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1. The farthest endeavours are those that are closest to nobleness.

2. Worries [and concerns] are [proportionate] to the extent of [one's] endeavours.

3. The best endeavours are the loftiest of them.

4. Be lofty in your endeavours when you seek something and honourable in victory when you overpower [your enemy].

5. One whose endeavour is great, his care [and attention towards it] becomes great.

6. One whose endeavour is insignificant, his merit is nullified.

7. One whose endeavour is honourable, his value becomes great.

8. One whose endeavour is great, his cause is worthy.

9. Confine your endeavour to that which is necessary for you and do not enter into that which does not concern you.

10. One who rises to the [higher] levels of endeavour [and determination] is glorified [and considered as great] by the nations.

11. One whose concern is not for [attaining] that which is with Allah, the Glorified, does not realize his aspiration.

12. Never concern yourself with anything except that which will earn you recompense and do not strive except in gaining reward.

13. One's zeal is [proportionate] to the extent of one's endeavour.

14. The value of a man is proportionate to his endeavour and [the value of] his action is to the extent of

his intention.

15. Nothing raises a person like his [earnest] endeavour and nothing lowers him like his lustful desire.

16. The worries of a man are to the extent of his endeavour and his sense of honour is to the extent of his zeal.

17. Do not make your family and children your greatest concern, for indeed if they are friends of Allah, the Glorified, then Allah does not forsake His friend, and if they are the enemies of Allah then what is your concern for the enemies of Allah?

18. Do not allow yourself to feel sorrow for what you have lost such that it preoccupies you from what is [yet] to come.

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