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

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Closer

by aa

your curated weekly spiritual booster delivered straight to your Inbox

WHEN ALLAH IS
making you wait,
BE PREPARED TO
receive more
THAN WHAT YOU'VE ASKED FOR.

Assalamualaikum my Champions,

I pray your week will be off to a blessed and productive start! **To our**

new Champions, welcome to your very first Closer! I love, love, love writing it, and I pray that this little electronic mail from me every Monday will bring a smile to your face at the beginning of each week, In Sha Allah!

Something that has been on my mind ***a lot*** is how Allah SWT is teaching me how to re-frame the way I view "waiting". I shared with you guys on my [last TKV email](#) that patience is not my strongest suit and I think it's partly because I've been taught that "now is better than later". And although this may be true for some things, Allah SWT doesn't operate in that way. **There is no such thing as "later" or "sooner" when it comes to His Timings - everything is perfectly on time.**

So now, when I "wait", I remind myself, "Wow, Allah must be planning something AMAZING for me. Something that is better than what I've been asking for, and something that will be PERFECT and made just for me!" ☐

What we do when we wait is also key. Saphia and I actually discussed this on one of our Woman Up's Episode called "[Active Patience](#)" - [have a listen to it if you haven't!](#) Waiting becomes pure torture when you simply don't do anything and just mope around. Here's a great tip that one of our new champs, Khazwani H, shared with us on the last study date, **"instead of seeing everything from a victim's perspective ("*why is this happening to me?*")", see it through a khalifah's perspective ("*things are happening through me!*")"**. Ma Sha Allah! ISN'T THAT SO BEAUTIFUL?!

Coming up this week

on AA Plus!



Our Modern Day "Jihad"

Candid conversations on the day to day struggles and mini battles that we fight on our path to be better slaves of Allah.

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Our Modern Day "Jihad"

In our latest (but hopefully not last!) episode of YIG, we talk about Jihad. Over the years, the meaning of this beautiful Islamic term has been lost in translation. **It's time we redefine and refocus what struggling and striving for the path of Allah is.** Iman and I shares what we think our "modern day" jihads are, and give each other the tough love that we need to be better Muslims in this modern world.

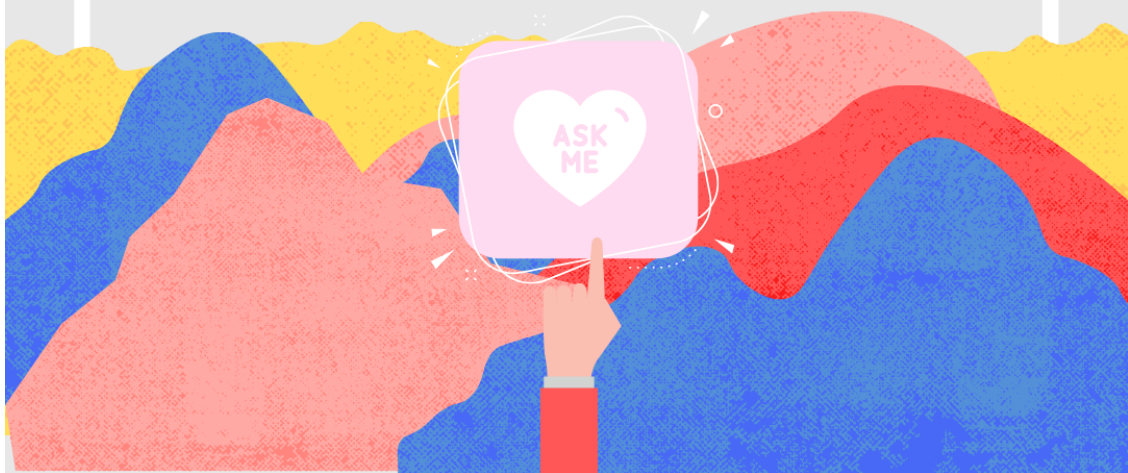
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New Champs!

Orientation
+ Q&A Session
(ask me anything on AA Plus)

Thursday | 1 October
9 pm SG / MS | 2 pm UK



Thursday / 1 October / Orientation for New Champs

New Here? Let me help!

If you are a new Champion and need a bit of help with navigating AA Plus, join me for a short Zoom Call this Thursday as I go through everything that you need to know for AA Plus! I'll be sharing the Zoom Link on Thursday via the Intro Email + IG Stories ok? You can also ask me any questions then and I'll do my best to answer! If you can't make it, all the answers are already on [this Orientation Video that I did - if you haven't watched it, please do so!](#) And if you haven't followed us on IG - [please fill up this form so we can add you up.](#) IG is where the community "lives" so it'll be dandy if you can join us there!

Intentions for the week

worship

WHILE YOU

wait

Expanding on the concept of "waiting" that I mentioned earlier, one of the best things that we can all do while waiting is not to pause, linger, or worse, do nothing, but to worship! So this is my intention for the week: **"to worship while you wait"**. I am certain that there is a beautiful reason in this period of waiting for us - Allah SWT never does anything without a purpose, so let's make this time count!

Muslim Meme

Me explaining
in detail how
muzmatch has
successfully
created thousands
of married couples:

My mum:
"But why you
still single tho?"



😁😁 Personally, I've known a number of friends who have successfully met their spouse on a Muslim matchmaking app! Champs who are single, would you try it?

Something to Ponder

This is not the time
to overthink.
This is the time
to overcome.



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Karim and I were having a conversation with one of our friends and he was sharing with us how he has all these ideas that he really wants to do, but *insert all fear / excuses here*. We went back and forth about how we all have been there before, how we know exactly what we have to do, but just couldn't start! He said, "it's analysis paralysis, isn't it? Just too much overthinking!" I then realised that we've actually been standing around for an hour talking about this and I said, "guys, **if all this time we had just stopped talking and just started, we would have finished the thing that we wanted to do already!**" So this week Champs, let's not overthink, let's overcome!

Bismillah! 🧡

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Ma Sha Allah, this was such a beautiful, blessed Session, my heart was so full after, Alhamdulillah! We discussed the 3rd and 4th Chapter of our BOTM and some of the themes we spoke about were our relationship with the Quran, about how our Iman dips and rises, the concept of Surrendering, and so much more!

[Watch Playback Here](#)

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

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