

Seek union with God and buoy yourself up with hope — that *sure* virtue! — because Jesus will illuminate the way for you with the light of his mercy, even in the darkest night.

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If you follow the will of God, you know that in spite of all the terrible things that happen to you, you will never lose a final refuge. You know that the foundation of the world is love, so that even when no human being can or will help you, you may go on, trusting in the One that loves you.

*Pope Benedict XVI*

If you fall, get up with greater hope... Self-love alone is incapable of understanding that an error, when put right, helps us to know and to humble ourselves.

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Joy adapts and changes, but it always endures, even as a flicker of light born of our personal certainty that, when everything is said and done, we are infinitely loved.

*Pope Francis* > *Evangelii Gaudium: The Joy of the Gospel*

“I have asked Our Lady for many things,” you were telling me, and then you corrected yourself: “What I should say is that I have brought many things to Our Lady’s attention.”

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What a contrast between Our Lady's hope and our own impatience!

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Our Lord did not confine himself to telling us that he loved us. He showed it to us with deeds, with his whole life. — What about you?

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The Lord prepares those whom he calls to do his work.

*St Thomas* > *Summa Theologiae* > 3: q.27

There is no such thing as failure if you act with a right intention, wanting to fulfil God's will and counting always on his grace and your own nothingness.

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... we must make sure that our souls have no nooks or crannies into which the light of Jesus Christ cannot shine. And then Christ will be in your mind, on your lips, in your heart, stamped on your deeds. All of your life will be full of God ... our Christian vocation, this unity of life built on the presence of God our Father, can and ought to be a daily reality.

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Anything done out of love is important, however small it might appear.

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On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul.

*Psalm 137*

