GUARD YOUR HOPE

Christian, you have many trials and strong temptations to conquer before you enter Heaven's gate and are clothed with your garments of salvation. Defend your hope now and it will defend you in times of trouble. Strengthen your hope, and it will carry you through those times. Every member of the body is careful to protect the head from getting hurt. The hands ward off blows, and the feet run to take the head away from danger.

Salvation is to the soul what the head is to the body, the principal thing that should be kept secure. Hope is to our salvation what the helmet is to the head. The outcome of the battle with the enemy depends on your hope. If hope fails, you have lost.