

## 2 Years of genocide

Friends of Al-Aqsa calls upon all Imams on Friday 3rd October to dedicate their Jumu'ah khutbahs to highlighting the plight of Gaza and to urge their congregations towards action — specifically by attending the national demonstration in London on Saturday 11th October 2025.

**Verses you may want to use:**

وَلَنَبْلُوَنَّكُمْ بِشَيْءٍ مِّنَ الْخَوْفِ وَالْجُوعِ وَنَقْصٍ مِّنَ الْأَمْوَالِ  
وَالْأَنْفُسِ وَالثَّمَرَاتِ ۚ وَبَشِّرِ الصَّابِرِينَ ﴿١٥٥﴾

And We will surely test you with something of fear and hunger and a loss of wealth and lives and fruits, but give good tidings to the patient. (Quran 2:155)

وَلَا تَحْسَبَنَّ اللَّهَ غَافِلًا عَمَّا يَعْمَلُ الظَّالِمُونَ إِنَّمَا  
يُؤَخِّرُهُمْ لِيَوْمٍ تَشْخَصُ فِيهِ الْأَبْصَارُ ﴿٤٢﴾

And never think that Allah is unaware of what the wrongdoers do. He only delays them for a Day when eyes will stare [in horror]. (Quran 14:42)

أَحْسِبَ النَّاسُ أَنْ يُتْرَكُوا أَنْ يَقُولُوا آمَنَّا وَهُمْ لَا يُفْتَنُونَ ﴿٢﴾

Do the people think that they will be left to say, "We believe" and they will not be tried? (Quran 29:2)

وَلَنَبْلُوَنَّكُمْ حَتَّىٰ نَعْلَمَ الْمُجْتَهِدِينَ مِنْكُمْ وَالصَّابِرِينَ وَنَبْلُوَ  
أَخْبَارَكُمْ ﴿٣١﴾

And We will surely test you until We make evident those who strive among you [for the cause of Allah ] and the patient, and We will test your affairs. (Quran 47:31)

لَقَدْ أَرْسَلْنَا رُسُلَنَا بِالْبَيِّنَاتِ وَأَنْزَلْنَا مَعَهُمُ الْكِتَابَ  
وَالْمِيزَانَ لِيَقُومَ النَّاسُ بِالْقِسْطِ وَأَنْزَلْنَا الْحَدِيدَ فِيهِ بَأْسٌ  
شَدِيدٌ وَمَنْفَعٌ لِلنَّاسِ وَلِيَعْلَمَ اللَّهُ مَن يَنْصُرُهُ وَرُسُلَهُ بِالْغَيْبِ إِنَّ اللَّهَ  
قَوِيٌّ عَزِيزٌ ﴿٢٥﴾

We have already sent Our messengers with clear evidences and sent down with them the Scripture and the balance that the people may establish justice. And We sent down iron, wherein is great military might and benefits for the people, and so that Allah may make evident those who support Him and His messengers without seeing (Him). Indeed, Allah is Powerful and Exalted in Might. (Quran 57:25)

### Make the following points

1. It is two years since the genocide in Gaza:

**Confirmed killed:** at least 66,055 people, including at least 19,424 children (with many more unrecorded deaths)

**Injured:** at least 168,346 people

**Building:** Around 78% of the all the structures in the Gaza are destroyed or damaged

**Displaced:** About 1.9 million people have been displaced, amounting to [90% of the population](#), with many of them forced to move repeatedly.

**Masajid:** 79% (814) of the mosques in the Gaza Strip destroyed plus three churches.

**Ulama:** 255 Ulama killed

**Cemetery:** The Israeli army has also targeted 32 of Gaza's 60 cemeteries, completely destroying 14 and partially damaging 18.

2. Despite all these, the of people of Gaza hold their ground and their reward is with Allah.
3. Gaza is not just a test for the Palestinians, Gaza is a test for us too. Allah is witnessing how we react and what we do while the live streamed genocide is taking place.
4. Some have given in to growing despair, leading to apathy. They feel that despite all the protests, boycotts, calls, meetings and more, nothing is left to be done. When these feelings hit, we are in a spiritual danger zone.
5. We are at the precipice of Tawakkul (trust in God) and despair. And it is exactly at this point that the test makes or breaks all of us - those in Gaza and those outside of it.
6. The time to act is now. And here is how we can proceed at this dark - but temporary - moment for our brothers and sisters in Gaza, and for our Ummah.
7. Allah sent all prophets to establish justice. After the last prophet is gone it is our duty to adopt this prophetic mission and to strive for justice at home and abroad
8. Tests are given to us to strengthen our Iman. The Prophet SAW said, the people who face the most difficult tests are the Prophets, then the righteous, then those following them in degrees. A person is tried according to his or her faith, so if there is firmness in a person's faith, then the trial is increased. And if there is a weakness then it is lightened. Verily a trial remains with a faithful person until he or she walks on the face of the earth having no sin left upon them. Al Tirmidhi
9. Sabr is a critical quality of a believer. Sabr does not mean giving up in frustration but being persistent and enduring whatever it takes. It also means not giving up efforts because we have so far not been able to stop the genocide. Provide examples of sabr from previous Prophets – how they continued making efforts despite not having visible success.
10. If Allah asked what did you do for my servants in Gaza - Each one of us must ask himself how to answer that question on the day of Qiyama.
11. Brothers this is the time to act and support the people of Palestine. It is also the time to advise the British government to exercise justice and support peace rather than genocide.
12. We as individuals can also do many things. I advise you to follow Friends of Al-Aqsa to see what activities you can engage in.
13. You must attend the 11 October protest in London.

14. This should be supported by making duas and turning to Allah. For this we have dedicated Sunday 19 October and inshaAllah our Masjid will have programmes from xxxxxxxxxxxx to xxxxxxxx.

Turn to Allah for Gaza – please see details here: <https://www.foa.org.uk/events/ulama-action-points-october-2025>

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