

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*

**Talk to Allah constantly.**  
Ask Him questions,  
tell Him things, and confide in  
Him about everything in  
your heart, **then see how**  
**your life change.**

Assalammualaikum my Champions,

I am not sure if I shared this with you before, but a big part of the prep work I do before writing anything - including my weekly Tuesday Love Letters and Closer Emails - is talking to Allah SWT. No, make that **moaning** and **grumbling** to Allah SWT. Something along the

lines of, "Ya Allahhhhhhhh, I don't know what to write about. What do I do? Where do I start? Can I just not write this week? Ya Allahhhhhhhh, help meeeeeeeeeee."

This is not an exaggeration 😂!

And every single time, Allah SWT, the One Who is ar-Rahman, al-Fattah, and al-Jameel, will kindly and mercifully rouse my heart and open doors to some pretty cool and beautiful ideas for me to write about even though just minutes before, I was struggling to even come up with a sentence.

And I do this with almost everything in my life - **without my conversations with Allah SWT, I would be a complete mess.** I speak to Allah SWT about my struggle with K-Dramas, about what to cook, about how cute my cats are and for us to reunite in Jannah, about the weather, about what to wear, what not to wear, and **I speak a lot to Him about the people I love, including every single one of you.**

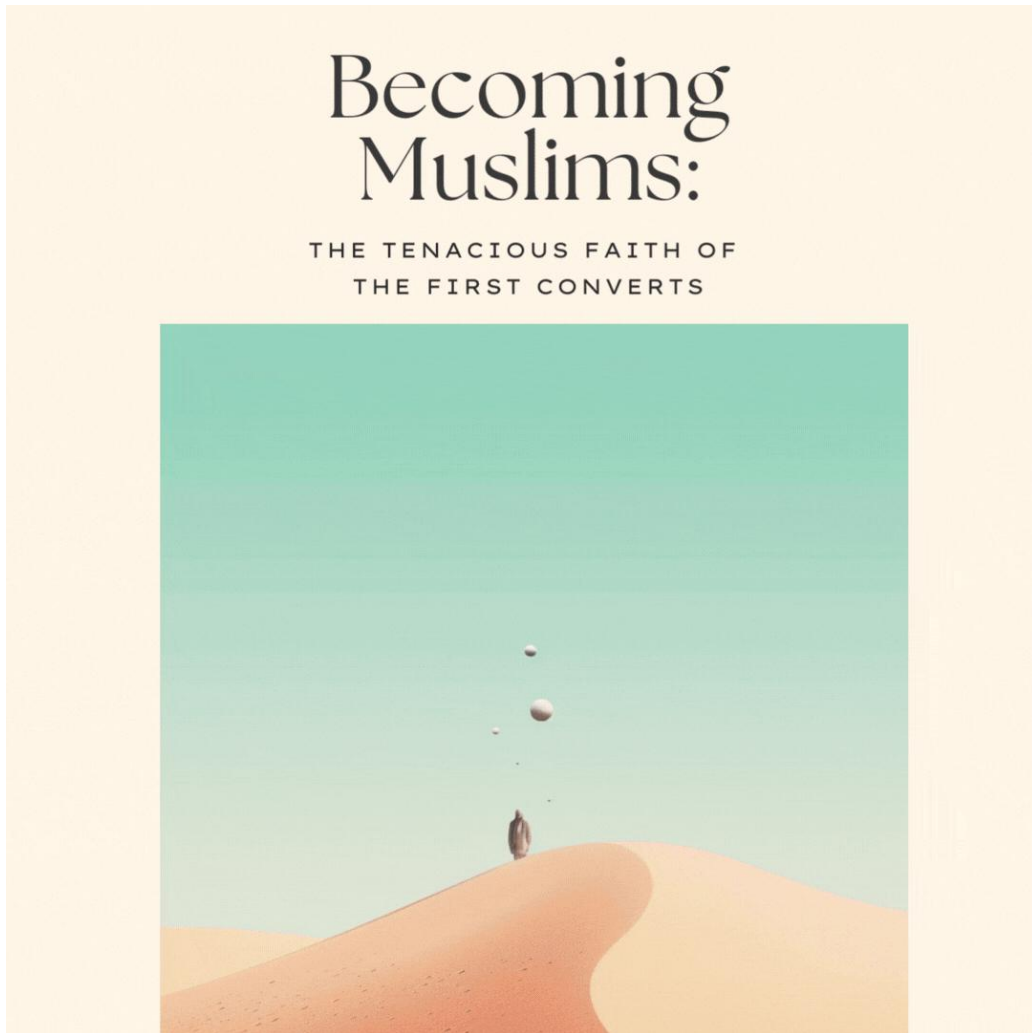
If I haven't seen you in a while during our calls, I ask Allah SWT about you. When payment notifications come in regarding your AA Plus subscription, I ask ar-Razzaq to expand your sustenance. **When I read the Quran and verses about groups of people entering Jannah together come up, I ask Allah SWT for that to be true for me and you.** And I pray may I never stop talking to Allah SWT about you because I fear the day I become ungrateful and unappreciative of this very beautiful community that Allah SWT has blessed me with.

Champs, my hope for you is that may every moment of your life be filled with many sweet conversations with the One who loves you the most. Because it truly is life-changing when we understand the powerful truth that every single one of us has direct access to the One

who is All-Merciful, All-Knowing and All-Loving. ❤️ So go on and speak to Him, for He is ever-Listening.

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*get excited for*



This week, we have not one, not two, but three (!!!) new TKV episodes up on our AA Plus website just for you, and I am super excited for all of you to jump straight in! In this super special 3-part TKV Seerah series, join Ustazah 'Alimatunnisa and I as we highlight and celebrate the very early years of Islam in Mecca. **Have you guys ever thought about how Islam has grown to be the fastest-growing religion globally when the prevalence of our religion today was only possible through the unwavering faith of the first 40**

**Muslims?** It's pretty remarkable if we truly think about it Ma Sha Allah! So come join us as we journey into the lives of the early Muslims, reflecting on how Allah SWT spiritually prepared their hearts to face persecution and how our one-on-one time with Allah SWT contributes to the foundation of our Iman! **PS: I am super thrilled at the new direction that we are taking for [The Knowledge Vault](#)!** TKV is now ONE solid podcast series, where we will focus on covering a varied range of topics, themes and ideas, from everything spiritual to relationships and self-betterment. This means that we will always be learning new things that will In Sha Allah, bring us closer and more connected to Allah SWT! I really hope you'll stick around to see what we have planned for you, TKV-wise! In the meantime, if you want to review previous TKV audio + video episodes, [click here](#)!

Listen to all 3 New TKV Episodes Here!

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*this sunday's date*

# Champs Seerah Party!

HONOURING THE EARLY  
YEARS OF ISLAM

Sunday / 28 May  
9pm SG / 2pm UK



Champs, I hope you are ready for our final Sunday Session this month because it will be a super FUUUUUNNNN one! In conjunction with the 3-part TKV Seerah special with Ustazah 'Alimatunnisa that we just released this week, this Champs Seerah Party will celebrate the (super) early years of Islam in Mecca! Our intention is to honour the first Muslims (*who were Rasulullah ﷺ's earliest companions?*), share about the Secret Dawah years (*how did the early Muslims live in secrecy*), and most importantly, reflect on how we can apply all of these to our lives today! Some of your fellow Champs are working hard

on making this session a super beneficial one (we will have quizzes, trivia, games, sharing sessions etc) so I really do hope all of you, the beloved of Rasulullah ﷺ, can turn up to this special Seerah party!

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*a beautiful dua*

Ya Rabb,  
let my daily  
work be soaked  
with prayer.

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#abeautifuldua

We all know our work is a form of worship, but let's take that a step further and include Allah SWT in every single work task that we are

doing. Only Allah SWT can ease all of our affairs, bless us with a great working environment, and pour barakah into our time and energy!

*quiz for quran queens!*



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Which Surah will  
prevent our homes  
from turning into  
*graves?*

● CLUE: WE'RE RECITING THIS SURAH  
IN THE NEXT THE 114 CLUB SESSION

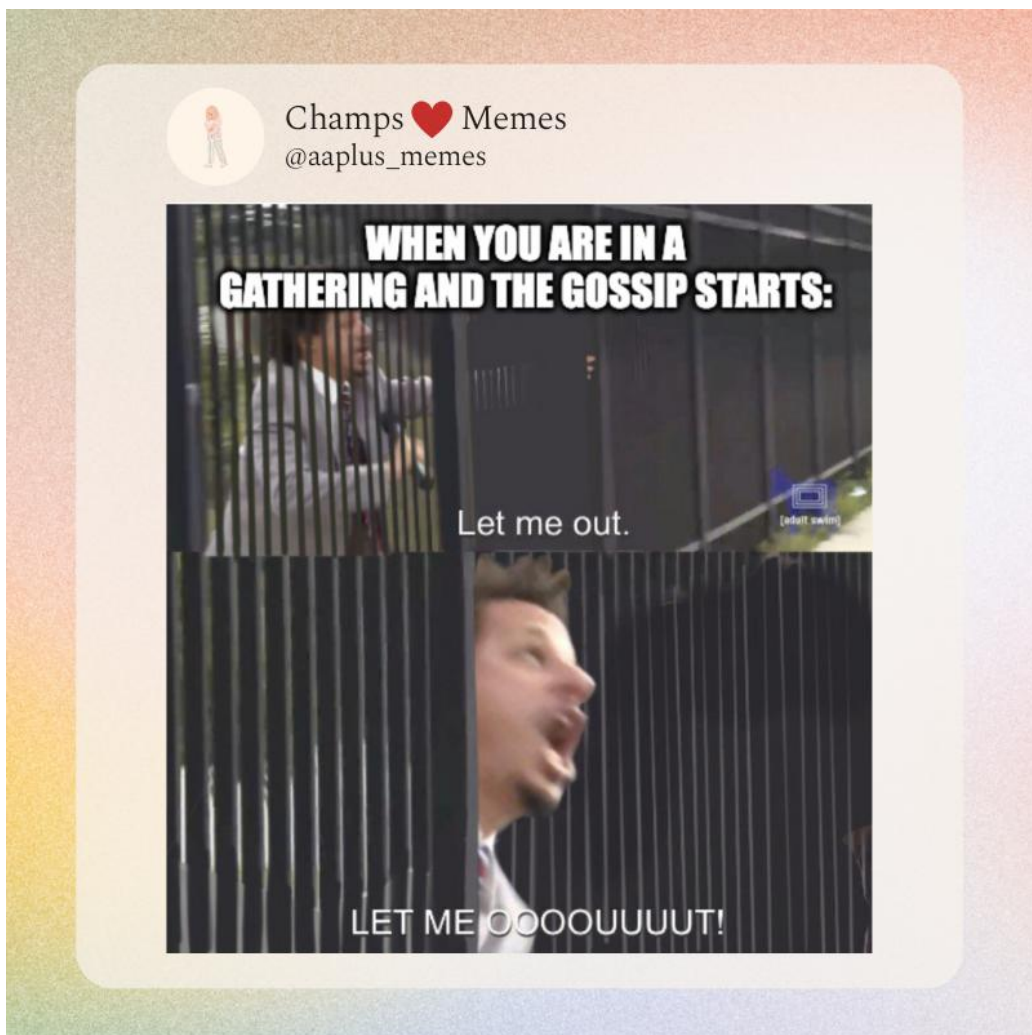
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Ever since I have learned of the Hadith where Rasulullah ﷺ said, "Do not turn your houses into graves. Indeed Ash-Shaitan does not enter the house in which [\(this Surah\)](#) is recited" ([Tirmidhi](#)), my love for this Surah has grown in leaps and bounds. We will be continuing our recitation of this Surah in our next The 114 Club sessions, so I hope you'll join us then! May our homes always be filled with the Light of the Quran and may His angels continuously dwell around it, Amin!

(The next 114 Club timings are as follows - **Asia:** 29 May, Mon, 9pm SG | **ROTW:** 30 May, Tue, 9pm UK | **Special:** 31 May, Wed, 6am SG)

[Click Here for the Answer!](#)

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Aren't this all of us? 😂😂😂 But also, I've witnessed first-hand in a gathering how an Auntie's facial expression completely changed to disgust when someone else started talking about another person, and



it was because of her super obvious change of expression that the other person stopped! 😂😂 #takingnotes

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to ponder

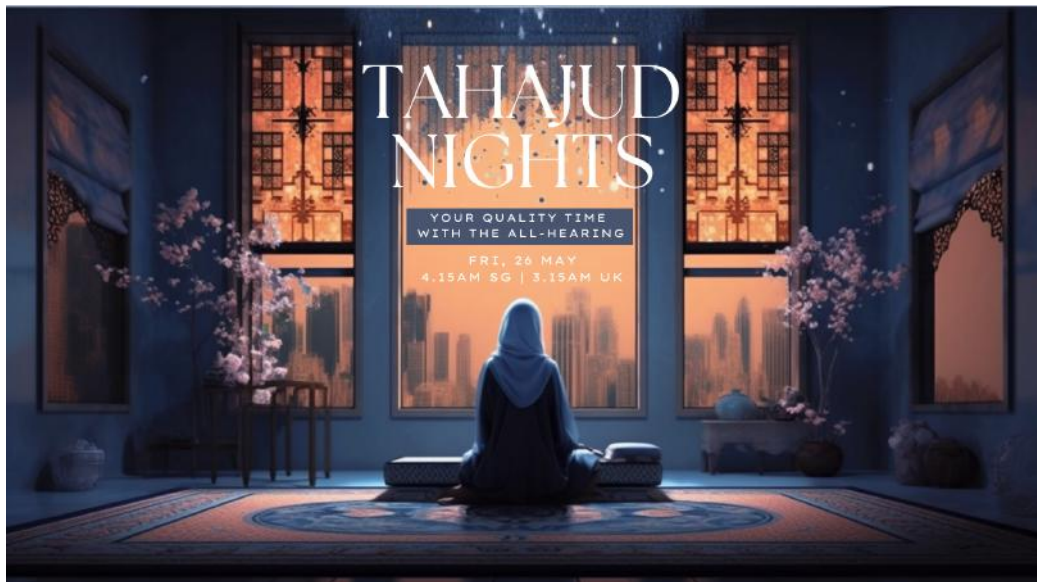


Honestly, this is a question that I have avoided for many years. It is a lot easier to do good deeds than to take a good hard look at the state of our hearts and be absolutely frank about the worldly attachments that are hindering us from being better Muslims for His sake. For example, it was easier for me to do a 15-minute Zikir session than to stop myself from watching a 5-minute video of useless entertainment. **It's a lot of heart work to detangle and cut off our worldly attachments,**

**but it is heart work that is necessary.** I pray may we confront this courageously and work on it a little more every day. In Sha Allah, with His Help and Mercy, may we be able to not only overcome our worldly attachments but help others who are also struggling with it as well!

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PS:



This week's Tahajud nights will be special for me as I will be joining the Asia Tahajud sessions during **actual** Asia tahajud hours as I am now back in Singapore heheheh! I am looking forward to this soul-resting session of Zikir, Duas and Quran with all of you, In Sha Allah. PS: For those of you who are wondering, "**Can I join this from my bed?**", I say, "Yes, why not? Every effort counts!" May Allah reward you for all of your strivings to please and worship Him, Amin!

[Join Tahajud Nights Here](#)

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And with that, I hope to see you on one of our dates very soon, In Sha Allah! Also, [a quick reminder that you are so, so, so special.](#) May you never forget that and may you stay in constant closeness to the One who created you in perfection.

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