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Empire

THE BIBLE THROUGH PALESTINIAN EYES

MITRI RAHEB

"The author offers his thoughtful analysis of the continuing Israeli-Palestinian conflict through making astute historical and biblical connections that culminate in the presentation of hope as 'faith in action'. A scholarly piece that makes a good read for anyone interested in this subject."

HRH Prince El Hassan bin Talal, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, Royal Institute of Interfaith Studies

"Mitri Raheb's new book, Faith in the Face of Empire, is a pioneering investigation."

Rosemary R. Ruether, author, *The Wrath of Jonah: The Crisis of Religious Nationalism in the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict*

"Faith in the Face of Empire is an essential read to anyone who desires new insight into scripture, seeks a re-orientation of geopolitical perspective, and maintains hope for justice for Palestinians. Rev. Raheb challenges accepted notions and offers a vision of imagination and hope that he is already making real."

Peter Makari, Executive for the Middle East and Europe in Global Ministries of the UCC and Christian Church

"Mitri Raheb's Faith in the Face of Empire is simultaneously a revisionist reading of the Bible and a journey of self-discovery by a courageous Bethlehemite. His rereading of the mission of Jesus in the light of the current predicament of Palestine, is both provocative and compelling. It will make believers and non-believers alike question their deeply held assumptions about the historical Jesus and what being a Christian means."

Salim Tamari, Institute for Palestine Studies, Ramallah, Palestine

"At a time when hope and vision in relation to the Middle East are in short supply, Mitri Raheb's new book, Faith in the Face of Empire, is a breath of fresh air. Raheb states in the introduction that his hope is to create a Palestinian Christian narrative that is both politically relevant and theologically creative. He has done both with great power in a book that should not be missed!"

Clifton Kirkpatrick, Visiting Professor of Ecumenical Studies and Global Ministries, Louisville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, Stated Clerk Emeritus of the PCUSA