

I am not an I.D

In Jerusalem, I am identified with my blue I.D
As if the color defines me
What they don't know is that I am more than what they call me
I am Palestinian an more than an I.D

The tax in Jeruslaem is very costly
Checkpoints, humiliation and repression are what I go through daily
Please don't envy the outward of me
Because in Jerusalem, they don't even admit my nationality

To end my story briefly
I need to remind you of the true me
I am human, I am Jerusalemite, and I am not an I.D
I am Palestine and Palestine lives within me.

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