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In the name of Allah, the most Gracious, the most Merciful

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Closer

by aa

your curated weekly spiritual booster delivered straight to your Inbox

BEING ALIVE

is a special occasion.

CELEBRATE IT, CHERISH IT,

cultivate it.

Assalamualaikum my Champions,

Last week's TKV Class with Ustazah Huraidah on Rasulullah SAW's final sermon and how at the very beginning of it all, he SAW highlighted how sacred our lives are... **that**, has been on my mind all week long. I don't think I've ever sat myself down to reflect on this, on how being alive is a special occasion, a huge blessing that Allah SWT has given us, day in and day out, and yet we sigh, and we complain,

and we waste this precious gift away.

It's not until something major, like being sick, or experiencing the death of a love one, that we'll be jolted out from living our lives in slumber - but isn't it scary to wait for something "big" to happen before we do something, ***before we actually start living?***

Champs, let's challenge ourselves to celebrate this life that we have - yes it's temporary, but it's the only one where we are given a choice. And I pray that for every day we get to live, we will keep on choosing love, faith, hope, and gratitude, *especially* when things get a little difficult.

May we make this life that we have to be a life of service, of kindness, of joy and one that is always heart-centred around getting to know Allah SWT and Rasulullah SAW. ❤️ Amin!

This week on aa plus

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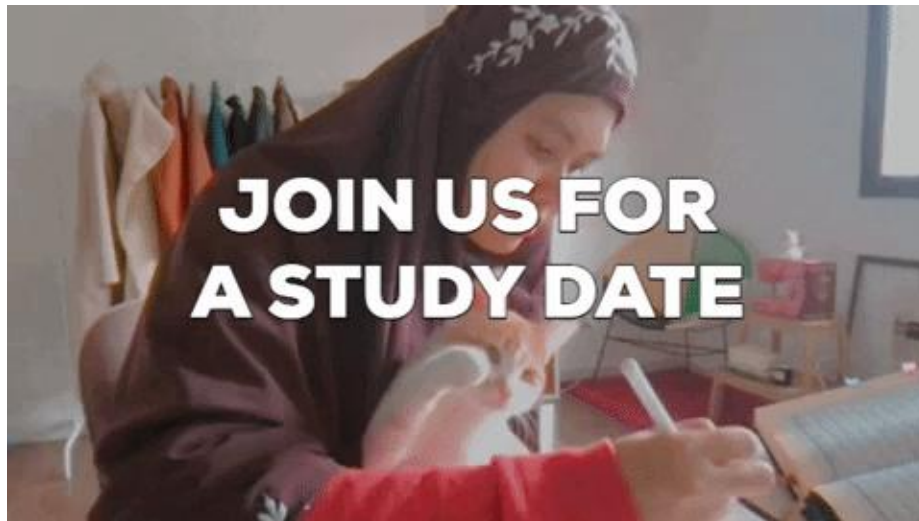


"OH ALLAH,
BE MY WITNESS."

In this episode, Ustazah Huraidah expands on Rasulullah SAW's sermon with regards to how important it is to safeguard the trust (Amanah) that Allah SWT has given us. **This doesn't just start and stop with "obligations", but the Amanah of every breath that Allah allows us to take, the Amanah of our limbs, our health, our time - all of these will be asked about, and we will all be accountable for them on the Day of Judgement.** Ustazah will also share with us about the Ayah in the Quran where Allah SWT said we "are the best community ever raised for humanity" - and how we should use this honour Allah has given us to better ourselves everyday.

[Listen To The Class Here](#)

[Read PDF Notes Here](#)



Asia Study Date: Friday, 8pm SG / MS / BR
ROTW Study Date: Saturday, 7pm UK / 2pm CT

Important Note: We are starting Study Dates earlier for both Asia and ROTW. We'll break in between for Prayers, In Sha Allah.

*PS: Study Dates are recorded, but **not** uploaded to the website for privacy purposes, so if you cannot make it, you'll have to email us for a playback. Also - you **do not** have to listen to the Class prior to the Study Date, nor prepare anything for it. Just gotta show up!*

Zoom Link For Study Date

share with Allah



Reminder To:

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Share with Allah

about the feeling of envy in your heart,
and pray for Him to remove it.

To feel envy and jealousy is absolutely human, but it's crippling when we allow it to take over our hearts. What I find incredibly helpful when the emotion gets overwhelming is to share it with Allah, the One who understands us best. Be completely vulnerable with Him, and ask Him to replace envy with gratitude, jealousy with light, and remove all thing bad with only the good.

Majestic Masjids



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M U A R ,
M A L A Y S I A

This week we are visiting Masjid Jamek Sultan Ibrahim in Muar, Malaysia **screams internally**! So our fellow Champ, Nurin Amalia, was the one who shared this beautiful mosque and my heart jumped when I saw the mosque because this is where my grandma and I goes for our Terawih and Eid prayers whenever I come to visit, as Muar is where she lives (my kampung)! Isn't the pastel blue so beautiful, Ma Sha Allah! Anyways, this is why it's special to Nurin: *"My campus was located in Pagoh, Johor, so during Ramadhan we would drive to Muar (30 mins drive) to have Iftar. So during those times, my friends and I would masjid hop to catch Maghrib prayers or even tarawih in random mosques around Muar. I honestly felt like a traveller, feeling out of place but we gotta do what we gotta do right? Pray. However, when we join in Jemaah, that feeling (of being displaced) disappears. Subhanallah, the beauty of our religion, and how our Masjid is at the centre for community and unity."*

**If you have a fav / special mosque, share it with me and tell me why! It'd be awesome to see mosques from all over the world together with you Champs. Who needs "cafe-hopping" when you can do "Masjid-Hopping" □*

Muslim Meme

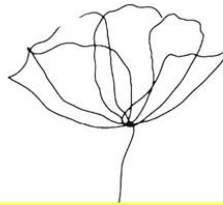


LOL at this meme! Also, can you tell that I'm already compiling Ramadan memes? So excited] to spend Ramadan with you Champs! PS: Keep a look out for next week's *Closer* as I share more about what we have in plans for you for the blessed month, In Sha Allah!

Something to Ponder

If you knew the true
value of yourself,
you'd never allow
yourself to be humiliated
by committing sins.

Ibn Qayyim



This quote hit me deeply - Ibn Qayyim is saying that **we sin not because we are worthless, but because we don't even know our own value, our own worth.** Again, this definitely reminds me of our TKV series this month - because Rasulullah SAW highlighted and stressed in his final sermon for us to realise and safeguard the sacredness of our lives. If only we know what a blessing it is to be alive! The fact that Allah SWT has willed that we are still here in this world means we are still needed, that there is still good that we can do. It's an honour that Allah SWT chooses us every single day to be alive, yet we take that blessing ever so lightly by choosing to sin instead. :(May we always remember that we are the servants of Allah SWT, the Most High, and not servants to our desires and the Syaitan.

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ending it with His Words

Quran 3:110

You are the best community ever raised for humanity—you encourage good, forbid evil, and believe in Allah.

Strive Harder

Serve Better

With that, I hope you guys have enjoyed Closer.

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