

FROM BEIRUT TO JERUSALEM by Thomas L. Friedman

Nabih beamed with pride at his son's answer. Fathers in Lebanon do that. A few weeks later I repeated the story over lunch to Richard Day, the American University psychologist. I was asking Richard what kind of psychological revolution would be required to bring peace to Lebanon. Richard, part of whose job was to counsel Lebanese students whose minds had been warped by the war, just threw the question right back in my face. "When will there be peace in Lebanon?" he asked in a voice larded with cynicism. "When the Lebanese start to love their children more than they hate each other."