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Be consistent in a secret good deed that is known only between you and the One who Loves you most.

Assalammualaikum my Champions,

We are officially at the last bend of Ramadan, and I am determined to

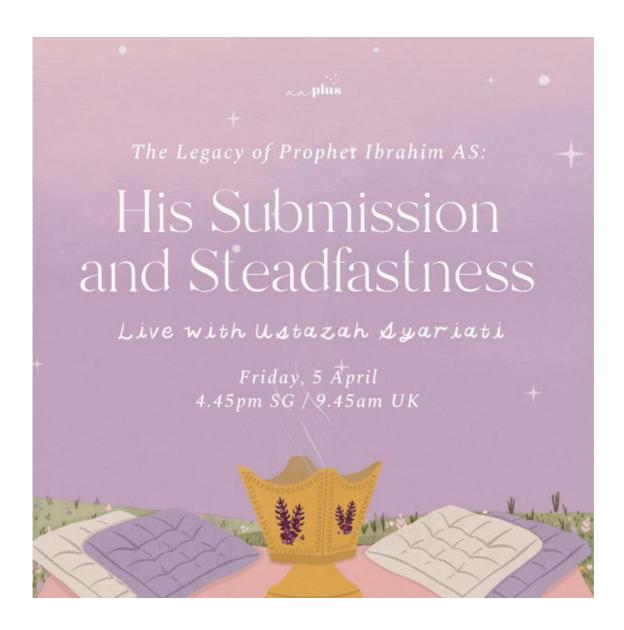
finish it well, In Sha Allah Ya Rabb! This year, I told myself that I should not be too preoccupied with counting which night is an odd night, or wether it has come and gone etc, rather, I would do my best to stay present throughout the last 10 Nights consistently, and I have found this "game plan" to be a lot less stressful, Alhamdulillah!

Another thing that has also been keeping me going is the thought of doing a particular secret good deed that no one knows but me and Allah SWT. This, honestly, is making me feel all sorts of glee! The deed in itself is so simple, but it's the intimacy and the closeness that I feel with my Rabb that's spurring me on.

Champs, is there a secret good deed that you have been doing, too? If you don't have one yet, it is still not too late to start, and it could literally be anything that is pleasing to Him. For example, removing something that obstructs the path, making dua for every service staff member you interact with, feeding your neighbourhood cats, cleaning up your local masjid, ANYTHING at all, as long as it's just between you and Allah SWT.

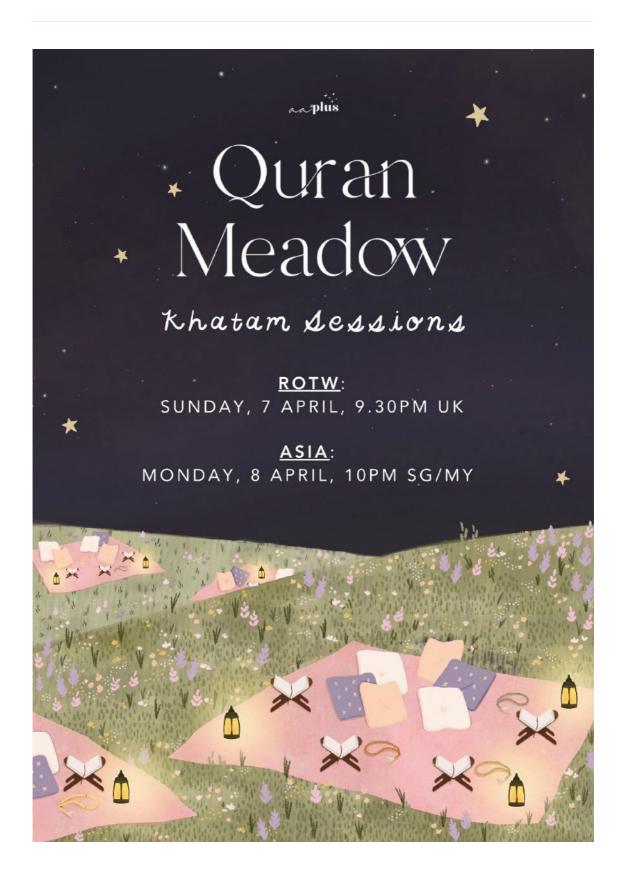
So if there is a mantra I hold on to for these last 10 Nights, it will be: "Me and You, just us two". I can't think of any other way I would want to spend these precious last 10 Nights. And I pray may your last 10 Nights be filled with plenty of moments of sweetness and closeness to Him too:)

barakah blooms



For our last Live Session with our beloved teachers this Ramadan, our ever-gentle and ever-wise Ustazah Syariati will be sharing about Prophet Ibrahim AS, who Subhanallah, has been my "person" this Ramadan! Somehow, my heart keeps coming back to Ayahs about him AS in the Quran, and so it makes my heart squeal with joy knowing that Ustazah has chosen to speak about his legacy, AS. (*I promise I have not influenced Ustazahs' choice of topic at all!*) Allah SWT says in the Quran that Prophet Ibrahim AS is "a model of excellence" (16:120), so I am definitely gonna be all ears this Friday, In Sha Allah!

Join Our Live Session Here



I have tears in my eyes typing this... but it is with a big, big heart that I gratefully announce that we will finish our collective recitation of the entire Quran soon, In Sha Allah! How time has flown this Ramadan!

We will be having a special Du'a session after the Khatam, so please join us (and possibly bring your Du'as *and* tissues ready)!

Join Our Nightly Quran Meadow Here

champs library



New Month = New Challenge! Your Internet Girlfriends did a postmortem of how our March challenge went (did our 'no doom-scrolling' challenge go horribly or did it go well, *hmmm*) and also spoke about our new challenge for April. **PS**: I already broke it yesterday and we are only 4 days in lol. But to be very, very honest, I am excited to embrace April's Challenge - I hope you ladies will join us too! I know it will be a life-changer!

Watch the latest episode of The Year of Less Here

a beautiful dua

Ya Allah, please make me Your friend. I really want to be close to You.

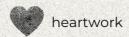
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#abeautifuldua

I melted into a puddle of awwww when I came across this Du'a in our Collective Du'a List - and Amin-ed so loudly! Whoever wrote this, thank you! I have now copied it and have been asking to be His friend too. (Also, here's one of my all-time favourite hadith qudsi that speaks about the "perks" of being Allah's Friend!) We currently have over 800 duas on our list at this time of writing, and every single prayer is so, so, so beautiful, raw, real and vulnerable! I will be amining to all of your dua's till the Night of Eid In Sha Allah, so please continue to add them to the list.

Add your (anonymous) Duas here

heartwork



don't compare your Ramadans

This. A million times over. We might all have different circumstances and responsibilities than the year before, and with every growth and every new change, we cannot expect our Ramadans to be the same year in and year out. So here's a reminder not to compare your Ramadans. Instead, let's just focus on giving our all to the present moment, okay? *Pinky promise?*

quran affirmations

Allah is the Best Provider & whatever you spend in charity, He will compensate you for it.

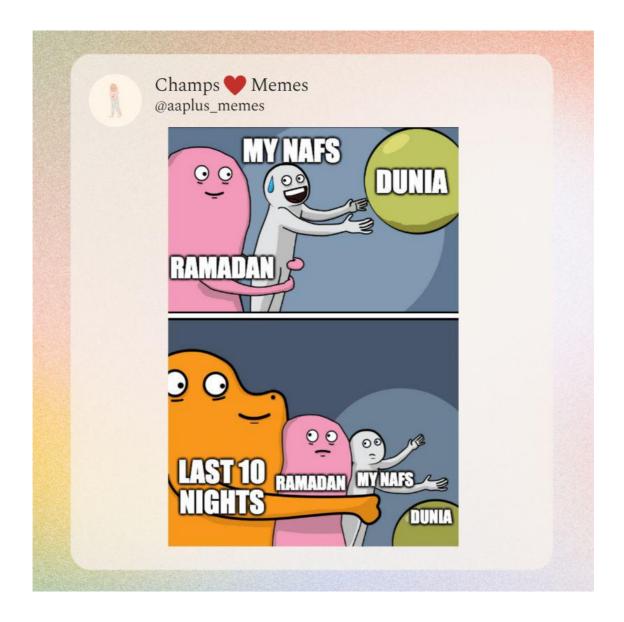
Surah Saba

Ayah 39

Say, "Surely my Lord gives abundant or limited provisions to whoever He wills of His servants. And whatever you spend in charity, He will compensate 'you' for it. For He is the Best Provider."

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muslim meme



It seems for me that there is an added layer of "security" that comes with these last 10 Nights - we are more careful, more vigilant, and more mindful to not jeopardise our standing with Allah SWT, Subhanallah! And what a blessing it is - to be given these last 10

ps:



CHAMPS. MARK YOUR CALENDARS! WE HAVE AN EID PARTY! I will share more details on next week's Closer but for now, pencil the date and time in and make space for this barakah-filled gathering!

Join Champs Barakah Eid Party Here!

Add this event to your GCal Here

And with that, Champs, I pray may your last 10 nights be filled with many secret good deeds between you and your Beloved. I pray may you finish this month strong!

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