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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

Our job is to be a part
of His Perfect Plan,
not go against it,
forgetting that we are
all kinds of imperfect.

Assalamualaikum my Champions,

I am feeling rather bittersweet today as I write this Closer email. I only have 2 more days here in Singapore and my time back home has been

everything I've ever asked for and more. I still remember those long, cold months of being homesick, of Morocco closing its borders, of the constant fluctuating COVID rules, of the countless prayers and tears pleading for His Help as my heart struggled to remain hopeful...

The past 2 years have been difficult.

But I now realise why it had to be the way He planned it to be - He wanted me to learn many things: on managing my expectations, on cutting unhealthy attachments, on remaining grateful despite it all, and so many more lessons that were only good for my well-being in all sense of the word.

But the biggest lesson of all was this: that as His servant, I only have one job. And that is to worship Him. And worshipping Him is hard if I don't have trust in my Creator. **I've learned over and over again that my job is not to "understand" His plans, because sometimes, my imperfect logic and reasoning will never be able to comprehend His Perfect arrangements, but my one and only job is to gratefully surrender, heartily accept, and be a part of His Perfect Plans.**

Like Ustazah Huraidah asked us in one of our [TKV Classes](#): "Do you want to be **a part** of His Perfect Plan, **or** do you want to be **against** His Perfect Plan?"

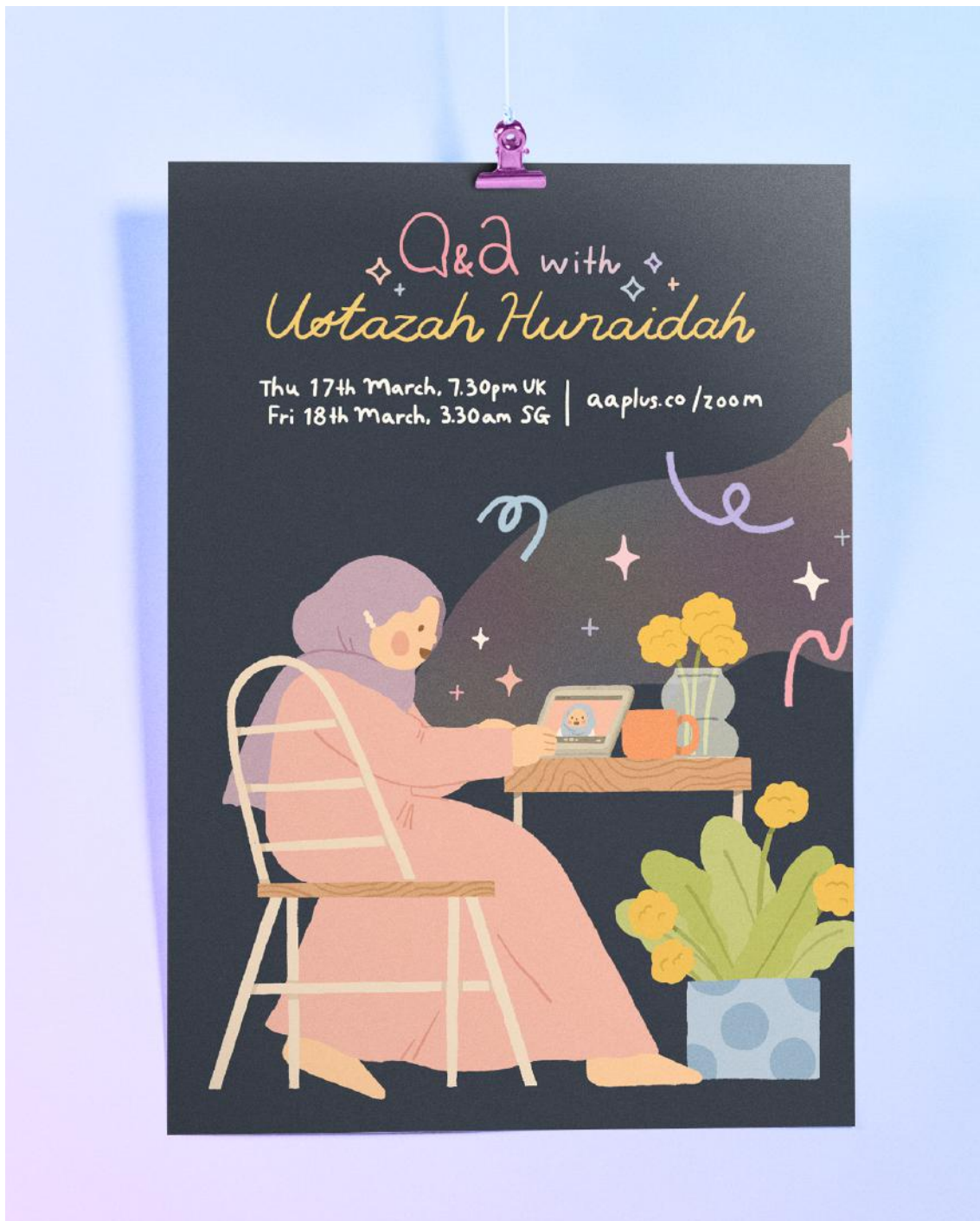
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Champs, if you are in the middle of a situation where you cannot see any light at the end of the tunnel, remind yourself that you don't have to wait till you are at the end for that "light", because as a believer, that light is always with you. That light is Allah SWT. **And every test that He puts you through is not necessarily just meant to break you, but it's supposed to build you. And build He will!**

Allah SWT is al-Latif, and He is oh-so-subtle even in His plans. We may not realise it **but even at this very moment, He is building all of us for greatness** - perhaps He is building us in terms of our patience, or maybe in our fortitude, it can also be in our humility. Whatever it is, one thing is true: Allah SWT will never stop working on us, so as His servants, we also cannot stop doing our "job", i.e. to worship and trust Him.

And this "job" when done well, my dear Champs, it's "pay" will be beyond measure, beyond this world, and even beyond this Universe! May we all be handsomely paid by al-Karim, the Most Generous!

This week on aa plus



***Q&A with Ustazah Huraidah | A Tahajjud Special
17th March, 7.30pm UK | 18th March, 3.30am SG***

I am super excited for our Q&A Session with Ustazah Huraidah as a wrap up to one of my fav TKV series! If you've attended any of the Study Dates for this series, you would know that Ustazah and I have always recorded the lessons at 3.30AM Singapore time, and it was during those blessed early hours that my soul was awakened with the beautiful gems that Ustazah was imparting through His will. This is why for our Q&A Session with Ustazah, I would like to pay homage and carry on the tradition to have this session with Ustazah during Tahajjud hours in South East Asia! I think it's a win-win as this timing will also be comfortable for the ROTW Champs to join us, and I hope that many of you can set aside the time to not only meet Ustazah in person but also bask in her wisdom and receive from her light! (It's tonight, so sleep early Champs!!!!)

Join The Q&A Here

Revise The Series Here

a beautiful Dua

Ya Allah, allow me to remember that You are the Companion of the one who is alone, the One who is near and never far, and the One whose Love knows no bound.

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#abeautifuldua

I remember making variations of this Dua during the time I was unable to fly back home, and how much it comforted me as I repeat over and over again, "Ya Allah, I have You. I have You. Everything will be OK". I believe that is another lesson Allah SWT wanted me to learn, that Duas is really the weapon of the believer and that He will respond to whomever who calls onto Him. ([Quran 2:186](#)).

Your visual reminder



As we are getting nearer and nearer to Ramadan, (may Allah SWT allow us to enter it, Amin!) I've been trying to make a more conscious effort to spend time with the Quran. While I was doing my "Quran-journaling", I remembered one of my favourite [Ayah](#) from one of my favourite [Surah](#): "And He found you lost and guided you". A million times I've been lost, confused and so far away from Him, and a million and one times He has found me and guided me. 😭 I want to always remember this, so I did a wallpaper with the verse. Here's hoping it will also be of benefit to you, my dear Champ.

[Download Wallpaper Here](#)

ramadan sneak peek

Your Packing List



- 1 Intention List
- 2 Journal
- 3 Al-Qur'an
- 4 Du'a List
- 5 Zikir Counter
- 6 Prayer Mat
- 7 Prayer Garment
- 8 Dates

**VIP INVITES WILL BE IN YOUR INBOX
ON THE 28TH OF MARCH, IN SHA ALLAH!**

GUYS GUYS GUYS! My team and I are getting closer and closer to finalising the details of our Ramadan programme with all of you and I cannot wait to share them with you! But for now, know that you are going on a virtual spiritual retreat with us this Ramadan, and **your "official invitation" will be sent straight to your Inbox this 28th of March**, In Sha Allah! So pencil the date in (Monday, 28th of March!) and keep a lookout for your "itinerary" in your Inbox ok? May this Ramadan be our best one yet! **throws confetti!**

Get Ready for our Ramadan Retreat!

Muslim Meme



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I don't care how grown I am... I NEED MY MOM. That woman is my life

No truer words have been spoken. I am turning 35 this year and I still depend on my Ibu for so many things. We have a saying in Malay, "bawah ketiak mak" 😂😂 which loosely translates "beneath your mother's armpits" and that's exactly where I find myself whenever things get a little overwhelming and hard. 😂😂

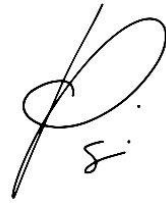
Something to Ponder

Champs.

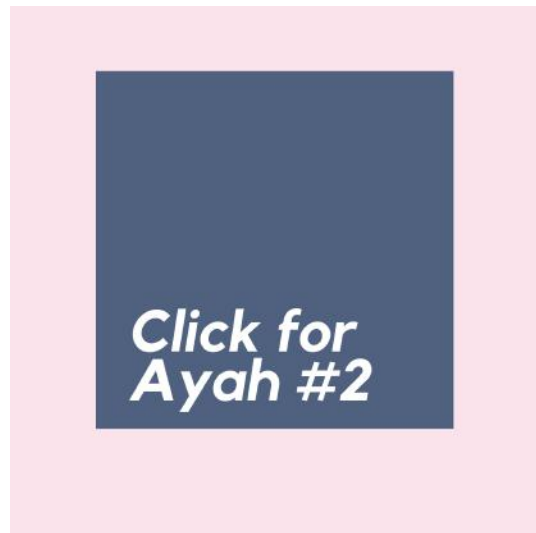
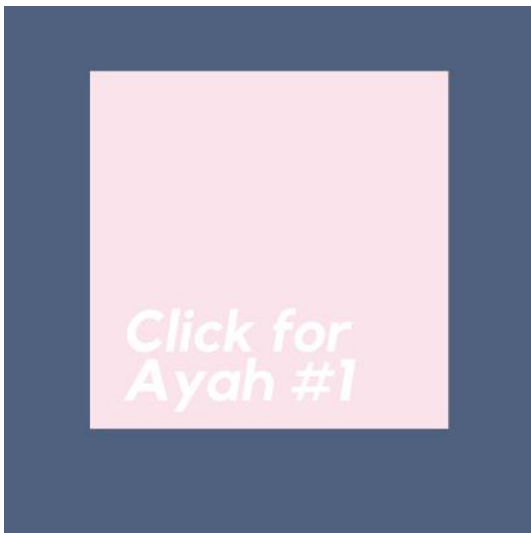
Sometimes we
overestimate what's
going against us,
and underestimate
what's within us.

One of the things that I've learned from our TKV Series with Ustazah Huraidah is that we are made up of many, many layers. That within our physical layer lies a whole universe within us! And the most important layer of it all is, of course, our soul - it is the one and only part of us that has witnessed Allah SWT, and testified to Allah SWT in the realm of souls. (Listen to [this](#) and [this](#) TKV episode to revise on this topic!) When I remember this truth, I realise that Allah SWT has always been preparing and equipping us so that we are able to gracefully go through anything and everything He puts us through. Champs, I hope this can serve as a reminder for all of us to tap into our

God-given potential, to journey within ourselves and to recognise how much strength, courage and willpower Allah SWT has given us!



(ending it with His words)



These are just two of the Ayahs that were chosen by some of the Champs to reflect on from Juzuk 29. Ayah #2 is just so comforting on all levels - I've never felt so "seen" and so loved! PS: In Sha Allah, we will be finishing Juzuk 30 and completing one round of the Quran next week for Tadarus, so I would like to personally extend a special invitation to the Champs who have never attended Tadarus but have always wanted to better their relationship with the Quran. Try to come for the finale ok? It'd be lovely to see you!

With that, I hope you guys have enjoyed Closer.

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