

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
In the name of Allah, the most Gracious, the most Merciful

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Closer

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your curated weekly spiritual booster delivered straight to your Inbox

SOMETIMES ALLAH HOLDS YOU BACK
temporarily only until
THE ROADS ARE SAFE
and clear enough
TO CONTINUE ON.
be grateful for the stall.

Assalamualaikum my Champions,

Lately, I've been marvelling at how perfectly Allah SWT has planned

everything to the T for me, ***especially*** the "pauses", "gaps" and "redirections" in my life! You see, I've always been very hasty (or in Singaporean lingo, a Kanchiong Spider) about things: if I want something, it means I need to have it now - and that has caused some serious problems in my life and also in some of my relationships.

I've always defensively thought that that was me just being a "go-getter".

But Allah SWT subtly taught me that there is a stark difference between being stubborn and thinking I can control life ***VS*** doing my best and then leaving the rest to the perfect plans of Allah.

I finally understood that Allah's timing is never too early nor too late, it's just perfect. So whenever I catch myself being frustrated or agitated of things going too slow, I remember that **there is wisdom in the waiting, and there is sweetness in the pause.** May we let go of our stubbornness to control everything, so that our hands will be free to receive His overflowing and perfectly-timed gifts for us, Amin!

Coming up this week

on AA Plus!



Navigating Tiktok / KPop and Other New Age Obsessions

Confessions from Former "Addicts" +
How to get out of it, Stronger + Wiser

Your Internet Girlfriend

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Navigating "New Age Obsessions"

So excited for the first episode of my new mini series with Iman Azman! In the first episode of 'Your Internet Girlfriends', we get real about how many of us get swept away with the distractions of this dunia, i.et TikTok / Kpop and other New Age Obsessions. We reveal ours, and share what our inner voices sound like and ultimately how experience has allowed us to find balance.

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Intentions for the week

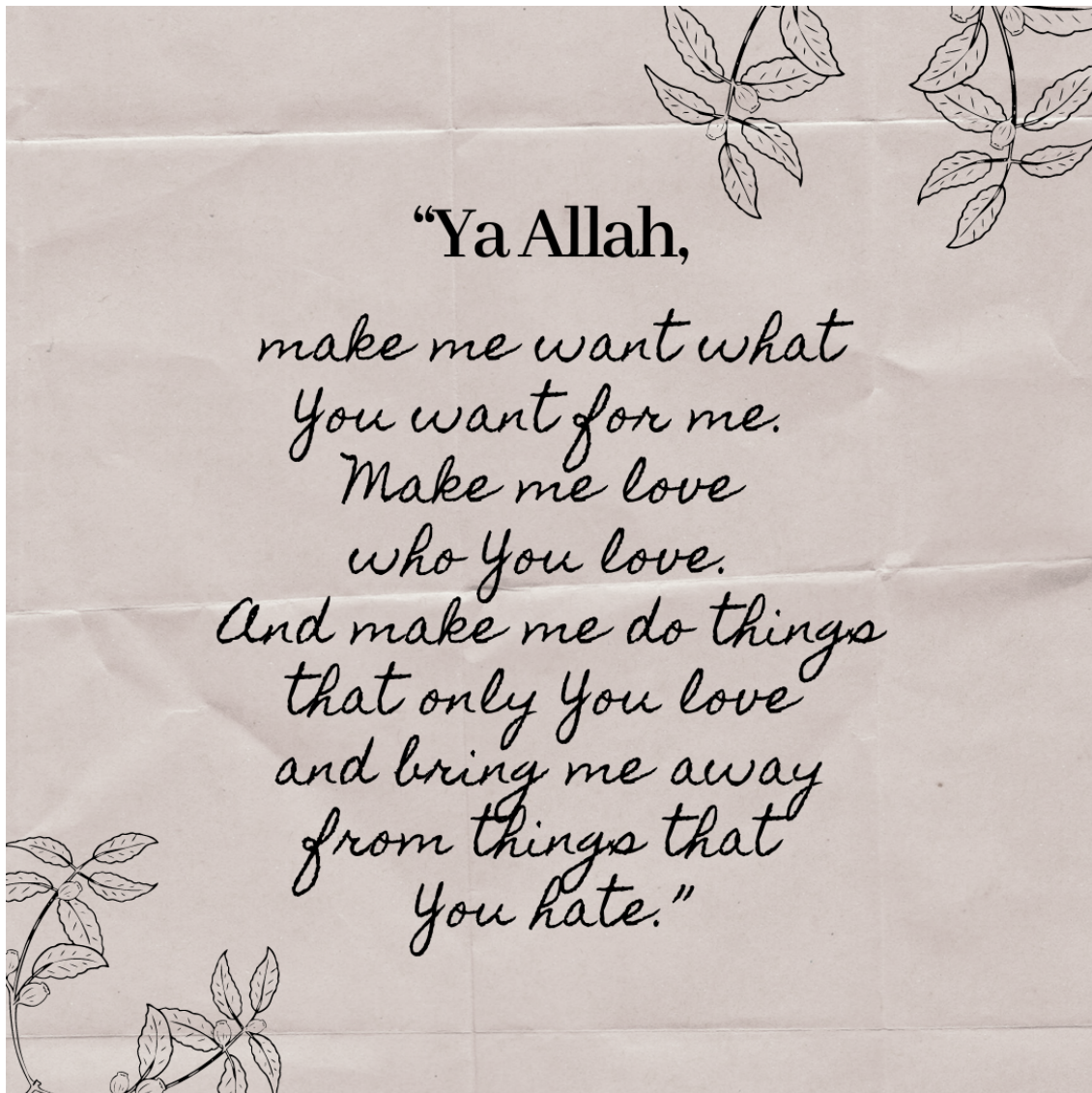
TRUST
always
ALLAH

Trust Allah, Always

A few days ago, I asked on my Twitter, **"On a scale of 1-10, how much do you trust Allah?"** and [reading the responses](#) made my heart smile **and** cry. To be able to trust Allah 100% is one of the biggest blessings in this world, because when you surrender to Him, that's when you'll attain ultimate freedom. Trusting Allah when all is fine and dandy is easy-peasy, but it's when the going gets tough that your "sincerity" of your trust in Him gets tested - and this is when you

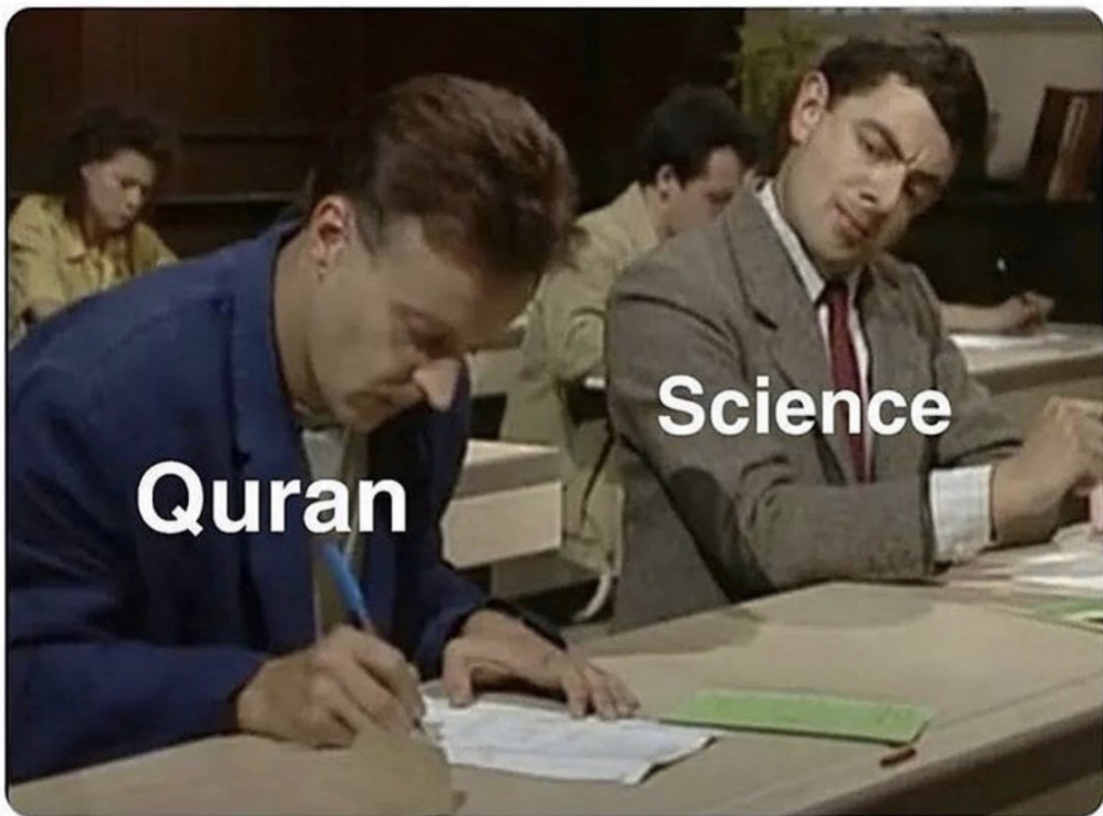
will need to have Husnuzon (to think well) of Allah, to remember how much Allah has carried you throughout every single phase of your life so He will definitely do the same this time too, **and** to remember that you are more than well-equipped to go through this test because He has prepared you for it. I want, In Sha Allah, not just my answer to the question to be a 10, but I intend for my actions to follow suit as well. May we trust in Allah SWT 1000000000000% and may Allah allow us to work towards that starting from today, Amin. <3



a beautiful Dua



I remember one of my friends asking me, "Don't you want kids?" and I don't know what happened but I'm certain that Allah SWT calmed me down to inspire me to say this to her: "I only want what Allah wants for me." Since then on, I've been making this dua above in my Solah and it has given me such calmness. I pray this will help some of you too.

Muslim Meme



 **SkyNews**  @SkyNews · Aug 19

Honey is better at treating sore throats, blocked noses, coughs, and congestion than conventional medicines, including antibiotics, according to a new study 🍯 trib.al/uai8P54

I swear everytime I read a new "western" trend like "intermittent fasting" / "the 5 AM Club", "meditation" etc etc I'll be like.... "WAIT. HOLD UP. ISLAM MADE THIS COOL FIRST!" 😂😂😂

Something to Ponder

People who meet you
should also “meet”
Rasulullah SAW



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I've started working in a co-working space here in London and meeting so many different people from various fields have made me be more mindful of how I carry myself. I've been trying to practice this mantra: "people whom I meet, should also be able to catch a glimpse of who my Prophet is, Rasulullah SAW". May Allah allow us to be the best ambassadors of His Deen and His Messenger, wherever we go!

and with that, I hope you guys have enjoyed Closer.

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