**Further Reading for *The New Odyssey***

***Go Back to Where You Came From: The Backlash against Immigration and the Fate of Western Democracy* by Sasha Polakow-Suransky**

A look at the refugee crisis that examines how the refugees are being received (or turned away) by the West. He talks about the backlash against refugees and immigration in both Europe and the U.S. from the far right, and even from the refugee’s new neighbors. Thank you to Peggy for introducing me to this one.

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/34220628-go-back-to-where-you-came-from>

***Exit West* by Mohsin Hamid**

A fantastic novel about a young couple whose unnamed Middle Eastern country becomes torn apart by war and are forced to flee. They learn about special doors that lead to the West and safety, for a price. Soon people from all over the world are finding these doors and suddenly appearing in Europe and America – leading to new tensions on the other side.

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/30688435-exit-west>

[Also in Audiobook]

***City of Thorns: Nine Lives in the World Largest Refugee Camp* by Ben Rawlence**

Rawlence visits the Dabaab refugee camp in Kenya, located in an inhospitable desert of thorn bushes, to see how refugees survive there. He also discusses how the government, aid community, and media all view Dabaab and what that means for the half a million refugees trying to survive there – and how many are trapped there. Although not about the same waves of refugees as *The New Odyssey*, there are many similar themes (fears of terrorism, ostracism from the host country, and the struggle to survive).

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/25659407-city-of-thorns>

***A Hope More Powerful Than the Sea: One Refugee's Incredible Story of Love, Loss, and Survival* by Melissa Fleming**

The story of Syrian refugee Doaa Al Zamel, who flees with a Free Syrian Army fighter she fell in love with. While at sea on a smuggler’s boat, the boat sinks and leaves only Doaa and two children alive. Fleming writes the story of how she stayed alive and kept going in a moving, more personal story of the crisis.

<https://www.goodreads.com/book/show/30078650-a-hope-more-powerful-than-the-sea>

***Fire at Sea* [Film]**

A documentary that follows the crisis in one Sicilian town, showing both the perilous journey the migrants take and the effect their arrival has on the people of Lampedusa, Italy – where people arrive via Libya. Director Gianfranco Rosi focuses on a 12 year old boy, a doctor who treats incoming migrants, and the Italian Coast Guard.

<https://www.imdb.com/title/tt3652526/>