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**"ALLAH, WHERE
ARE YOU?"**

*In your asking,
He is already there.*

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your curated weekly spiritual booster delivered straight to your Inbox

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Assalamualaikum my Champions,

These past couple of days, I have been thinking about the story which Rasulullah SAW narrated about the prostitute who was forgiven because she fed a thirsty dog with water. ([Muslim](#)) Many of us know

this story, but I keep going back to this thought:

Who brought the dog to her?

Who made the water available?

Who softened her heart so she could feed it?

It's all Allah SWT. Subhanallah.

Recently, one of my teachers said, "If you are asking, *'Ya Allah, where are You?'* know that **He is already with you in your ask.**" Because Who was the One Who moved your heart to start this search for Him in the first place? :)

So if your heart is aching, or you feel some sort of emptiness, and you are wondering where the Help of Allah is, take comfort in His Words, **"Unquestionably, the help of Allāh is near." (Quran 2:214)**

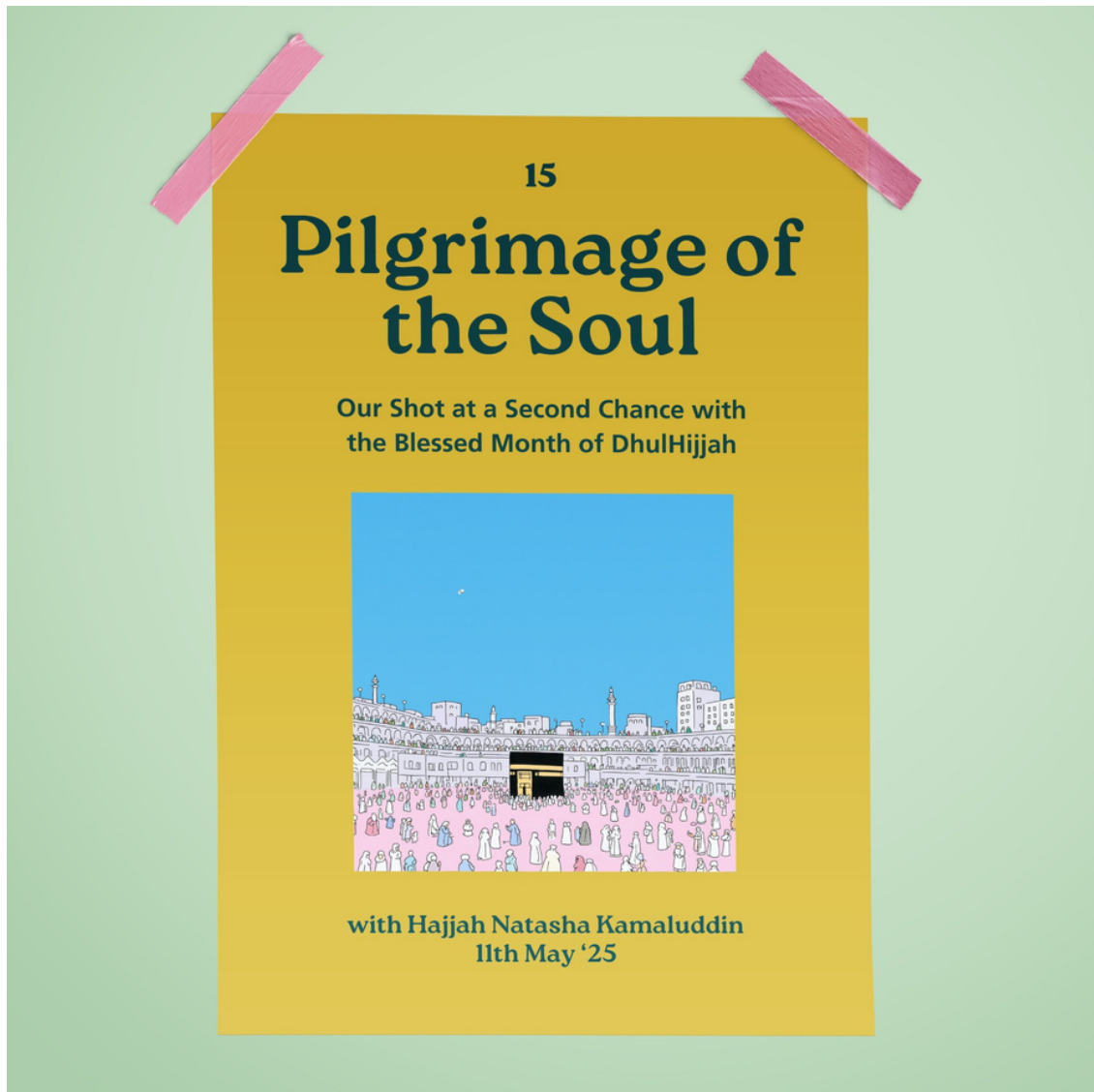
Because Allah SWT is always here with us.

It is we who may have left; but He never did.

And I don't know who needs to read this, but I've learned this the hard way: **The wrong love makes you wonder where Allah is. But the right love makes you feel Him everywhere.**

(PS: A bonus gift).

Sunday Session



My team and I are eagerly looking forward to this session with Kak Natasha, where we will explore some of these points: how do we define ***a pilgrimage of the soul***, how does it relate to the rites of Hajj, reflections from Verses of Surah Al-Hajj, and I am particularly excited for this - Kak Nat's sharing on her "second chance" through her own Hajj experience! This is definitely a session you won't want to miss, fellow past and future Hajjahs (In Sha Allah)!

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a beautiful du'a

Ya Allah, allow
me to pick my
words as carefully
as how I would
choose the
sweetest fruit.

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This Du'a is inspired by Sayidina Abu Darda RA, who said, "Were it not for three things, I would not wish to stay in this world. It is the lowering of my face during prostration to the Creator, day and night, the thirst of the midday heat because of fasting, and gatherings with those who select their words as if they are selecting fruit." Isn't that so beautiful? 😊😊😊 May Allah SWT allow us to always have our words be true, few and gentle, Amin.

gratitude garden



GRATEFUL FOR A LAP CAT

I'm currently writing this Closer email with my cat Noor, who is sleeping ever peacefully on my lap. It is one of my daily joys for her to choose me as her human pillow 😊. Apparently, having a cat do that to us brings about a sense of calmness and safety to a person. How true is this? ***I don't know!*** But I am adding "having a lap cat" into my Gratitude Garden today. ***What about you?*** What are you adding to your own G.G?

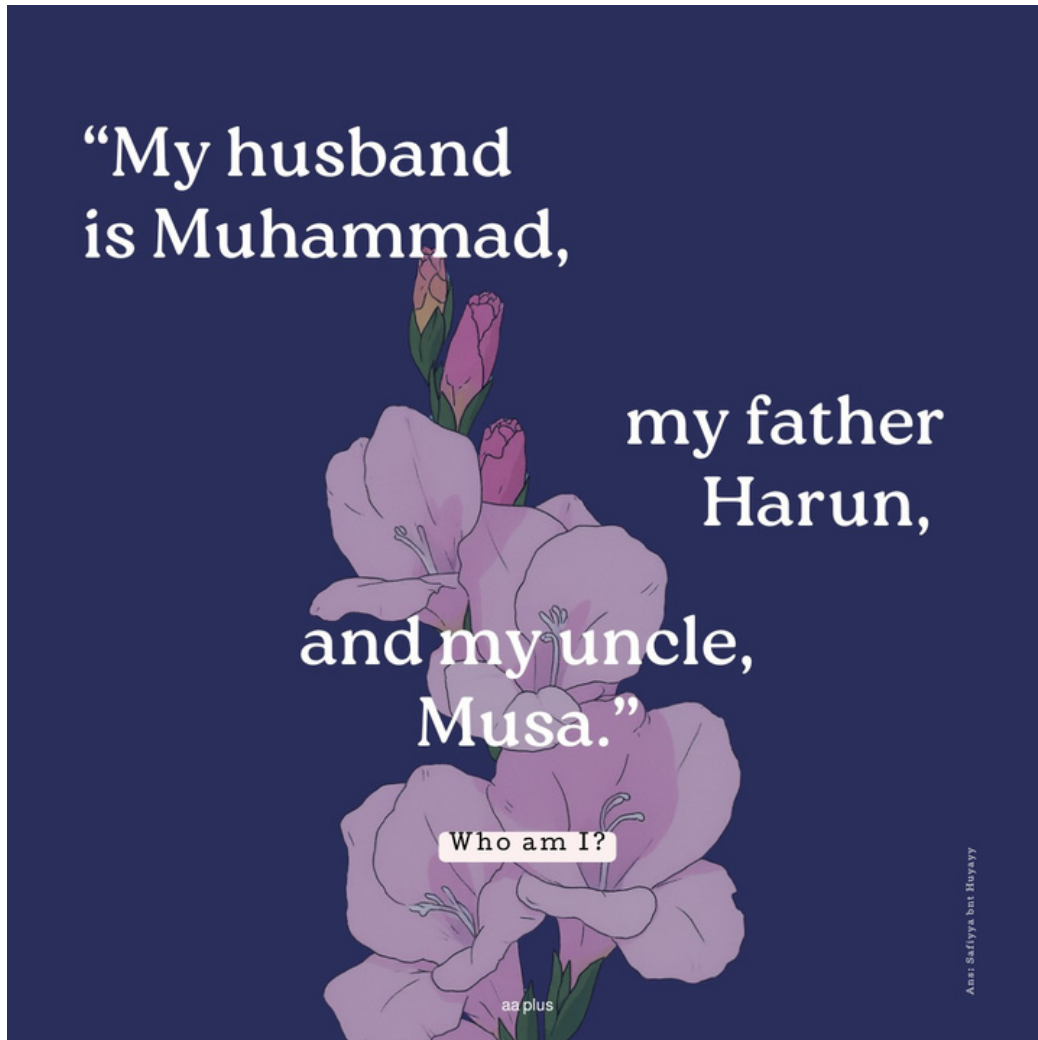
mindset shift

EVERY
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STARTED
WITH
A
PROBLEM

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When people ask me why I started AA Plus, I would always tell them the truth: "Because I was lonely." :) Alhamdulillah for the "problem" of loneliness, and being far away from friends and family, because it is this very reason that this miracle of AA Plus was born! Champs, what are some of the "problems" you have encountered that were the stepping stone to a bigger miracle? Share with me!

guess the companion!



Seerah-Enthusiast, this new Closer segment is for you! Guess this Companion: I am one of the Mothers of the Believers. I was from a Jewish tribe and my father and his tribesmen used to go against Rasulullah ﷺ. Because of my past, I was often looked down upon / teased. But Rasulullah ﷺ taught me the best response to say to anyone who was unkind: **“My husband is Muhammad, my father Harun, and my uncle, Musa.”** I passed away in the year 50AH, during the blessed month of Ramadhan. Who am I? (PS: Answer is in the image above!)

to ponder



Being surrounded by some very selfless people has made me ask myself this question. Compared to them, I have a lot more to do in terms of putting my convenience aside and prioritising other people's ease. There is a beautiful Hadith of Rasulullah ﷺ that I try to keep close to my heart whenever the Nafs wants is being stubborn - he ﷺ said, "If anyone relieves a Muslim believer from one of the hardships of this worldly life, Allah will relieve him of one of the hardships of the Day of Resurrection". You help your fellow Muslim and Allah SWT guarantees His Help in the Hereafter? What a deal, Ma Sha Allah ([Muslim](#)) Knowing this, shouldn't we feel even more compelled to help and ease the affairs of others? You never know how a tiny, kind gesture can create the biggest of all ripple effects!

ending with His Words

CHOOSE AN AYAH



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Quran 3:92



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Quran 4:148



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Quran 3:132

An Ayah is a Sign.
So click on one and follow it.

[Ayah 1](#) | [Ayah 2](#) | [Ayah 3](#)

FIN.

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