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# Being blessedly spoiled by Allah SWT hits different.

Assalammualaikum my Champions,

As the eldest child in the family, the word "spoiled" is the last thing I'd use to describe myself, but recently, I've come upon a realisation that I <u>am</u> extremely cared for, protected over, and in a way, "spoiled", but not because I am a wife or a daughter, but because I am Allah's.

I realise I am **blessedly spoiled** by Allah SWT because He provides everything I need and *more* to live and thrive, He gives me guidance with every breath I take, and His protection of me never wanes. He is always sending help in ways I cannot even imagine, and His plans for me are ever perfect and flawless. He blessed us with the Quran and Rasulullah and He coloured our lives with breathtaking sceneries, stories, and scents. I mean, I can go on and on, but most importantly,

He is *always* here.

Ever-listening to <u>us</u>.

Ever-seeing of <u>us</u>.

Ever-merciful with <u>us</u>.

Ever-kind to us.

Ever-present with <u>us</u>.

Ever-fixing <u>us</u>.

Ever-loving <u>us</u>.

Champs, aren't we all so blessedly spoiled? €

**PS:** When I thought about some of the things He has blessedly spoiled me with, you ladies on AA Plus came immediately to mind. Allah SWT has spoiled me with your beautiful companionship, and for that, I am most fortunate. Now, your turn - how have Allah SWT blessedly spoiled you? Do share with me!

# get excited for



The day is finally here, Alhamdulillah! We are starting our brand new TKV Series that will shed light on Rasulullah 's Emotional Intelligence today, and in the first episode of this exciting new series, we begin with understanding what <code>exactly</code> is the definition of emotional intelligence - is it something that someone is naturally born with, or is it an acquired skill? Does it even have a place in Islam? What is the one key factor that everyone needs to be emotionally intelligent? All of these questions will be beautifully answered and more by our beloved Ustazah Syariati so please join us as we embark on a journey that will only heal, strengthen and uplift us!

Join Study Date Here

# Add Asia Study Date to your GCal Add ROTW Study Date to your GCal

\* (Recitation of Surah al-Kahf will start at 8pm SG before Asia Study Date tonight)

## a beautiful dua

Ya Allah, allow me to use my blessings to help people in tribulations.

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#abeautifuldua

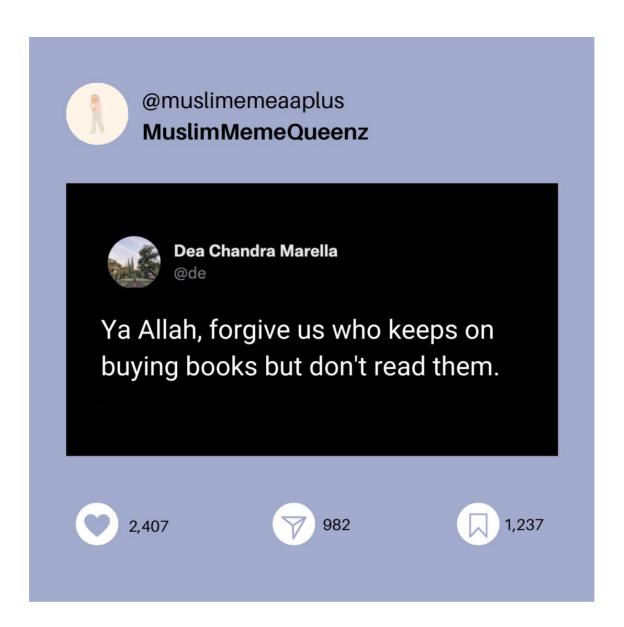
This is actually a prayer I picked up from one of my dearest elders and ever since I've heard it, I have been making the same dua. I've slowly realised that a life that prefers "Others-Care" as opposed to "Self-Care" is a fulfilling one and one that matches closely to how our beloved Rasulullah SAW lived his life. May we be quick to offer help, and to never forget that intertwined in our blessings, are actually solutions and eases to the difficulties that our loved ones may be facing.

## champ notes



I'm excited to be starting "Champ Notes", a new section on Closer where I get to pay homage to <code>you</code> (!!!) by sharing the gems I've learned either from our conversations together, our email correspondences, or our events and zoom sessions. If you've attended any AA Plus calls, you'd know how wise your fellow Champs are, so this segment is really meant to highlight that! This week's Champ Note is inspired by a Champ who wishes to remain anonymous - she shared with me that when she's having a sluggish day, she reminds herself to "be great in small ways" and I absolutely love that! One of the ways she did this was to just stretch for 5 minutes as opposed to not moving at all and to join our Tadarus Calls from her bed instead of not attending at all! She shared, "The devil will want us to do nothing at all, so we just gotta fight that by doing small things, greatly!"

### muslim meme



I feel so attacked but at the same time so seen when I read this tweet by our fellow Champ, Dea! Who else keeps buying new books while knowing full well that they have not even read past the Introduction section of the book they bought previously? PS: If this a problem you can relate to, don't forget to join us at our next <a href="Tea Party">Tea Party</a>! It might just be the solution you're looking for!



As a believer, we know that every test and hardship that Allah SWT gifted us with can be an opportunity for us to be elevated in ranks, a chance for our hearts to be polished, but it can also be His way of preparing us for something greater and better! I remember one of my teachers comforting me when I confided in her about an issue I was facing - she said, "Trust Him, Aida. Trust that He is preparing you, moulding you, and fixing you to be better and stronger through this test. And even if it is a punishment, then remember that He is ar-Rahman, ar-Rahim. So there is definitely Mercy and Compassion even in His reckoning."



If you missed last Sunday's Event on 'Being Intimate with Contemplation and Solitude', the playback is now ready for you. I love this session so much that I myself will be watching the replay!

Watch Playback Here



Asia Tadarus: Mon, 12 Sept, 9pm SG / 8pm WIB

or ROTW Tadarus: Tues, 13 Sept, 9pm UK / 4pm ET

Champs, don't forget our date next week for our **Tadarus Circle!** We will be reading Juzuk 8 together, In Sha Allah, so come join us in reciting His blessed words, or simply just listen in. Whatever your choice, this blessed gathering awaits your presence!

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#### With that, I hope you guys have enjoyed Closer!



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