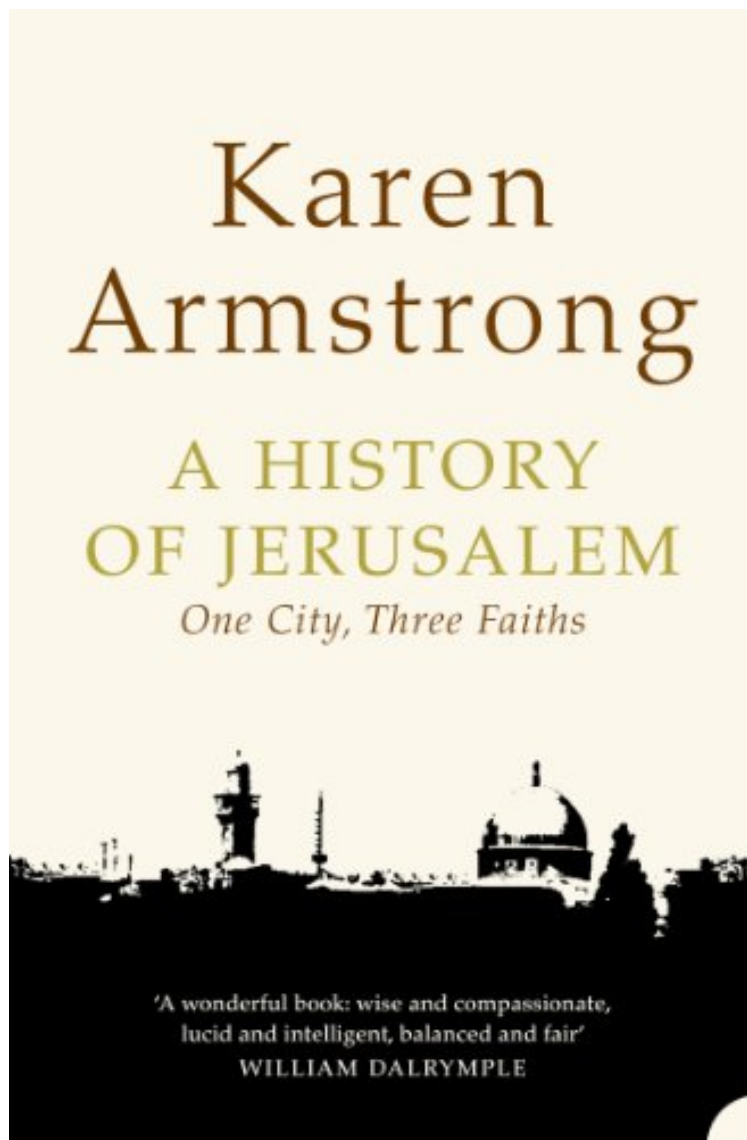


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KundenrezensionenHilfreichste Kundenrezensionen0 von 0 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. If you're going to Jerusalem, you must read this book.Von Ein KundeIf you're like me, you'll buy Karen Armstrong's Jerusalem justafter purchasing your plane ticket to the historic city. Andyou'll try to read it before you leave. My advice: wait until you're on the plane to begin reading--no guilt for not getting to it before departing. The early chapters are better

read while en route, and the later chapters "live" while surrounded with the three faiths that have made Jerusalem the most interesting city in the world. The old city still has the same flavor, I'm sure, as it did centuries ago. The Western Wall, the Dome of the Rock, and the Church of the Holy Sepulchur are all infinitely more meaningful after reading Armstrong's history. So save the money that local guides want to charge you and read Armstrong's book, muster your self-control (if you have any) and wait until you're on your way to the holy city to read her rich account of Jerusalem, a city that still needs our prayers to live up to its name--"city of peace."

1 von 1 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Very even-handed approach to a tough topic
Von Ein Kunde
As one who has studied and read much on the Palestinian-Israeli conflict, I greatly appreciated Armstrong's even-handedness in this book. It made it a pleasure to read. She has a way of making history so much fun.

1 von 2 Kunden fanden die folgende Rezension hilfreich. Inconsistent
Von Ein Kunde
I found that the book was interesting in the way it tries to expose the history of the city. However, I found several mistakes in how the different religions and peoples are portrayed. The book starts by challenging the judeo-christian concept that the Bible was given directly by G-d to the people of Israel, assigning several authors to it. Once the author stops trying to interpret the Bible, and sticks to historical facts, the book becomes more fluid and easier to understand.

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`A triumph'
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`Splendid ... essential reading for Jews, Christians and Muslims alike.'
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`Deftly told ... Armstrong is a knowledgeable guide, and this is a sober and articulate tour of a complex subject and a city where, as she puts it, history is a dimension of the present.'
James Owen, Literary

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