

Rewind and reflect

Episode 25

THE
OTHER
SIDE



Summary

Your *du'a* has the power to connect you to someone you've never met in person. In this episode, we're reminded that when you call upon Allah, you're not just strengthening your connection with Him, you're also reaching souls you've never met. A *du'a* for someone you love, someone you've lost, or someone you've never known, can echo across the Barzakh and bind hearts together in ways you may never see in this world. The believer who came before you may be waiting for you because of a single *du'a* you made for them. Your faith connects you across time, place, and even death—it makes you known to those who never knew your name, but recognize your sincerity.

Discussion question

Imagine one day in the Barzakh, the people you made *du'a* for in this life come to you. How would it feel to know your prayers helped shape their journey?

Application

Apply what you watched in a concrete way to help deepen your understanding.

How can you start practicing empathy—not just for those suffering in this world, but also for those awaiting mercy in the next? One of the simplest, most powerful ways is through *du'a*. A *du'a* for someone else is never lost. It's a thread of love, of brotherhood and sisterhood, that binds hearts together.

Make space in your day to pray for others—those you know, and those you may never meet. Because this is what our faith teaches us: that even a silent *du'a* can be the light that reaches a soul in the dark.

INSTRUCTIONS

1. Gather family and friends.
2. Watch **The Other Side, Episode 25**.
3. Read through this guide and discuss the questions provided.
4. Reflect, and grow together in faith.
5. Repeat for **all 30 episodes**.

References

The Prophet ﷺ said, "Whoever seeks forgiveness for the believing men and women, Allah will record a good deed for him by each man and woman." [Musnad al-Shamiyin lil-Tabarani #2118]

The Prophet ﷺ said, "The parable of the believers in their affection, mercy, and compassion for each other is that of a body. When any limb aches, the whole body reacts with sleeplessness and fever." [Sahih al-Bukhari #6011, Sahih Muslim #2586]

"Those who came after them say, 'Lord, forgive us our sins and the sins of our brothers who believed before us, and leave no malice in our hearts towards those who believe. Lord, You are truly compassionate and merciful.'" [Qur'an, 59:10]

Storyline connection

Using what you learned from this episode, what encouragement can you give Anwar regarding his *du'a* and those he lost?

Activity

The *Janazah* *du'a*

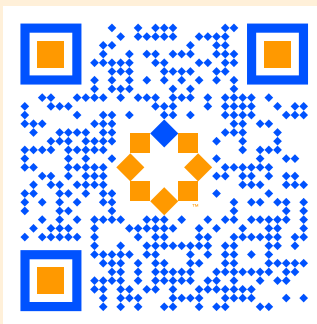
This episode encourages us to make *du'a* for others, even if we don't know them personally. One of the ways to do that in Islam, is through the *Janazah* prayer. The *du'a* of the *Janazah* prayer includes not just the deceased, but all believers. If you don't know it already, memorize the *du'a* for the *Janazah* prayer, and be sure to attend any *Janazah* that takes place in your community and reflect on your new connection with this person who awaits you in the Barzakh.

Parent tip

When discussing this topic with children, focus on the idea that meeting Allah is a beautiful and joyous reunion, like finally seeing a loved one after a long time apart. Explain that this life is a journey where we try our best to be kind, do good deeds, and prepare for that special day. Reassure them that Allah is the Most Loving and the Most Merciful, and He wants us to live in a way that brings us happiness in this world and the next.

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