

# An Israeli soldier's testimonial of the occupation of Palestine

Quote from soldier:

"I did enter the army with questions, maybe not the right questions, maybe not all the questions, but I did feel like 'I'm a good Jew', ... that you have to walk around with question marks around your head. So I think I went into the army feeling I have the question marks. And one of the question marks was, 'How will I be a good soldier in a shitty situation?' ... I thought I could be that soldier standing in a checkpoint smiling while cars are passing by, or I could enter a house walking around with candies in my pockets, and conduct a 'moral occupation'. It took me a while but I realized this is a contradiction in terms. And when we started doing our actual service after almost a year and a couple of months in training, we started entering houses on a nightly basis, and searching houses on a nightly bases or going in to arrest people in the middle of the night you realize it's impossible to be moral in an immoral situation.

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