

JVP Bay Area and Beyt Tikkun Sukkot 2024 Kabbalat Shabbat Honoring Anti-zionist Ancestors

You Shall Love: V'Ahavta for Palestinian Liberation

An Invocation for Growing the Love that is Already There

You shall LOVE Palestinian Liberation

With all your heart

With all your might

With all your being

You shall speak of your love of Palestinian Liberation

When you lie down & when you RISE UP

When you are in the company of those who are eager to listen

And those who are uncomfortable

You shall speak of this love with your children & your elders & your lovers
with your colleagues & your neighbors & your Rabbis & your students & your boss

Your love shall be contagious, filling the heart of your community

Until it bursts open And together, in the depths of the void of our broken heart

We shall speak, because the world is created through speech and our words are seeds
and we are helping to seed Palestinian Liberation Right. Now.

And because listening is the part of love that precedes speech,

You shall listen to the Torah of Palestinian Liberation

You shall SHMA with the ears of your heart To the voices of Palestinians

You shall listen And the truth will shatter you And you shall be transformed

Because it is THAT kind of love

And because seeing is part of love, You shall look with the eyes of your soul

Towards the genocide in Gaza, the pogroms in Sheikh Jarrah, the terror in the West Bank

You shall see the ongoing Nakba and you shall not look away, for you shall be filled with rage

Because rage is also part of love.

You shall withhold your dollars You shall mobilize your institutions You shall lay your body down You shall
flood social media You shall march You shall weep You shall scream You shall pray You shall sing You shall
dance You shall rest You shall release

You shall boycott

You shall divest

You shall call for sanctions

call your congresspeople

call your parents

Call

on

Gxd

You shall transform harm into healing

You shall dream of a world without borders & prisons & militarism & settler-colonies

YOU shall LOVE Palestinian Liberation like you love Gxd, because we are ALL part of Gxd

You shall LOVE Palestinian Liberation as if it is your own, because IT IS your own

Because until all of us are free, none of us are free

Because just when we thought we were freeing Palestine, we realized Palestine is freeing us

You shall LOVE Palestinian Liberation because you shall love Jewish Liberation

Because you shall love liberation for all peoples

Because you shall include yourself when you say ALL

You shall LOVE Palestinian Liberation because loving Palestinian Liberation is the

Most. Jewish. Thing you can possibly do

And the world is aching for us to remember who we are

And our Love is aching for Liberation

And the Time is NOW.

You Shall. You Do. You Will. You Are. You Bless. You Keep. You Shall.

Amein V' Amein. Ken Y'hi Ratzon. May It Be So

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