

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ
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

The **little** things.
The **simple** habits.
The **humble** beginnings.
When done for His
sake, will amount to
something great.

Assalamualaikum my Champions,

I pray you are all well. Alhamdulillah, He has willed that I was to fall

ill, so I was late in sending out Closer this week. But even though this email is not in your Inbox at its usual time, the reminders I needed from Him, on the other hand, are "on time", as always. :)

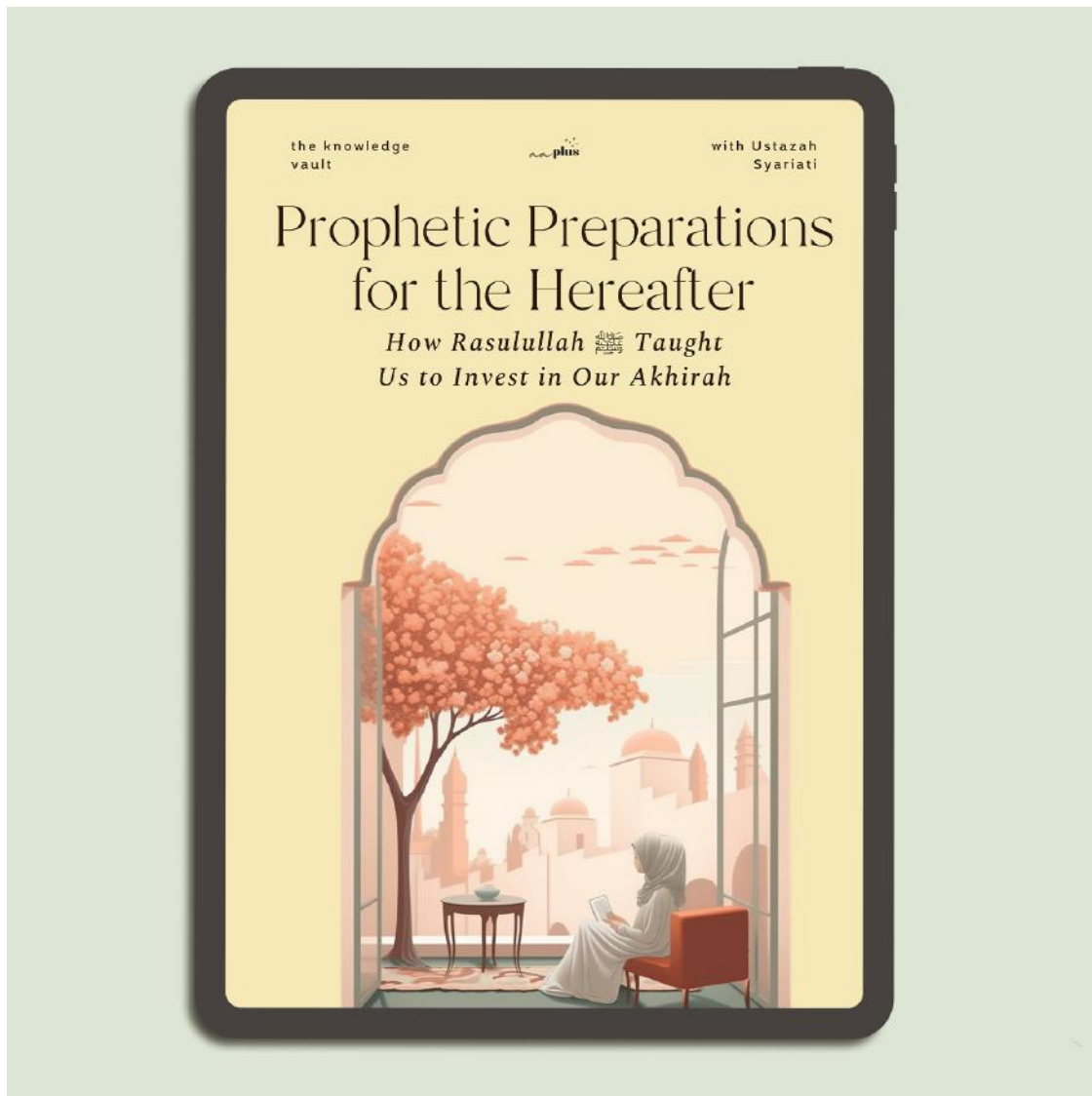
Between writing the Tuesday Love Letters and the Closer emails, I spend significantly more time on the latter, so the thought of writing when I am not 100% seemed daunting. However, I remembered how Merciful Allah SWT is, and I held on to His Names, al-Latif, ar-Rauf, and al-Jabbar. The Subtle One, The Most Kind, and The Resolver of all Affairs.

And how subtly He moved me. How gently, kindly and lovingly He fixed all of my tasks - little by little, word by word, line by line, until here I am, finally done writing this email. :)

Champs, let us all remind one another that every great task starts off with asking His Help first. In calling His Names, and then in relying with full conviction that Allah SWT is the only One who can power you through, and make things easy for you. It is also only Allah SWT Who can make our small, little, simple, humble start, end with a resounding and triumphant finish. ❤️ So in His Name, I pray we will always begin, and with His Beautiful Names, In Sha Allah, I hope, we will end too.

PS: I wrote this to the ever-calming track of Asmaul Husna by Fatin A on our [Soul Mixtape #2!](#)

the knowledge vault



I wanted to hug Ustazah Syariati ever so tightly after the recording of this episode - I still remember coming into the call a little tired and all over the place, but came out of it, feeling nothing but hope and lightness, Ma Sha Allah! Continuing the theme of prioritising the Hereafter, this week, we learn from Ustazah how Rasulullah ﷺ lived his blessed life investing in his meeting with his Beloved, and how he ﷺ taught us to do the same. These investments, of course, give better returns than any of the worldly investments because we are investing with the Ultimate Source of Provisions, Ar-Razaq. I truly cannot wait to listen to this beautiful lesson with all of you during our Listening Parthy this Sunday, In Sha Allah!

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quran affirmations

**Allah's Earth
is spacious
& abundantly
hopeful.**

Surah az-Zumar

Ayah 10

Say 'O Prophet, that Allah says', "O My servants who believe! Be mindful of your Lord. Those who do good in this world will have a good reward. And Allah's earth is spacious. Only those who endure patiently will be given their reward without limit.

I contemplated this Ayah in Juzuk 23 (we'll be reciting this Juzuk this week on The 114 Club In Sha Allah!) last night with a few friends, and I asked them, "Why does knowing Allah SWT's Earth is spacious give you hope?". Think about it - there's a sense of abundance, of opportunities, of new beginnings, of comfort, when we know His earth is spacious. But one of my friends said something beautiful in relation to this Ayah. She said, "When I know Allah's Earth is spacious, it makes me rethink twice before committing a sin. Because I know that there are other things I can do, somewhere else I can go, that are better than this sinful act, because Allah SWT has given us such a spacious Earth." Isn't that so true? :) PS: Join us on [The 114 Club](#) to reflect on more beautiful verses, and be in the company of Light!

(**The 114 Club** is on this Friday, 26 Jan |

Asia: 9pm SG/MY | ROTW: 7pm UK)

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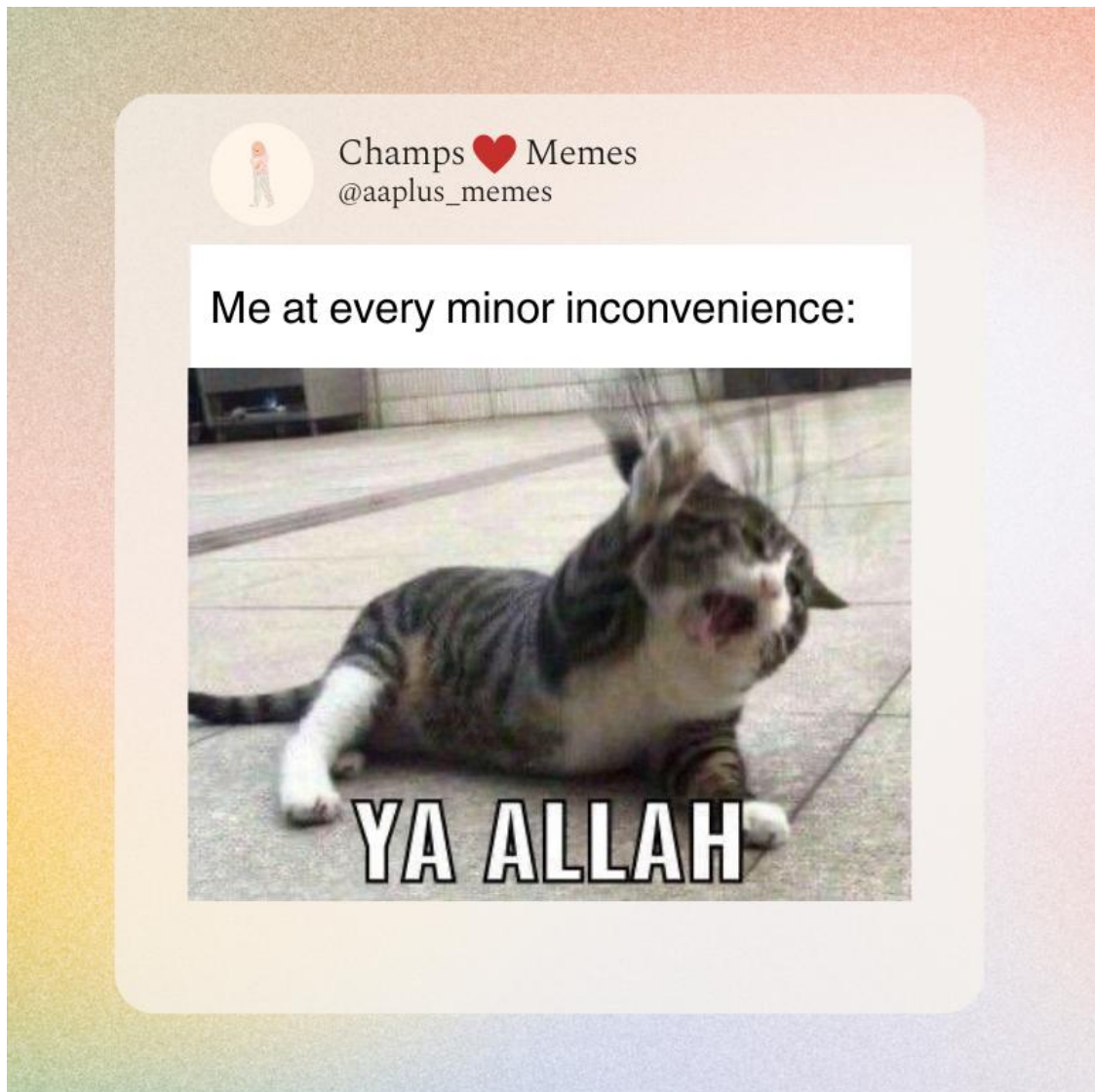


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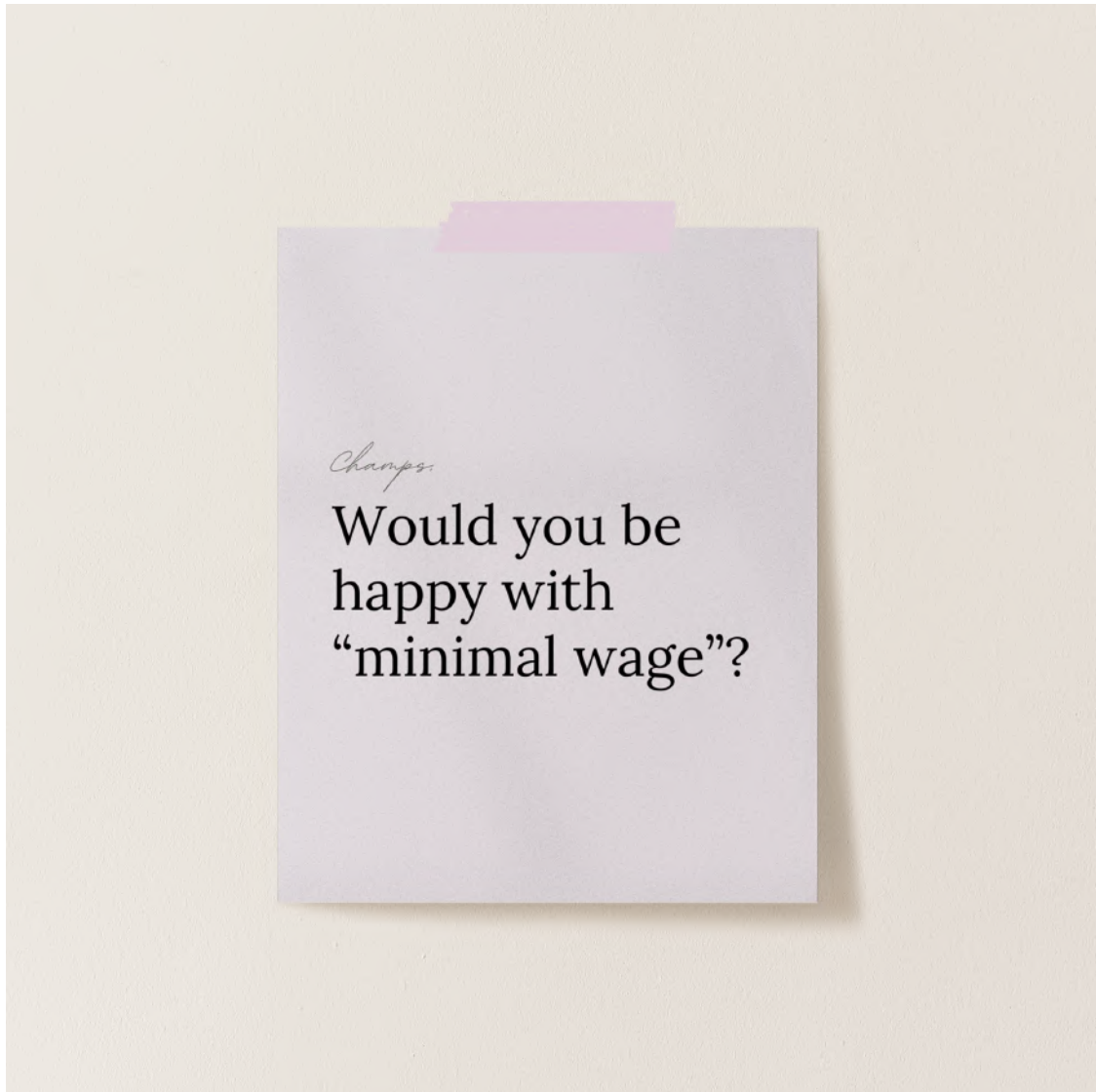
One of my dearest companions, a fellow Champ, shared this a few days ago - that being pious and joyous is not a contradiction. In fact, when you have Taqwa of Allah SWT, when you know Who exactly our Rabb is, you are always grateful and it is this state of gratitude that one can remain joyous and light even in challenging circumstances. Champs, may we never forget that Rasulullah ﷺ, the most pious man of all, would always smile and that he ﷺ was always a joy to be around! Let us never forget this Sunnah of being easy-going, Amin.

muslim meme



So Champs, I am at the age where I am a full-fledged **Makcik** (Auntie) where I say, "Ya Allahhhhhhh" at every single thing. Please tell me I am not the only one.

to ponder



The Truth is, Allah SWT is our One and Only "Boss" and we will all be answerable to Him. The question is, would you then be happy with "minimal wage" **forever**, or would you want to get rewarded in abundance, having a "corner office" in the highest of Jannah? It's your choice - and if you want the latter, are your deeds, your acts, your thoughts, your efforts, and your worship matching that then?

*And with that, my dearest Champs, I pray may you always take steps towards Him,
even if its little by little, even if its small, even if its shaky - as long as it's for Him.*

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