eat a date keep the stone put it in your pocket

in the olden days the arab sailors were the only sailors who did not contract scurvy while at sea they were still getting vitamin c from the dates they packed. i do not fact check this because i trust my dad.⁸

if you are on your deathbed lying on the sand, plant a date before your last breath and you will go straight to heaven^{1^*}. i do not fact check this because my teacher scares me.

⁸ jeanine reads my manuscript in draft form to check the political messaging and highlights the word "dad" and comments "pretty sure i told him that story"

 Λ^* anas ibn malik reports that rasool allah pbuh said, *even if the resurrection were established upon one of you while he has in his hand a sapling, let him plant it.*⁹

وَأَرْسَلَ عَلَيْهِمْ طَيْرًا أَبَابِيلَ								
and	he	delive	ers	unto	them	birds	in	flocks
	god	issues	5	to		aves		droves
		orders		onto				masses
		dispatches		upon				clusters
		sends						hoards
تَرْمِيهِم بِحِجَارَةٍ مِّن سِجِّيلٍ								
throwing		at	them	stor	les	of	clay	
casting				rock	KS .	from		
launching								
shooting								
flingi	ng							
slinging								

i am walking down the street and there is a rock on the pavement and look another one. the first city i see when i see palestine is jericho. we are driving down a flat wide road in a straight line, boulders and hollows on either side and i'm thinking *yes i made it* and then *yes i get it now* because it is about the earth. it has always been about the earth.

^{9 &}quot;Hadith on Trees," Daily Hadith Online The Teachings of Prophet Muhammad, accessed November 2022, https://www.abuaminaelias.com/dailyhadithonline/2012/11/24/planttree-ressurection/.

the jewish ethnostate was thought up by someone else the french and the british 1799¹⁰ one hundred years before zionism two hundred years before

- 13. did you have a rock in your pocket?
 - a. yes
 - i. did you throw it?
 - ۱. yes
 - I. with the intent to seriously harm?
 - a. yes
 - i. twenty years away
 - b. no
 - i. ten years away
 - ۲. no

b. no

it's not enough it won't do we can't only choke back the state that chokes us when the state that chokes us is being breathed alive by bigger empires

¹⁰ Abdul Wahhab Al Kayyali, Zionism Imperialism and Racism "The Historial Roots of the Imperialist-Zionist Alliance" (London: Croom Helm, 1979) 9–24

empires that created the state that chokes us to keep the empires empires

god created the earth and said *gibril go plant these stones all over it* and gibril took them and because we live on a sphere the rocks spread like butter: evenly, melting. and then gibril tripped on the taut string border into palestine and his bag of rocks spilled and now our country is a monument of stones, and a garden of stones, and a reminder of *do not fall over*. a reminder of *when you are fleeing, look to your feet*.

eat a date keep the stone in your pocket: the weight of the afterlife of ammunition

a rock isn't a rock

until it is thrown

and then it is a weapon

and then you are put into a box