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1. Whoever makes an effort to strive in obedience to Allah and His messenger, his soul shall be safe and sound [from the torments of the Hereafter] and his transaction will be profitable and gainful.

ـ إنَّ مَنْ بَذَلَ نَفْسَهُ في طاعَةِ اللّهِ ورَسُولِهِ كانَتْ نَفْسُهُ ناجِيَةً سالِمَةً، وَصَفْقَتُهُ رابِحَةً غانِمَةً1

2. The first thing which you overcome through *Jihd* is through striving with your hands, then [if this is not possible] by your tongue, then [if this is not possible] with your hearts; and the one who neither supports good with his heart nor censures evil, is turned upside down (i.e. will face the wrath of Allah).

ـ إنَّ أوَّلَ ما تُغْلَبُونَ عَلَيهِ مِنَ الجِهادِ، جِهادٌ بِأيْديكُمْ، ثُمَّ بِألْسِنَتِكُمْ، ثُمَّ بِقُلُوبِكُمْ، فَمَنْ لَمْ يَعْرِفْ بِقَلْبِهِ مَعْرُوفاً، وَلَمْ يُنْكِرْ مُنْكَراً، قُلِّبَ فَجُعِلَ أعْلاهُ أسْفَلَهُ.2

3. Struggling [in the way of Allah] is the pillar of faith and the path of the felicitous.

ـ الجِهادُ عِمادُ الدّينِ، ومِنْهاجُ السُّعَداءِ3

4. The doors of the heavens are opened for those who strive [in the way of Allah].

ـ اَلمُجاهِدُونَ تُفْتَحُ لَهُمْ أبْوابُ السَّماءِ4

5. If the people who came before me complained about the injustice of their rulers, then today I complain about the injustice of my people; it is as if I am led and they are the leaders, [and] I am restrained and they are the restrainers.

5ـ إنْ كانَتِ الرَّعايا قَبْلي تَشْكُوا حَيْفَ رُعاتِها فَإنّي اليَوْمَ أشْكُو حَيْفَ رَعِيَّتي، كَأنّي المَقُودُ وهُمُ القادَةُ، والمُوزَعُ وَهُمُ الوَزَعَةُ

6. The reward for striving [in the way of Allah] is the greatest reward.

6ـ ثوابُ الجِهادِ أعْظَمُ الثَّوابِ

7. And [Allah has prescribed] *Jih*d as [a means of preserving the] honour of Islam.

7ـ والجِهادَ عِزّاً لِلإسْلامِ

8. Strong determination and lavishness do not go together.

8ـ لا تَجْتَمِعُ عَزيمَةٌ ووَليمَةٌ

9. The purification of the body is [in] striving and fasting.

9ـ زَكوةُ البَدَنِ الجِهادُ والصِّيامُ

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