

palestine

a sensitive, difficult, and important topic

where is palestine?

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**where are the lines
in the sand?**

**where oh where are we going? *gonna go now?*
all those destinations
that we planned...**

**i always thought it was the cradle –
maybe now I'll take it to my grave.
what'll we bury? what'll be forgotten?
what'll be left to save?**

**the sun is still shining in doha and dubai
the tennis fans are keeping scores
the oil is flowing, the skyscrapers growing
the wine is flowing ... behind closed doors**

*(i had a ticket to wimbledon in two thousand and twenty
the virus had other plans)*

**from the Golan Heights to the Gulf of Aqaba
from Ein Gedi to Jaffa (yafa)
from Galilee to Haifa
from Masada to Rafah**

**from sea to shining sea, since nineteen and seventy
I've roamed the hills and valleys in the land of the somewhat free.
maybe now it's too late to ever visit palestine
from the river to the sea.
the Jordan river to the Mediterranean sea.**

**I looked over Jordan and what did I see?
The mighty Red River in Choctaw territory.
I looked out my window and what did I see?
Coming for to carry me home.**

**all the talk of divinity.
all the beauty the maker gave.
i always thought it was the cradle.
maybe now I'll take it to my grave.**



2005–present: After the Israeli disengagement from Gaza and clashes between the two main Palestinian parties following the Hamas electoral victory, two separate executive governments took control in the Palestinian territories of the West Bank and Gaza.