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Assalamualaikum my Champions,

I was listening to one of my girlfriends share about something that she experienced in her life, and she's spilling her heart about this whirlwind chapter in her life - the detours, the dead ends, the "why is this happening to me?" moments that had us both wide-eyed. At the end of it all, she said something that made both of us laugh with joy: "Long, long, long, long story short, Aida - Allah always makes things right!"

And she's absolutely right. He has, every single time.

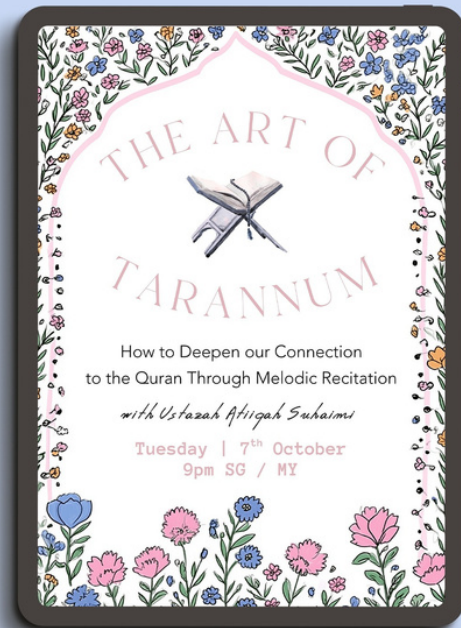
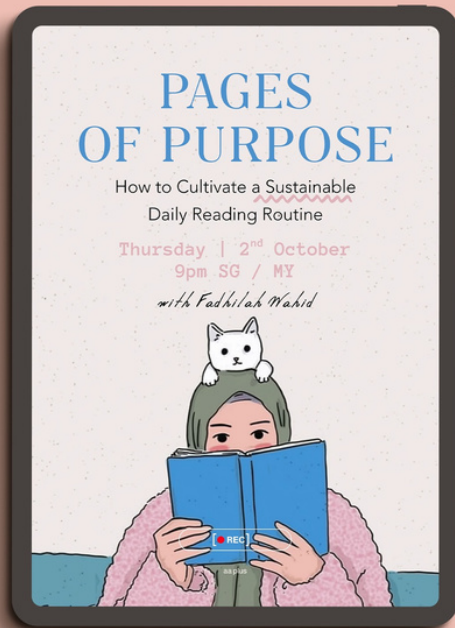
If there's one thing I've learned in my own messy, meandering life, it's that Allah SWT always, always, always, makes things right! He doesn't just fix things, but He rewrites them into something far more beautiful than we could have ever imagined.

So today, Champs, let's try to do this together: Grab a pen and paper or just close your eyes for a moment. Trace the map of your journey; the scenic routes and the storm-swept ones alike. See how Allah SWT has been the ultimate Navigator, putting you in places where your soul blooms brightest. :)

And if at this point, your pages feel heavy with unanswered whys, pause and breathe in this truth: **In the end, Allah always makes things right. And if it's not right, then it's not the end, yet.**

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aa plus event!



Champs, Alhamdulillah, we are on to the second week of our Iqra' event and I can't wait for you all to meet my very good friend, Fadhilah

Wahid, and also Ustazah Atiqah Suhaimi, for the upcoming Sessions! Sister Fadhilah is a reader, a writer and she also works at my favourite place in the world, Wardah bookstore! Being surrounded by

books daily, I'm excited to learn from her tips on developing a consistent and sustainable reading routine, so that we can honour the first commandment given to us. As for Ustazah Atiqah, Ma Sha Allah, this is a dream come true for me to have her on AA Plus! Her recitation of the Quran would touch the core of your soul, Ma Sha Allah! She will be introducing to us the different styles of reciting the Quran and how

they can impact the way we relate to the Quran. Excited for these Sessions and I can't wait to learn together alongside all of you!

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What a way to start our Iqra' series than with the Tafsir of the first divine commandment from the Quran! Ustazah Marhamah brought on us a journey as she carefully taught us the context behind the first revelation and then on to a breakdown of the first five Ayah of Surah Al- 'Alaq and how reading is a bridge for us to be honoured and elevated by Allah SWT. If you need to find meaning and purpose in reading, this one is for you!

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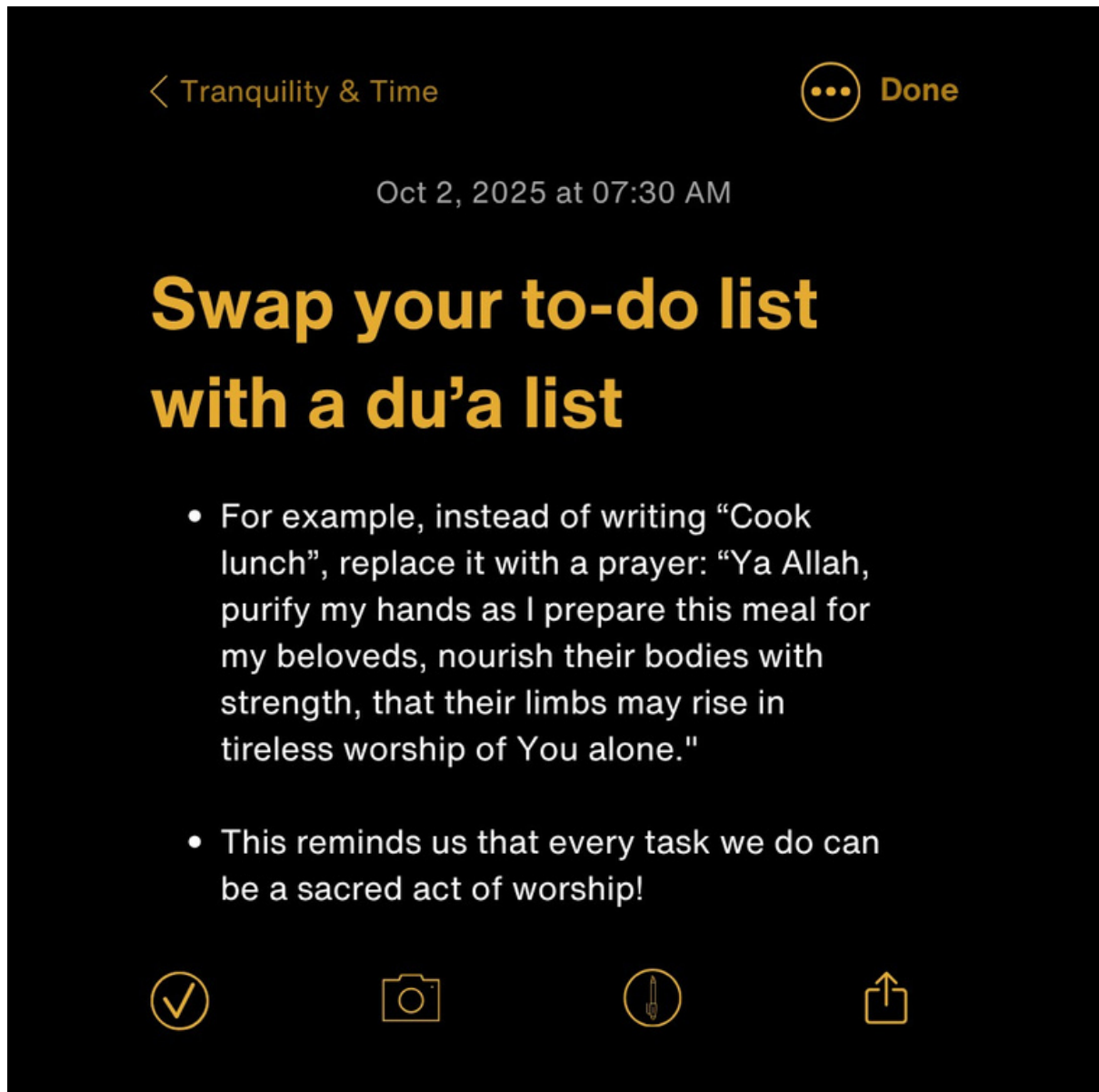
gratitude garden



GRATEFUL FOR A PHRASE THAT LINGERS

I am currently reading a book of short stories by the writer Leila Aboulela, and in one of those stories, she has a Muslim female protagonist who married a Scottish convert. The lady's brother was naturally protective of his sister and was a little weary of his new brother-in-law, but there was a death in the family and the two men found themselves praying side by side during the funeral prayer. Aboulela then wrote, **"There was a new ease between them, a kind of bonding because they had prayed together"** and this phrase made me smile so wide! I now think about all of the bonds I have with other Sisters that have grown tighter because we prayed together. What a beautiful reminder of faith's quiet alchemy. ❤️

tranquility & time



Champs, what if we traded the weight of checklists for the lightness of du'as? What if we can make every ordinary task become a little special, a little bit more extraordinary, because we use it as an opportunity to ask from the One Who gives with no bounds? ❤️

guess the companion!



“I fought as an enemy to the believers in Uhud as revenge for Badr. Upon conversion, the Prophet ﷺ honoured me as the Sword of Allah SWT, but I breathed my last in a humble bed instead of in a battlefield.”

Who am I?

Ans: Khalid ibn Walid RA

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This blessed companion, may Allah SWT be pleased with him, has such a beautiful story of how he RA entered into the folds of Islam! Known as the "Sword of Allah", it is also really humbling to note that he RA died not on the battlefield, but in his bed. He RA was so sad that he RA did not die as a martyr despite fighting so many battles, but while he desired martyrdom, his wife and others responded that as the "Sword of Allah," his Qadr was not to be broken on the field but to live and die as a conqueror, with Allah SWT not allowing His sword to fall.

to ponder



Smiling is one of the simplest Sunnah of Rasulullah ﷺ but it brings about such powerful effect! Hitting pause to smile a genuine grin can reset your mood, boost endorphins, and even change the course of someone's day. :) Champs, I pray may you smile plenty and brightly always, as smiling isn't just "polite", but it's our quick win for a brighter day, and a better Akhirah too!

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