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never have i dealt with anything more difficult than my own soul, which SOMETIMES HELPS ME and sometimes opposes me.
-IMAM AL-GHAZALI

Confession: Some days, when the time for prayer comes, I jolt out of my seat and proceed to take my Wudhu immediately. Other days, I find myself struggling to tear myself away from work / chores / or whatever it is I'm distracted with that I almost miss my prayers by a few minutes. And then occasionally, there are days when I'm ready even before the call for prayer and find myself moved to also do the nawafil and more.

Sometimes.... I wonder if I'm a hoax, for running AA Plus and *still*struggle with the state of my heart. But I came across the above quote from Imam al-Ghazali, and I *breathed easy*. We all struggle with our faith in our own ways, and although some days are better than others, we have to allow some grace and remember that it was <u>the same person</u> who showed up on both the good and the not so good days - that person was *you* and *I*.

Heart work is hard work. I always tell myself this. So when the going gets tough, try and try again. Missed a prayer? Make the intention to be on time for the next one. Procrastinated your day away? Strive harder to get up, get your Wudhu on, and try again. Have not picked up the Quran in a while? Start by reading the translation if reading it in Arabic is too difficult. At the end of the day, the only one who can help our souls... is ourselves. And with Allah's Help, In Sha Allah, our striving to earn His pleasure will be nothing but sweet.

This week on an plus



Prophetic Guidance of life in the Grave

In this lesson, Ustazah Syariati and I discuss the spine-chilling experience that every soul has to go through at the time of death, and how death will be made easy for the good believers (may we be one of them, Amin!). We will also learn what will protect us in the grave and become our companions, even after all our friends and family have left our side. This episode is heavy, **but important**, and a much needed wake up call. My team and I had to take a couple of breathers while preparing for this episode, but came out of it extremely inspired!

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Zoom Link For Study Date

Next week on an plus











Allah's Noble Quran





with Ustazah Radhiah Salleh



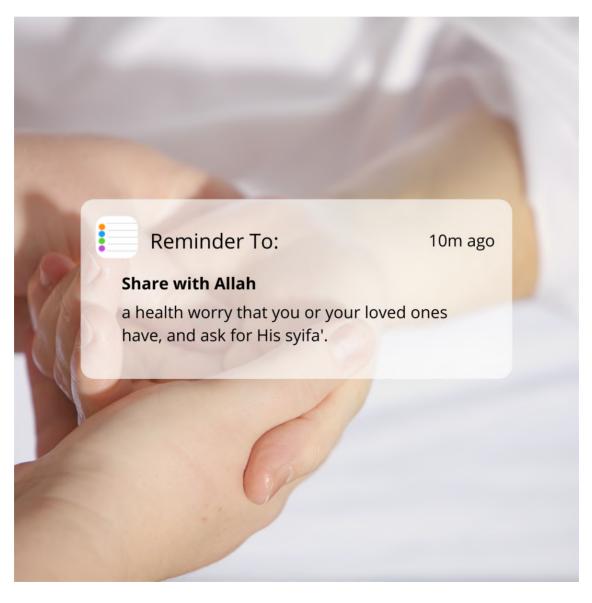


OMG ladies, I cannot wait for you to meet Ustazah Radhiah Salleh next Monday for our In Focus Lecture on getting to know the Quran, In Sha Allah! I've mentioned how 8 years ago, I sat in her Class and it sparked something in me to start learning about His Book, and I can't wait for you to experience it as well! If you can clear your Monday evening (15th Feb, 8.45pm SG / Msia time) I'd love to see you there! Coincidentally, our challenge for next week is our monthly Khatam Quran, so don't forget to sign up for your pages! (It's our 9th Collective Khatam, In Sha Allah!)

Zoom Link For In Focus Lecture

Sign Up For Monthly Khatam Challenge Here

share with Allah



My mom and I recently started calling each other to read Surah Yasin

together, with one of the intentions being asking for His syifa' for anyone who is physically, mentally, spiritually or emotionally unwell. I now realised that reciting it has actually helped improve *my own*condition, and it made me realise how all this while I've foolishly taken for granted my well-being and good health that He has blessed me with. PS: when's the last time you've prayed for Allah to heal this world of the pandemic? To less worrying & more praying, Champs!

Hour visual reminder

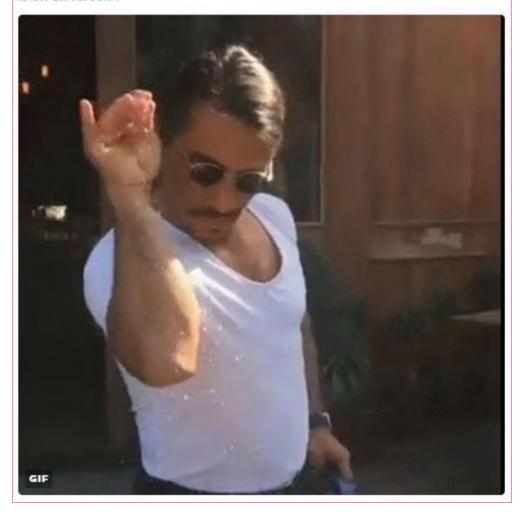


I created this for the sole reminder that Allah is always First and hopefully, with this wallpaper, I will stop procrastinating to answer His Call. May this be of use to you too, Champs!

Download Wallpaper Here

Muslim Meme

When someone says "Salam" and you respond with "Walaikumassalam wa rahmatullahi wa barakatuh"



Something to Ponder

The key to all is inhaling love and exhaling gratitude.

Shaykh Muhammad ibn Yahya al-Ninowy

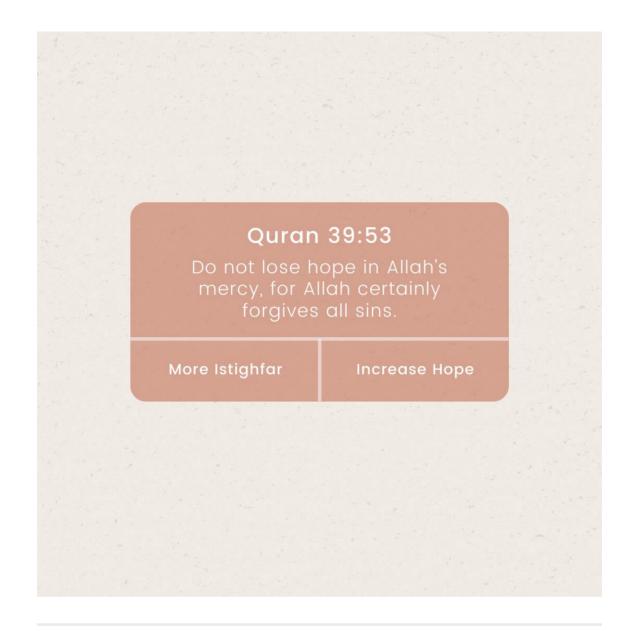


It may seem ironic, but this month's TKV on Death really made me see how this Deen is truly a religion based on Love and Gratitude. How can there not be love when Allah SWT has given us the exact tools that we need to prepare *well* for life *and* death, when He has taught us how to grieve *with grace* when we experience a devastating loss, and when

He reminds us over and over again of the everlasting reward that is waiting for us once we've transitioned this temporary realm? And how can we not be grateful when He has planned every single thing for us in perfection, *for our own happiness and wellness*? Love and gratitude go hand in hand: the more we love, the more we have Syukur, and the more we are thankful, the more we will be in awe of Allah's Majesty and Kindness towards us. May nothing comes out of our mouth, or occupy our hearts, other than love and gratitude!

Ps:

ending it with His Words



With that, I hope you guys have enjoyed Closer.

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