

### Gaza 3 – The aftermath of Gaza

In the name of Allah Most Gracious most Merciful.

Allah says in His book: **{We certainly will give victory to our messengers and those who believe, in this worldly life, and on the day when witnesses shall rise. The day when those who transgressed; their excuses shall not benefit them. And they shall have the curse and the home of misery}** 40:51/52

Yes, Gaza has won. Allah has honoured the faithful who resisted in Gaza. Allah says: **{And Allah turned back the unbelievers with their fury that they gained no advantage. And Allah has saved the believers the fight. Allah is Powerful and Almighty}** 35:25.

The dust of war has settled revealing over 1320 martyrs of mostly women and children. And over 5700 injured, and thousands of demolished homes and homeless families. The blockade is still imposed and the crossings are still closed.

This is just a part of the dowry paid in order to win Paradise, this is a part of the tax paid for glory, and this is the price of honour. Allah says: **{Or you thought that you shall enter Paradise without Allah testing those of you who fought and those who endured}** 3:142. Allah also says: **{Be sure we shall test you with some fear and hunger, and with lack of funds, lack of men and supplies, But, give glad tidings to those who are enduring patients, those who when afflicted with calamity will say: “To Allah we belong and to Him we shall return”. Those are the ones on whom blessings and mercy are bestowed. And they are the guided ones.}** 2:155/157.

This is the path of messengers and those who guide humanity. Their path is paved with blood and limbs and pain, But Allah’s mercy and His gentleness and His generosity was never absent right through the situation. It is right through the midst of the ordeal; that the solidity from Allah comes down, and right in the

midst of the battle that Allah selects and chooses those He wishes. Allah then grants His victory to whomever He wishes.

We have seen the legendary resistance in Gaza. Allah says: **{Those who people said to them: “people have assembled for you, fear them”, But Allah gave them more faith, and they said: Allah is enough for us to depend on, and He is the best trustee}** 3:173. This sanctified category of people that defends the nation’s honour in a time there is a lack of men; and on a time when the wrong and its supporters are showing strength. Those courageous men are facing the Zionist military machine which is supported by the international show off powers, when those men were left and abandoned by those far and near. No one was left to support them except Allah, and He alone is enough for support and guidance. And those Muslim people who have started shaking off the dust of humiliation and disgrace and shake off the sleep, they are starting to make their voice heard in support of the right and in condemnation of the wrong.

Men of Gaza, Women of Gaza, and children of Gaza, may Allah reward you dearly for what you did for and on behalf of the nation. With your innocent and fragrant blood you have put life back into this nation. And you have awakened the conscience of the entire free world. We saw hundreds of thousands of people in the capitals of the world coming out inspired by you and in support of you. You have given back to our nation the confidence in Allah and His victory, and His support to those who follow Him and give the sacrifice to Him. You have stripped the appalling side of the ruling regimes in the Muslim countries. Those regimes have become the targets of anger. They are cursed by their people. You have shown the nation that paradise, honour and glory have a price which must be paid; and you have paid a very large part of it.

Dear brothers and sister, what remains for us is to know what we must do towards supporting our brothers and sisters in Gaza besides making prayers for them:

1. Do our best to know and understand the history of the problem in Palestine, and making sure that our children know about it.

2. Explaining to the non-Muslim people of this country and other countries the just cause of the Palestinian case.
3. Keeping alive those values which were brought to life within our souls by Gaza and the resistance of the people of Gaza and endurance of the people of Gaza. And enough neglect and enough forgetfulness about the situation.
4. Finally, donate as much of our money as we possibly can to our brothers and sisters who lost their home and all their belongings in Gaza.

Dear brothers and sisters we are passing through a critical stage of the history of this nation. Feeling defeated, and remaining silent and ignoring the situation is of no benefit. This is the time to support the right cause. This is the time for solidarity; this is the time to live and feel the single body concept. This is the time for generosity with what you have as consolation for our brothers who were inflicted by strong wounds and still are. Remember that the battle is not over yet. Allah says: **{and they will continue to fight you until they have you turned back of your faith if they could. And those of you who turn back off their religion and die as infidels; they have lost their deeds in this life and the life after. And they are the people of hell fire, and for ever they shall remain in it}**.

We pray to Allah that He shall support our brothers in Gaza against their enemy. And that He shall empower them over the land of Palestine, and we pray that He shall defeat their enemies and turn them back as losers in disgrace.