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Ps.62,6: "Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I shall not be shaken."

Hebr.12,12-13: "Therefore, strengthen your feeble arms and weak knees. Make level paths for your feet."

In your fortress you are safe, you're no longer captive to your fears nor will you receive your fate at the hand of your enemy; your fortress is your strength.

It is a beautiful illustration of the truth of what Christ Jesus is for all who believe in him. Paul often uses the expression *being in Christ* to describe faith – he is your fortress, an effective and sure shield against the powers set to bring your life to nothing and end it in shame and loss; in it you are nourished and strengthened and find rest. From this fortress you fight to win, because you fight in its strength.

Jesus says: "My sheep listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all; no one can snatch them out of my Father's hand. I and the Father are one." (Jn.10,27-30)