

Jealousy

Jealousy الحسد

1. Jealousy is one of the two torments.

.. الْحَسَدُ أَحَدُ الْعَذَابَيْنِ¹

2. Jealousy is the viler of the two depravities.

.. الْحَسَدُ الْأُمُّ الرَّذِيلَتَيْنِ²

3. Jealousy is an incurable disease, it does not end except by the destruction of the envier or the death of the envied.

.. الْحَسَدُ دَاءٌ عَيَاءٌ، لَا يَزُولُ إِلَّا بِهَلْكَ الْحَاسِدِ، أَوْ مَوْتِ الْمَحْسُودِ³

4. Jealousy eats away good deeds just like fire consumes firewood.

.. الْحَسَدُ يَأْكُلُ الْحَسَنَاتِ كَمَا تَأْكُلُ النَّارُ الْحَطَبَ⁴

5. Jealousy is a shameful flaw and a gross deficiency; one who possesses it is not cured except by realizing his hopes about the one whom he envies.

.. الْحَسَدُ عَيْبٌ فَاضِحٌ، وَشُحٌّ (شَجِيٌّ) فَادِحٌ، لَا يَشْفِي صَاحِبَهُ إِلَّا بُلُوغُ آمَالِهِ فِيمَنْ يَحْسُدُهُ⁵

6. Be cautious of jealousy, for it disparages the self.

.. إَحْذَرُوا الْحَسَدَ، فَإِنَّهُ يُزْرِى بِالنَّفْسِ6

7. Be wary of jealousy for it is the worst quality, the ugliest attribute and the trait of the Devil.

.. إِيَّاكَ وَالْحَسَدَ، فَإِنَّهُ شَرُّ شَيْمَةٍ، وَأَقْبَحُ سَجِيَّةٍ، وَخَلِيقَةُ إِبْلِيسَ7

8. Jealousy is stressful.

.. أَلْحَسَدُ يُضْنِي8

9. Jealousy is the worst of diseases.

.. أَلْحَسَدُ شَرُّ الْأَمْرَاضِ9

10. Jealousy is imprisonment of the soul.

.. أَلْحَسَدُ حَبَسُ الرُّوحِ10

11. Jealousy is the principal of [all] flaws.

.. أَلْحَسَدُ رَأْسُ الْعُيُوبِ11

12. Jealousy makes life miserable.

.. أَلْحَسَدُ يَنْكِدُ الْعَيْشَ12

13. Jealousy emaciates (and exhausts) the body.

.. أَلْحَسَدُ يُنْضِي (يُضْنِي) الْجَسَدَ13

14. Jealousy melts away the body.

.. أَلْحَسَدُ يُذِيبُ الْجَسَدَ14

15. Jealousy gives rise to depression.

.. الْحَسَدُ يُنْشِئُ الْكَمَدَ¹⁵

16. Jealousy is the great trap of the Devil.

.. الْحَسَدُ مِقْنَصَةٌ (مَنْقَصَةٌ) إِبْلِيسَ الْكُبْرَى¹⁶

17. Jealousy is an ailment that cannot be cured.

.. الْحَسَدُ مَرَضٌ لَا يُؤْسَى¹⁷

18. Jealousy is the habitude of the vile ones and the enemies of fortunes.

.. الْحَسَدُ دَأْبُ السُّفْلِ، وَأَعْدَاءُ الدُّوَلِ¹⁸

19. When jealousy between the people rains, corruption grows.

.. إِذَا أَمْطَرَ النَّحَاسُ نَبَتَ التَّفَاسُ¹⁹

20. The fruit of jealousy is wretchedness in this world and the Hereafter.

.. ثَمَرَةُ الْحَسَدِ شَقَاءُ الدُّنْيَا وَالْآخِرَةِ²⁰

21. Shun jealousy, dishonesty and malice, for indeed these three [characteristics] disgrace the religion and destroy the person [who possesses them].

.. دَعِ الْحَسَدَ، وَالْكَذِبَ، وَالْحِقْدَ، فَإِنَّهُنَّ ثَلَاثَةٌ تَشِينُ الدِّينَ، وَتُهْلِكُ الرَّجُلَ²¹

22. The cornerstone of [all] depravities is jealousy.

.. رَأْسُ الرَّذَائِلِ الْحَسَدُ²²

23. The cause of depression is jealousy.

.. سَبَبُ الْكَمَدِ الْحَسَدُ²³

24. The weapon of ignobility is jealousy.

.. سِلَاحُ اللَّؤْمِ الْحَسَدُ²⁴

25. The worst thing that can accompany a person is jealousy.

.. شَرُّ مَا صَحِبَ الْمَرْءَ الْحَسَدُ²⁵

26. Purify your hearts of jealousy, for it is a depressing enfeeblener.

.. طَهِّرُوا قُلُوبَكُمْ مِنَ الْحَسَدِ، فَإِنَّهُ مُكْمِدٌ مُضْنِي²⁶

27. Just as rust corrodes iron until it causes it to waste away, so too does jealousy corrode the body until it wears away.

.. كَمَا أَنَّ الصَّدَأَ يَأْكُلُ الْحَدِيدَ حَتَّى يُفْنِيَهُ، كَذَلِكَ الْحَسَدُ يُكْمِدُ الْجَسَدَ حَتَّى يُفْنِيَهُ²⁷

28. Jealousy is not from the characteristics of the God-wary.

.. لَيْسَ الْحَسَدُ مِنْ خُلُقِ الْأَتْقِيَاءِ²⁸

29. Jealousy towards a friend for the blessing [he has been endowed with] stems from low self-esteem.^{[1](#)}

.. مِنْ صِغَرِ الْهَمَّةِ حَسَدُ الصَّدِيقِ عَلَى النِّعْمَةِ²⁹

30. Woe be to jealousy, how fair it is! It starts off with its companion and then kills him.

.. وَيَحَ الْحَسَدُ مَا أَعْدَلُهُ، بَدَأَ بِصَاحِبِهِ فَقَتَلَهُ³⁰

31. Do not be jealous of each other, for jealousy eats away the faith like fire consumes firewood; and do not have hatred for one another for this is severing [for the faith].

.. لَا تَحَاسَدُوا فَإِنَّ الْحَسَدَ يَأْكُلُ الْإِيمَانَ، كَمَا تَأْكُلُ النَّارُ الْحَطَبَ، وَلَا تَبَاغَضُوا فَإِنَّهَا الْحَالِقَةُ 31

32. There is no malady like jealousy.

.. لِأَدَاءٍ كَالْحَسَدِ 32

1. Or from weakness and lack of resolve

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