

The Call to the Churches in the Age of Gaza

Optional Reading list

*These readings follow generally the topics that will be covered in the September online lecture series. I will draw on many of these sources in the lectures. **These are not required readings!** They are offered for advance reading per your particular interests, for your reference during our time together, and following the series. I have also included some key texts pertaining to colonialism, public theology, Bible studies, and Kairos theology.*

The Legacy of Colonialism: Understanding the Context for Oct 7

- Munther Isaac, *Christ in the Rubble: Faith, the Bible, and the Genocide of Gaza*, chapter 4: Coloniality, Racism, and Empire (pdf available [here](#))
- Noura Erakat and John Reynolds, [*Understanding Apartheid*](#)
- Jihad Abusalim, [*It Is Neither Death, Nor Suicide: Gaza's Declaration of Life—and Living*](#)

The Bible, God's Promises & the Call of Palestinian Christians: Whose Land, Whose Covenant?

- Gary Burge, *Jesus and the Land*, chapter 8: Land, Theology, and the Church (pdf available [here](#))
- Sami Awad, *Christian Zionism is not Bad Theology, it's Good Ideology* (pdf available [here](#))
- Gary Burge, *Why I'm not a Christian Zionist* (pdf available [here](#))
- Munther Isaac, *What our theology reveals about God* (pdf available [here](#))
- Stephen Sizer, *Christian Zionism: The new heresy that undermines Middle East Peace* (pdf available [here](#))

Christian-Jewish Relations & the Weaponization of Antisemitism: The Challenge to Interfaith Relations Today

- Mark Braverman, [*Theology in the Shadow of the Holocaust: Revisiting Bonhoeffer and the Jews*](#)
- Sean Malloy, [*How the Creation of the "New Antisemitism" was used to shield Israel and attack the Left*](#)

The Meaning of the Palestinian Call for American Christians: The Challenge of the Gospel

- Noura Erakat, [*The Boomerang Comes Back: How the U.S.-backed war on Palestine is expanding authoritarianism at home—from Project Esther to violence at the border*](#)
- Kairos II: A Moment of Truth: Faith in a Time of Genocide, [Document and Study Guide](#)
- Call to Action: U.S. Response to the Kairos Palestine document, [Document and Study Guide](#)

Some Key Resources

- Ilan Pappé, *The Ethnic Cleansing of Palestine*
- Aimé Césaire, *Discourse on Colonialism*
- Sven Lindqvist, *The Dead Do Not Die: "Exterminate All the Brutes" and Terra Nullius*
- Duncan Forrester, *Apocalypse Now? Reflections on Faith in a Time of Terror*
- Munther Isaac, *Christ in the Rubble: Faith, the Bible, and the Genocide in Gaza*
- Noura Erakat, *Justice for Some: Law and the Question of Palestine*
- Michael Prior, *The Bible and Colonialism: A Moral Critique* (out of print – find it if you can!)

- Gary Burge, *Jesus and the Land* (**Burge** and **Prior** are my go-to's for Bible on this. *Required* for getting straight on the theology and the hermeneutics of Zionism.