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To spend the past few days in the crowded, narrow streets of [Jerusalem's Old City](#), among the multilingual throngs marking Passover or [Easter](#), was to get an unforgettable sense of the power this place has over the minds of millions. It also

gives an insight into some of the ways [Jerusalem](#), and control of access to its holy sites, plays into [global power politics](#).

For the majority of Palestinians who are Muslim, as well as for the Islamic world beyond, the Jewish state of Israel's hold on the city since its capture from Jordan in the 1967 war is a [deep grievance](#). [Sporadic violence](#) around the Dome of the Rock and al-Aqsa mosque has flared again this year.

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