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WHY ARE YOU SO HAPPY
THIS RAMADHAN?

*“When the body fasts,
the soul feasts.”*

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In the Name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful

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your curated weekly spiritual booster delivered straight to your Inbox

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Assalamualaikum my Champions,

A few days ago, someone asked me what's making me so happy. I was rather surprised by her question because it wasn't like I'm beaming, humming, or skipping as I walked 😊 but she sensed something different, and I said, "Because it's Ramadhan!"

Curious, she asked again, "But why are you so happy in Ramadhan?"

That's when it got me thinking, **hmmm**, I wonder why?

Then it hit me.

Ramadhan is the rare moment when our souls triumph over our lower desires, our Nafs, finally getting to do what it has always wanted to do - to remember, praise, glorify, and worship the One and Only. So the body is fasting, but the soul is feasting.

Ramadhan is when most of our breaths and waking moments are filled with Quran.

Ramadhan is when nights are spent crying and supplicating to Him, while mornings are spent being in service to Him.

Ramadhan is when hearts are softened, hands are outstretched, giving is in abundance, and kinship is strengthened while discords are solved.

So why am I happy in Ramadhan?

Because this blessed month shows us a glimpse of our highest potential. It reveals to us the best version of ourselves. And this version of ourselves is one that is most attached to Allah SWT.

And this is why I am happy.

Because I am with Allah SWT. :)



If anyone asks what is required for a spiritual "glow-up", I would answer in a heartbeat, Tahajjud! Now imagine Tahajjud in Ramadhan?! That's a beautiful double combo right there, Ma Sha Allah! T.O.M will be opening it's "rooftop terrace" for the very first time this Ramadhan for Tahajjud on Friday, 7th March, (Asia: 4.15am SG / ROTW: 4.15am UK) so do come and join us if you would like some company during the sacred early hours as we gather together to do some Zikir & Du'as!

[Join Tahajjud Terrace Here](#)

a beautiful dua

Ya Allah, help us to
straighten our Pillars
of Life & strengthen
our Iman, for We are
indeed poor and weak
while You are full of
bounties and strong.

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#abeautifuldua

One of my favourite things to do in Ramadhan is to go through our collective Du'a list and "**Ameen**" to all of the beautiful, heartfelt (**and anonymous**) Du'as that you guys have written. The Du'a above is one of them! I love the humbling reminder that we are impoverished and weak without Allah SWT and to ask only from Him as He is full of Bounties and He never tires! PS: Have you added your Du'a?

Add Your (Anonymous) Du'as Here

ramadhan reflections



I was speaking to one of my closest friends a few days ago, and she was in tears as she shared how unhappy she was, and how she's **tired** of being unhappy all the time. I then started sharing all of the Quranic Ayahs and Hadiths I know that have helped me during my difficult times, but at the end I just blurted out, "TLDR: No Allah, No Happy" and it made my friend crack the biggest smile on her face! So yes, it may be tough and tiring, but when Allah SWT is with us, we don't have to wait till we reach the end of the tunnel to see light, as **His Light** is already **in** the tunnel with us!

Hadiths of Hope



In one of our Twilight Tilawah Sessions, one of our Champs shared her reflections on Sin. She said, "Sin. Just a three letter word, but its negative effects are so significant!" How true 🤔 Which is why this Hadith by Rasulullah ﷺ where he ﷺ said, "Salat is clear proof, and Sawm (fasting) is an impregnable shield, and **Sadaqah (charity) extinguishes sins just as water extinguishes fire**" gives me so much hope! Champs, if you are intending to give more this month for His sake, I hope you'll consider [AA x Nisa](#), a charity that my family have been leading and spearheading for the past 7 years, Alhamdulillah. Through it, we have been able to serve and support the elderly, widows, and single mothers who are vulnerable and unable to support themselves from the village where my in-laws are from, here in Morocco. So here I am, inviting you to support our cause, even if it's \$1, as it will go a long, long way, In Sha Allah! ([If you would like to know how we used the donations last year, click here.](#))

Donate to AA X Nisa Here

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We had our first Space of Saadah Game Room and it WAS SOOOOOOOO FUN! Some of you requested the questions for the Quran Game we played, and we are happy to oblige! In Sha Allah, we will try to keep sharing the Questions for these Game Sessions so that you can use them to play with your family and friends!

[Play the Quran Quiz Here!](#)

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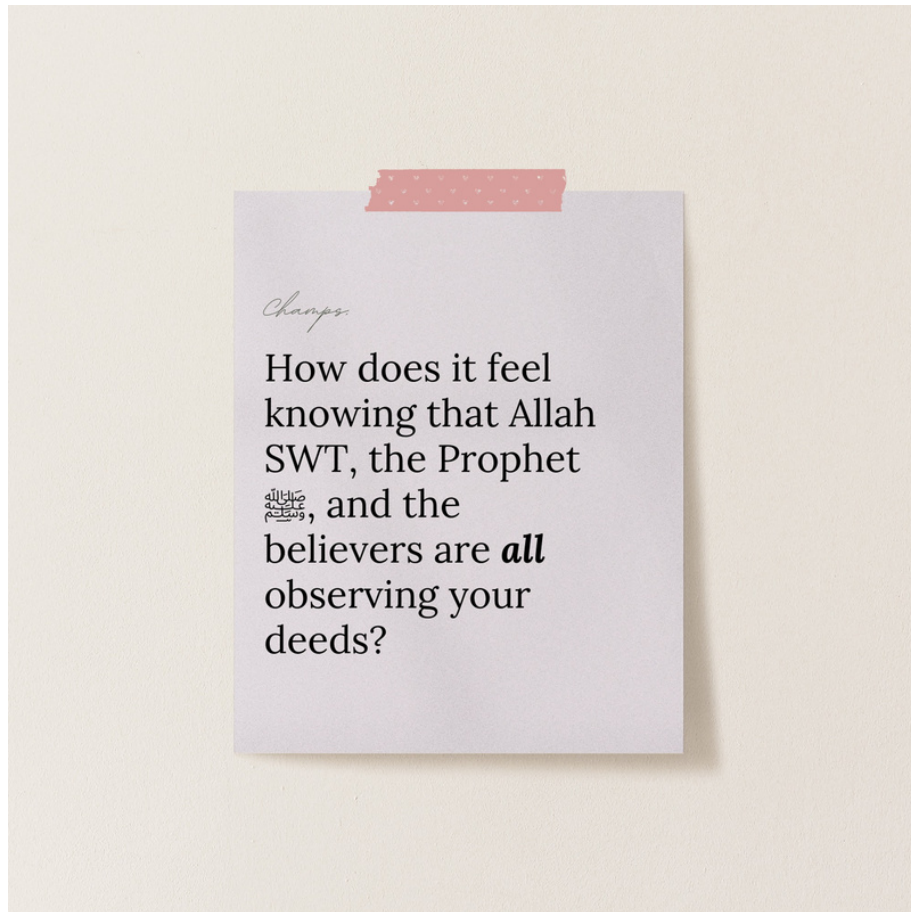
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This is me. Also, I am currently doing my sleep in instalments. 😂😂😂

3 hours here, 2 hours there, you get the picture! Praying that Allah SWT count our sleep as an ibadah and may He bless our sleep so that we can get quality rest in order to continuously worship Him with excellence this Ramadhan, Amin!

to ponder



I am journalling along to our [An Ayah A Day](#) PDF and today's Ayah is a beautiful one from Surah at-Tawbah, Verse 105: Tell 'them, O Prophet', "Do as you will. **Your deeds will be observed by Allah, His Messenger, and the believers.** And you will be returned to the Knower of the seen and unseen, **then He will inform you of what you used to do.**" This gives me goosebumps. Knowing that Allah SWT **and** Rasulullah ﷺ **AND** the believers will all observe all my deeds, both the good and the bad??? And then having to stand in front of Allah SWT and He will inform me of what I used to do??? SubhanAllah. How will my choices change now that I know of this? Will my character, my thoughts, my speech and my mannerisms improve knowing this? I truly hope so. 🤔

[Read An Ayah A Day Here](#)

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