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Assalamualaikum my Champions,

I've been reflecting on Tawhid - the profound, unshakeable belief in the absolute Oneness of Allah SWT - and while its essence feels *deceptively simple*, **living it out demands real intention and active heart-work**. As someone who's wired to plan every detail and grip the reins a little too tightly, I'm learning that **true Tawhid is in daily surrender**.

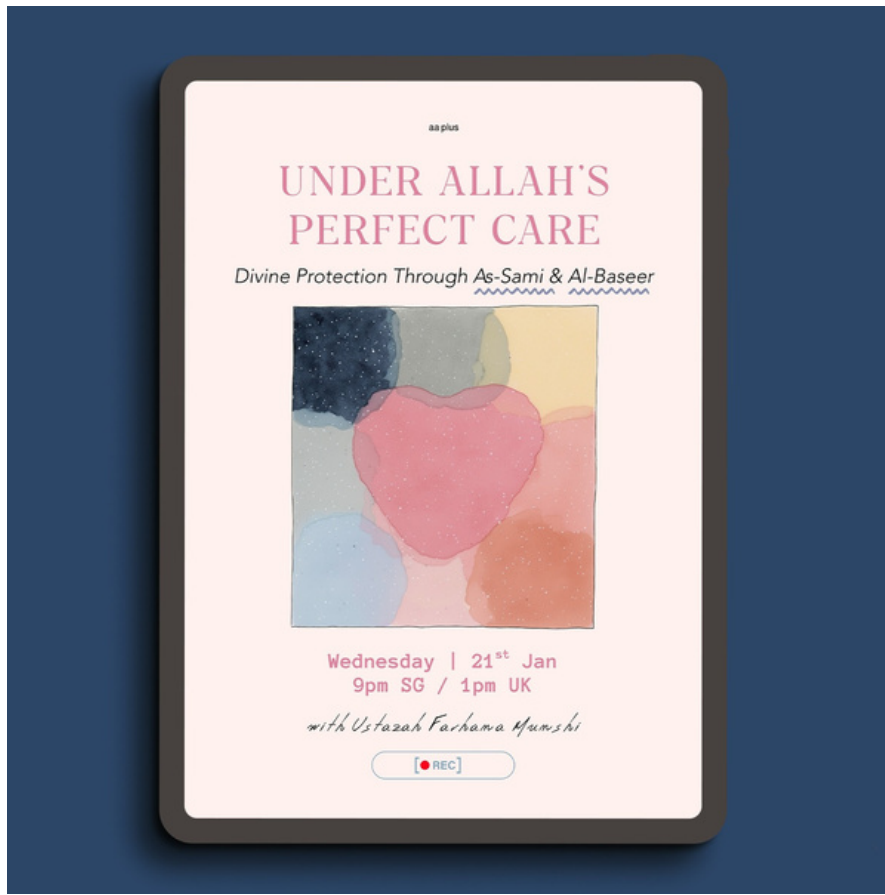
Right now, in this tender season of my life, Allah SWT, in His gentle yet impeccably precise Wisdom, is unravelling my illusions of control, with what I now call "divine plot twists". 😊 I am learning that to have true peace in my heart, **I have to joyfully, not begrudgingly, let go and let Allah!**

And this was also beautifully echoed by a few of our Champs in their [journal reflections on living with the Names of Allah](#) this week. Kak Soraya, who reflected on al-Khaliq, the Creator and Maker, wrote in her intentions that she wanted **"to soften (her) impatience with (her) own becoming, remembering that Al-Khaliq creates in stages and layers"**. Subhanallah, this is Tawhid in action. To remember that Allah SWT, and **only** Allah SWT, is Creating, Planning, and Executing!

So dear Champs, take some time this week to reflect on some of Allah SWT's Divine Plot Twists in your lives and how those moments have taught you to surrender. I pray that Allah SWT grant us full and complete Tawakkul so that we loosen our grip, and may He also gift us the wisdom to see His Hand in every moment of our lives.

Ya Rabb, in Your Oneness, we rest.

aa plus event!



Many of you have shared with me that you have missed the radiant wisdom of Ustazah Farhana - it's been far too long since her last class with us - but Alhamdulillah, she will be reuniting with us next Wednesday for a much needed Class on **As-Sami & Al-Baseer**, In Sha Allah! In every whisper of dua, every hidden tear, and in every single step we take, Allah SWT is gently guiding us through, just like how He did with Prophet Musa AS and Prophet Harun AS: “Fear not; indeed, I am with you both. *I hear and I see.*” ([Surah Taha 20:46](#)) So set your intentions to join the Session with Ustazah Farhana as she shares how these two Beautiful Names protect, shield, and embrace us!

Join the Session Here!

Read Full Asmaul Husna Event Itinerary Here

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Why We Should Learn Allah's Beautiful Names

& How to Practically Implement it to our Daily Lives



with Kak Natasha Kamaluddin



Alhamdulillah, the replay for our very first Session this year with Kak Nat is finally ready! This Session was both a balm to my heart and a much-needed pep talk. Kak Nat shared 3 powerful reasons why we need to learn Allah's Names (the 3rd one is especially important to me, personally!) and 5 practical ways on how to implement His Names in our lives. If one of your intentions this year is to gain a better understanding of Who Allah SWT is, this is a good place to start!

[Listen to the Replay Here](#)

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Journaling with Champs



We are on to Week 2 of our Champs Reflection Journal with the second set of Allah's Beautiful Names, Ma Sha Allah, and I cannot help but feel that **some of these stories are mirrors to my own personal journey as well.** Aisyah

Sidek's reflection on Al-Fattah felt like such a tight hug for me 🥹, Natalie's entry on Al-Alim first made me chuckle but then made me super self-aware (in a very good way), and Ibtisam's sharing on Al-Qahar deepened my appreciation of Surrendering and Submission to Allah SWT. There are many more gems so whenever you can, grab a quiet moment and let these pages stir your soul! And if you would like to join us in reflecting on some of Allah's Beautiful Names, reply to this email, and we'll share more.

[Read Champs Stories with His Names Here!](#)

a beautiful du'a

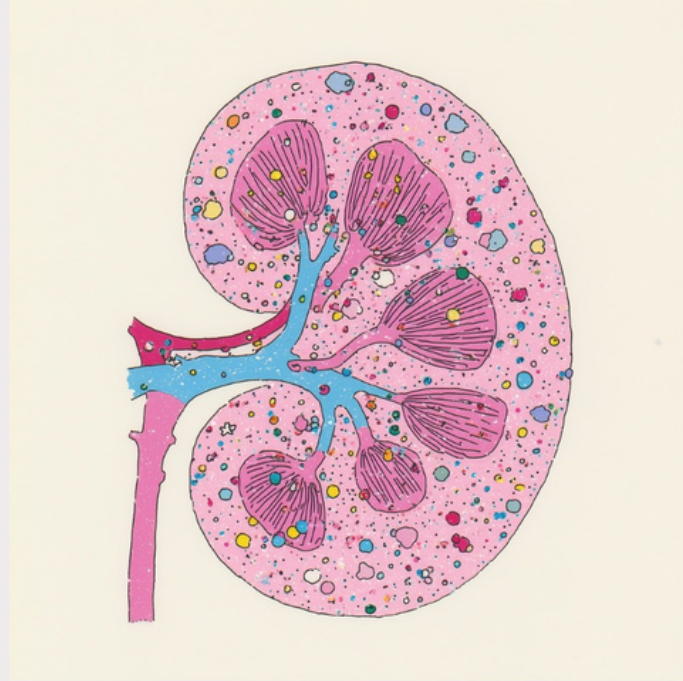
Ya Allah,
please teach me to
trust Your Divine
Timing over
my own self-
inflicted urgency.

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I was reading Alfiyatul's reflection on Al-Bari' in our [Champs Journal](#), and her powerfully raw reflection inspired this Du'a. When our hearts are knotted because we are in a purposeless rush for the Dunia, may we pause and remember that Allah SWT, in His Unhurried Wisdom, is sustaining us and showering us with blessings upon blessings.

gratitude garden



GRATEFUL FOR THE LIVER

This week's Gratitude Seed is planted by our Champ, Gheed. She shared with me how she's immensely grateful for the workings of her liver. She said, "We overlook our bodies so easily. We focus on what hurts, what feels fragile, what might go wrong - rarely stopping to notice what is working with such perfect precision. **Our kidneys alone filter around 180 litres of blood every single day, maintaining balance, removing toxins, keeping us alive - silently, tirelessly, without asking for acknowledgement.**" When she shared this, I remember how here in Morocco, we call someone we truly love and hold dear "**kibda diyali**" - my liver - because what could be more vital, more intimate, than calling someone you love by the organ that sustains life itself? 🫁

gems from the Quran

IF YOU ARE



FALLING APART...

إِنَّ اللَّهَ يُمَسِّكُ السَّمَوَاتِ
وَالْأَرْضَ أَنْ تَزُولَا وَلَئِنْ زَالَتَا
إِنْ أَمْسَكَهُمَا مِنْ أَحَدٍ مِّنْ بَعْدِهِ
إِنَّهُ كَانَ حَلِيمًا غَفُورًا

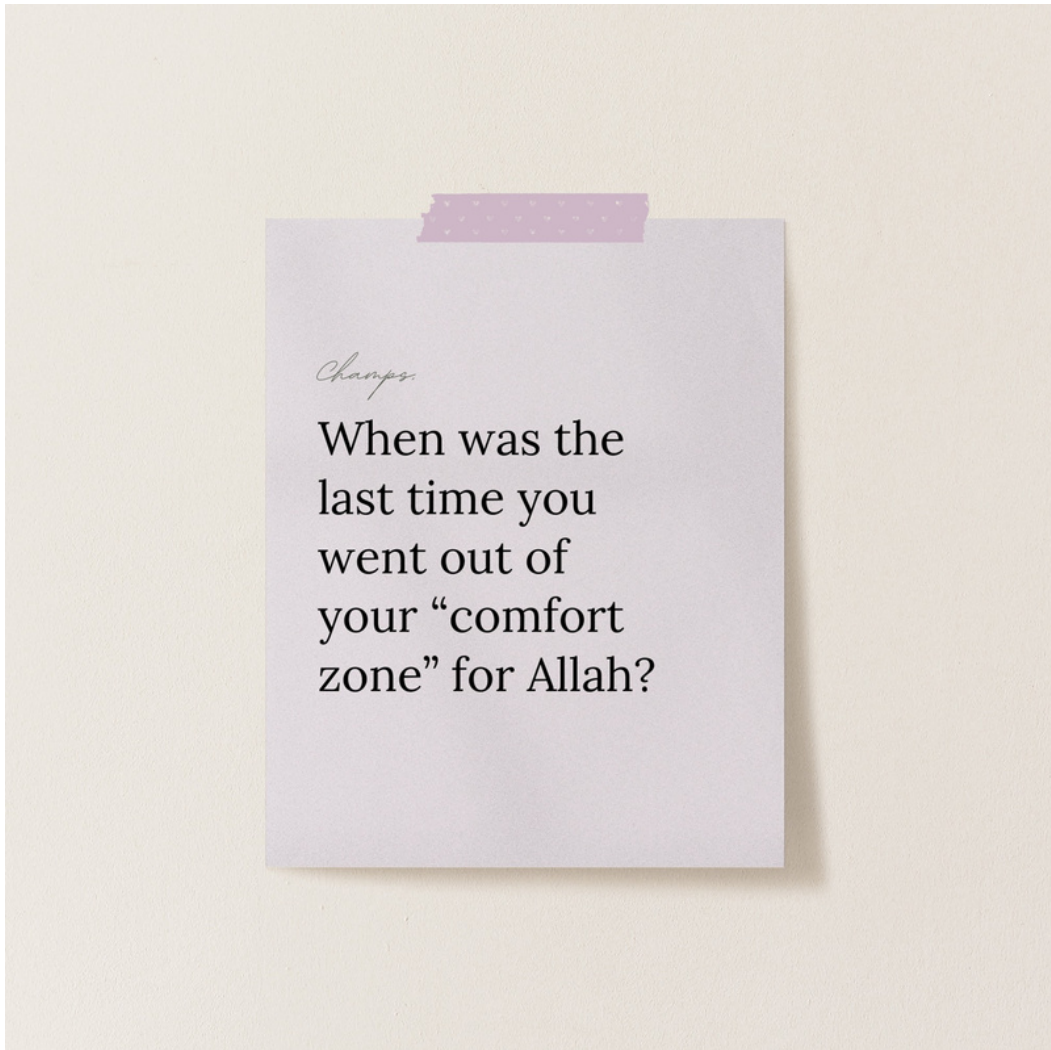
Indeed, Allah 'alone' keeps the heavens and the earth from falling apart. If they were to fall apart, none but Him could hold them up. He is truly Most Forbearing, All-Forgiving.

Quran 35:41

This week during our 114 Club Session (we are 7 Juzuks away from completing the Quran, Ma Sha Allah!), I shared an Ayah in Surah Fatir where Allah SWT says, **"Indeed, Allah 'alone' keeps the heavens and the earth from falling apart.** If they were to fall apart, none but Him could hold them up. He is truly Most Forbearing, All- Forgiving." I was just in awe of this Ayah because if Allah SWT can hold the Heavens and the entire Universe from falling apart with ease, what makes us think He can't hold us up? That He can't give us the strength, the hope, and the energy to keep going? Allah SWT uses the word "yumsiku" - this word means to hold or to grasp. It signifies the powerful and sustaining grip that Allah SWT has over the cosmos, preventing them from chaos or disintegration. And if Allah SWT is holding all of that up, then Allah SWT is also more than capable to HOLD YOU together! So run back to Allah SWT, and let Him hold you.

[Rest with the Quran Here](#)

to ponder



I remember one of my teachers sharing that even the tiniest amount of pain or discomfort we feel for the sake of Allah SWT will be rewarded, and that always brings such comfort to my heart. Learning how to recite the Quran as an adult, putting on the Hijab in the West, or sharing about the Deen with a non-Muslim acquaintance - these moments are not the easiest. But each time you go out of our comfort zone for His sake, it is actually a perfect opportunity to feel His Gentle Presence supporting and backing you up. You won't quite feel this in moments of ease and safe routines, but only in moments where you are taken out of your "bubble". So Champs, when was the last time you left your comfort zone to do something that pleases Allah SWT?

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Champs, we are only about 34 days away from Ramadan, In Sha Allah, and my team and I are currently planning for our Quran Tadarus timings. It would help a lot if you can do a very short survey (30 seconds, MAX!) on when you would prefer our nightly tadarus sessions to be held. May Allah SWT allow us to spend another blessed Ramadan together, Amin!

Your Preferred Ramadan 2026 Quran Timings

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