

Jerusalem's Holy Places and the Peace Process

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As a city filled with "sacred space," Jerusalem poses several problems for policymakers seeking a political solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict. Any solution to the challenge of finding an agreed upon settlement must promise to protect the holy places--the "sacred space" of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam.

In this Policy Paper, authors Marshall J. Breger and Thomas A. Idinopulos, aim to identify the role of Jerusalem's holy places in the ongoing Arab-Israeli peace process. The authors review past and present policies for administering and protecting the holy places and offer ten lessons policymakers should consider in framing future policy toward the holy places.

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