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1. The severest of hardships is [having] evil offspring.

2. Hardships are the key to reward.

3. Reward with Allah, the Glorified, is to the extent of the hardship undergone.

4. The hardship of [lacking] patience is the greatest of hardships.

5. Hardships are divided equally among the creatures.

6. Hardship in religion is the greatest of hardships.

7. The reward for [bearing] hardship is greater than the extent of the hardship [itself].

8. Indeed you are the target of calamities and the object of sicknesses.

9. At times, tribulation may abase [a person].

10. When you see that Allah, the Glorified, is continuously testing you [with hardships], then [know that] He has woken you [from your slumber of negligence].

11. When hardships distance themselves, solace draws near.

12. When you see your Lord continually testing you [with hardships] then be grateful to Him.

13. When you fear the difficulty of an affair then be firm against it, it will yield to you; and deceive time about its calamities, it will become easy for you.

14. When tribulations come to you then sit and accept them, for indeed your standing up and confronting them will only aggravate them.

15. When adversity takes you by surprise, then seek refuge in patience and in seeking assistance [from Allah].

16. Through discomforts, Paradise is attained.

17. Through calamities, happiness is spoiled.

18. The harm that one faces in calamity is to the extent of [the loftiness of] one's rank.

19. It is with great difficulty that lofty ranks and perpetual bliss are attained.

20. The trial of a man is proportionate to his faith and religion.

21. The tribulation of a man is in his submission to avarice and [false] and hope.

22. Reward descends in proportion to the hardship [that one bears].

23. Three things are from the greatest tribulations: a very large family, an overwhelming loan and

unrelenting sickness.

24. The reward for hardship is proportionate to the patience exhibited in it.

25. Continual strife is from the greatest tribulations.

26. Sometimes you may be the cause of your own misfortune.

27. To the extent of the hardship, there is reward.

28. Every time the value of a thing that is competed becomes great, the difficulty of losing it increases.

29. One who does not prepare himself to confront hardships [with patience and supplication], the hardships befall him [while he is unprepared for them].

30. One who starts complaining about the hardship that has befallen him is actually only complaining against his Lord.

31. One who turns his attention away from this world, hardships become easy for him [to bear].

32. One who hits his hand on his thigh in times of hardship has nullified his reward.

33. One who exaggerates small hardships, Allah tries him with great ones.

34. One who faces successive calamities acquires the merit of patience through them.

35. One of the greatest hardships for the virtuous is having to socialize with the wicked.

36. How great is the hardship in this world when accompanied by the severe indigence of tomorrow (i.e. the Hereafter)!

37. A hardship that befalls others and has reward for you is better than the hardship that befalls you while its reward and recompense is for others.

38. A hardship from which good is expected is better than a blessing for which gratitude is not expressed.

39. Be happy with tribulation and pleased with affliction [as you will gain great reward for it].

40. The worst of adversities are those in which there is no reckoning [and recompense].

41. Verily great reward accompanies great trials; so when Allah, the Glorified, loves a community, He tries them.

42. The one who exposes himself to affliction puts himself in danger.

43. Tribulation follows behind ease [and comfort].

44. Many a person is shown sympathy for an affliction that is [actually] his cure.

45. Many a person who is afflicted is made stronger by his affliction.

46. The distress of tribulation [one faces] is proportionate to the blessings [one receives].

47. Tribulation may come suddenly.

48. Every tribulation other than the fire [of hell] is [a means to] wellbeing.

49. For every heart there is anguish.

50. When you are tested, be patient.

51. How many a person is tested with blessings!

52. How many a person is blessed through tribulation!

53. Do not consider yourself secure from tribulation in your times of safety and comfort.

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