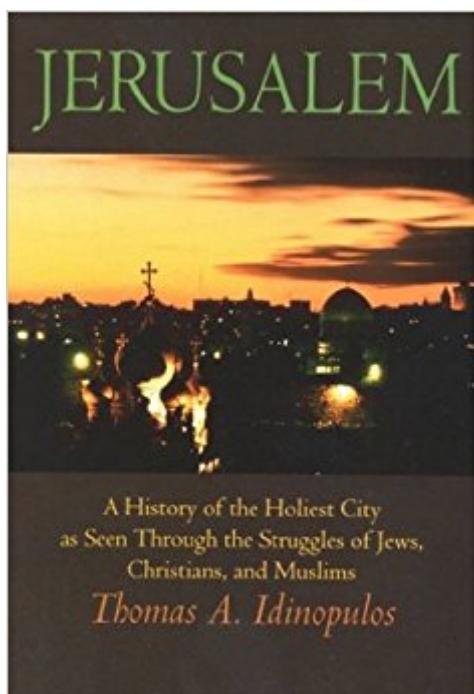


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Thomas A. Idinopoulos, who teaches religion at Miami University in Ohio, is also the author of the widely praised *Weathered by Miracles*.

It must be a daunting task to have to squeeze about 3000 years worth of history into a 300 page book, but I thought the author did well in mapping the important events out and kept the book interesting throughout. Greeks, Romans, Persians, Babylonians, Assyrians, Egyptians, Turks, Brits..a large number of empires have held sway over Jerusalem which makes for a fascinating, if tragic and bloody, history. The story of the city is told from Jewish, Christian and Muslim perspectives in separate chapters which is a great approach. The only thing I thought was brushed over towards the end was the war of 1967, which I would have been interested to read more about to give context to the politics of modern-day Jerusalem. Other than that, I thought this book was a great introduction to the history of the city.

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