

Palestine does not belong to Jews or Arabs it belongs to Muslims

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In the Name of Allaah the most Kind the most Merciful

يَا بَنِي إِسْرَائِيلَ اذْكُرُوا نِعْمَتِيَ الَّتِي أَنْعَمْتُ عَلَيْكُمْ وَأَنِّي فَضَّلْتُكُمْ عَلَى الْعَالَمِينَ

[O Children of Israaeel, remember My favour that I have bestowed upon you and that I preferred you over the worlds.]¹

Shaykh Ibn Uthaymeen (رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ)²: From the benefits of this verse:

1. It is obligatory upon the children of Israaeel to remember Allaah's favour upon them and to show gratitude for it. And from showing gratitude is for them to follow Muhammad (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ)³.
2. Clarifying that this favour was not earned by them, or due to their hard work, nor was it inherited from their fathers; rather it was only a favour from Allaah upon them. Thus Allaah said: 'I have bestowed upon you.'
3. The children of Israaeel were the best of mankind during their era, based upon the statement of the Exalted: 'I preferred you over the worlds.' This is because during that time they were people of faith. As a result victory was decreed for them over their enormous enemies. It was said to them:

يَا قَوْمِ ادْخُلُوا الْأَرْضَ الْمُقَدَّسَةَ الَّتِي كَتَبَ اللَّهُ لَكُمْ

[Enter the Holy Land which Allaah has assigned to you]⁴

And the Holy Land is Palestine. And Allaah only assigned the land of Palestine to the children of Israaeel during the time of Moosa because they were righteous slaves of Allaah. And Allaah (سبحانه)⁵ said:

وَلَقَدْ كَتَبْنَا فِي الزَّبُورِ مِنْ بَعْدِ الذِّكْرِ أَنَّ الْأَرْضَ يَرِثُهَا عِبَادِيَ الصَّالِحُونَ

[And indeed We have written in Psalms after (We have already written in) Al-Lauh Al-Mahfouz, that My righteous slaves shall inherit the land.]⁶

¹ سورة البقرة - Soorah al-Baqarah [2:47]

² (رَحِمَهُ اللَّهُ) (rahimahullaah) May Allaah the Most High have mercy on him

³ (صَلَّى اللَّهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) (sallallaahu 'alayhi wa sallam) May the peace and blessings of Allaah the Most High be upon him

⁴ سورة المائدة - Soorah al-Maa'idah [5:21]

⁵ (سبحانه) (Subhanahu) The Exalted

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And Moosa said to his people:

إِنَّ الْأَرْضَ لِلَّهِ يُورِثُهَا مَنْ يَشَاءُ مِنْ عِبَادِهِ

[Indeed, the earth belongs to Allaah. He causes to inherit it whom He wills of His servants.]⁷

Then he said:

وَالْعَاقِبَةُ لِلْمُتَّقِينَ

[And the [best] outcome is for the righteous.]⁸

Therefore the righteous shall inherit the earth; but the children of Israaeel today do not deserve the Holy land, because they are not righteous slaves of Allaah; as for during the time of Moosa, they were more deserving of it than those who lived there. And it was written for them, and they were the most deserving of it. But when Islaam—which was brought by the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ)—came, then the most deserving people of this land became the Muslims. Not the Arabs; because Palestine is not Arab such that the people deserving Palestine can be described as Arabs; rather the people deserving of Palestine are Muslims, their description is Muslim. They have no other description. And they can be called righteous slaves of Allaah (سبحانه). For this reason the Arabs will never succeed—according to what I believe and the knowledge is with Allaah—in recovering Palestine in the name of Pan-Arabism. It is not possible to recovery it except with the name Islaam upon what the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) and his companions were upon. As (سبحانه) said:

إِنَّ الْأَرْضَ لِلَّهِ يُورِثُهَا مَنْ يَشَاءُ مِنْ عِبَادِهِ

[Indeed, the earth belongs to Allaah. He causes to inherit it whom He wills of His servants.]⁹

Regardless of what the Arabs try; and regardless of how they fill the earth with speeches and protest; they will never be successful until they call for the Jews to exit from it with the name of Islaam; after they apply it (Islaam) in themselves. If they do this then they shall actualize what the Prophet (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) has informed us of:

لَا تَقُومُ السَّاعَةُ حَتَّى يُقَاتِلَ الْمُسْلِمُونَ الْيَهُودَ، فَيَقْتُلُهُمُ الْمُسْلِمُونَ حَتَّى يَخْتَبِئَ الْيَهُودِيُّ مِنْ وَرَاءِ الْحَجَرِ، وَالشَّجَرِ، فَيَقُولُ الْحَجَرُ، أَوْ الشَّجَرُ: يَا مُسْلِمُ، يَا عَبْدَ اللَّهِ، هَذَا يَهُودِيٌّ خَلْفِي، فَتَعَالَ فَاقْتُلْهُ

**The hour will not be established until the Muslims fight the Jews. The Muslims will kill them such that the Jews will hide behind rocks and trees. So the rock or the tree will say:
O Muslim, O slave of Allaah, here is a Jew behind me, come and kill him.**

⁶ سورة الأنبياء - Soorah al-Anbeeyaa [21:105]

⁷ سورة الأعراف - Soorah al 'A'raaf [7:128]

⁸ سورة الأعراف - Soorah al 'A'raaf [7:128]

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Thus the trees and rocks will direct the Muslims to the Jews saying O slave of Allaah; calling him by the name of servitude to Allaah; and it will say: O Muslim; calling him by the name of Islaam. The Messenger (صَلَّى اللهُ عَلَيْهِ وَسَلَّمَ) said: **'The Muslims will fight the Jews.'** He did not say the 'Arabs'.

For this reason I say: We will never remove the Jews by the call of Pan-Arabism, we will only remove them with the name of Islaam. Whoever wants let him recite the statement of (سبحانه):

وَلَقَدْ كَتَبْنَا فِي الزَّبُورِ مِنْ بَعْدِ الذِّكْرِ أَنَّ الْأَرْضَ يَرِثُهَا عِبَادِيَ الصَّالِحُونَ

[And indeed We have written in Psalms after (We have already written in) Al-Lauh Al-Mahfouz, that My righteous slaves shall inherit the land.]¹⁰

Thus He made the inheritance for His righteous slaves. And that which is connected to a description will occur when the description is present, and it will be negated when the description is negated. If we are righteous slaves of Allaah we will inherit it with complete ease, without any hardship, toil or difficulty and without long drawn out speeches which never end! We will seize it with the help of Allaah (سبحانه) with what Allaah has decreed for us. And how easy is this for Allaah! We know that the Muslims did not rule Palestine during the illustrious era of Islaam except due to their Islaam. And they did not conquer the capital cities of Persian, and the capital of Rome, and the capital of the Coptic except due to their Islaam. Thus if only our youth were conscious and aware that absolute victory is not possible except with real Islaam; not Islaam which is identified by an I.D. card!

And perhaps some of you have heard the story of Sad ibn Abee Waqas (رضي الله عنه)¹¹. The Persians had destroyed the bridge over the Tigris River and sank the ships so the Muslims would not cross (the river) and reach them. So Allaah subjugated the river for them. Thus they started walking on top of the water with their horses, their men, and their camels. They walked on top of the water just as they walked on top of the land. The water did not cover the hooves of the camels. When the horses became tired Allaah facilitated a raised boulder so they could rest upon it. And this was from the signs of Allaah no doubt. And Allaah (سبحانه) has power over all things. Thus the One who split the sea for Moosa (عليه السلام)¹² and his people such that it instantly became a dry path for them and they walked therein safely; has the ability to do greater than that.

The point is; the children of Israaeel no doubt were the best of mankind when they were righteous slaves of Allaah, but when they were afflicted with humiliation, and cursed, and debased, then they are no longer the best of mankind; rather some of them are monkeys

¹⁰ سورة الأنبياء - Soorah al-Anbeeyaa [21:105]

¹¹ (رضي الله عنه) (rad iyallaahu `anhu) May Allaah the Most High be pleased with him

¹² (عليه السلام) ('alaihi-salaam) Peace be upon him

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and pigs. And they are the most debased slaves of Allaah based upon the statement of (سبحانه):

ضُرِبَتْ عَلَيْهِمُ الذَّلَّةُ أَيُّنَ مَا تُفْقُوا إِلَّا بِحَبْلِ مِنْ اللَّهِ وَحَبْلِ مِنَ النَّاسِ وَبَاءُوا بِغَضَبِ مِنَ اللَّهِ

[Indignity is put over them wherever they may be, except when under a covenant (of protection) from Allaah, and from men; they have drawn on themselves the Wrath of Allaah, and destruction is put over them.]¹³

And (سبحانه) said:

لَا يُفَاتِلُونَكُمْ جَمِيعًا إِلَّا فِي قُرَى مُحَصَّنَةٍ أَوْ مِنْ وَرَاءِ جُدُرٍ بَأْسُهُمْ بَيْنَهُمْ شَدِيدٌ تَحْسَبُهُمْ جَمِيعًا وَقُلُوبُهُمْ شَتَّى ذَلِكَ بِأَنَّهُمْ قَوْمٌ لَا يَعْقِلُونَ

[They will not fight you all except within fortified cities or from behind walls. Their violence among themselves is severe. You think they are together, but their hearts are diverse. That is because they are a people who do not reason.]^{14 15}

¹³ سورة آل عمران - Soorah Aale-Imraan [3:112]

¹⁴ سورة الحشر - Soorah al-Hashr [59:14]

¹⁵ http://www.ibnothaymeen.com/all/books/article_16812.shtml