Mums are the strongest

Description

My husband has been super sweet to me lately! He's been fetching me from places like Tampines and Changi (the other end of the island) home, and even waking up just to drive me to my morning tuition (it's a 5 min drive away but usually takes me 20 min if I wait for Grab)!

He usually says it's a waste of petrol to travel out from home to far-off places just to fetch me, but he's been breaking his own rules lately! ð??? I'm not complaining lol gonna milk, I mean enjoy, this for as long as it lasts!

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Lately I've also been having tons of soup! We went for Beauty In A Pot for our first year anniversary celebration dinner cos I was craving for their shark collagen soup (omg #dayrefatties it's so good, you MUST try it), then a few days later we had Buddha Jumps Over the Wall (yum!) and last night my MIL made the most DELICIOUS herbal pork soup! It was so good that I slurped up every last drop!!



ð??• we definitely prefer Beauty in A Pot over Hai Di Lao, cos the soups here are more delish! Pricier but we got 20% off ingredients by going after 10.30pm, I clocked a 6% cashback on my credit card for weekend dining AND we got a $30 off return voucher too, so okay la it was worth the splurge! ð???

Btw for Citibank credit card holders, they're having a promo now for tomato soup + another one of your choice = $12! Pretty worth it imo and we're definitely returning soon again with our parents to eat a second round since the discount is pretty good!

The irony is that I spend very little on food for myself (mostly hawker) while we happily spend when it's for special occasions or treating our parents ð???



Also attended little Natalie's first birthday party yesterday at NSRCC! I love this girl, she's so adorable haha although I could have sworn she looked so much bigger in the photos her parents have been posting of her.

I've so much respect for her parents, because prior to having her, Deanna actually carried another baby boy to full term, but at 39 weeks the baby lost his heartbeat and came out a stillborn ð??ð??ð?? I really don't know how they lived through that cos I can't imagine what I would do if it were me! To go through nine whole months of pain and morning sickness, all that money on gynae visits and hospital deliveryâ?¦and not have a baby? The emotional and financial traumaâ?¦omg I can't.

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They're really the strongest parents I know and I respect them so much for this!

There were SO MANY BABIES AND MUMMIES at their party yesterday and I was a little shocked because it was my first time attending a baby's 1st birthday where there were so many other babies! (I've only attended 3 anyway so far lol so speaking from limited experience)

Got to hear so many pregnancy and parenthood stories last night and it was really astounding!

Deanna also told me about how they opted NOT to do the Down Syndrome test for baby Natalie when she was pregnant and I was ð??±ð??± at the revelation, cos I would definitely do the test when it's my turn!

She said it's because they would still have the baby anyway, and I guess therein lies my controversial opinion because personally, I don't think I would want to bring a baby that isn't completely healthy into the world cos why bring someone in to suffer?

BUT that goes against my religious teachings ð???ð??? #dayremummies what do you think? Did you do the Oscar test for your baby?

I also met one mom at the party who had twins, and she was sharing about how they weighed 3kg each, so carrying them + 2 water bags + 2 placentas was pretty much 8 â?? 10kg ð??±ð??±ð??±ð??± OMG how on earth do mummies do that?!?!

Another mom also shared about how she pretty much had morning sickness EVERY DAY throughout her nine months of pregnancy with her first child ð??¨ð??° omggggg.

Suddenly I appreciate all the mothers so much more and really understand why people say mothers are the most ä¼?å¤§ï¼•

Reminds me of a beautiful quote about why God made mothers that I came across a few years agoâ?¦hold on lemme try to find it.

OH it is a poem, not a quote!

Why Women Cry
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[A little boy] put in a call to God. When God got on the phone, he asked, "God, why do women cry so easily?"

God said, "When I made the woman she had to be special.

I made her shoulders strong enough to carry the weight of the world,

yet gentle enough to give comfort.

I gave her an inner strength to endure childbirth and the rejection that many times comes from her children.

I gave her a hardness that allows her to keep going when everyone else gives up, and take care of her family through sickness and fatigue without complaining.

I gave her strength to carry her husband through his faults and fashioned her from his rib to protect his heart.

I gave her wisdom to know that a good husband never hurts his wife, but sometimes tests her strengths and her resolve to stand beside him unfalteringly.

And finally, I gave her a tear to shed. This is hers exclusively to use whenever it is needed."

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On another note, we're going on a short trip to Siem Reap, Cambodia next week! Feels like forever since we took a break from work.

A little worried about the water and food hygiene there! My stomach is really weak, should we be concerned? ð??? so far friends have told us to only drink (and even brush our teeth) from bottled mineral water but we're still worried about the possibility of food poisoning!

Any recommendations for things to do or must-eat places in Siem Reap please! So far we're using Klook for our activities but any other recommendations would be greatly appreciated!! ð??•

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