

Gaza Revealed and Exposed

In the long, painful weeks, since 7 October 2023, Gaza revealed truths, and exposed falsehoods. It has revealed truth about the people of Gaza, the Islamic Ummah as a whole, and the fair-minded non-Muslims around the world. It has exposed the realities of the Zionist entity, the Western powers that support it and the rulers of Muslims that collaborate. By exposing and revealing, it has given direction to the Islamic Ummah and its armies, about what must now be done.

Gaza revealed the goodness in its people. Its people are patient upon severe losses. They are defiant in the face of overwhelming aggression. They do not complain about severe trials. They smile to give others comfort, whilst in pain themselves. They share food, amidst severe shortages and starvation. They raise their hands in Dua to compensate them for their huge losses. They shook the world with their Iman (faith), striving to be loved by Allah (swt). Indeed, when Allah (swt) loves a people, He (swt) tests them. The Messenger of Allah (saw) said, «إِنَّ اللَّهَ عَزَّ وَجَلَّ إِذَا أَحَبَّ قَوْمًا ابْتَلَاهُمْ فَمَنْ صَبَرَ فَلَهُ الصَّبْرُ وَمَنْ جَزِعَ فَلَهُ الْجَزَعُ» **“When Allah (swt) loves a people he tests them. The one who is patient will be granted the patience. The one who shows anguish will be given anguish.”** [Reported by Ahmad via Mahmud b. Labeed].

Gaza has revealed the goodness in the Islamic Ummah. The Muslims are restless with pain, at the suffering of the people of Gaza. They are doing whatever they can. They are making Dua, until their arms ache. They are giving charity, emptying their homes. They are boycotting the enemy, inflicting substantial losses. They are asking for borders to be opened, so they can send their sons. They are demanding that their armies mobilize. The Muslims are indeed a single body, connected by their Iman. The Messenger of Allah (saw) said, «تَرَى الْمُؤْمِنِينَ فِي تَرَاحُمِهِمْ وَتَوَادِهِمْ وَتَعَاطُفِهِمْ كَمَثَلِ الْجَسَدِ إِذَا اشْتَكَى عُضْوًا تَدَاعَى لَهُ سَائِرُ جَسَدِهِ بِالسَّهْرِ وَالْحَمَى» **“You see the believers, as regards their mutual mercy, compassion and kindness, resembling one body. If any part of the body is unwell, then the whole body shares the restlessness and fever.”**

Gaza has revealed the receptiveness to Islam, amongst the fair minded people of the world. Many non-Muslims have expressed their outrage at the injustice against the people of Gaza. Many now differentiate between Zionism and Judaism. Many have been struck by the patience of the Muslims of Gaza. Some of them have begun to search for the source of such patience. Some of these have embraced Islam, welcomed warmly by the Islamic Ummah. This acceptance of Islam is at a time that there is no state implementing Islam. So what of the time when Islam is implemented by a state, and Islam is seen in its full glory? Thauban reported that the Messenger of Allah (saw) said, «إِنَّ اللَّهَ رَوَى لِي الْأَرْضَ فَرَأَيْتُ مَشَارِقَهَا وَمَغَارِبَهَا وَإِنَّ أُمَّتِي سَيَبْلُغُ مَلْكُهَا مَا رَوَى لِي مِنْهَا» **“Allah drew the ends of the world near one another for my sake. And I have seen its eastern and western ends. And the dominion of my Ummah would reach those ends which have been drawn near me.”** [Muslim].

Gaza has exposed the Zionist entity, its brutality and its enmity, as well as its weakness and cowardice. The Jewish entity did not leave any type of crime without committing it. It targeted children with snipers, just as it targeted hospitals with bombing. After it covered its crimes with a veil of lies and excuses provided by America, it began committing its crimes devoid of excuses. It massacres with brutality and insolence, completely devoid of any “morals” or “norms” or “humanity,” that humans have become accustomed to in wars. Indeed, the Saying of Allah (swt) is true regarding them, «لَا يَرْفُقُونَ فِي» **“They do not honor the bonds of kinship or treaties with respect to the believers. It is they who are the transgressors.”** [TMQ Surah At-Tawba 9:10]. All this is besides the fact that Gaza exposed the weakness of the occupying forces. Despite their sophisticated weaponry, the hordes of cowardly Zionist troops were unable to subdue small groups of poorly armed, brave mujahideen. So what if they were to face a single Muslim army?

Gaza has exposed the Western governments in their support of the Zionist tyranny. The Zionist state carries out its barbarism in sight of the lying, hypocritical West. The Western commitment to human rights, women rights, children's rights and animal rights was clearly exposed. Moreover, the Jewish entity massacres Muslims with American consent and approval, and its active participation and support, through media propaganda, funding and weapons. American participation is not less than its veto against a proposed United Nations resolution for a ceasefire on 8 December 2023. All this is not less than America's endorsement of the malicious two-state solution. It is a cruel American plan that aims to hand most of the Blessed Land to its aggressive occupiers, leaving a disarmed and degraded entity, under the guise of a "Palestinian state." Indeed, the Western governments and the entity of the Jews are as Allah (swt) described, when He (saw) said, ﴿يَا أَيُّهَا الَّذِينَ آمَنُوا لَا تَتَّخِذُوا الْيَهُودَ وَالنَّصَارَىٰ أَوْلِيَاءَ بَعْضُهُمْ أَوْلِيَاءُ بَعْضٍ﴾ **“O you who have believed, do not take the Jews and the Christians as allies. They are allies of one another.”** [TMQ Surah Al-Ma'ida:51].

Gaza has exposed the rulers of the Muslims. Even whilst the entity of the Jews bombed the hospitals and schools, the regime of Jordan maintained its sky bridge to the Jewish entity, providing it essential American supplies. The United Arab Emirates (UAE) signed an agreement to operate a land bridge, between the ports of Dubai and Haifa, passing through Saudi and Jordanian territory, with the aim of bypassing threats to shipping lanes. The rulers of the Muslims do so, instead of cutting off the world's sea, land, and airspace, stopping oil supplies, and using all their might to stop the bloodshed, while they are capable of doing so. Egypt keeps the Rafah Border Crossing closed, even though its army is more than willing and capable to support the Muslims of Gaza. As for the rulers of Pakistan and Turkey, they send their troops all over the world for the interests of Washington, yet, they restrained willing and capable troops from supporting Gaza in its time of great need. Having failed the Muslims of Gaza and the Islamic Ummah, they are now working to implement the next treachery, the American two state solution. They do all this even though Allah (swt) said, ﴿إِنَّمَا يَنْهَاكُمْ اللَّهُ عَنِ الَّذِينَ قَاتَلُوكُمْ فِي الدِّينِ وَأَخْرَجُوكُم مِّن دِيَارِكُمْ وَظَاهَرُوا عَلَىٰ إِخْرَاجِكُمْ أَن تَوَلَّوهُمْ وَمَن يَتَوَلَّهُمْ فَأُولَٰئِكَ هُمُ الظَّالِمُونَ﴾ **“Allah forbids your alliance with those who fight you because of your Deen, and drive you from your homelands, or aid others to do so: and as for those who turn to them in alliance, they are truly oppressors.”** [TMQ Surah Al-Mumtahina 60:9].

Gaza has revealed and exposed and has fulfilled its responsibility before Allah (swt). It is up to us to ensure that we do not fall short in ours. It has shown us the situation and the way forwards. The Muslims of Gaza are good. The Islamic Ummah is moving upon its Deen. There is a large body of non-Muslims who can see the injustice of the Jewish entity and the Western governments that support it, on the one hand, and the good stances of the Muslims. The entity of the Jews is not of a people that honor pacts and pledges. The Western governments are those that support the entity of the Jews in open war against Muslims. The rulers of Muslims are the only obstacle to the armies moving in support of Islam and Muslims. There is only one way forwards now. The Ummah and its armies must remove the rulers of the Muslims. It is then that the Islamic Ummah can force the retreat of its enemies from its lands. So, let the Ummah demand from its armies that they grant Hizb ut Tahrir their Nussrah for the Khilafah (Caliphate) on the Method of Prophethood. Let the destruction of Gaza be the last dark chapter since the destruction of the Khilafah 1924 CE, 1342 AH.

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