

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ  
In the name of Allah, the most Gracious, the most Merciful

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# Closer

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*your curated weekly spiritual booster delivered straight to your Inbox*

The Quran is a gift that keeps on giving. It gives to the sincere, the seeker and it gives double to the one who struggles.

Assalammualaikum my Champions,

Today, I would like to talk about the biggest love of my life: the Quran.

:) I don't know how or when it happened, but Allah SWT has subtly and beautifully fashioned my life in such a way that I am now deeply attached to the Quran, Alhamdulillah. If a day goes by where I don't recite it, listen to it, nor reflect on it, I would feel a gaping hole in my heart.

Many, if not all of us, believe that Quran is a gift. But it was not until I read this beautiful Hadith that I finally understood what a gift it truly is: Sayyidatina Talha bin Musarrif once asked `Abdullah bin Abu `Aufa "Did the Prophet (ﷺ) make a will?" He replied, "No," so I asked him, "How is it then that the making of a will has been enjoined on people, (or that they are ordered to make a will)?" He replied, **"The Prophet (ﷺ) bequeathed Allah's Book (i.e. Qur'an).** ([Bukhari](#))

Subhanallah! Rasulullah ﷺ's "will" to his Ummah, i.e. **you** and me, was the Quran. He ﷺ has left us with the most perfect and complete gift - the Book of Allah - and so the onus is now on us to honour this sacred gift that our Prophet has given us!

**Champs, today, I encourage you to reflect upon your relationship with the Quran.** Is the Quran your closest companion? Is the Quran where you find your strength, your peace, and your joy? Are you giving your all in trying to learn and understand it? Do you miss it when you are afar?

I remember speaking to an adorable grandmother here in Morocco, where she said, **"I need a beautiful friend in the grave, so I read a lot of Quran."** Ma Sha Allah! This is someone who truly understands that the Quran is one of our true companions in our lives. And truly, **there is nothing that will soften your heart, and will do more for your Iman and your Akhirah than having a relationship with the Qur'an.**

So even if you are not yet acquainted, or have grown distant, I pray you will not be shy to reach out to the Quran and go back to it. It is, after all, a gift for you, from your Beloved. <3

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*get excited for*

*tadarus*  
CIRCLE

RECITE + REFLECT: JUZUK 12

If there is an AA Plus event that I hold very, very dear to my heart - it's our Tadarus Sessions. Not only do we get to hang out together with the Quran, but there is this distinct blissfulness that my soul feels

whenever I get to listen to all of the beautiful recitations by all of you Champs - truly, every single recitation is special in its own right! Our Tadarus circle is not just for Champs who can recite, it is also for Champs who wishes to be healed through the act of listening to the Quran! I remember a beautiful Hadith that was narrated by Abdullah R.A, whereby one day, the Prophet ﷺ said to him, "Recite the Qur'an to me." `Abdullah then asked, "Shall I recite (the Qur'an) to *you* while it has been revealed to you?" And Rasulullah ﷺ said, "I like to hear it from others." ([Bukhari](#)) Subhanallah! Even Rasulullah ﷺ, who was himself a walking Quran, loves to listen to other people reciting the Quran! So shouldn't we follow suit too, fellow Champs?

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*gems from the 114*



This powerful Ayah is actually the first verse of Juzuk 12 (the portion that we will be reciting and reflecting on this Sunday, In Sha Allah!) and **it is such a re-assuring reminder by Allah SWT that He has taken care, and will *continue* to take care of every single one of us.** Allah SWT says, "There is no moving creature on earth whose provision is not **guaranteed** by Allah"! Subhanallah! The Arabic word that is used in this Ayah is 'Rizq', and we all know that this term in itself covers so many different things - our health, our wealth, our relationships, our safety, just to name a few. Here, Allah SWT is reassuring us that all of these things (*and more!*) have already been guaranteed by Him! So how can we not trust Him, and His plans for us? PS: If you are intending to strengthen your Tawakkul muscle, I

strongly urge you to come to Tadarus this week, as 'Tawakul' is one of the central themes of Juzuk 12, Ma Sha Allah!

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*heartwork that heals*



There is a beautiful Hadith of Rasulullah ﷺ that I try to keep close to my heart and put into practice. He ﷺ said, "If anyone relieves a Muslim believer from one of the hardships of this worldly life, Allah will relieve him of one of the hardships of the Day of Resurrection. If



anyone makes it easy for the one who is indebted to him (while finding it difficult to repay), Allah will make it easy for him in this worldly life and in the Hereafter, and if anyone conceals the faults of a Muslim, Allah will conceal his faults in this world and in the Hereafter. **Allah helps His slave as long as he helps his brother.**” ([Muslim](#))

Knowing this, shouldn't we feel even more compelled to help and ease the affairs of others? You never know how a tiny, kind gesture can create the biggest of all ripple effects!

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*a beautiful dua*



In Sha Allah, my family and I will be performing our Umrah in the coming week, and I would be extremely honoured to make dua for any and all of your Champs. I've created a simple form where you can submit the prayers that you would like me to recite for you in Medina & Mecca, In Sha Allah, and I will do my utmost best to recite it for you when I am there. All prayers can and will remain anonymous, so only you and Allah SWT will know it's from you. :) On this note, I'd like to take this opportunity to seek your forgiveness before I go on this pilgrimage. Please do forgive all of my shortcomings, and if you can pray for the safety and Allah's acceptance of my family's Umrah, I would be ever so grateful. ❤️

[Submit Your \(Anonymous\) Duas Here](#)

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*champ notes*



# CHAMP NOTES

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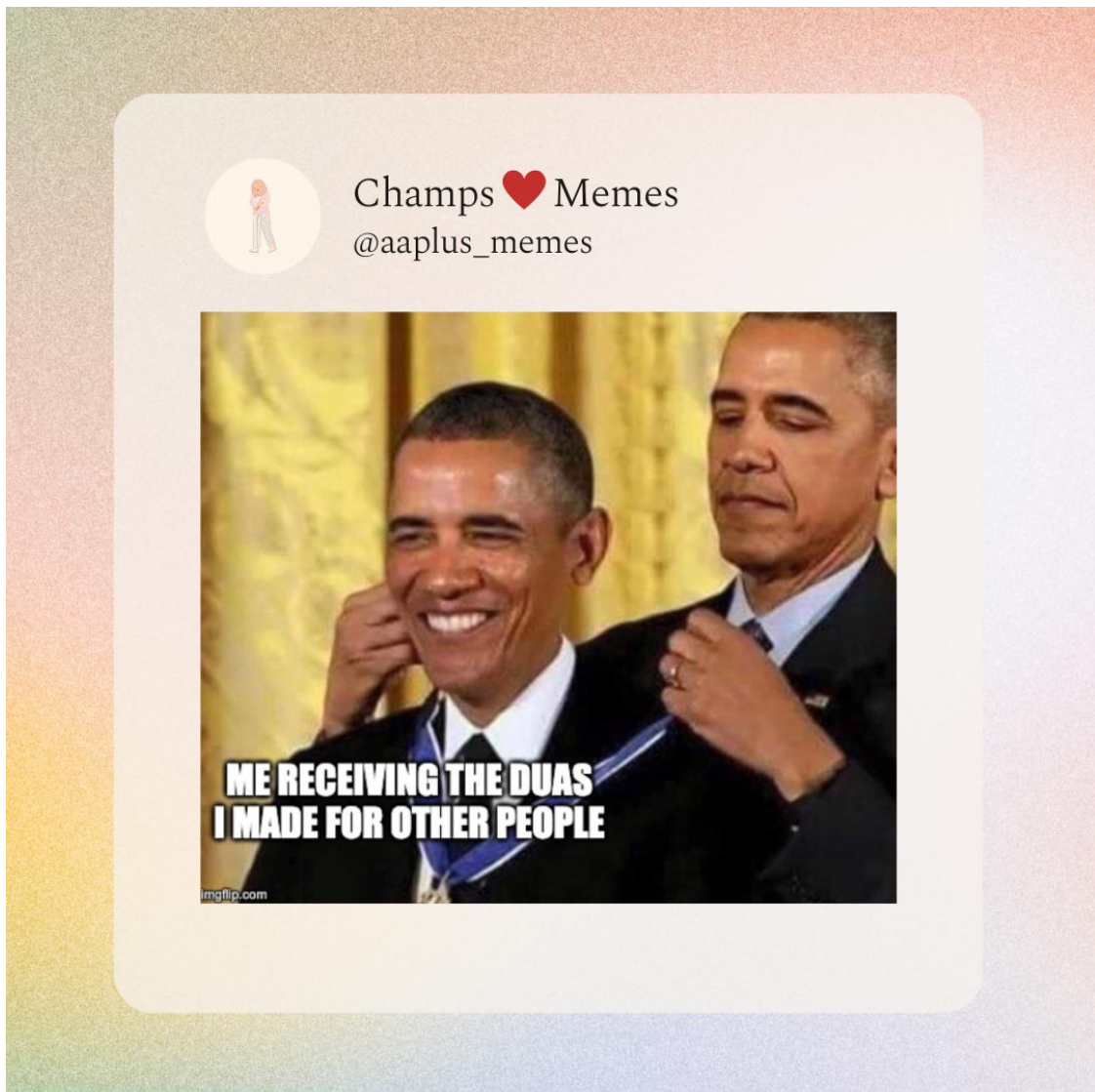
Let's keep our angel  
on the right busy!

I had such a blast at our Study Date last week, and we had such a turnout, Ma Sha Allah! (I pray may Allah make it easy for all of you to keep showing up for the Calls, Amin!!) There were so many gems that we managed to discuss and reflect together of the latest TKV Lesson with Ustazah 'Alimatunnisa on Allah's Beautiful Names of al-Baseer and as-Samee', and you ladies shared your fair share of wisdom as well, Ma Sha Allah! One of my favourites came from Hidayah, our Champ who is based in Saudi - she said, **"Champs, let's keep our angel on the right super busy this year!"** - and her energy while saying that was so contagious, I am pretty sure everybody on the Call felt super pumped after! PS: If you didn't manage to attend the session last Sunday, do spend some time watching the playback - it might just be the pick-me-up you need today!

Watch Study Date Playback Here

[Watch Key Highlights from the TKV Lesson Here](#)

*muslim meme*



I just had to make this Meme because this is exactly how happy I am when I make duas for all of my loved ones, including all of you Champs

HEHEHEH! Inspired by the Hadith of Rasulullah ﷺ where he ﷺ said, "He who supplicates for his brother in his absence, the Angel commissioned (for carrying supplication to his Lord) says: Ameen, and for you as well." ([Muslim](#)) Here's a reminder to keep as many people as you can in your duas so you can reap the reward as well!

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*over to you:*

If you have always wanted to learn how to read the Arabic letters, or learn how to read the Quran, or improve your recitation but don't know how to start or where to go, reply to this email and In Sha Allah, we'll help you take the next steps! Please don't be shy when it comes to learning about His Book. :)

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

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