# Why is there a virus?



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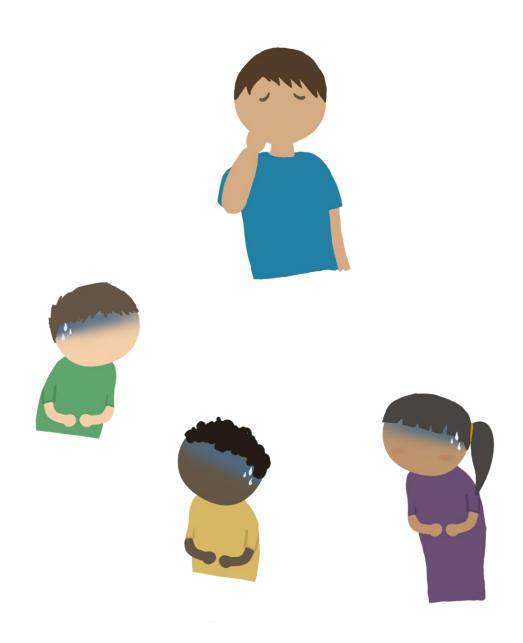
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The virus has taken over our lives.

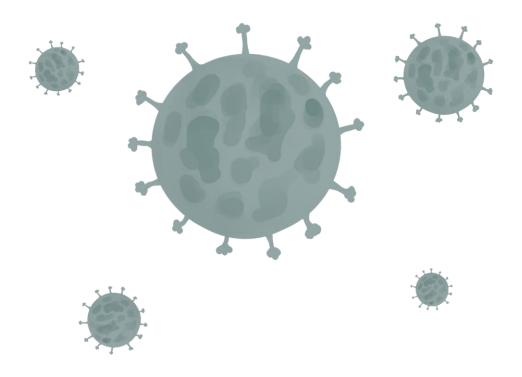


People are getting really sick and everyone is told to stay home.

It seems like so many bad things are happening right now, so perhaps you wonder why.

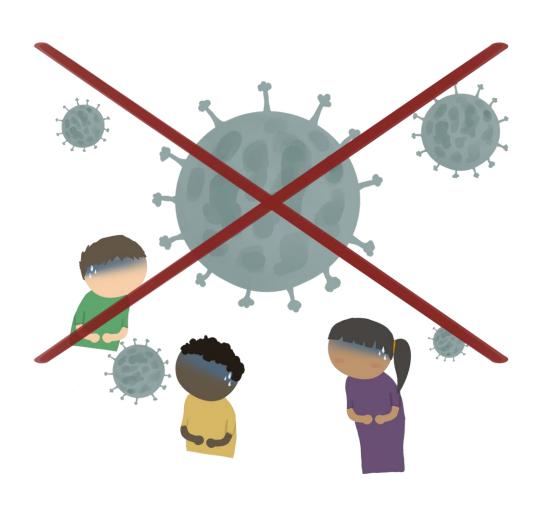


## Allah is the Creator of all things and Allah has the power to control everything.



Yes, that includes the virus too!

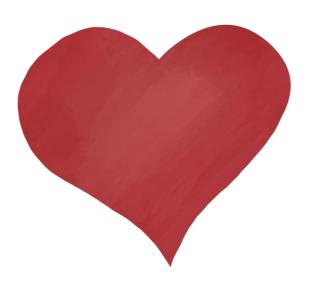
So why doesn't Allah make the virus go away so that no one gets sick and everything can go back to normal?



Well, everything happens for a reason.

Allah sends the virus as a punishment to some....





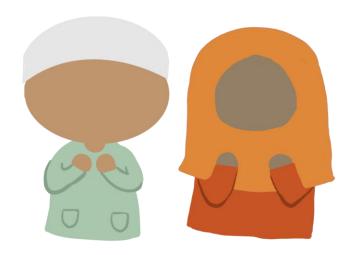
....and a blessing to others.

It is a punishment for those who do wrong.



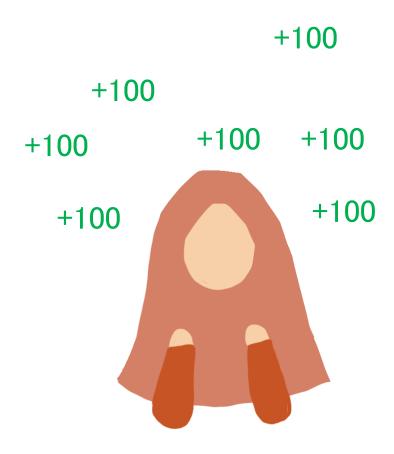
Those who do not remain patient and do not remember Allah when a disaster strikes them.

It is a blessing for the believersthose who believe in Allah.



Those who remain patient and hope for rewards from Allah when a disaster strikes them.

#### And due to their patience,



Allah forgives their sins, rewards them with goodness, and raise their places in Jannah.

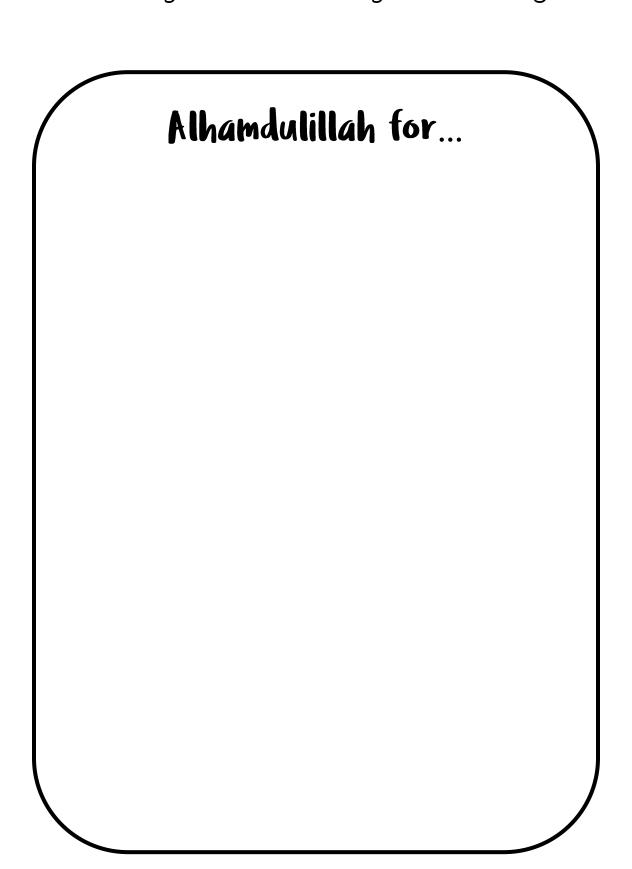
This is how a believer should be.

When good things happen to them, they are thankful to Allah, and when bad things happen to them, they are patient.



And so, Allah rewards them with goodness in both ways.

Therefore, let's be thankful and count the blessings that Allah has given us today.



## That's what the Prophet said...

Let's read what our beloved said and ponder upon it.

#### Suhaib reported that Allah's Messenger (#) said:

Strange are the ways of a believer for there is good in every affair of his and this is not the case with anyone else except in the case of a believer for if he has an occasion to feel delight, he thanks (God), thus there is a good for him in it, and if he gets into trouble and shows resignation (and endures it patiently), there is a good for him in it.

(Sahih Muslim 2999)

https://sunnah.com/muslim/55/82

#### 'Aishah (May Allah be pleased with her) reported:

I asked the Messenger of Allah (\*\*) about pestilence and he said, "It is a punishment which Allah sends upon whomsoever He wills, but Allah has made it as a mercy to the believers. Anyone who remains in a town which is plagued with pestilence maintaining patience expecting the reward from Allah, and knowing that nothing will befall him other than what Allah has foreordained for him, he would receive a reward of Shaheed".

[Al-Bukhari].

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