

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

In the name of Allah, the most Gracious, the most Merciful

22 April 2021



Closer

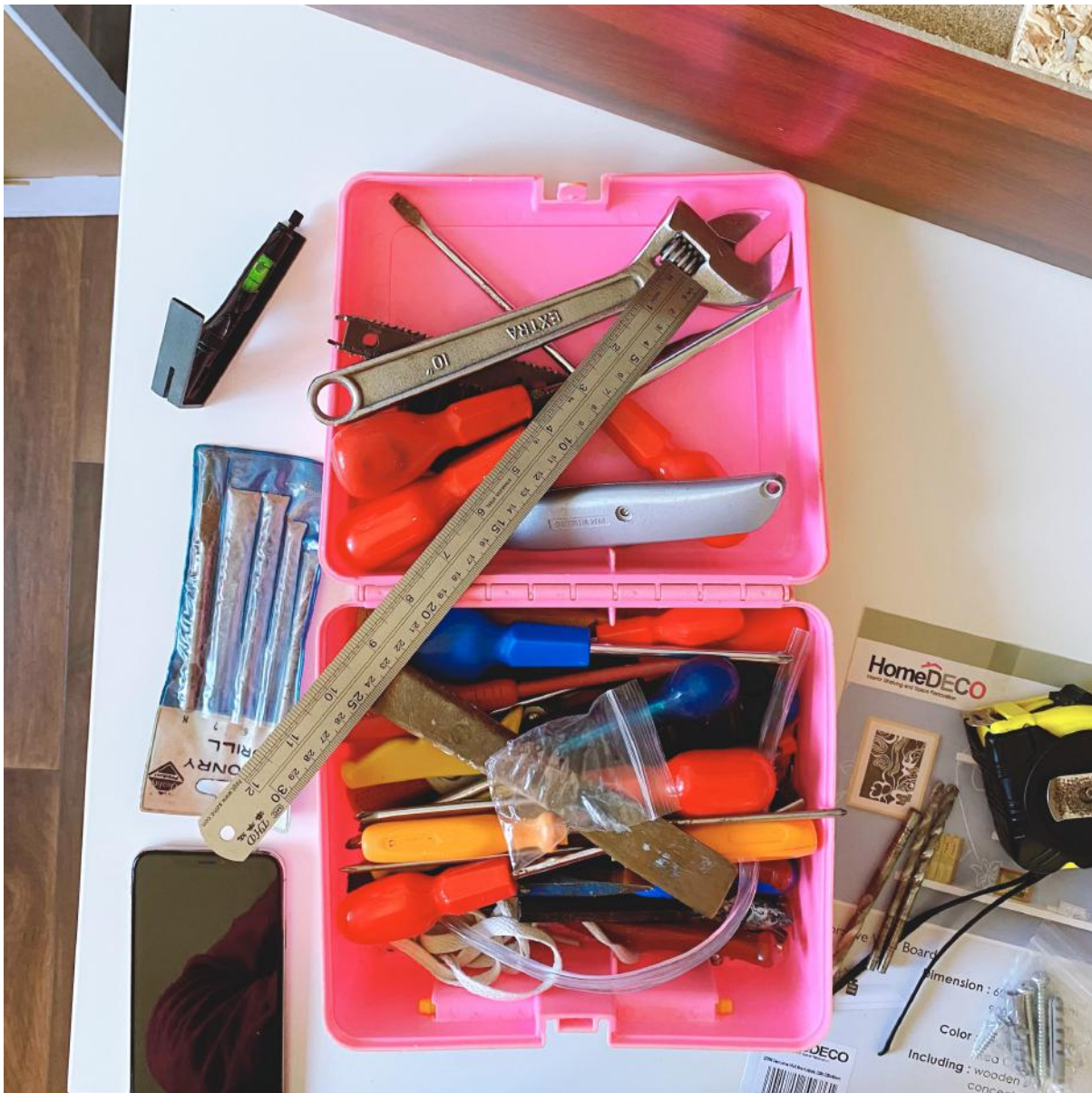
by aa

your curated weekly spiritual booster delivered straight to your Inbox

IF YOU KEEP REMINDING
your heart
ABOUT ALLAH,
there will come
A TIME WHEN
your heart will
REMIND YOU OF ALLAH.

Assalamualaikum my Champions,

A few days ago, Baba came over to mount a little shelf by the window of my Studio as I wanted a tiny reading corner that overlooks outside. He came over with his toolbox, which btw, is actually an adorable pink lunchbox that used to belong to my Sister in law when she was a kid - I had to take a photo:



Anyways, while Baba was measuring the length of the shelf and trying to work the best way to drill it on the wall, he said something that really made me pause and reflect. He said, **"Alright Aida, we need the right tools for this job. With the best tools, In Sha Allah, we can get the best results."**

Baba was referring to the handiwork of mounting the shelf, but my head was thinking about Ramadan and how, Subhanallah, if I wanted my Ramadan to be the best one yet, I have to have the best "tools" to **help myself** in ensuring that I get to soak in all of the goodness and blessings that Allah SWT is giving us this month! So I came up with my very own Ramadan Tool Box:



[Firm intentions](#), [a Ramadan Schedule](#), [Dua Lists](#), Tahajjud Buddy (or buddies, in my case), [daily Quran calls](#) and the [oh-so-important "period + burnout" kit](#). And if you've been following the AA Plus Schedule for Ramadan, your toolbox would look pretty similar to mine!

PS: I'm curious Champs, what's in your Ramadan Tool Box?

This week on aa plus



episode 2

THE DUA OF ALLAH'S "FRIEND"

Dive deeper into the prayer that Nabi Ibrahim
AS recited after building the Kaaba'

I had such a ball of time on last week's Study Date just gushing about how Allah SWT is **so** Merciful and Generous in the way He answers our Duas and I cannot wait to dive into the second lesson with you guys this week, In Sha Allah! If you remember, we mentioned in the Class that we will be going chronologically in covering all of the Duas in the Quran that starts

with "Ya Rabbi / Ya Rabbana" and this week, we are diving straight into the Dua of Nabi Ibrahim AS after he built the Kaaba. Clue: We still recite it to this very day!

Listen to the Lesson Here

[Read PDF Notes Here](#)

Join our study date!



Study Date Ramadan Timings:

Asia: Saturdays | 2.30 PM SG / MS

ROTW: Saturdays | 4.30 PM UK / 10.30 AM CST

**don't have to prepare anything prior as we'll
be listening to the Class together!**

[Link to Zoom Call Here](#)

a beautiful Dua

Ya Allah,

grant us eyes that see the best of
other people, a heart that forgives
the worst, & a soul that will not stop
from remembering + praising You.

There were so many beautiful and heartfelt duas when I read through our collective Dua list and I intend to share one every week on the Closer email. When I came across this particular Dua, I remember my heart felt tranquil - Subhanallah, isn't it a pure blessing to be able to have eyes that only sees the best, a heart that is forgiving, and a soul that is only attached to Allah?

May we be one of these people, Ya Rabb!

[Read + Add More Duas Here](#)

share with Allah



Have you guys ever pondered on the first line of [Surah al-Ikhlās](#)? **"He is Allah - One and Indivisible"** (112:1) - such a profound statement that if we reflect, we'll see that the "key" to sincerity is to do everything for the One and Only, the Indivisible, Allah SWT. I definitely have struggled and will continue to struggle, on Sincerity, and Allah SWT is always the best place for me to confide in about this. If you feel the same way, go back to Him today and plead to Him to purify all of our intentions for His sake, especially in Ramadan where we are doing a lot more good deeds than normal, but for Who and for what reasons?

Muslim Meme

when you going to your room
and you hear the Adhan for iftar



This super adorable meme was sent to me by a fellow Champ, Atiqah, and I told her that she sure does know the way to my heart: by sending me memes! 😂 This is not me tho', coz I'm the girl who's already sitting at the table 5 mins before the Athan. ☐

Something to Ponder

"إِنِّي قَدْ رُزِقْتُ حُبَّهَا"

“I was nourished
by her love.”

*Rasulullah SAW on
Sayyidina Khadijah RA*

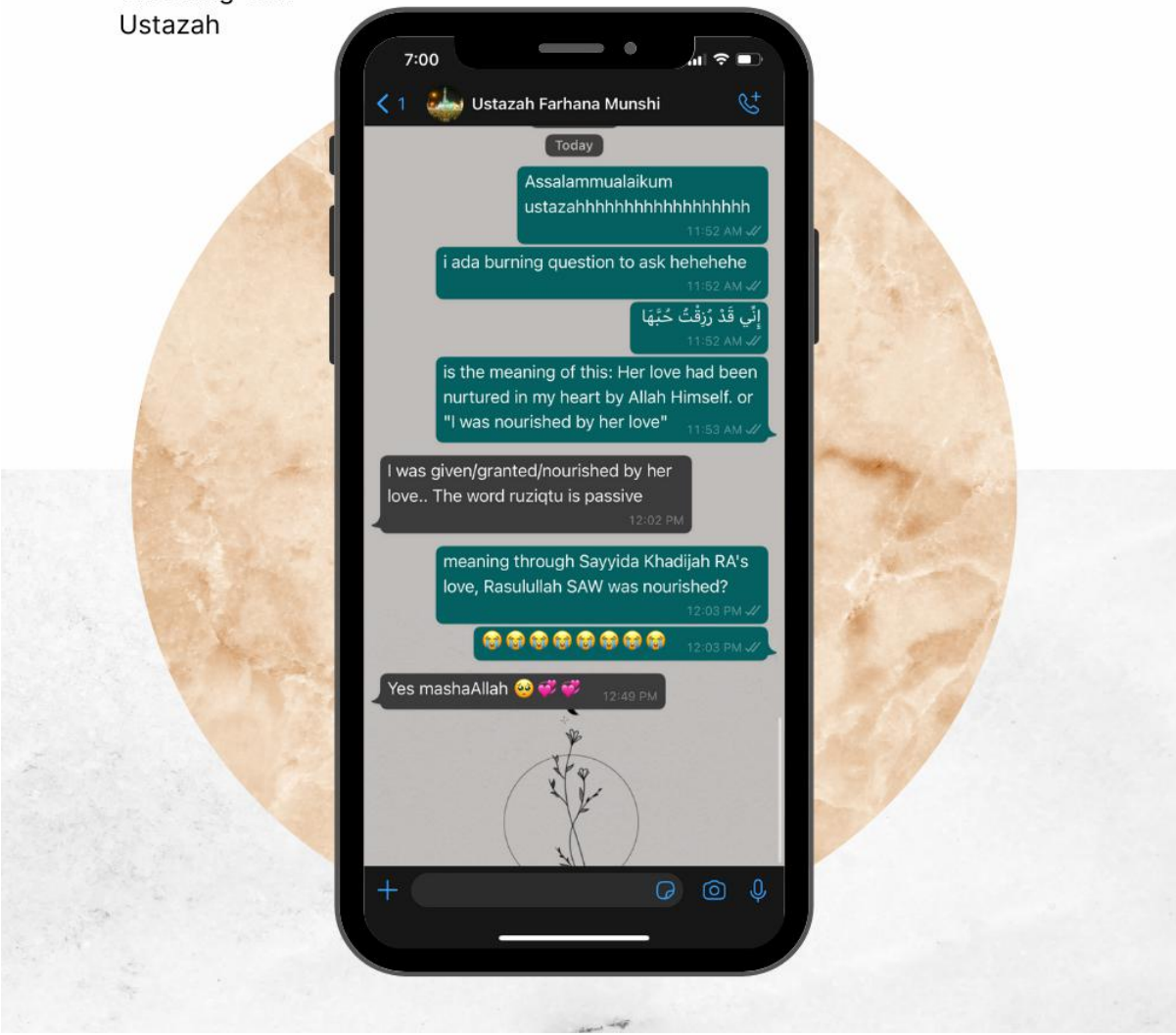


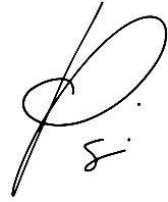
[This Hadith](#) where Rasulullah SAW expressed how much of an impact Sayyida Khadijah RA had on him SAW made me feel a million emotions. For one, I melted thinking how beautiful love is when it is love for Allah's sake, but on the other hand, it also made me question how I have been as a wife, and whether I've been a "nourisher" in my relationships. Do I nurture, or do I demand in my relationships? Do I add meaning, or do I only add burden to my loved ones? This Ramadan, as our time is spent more on doing acts of worship, we have to remind ourselves that looking after our

relationships with our closest and dearest is also a form of Ibadah. I think one of the questions I'll try to keep asking myself as I go about my day to day wearing my multiple hats is, "what will Sayyida Khadijah RA do?" May our love for our family and companions be a form of nourishment for their hearts, like how Sayyidah Khadijah RA's love was for Rasulullah SAW.

PS: Here's my romantic but sceptical heart checking with Ustazah Farhana on the translation of the Hadith. 😂

Checking with Ustazah





ending it with His Words

Quran 7:205

Remember your Lord inwardly
with humility and reverence and
in a moderate tone of voice,
both morning and evening.

More Humility

Watch Tone

With that, I hope you guys have enjoyed Closer.

fin
X
a.

Copyright © 2021 The AA Team, All rights reserved.
Because you signed up to become an AA Plus member.

Our mailing address is:

The AA Team
Rue Idriss
Tangier 90 000
Morocco

[Add us to your address book](#)