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At your most vulnerable state as His servant, and in your barest, natural skin, you are most beautiful to al-Jameel.

Assalammualaikum my Champions,

There is an Ayah in the Quran that I've been pondering over ever since

Jameel (*The Most Beautiful*). Allah SWT says in Surah as-Sajdah, "(He) has perfected everything He created." (Quran 32:7). What does this mean? The most Beautiful has declared in His Book that everything He created is أحسن - and this word in itself holds layers upon layers of beautiful meanings like "excellent", "better", and "good".

And, of course, this includes **you** and me.

Knowing this Truth is extremely liberating for all of us, especially for us women who have always had a tug of war with embracing the way we look. Allah SWT has created us all in the most perfect, complete, and wholesome fashion, and there are absolutely no flaws or defects in how we are created, so even if our skin stretches, well, then... Allah SWT has designed it to be stretched! If our skin has sun spots and fine lines, it's meant to prove our life is well lived! If our hair turns white and our teeth are slightly apart - then these are all part of the flawless design that is al-Jameel's.

The reality is we are all beautiful. Every single one of us. In all senses of the word. But not because of who we are. Or how we look. But only because we are all perfectly created by Allah SWT Himself.

We are beautiful because we are Allah's.

Interestingly, the Ayah that I mentioned earlier does not end there.

Allah SWT continued, "And He originated the creation of humankind from clay". Now this is where it gets super interesting to me as after Allah SWT tells us He created us perfectly, He then reminds us of our humble origins - that we are but clay! So no matter our Dunia status, no matter our temporary wealth, at the end of the

day, we were all created from dust, and to dust again, we will return.

When Allah SWT connect one thing with another in His Quran, we have to pay attention as it is not without a purpose! So as I reflect on this Ayah again as a whole, I realise that it is only when we are humbled and when we are aware that we are His slaves, that we are at our most beautiful.

Because being His humble servant is the only beauty that will never fade.

And so today, my beautiful Champs, I pray that may Allah SWT beautify every part of our being, internally and externally, only so that we can be the best representation of His Perfection and His Beauty, Amin!

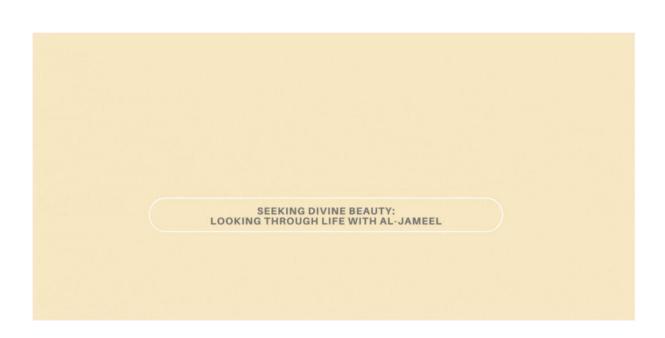
get excited for



Oh what a therapeutic class this was! I am so excited for you guys to listen in to this week's lesson on 'Seeking Divine Beauty: Looking through life with al-Jameel' because I promise you, by the end of the episode, your heart will be bloooooooominnnnnnggg with love for Allah SWT and His beloved Prophet, ! Honestly, there were endless angles as to how we could approach this Name, so it was a struggle to just choose a few! We also spoke about how we can apply Jamal (beauty) in our lives with Ustazah 'Alima firmly reminding us that just as our spiritual beauty is important, we should also NOT disregard our physical beauty altogether. 10/10 would recommend watching this episode if you are looking for a super feminine but also super insightful spiritual "pick-me-up"!

Watch the TKV Video Lesson Here

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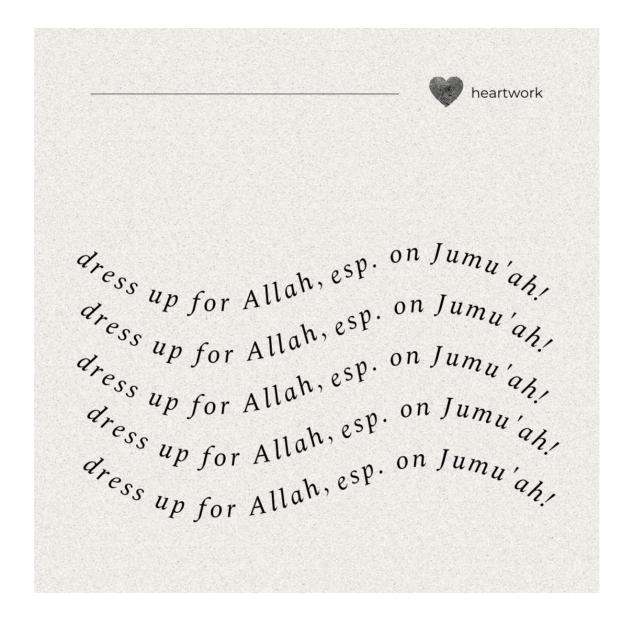
Since we will be "study-dating" on al-Jameel, I hereby "challenge" anyone who is coming to dress up a little for this Sunday's Call!

Hehehehhehe can't wait to see all of you in your best gear! (There is a deeper reason for dressing up too, and In Sha Allah we'll discuss more about this on the Study date itself!)

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heartwork that heals



You know how most of us are always looking forward to the weekend? I was actually curious to know if this concept of "weekday vs weekend" thing was something that Rasulullah practised, and so I asked Ustazah 'Alima about it. Her answer made me smile: "For Rasulullah , Friday is special. It is the Eid of the week!" I LOVE THIS and it made me think about a special lady who works for my family here in Morocco. Her only rule when she started work for us was, "Fridays will be my off days as Fridays are my days with

Allah." So here's a Heartwork to honour ur Fridays, Champs!

Rasulullah also said in a beautiful Hadith, "Whoever performs

Ghusl on Friday, and bathes completely, and goes early (to Friday prayers), arriving early, gets close and listens and is silent, there will be for him in every step he takes the reward of a year of fasting and standing (in prayer)." (Tirmidhi)

champs checklist



It's been a while since I did a 'Champs Checklist' but this week's theme of Beauty is truly inspiring me in all ways, Ma Sha Allah! Here's sharing a little list of practical actionable to do if you would like to apply a generous dose of Jamal in your life! ♥

a beautiful dua

Ya Allah, please do not make this Dunia our biggest concern.

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#abeautifuldua

This Dua has been on repeat for me this week. <u>It is actually part of a longer prayer that Rasulullah practiced</u> but this particular line

impacted me in more ways than one. May Allah SWT grant us the strength, discipline and consistency to always detach ourselves from the Dunia so that only Allah SWT can reside in our hearts, Amin.

a visual reminder



I just had to do a wallpaper for this beautiful line that Ustazah 'Alima said from our <u>TKV</u> this week: "When there is Zikir, there is beauty."

May Allah SWT allow us to always prioritise the Remembrance of Him so that there will always be Beauty in every corner of our lives, Amin!

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muslim meme



This Meme sums up pretty perfectly how important it is to always retake our Wudhu as best as we can before every single prayer! A

reminder first and foremost to myself since it's Winter now and so the temptation to just keep the Wudhu for as long as I can runs high LOL!

With that, I hope you guys have enjoyed Closer! See you this <u>Sunday</u> for our Date, In Sha Allah!

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