The Lord is My Fortress

Psalm 17/18:2-The Lord is my rock, and my fortress, and my deliverer; my God, my strength, in whom I will trust; my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower. (KJV)

The Lord is a fortress against all that will tarnish the soul in earthly life.
As the fortress, the Lord provides protection for the believer against the devil.
The wiles of the devil are plentiful in daily life and seek to corrupt the soul.
Protective walls of the Lord for faithful believers are not penetrated by the devil.
God's Holy Church serves to educate the believer about the Lord as a fortress.
Scriptural references used regularly in the Church identify the Lord as fortress

Psalm 30/31:3-For thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore for thy name's sake lead me, and guide me. (KJV)

Perceptive believers are sensitive to personal limits and know the need for God.
Attentive believers perceive the Lord as fortress and fully embrace the belief.
The proof of the Lord as protective fortress is validated in personal experience.
Personal experiences convince faithful believers of the truth of Church teachings.
Truth verified by personal experience enables believers to be at personal peace.
Hope endures in the hearts and minds of believers protected by the Lord God.

Psalm 70/71:3-Be thou my strong habitation, whereunto I may continually resort: thou hast given commandment to save me; for thou art my rock and my fortress. (KJV)

When the believer turns to the Lord as fortress**,** external threats are repelled.
Honesty with the self acknowledges that all of life is dependent up the Lord God.
Each breath**,** each movement of the body and each thought require God's action.
Confidence increases in believers trusting in the protection of the mighty God.
Jesus stood against the devil when tempted significantly and repeatedly. .(Mt.41-11)
Life in the Lord God is a constructive initiative providing protection of the soul.

Psalm 90/91:2-I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust. (KJV)

Living fully in the Lord results in unlimited joy, peace and salvation of the soul.
Enduring relationships are possible when the Lord is the believer's fortress.
Responsible believers turning to God as fortress gratefully give glory to God.
Thank God always for being a fortress each day of earthly life without fail.
Turning to the Lord God as the fortress for life is a constructive personal action.
Viewing God as life's fortress is a matter of great personal faith and resolute trust.

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