

SUPERNATURAL HOPE

MEANING: HOPE IS THE CONFIDENT EXPECTATION OF ETERNAL HAPPINESS, AND OF THE NECESSARY MEANS TO ATTAIN HEAVEN

FORMS

- VIRTUE: THEOLOGICAL HABIT INFUSED INTO THE SOUL AT BAPTISM
- ACT: EVERY CONFIDENT DESIRE OF REACHING HEAVEN, INSPIRED BY SUPERNATURAL GRACE

FOUNDATION

- ① BASED ON FAITH WHICH IS THE SUBSTANCE OF THINGS HOPE FOR
- ② MADE POSSIBLE BY DIVINE GRACE
 - SANCTIFYING GRACE FOR THOSE WHO ARE IN THE STATE OF GRACE
 - ACTUAL GRACE FOR BOTH THOSE IN THE STATE OF GRACE, AND THOSE IN MORTAL SIN

ANALYSIS

RELATION

- TO TRUST
 - WE HOPE IN WHAT GOD HAS PROMISED BECAUSE WE TRUST IN GOD WHO MADE THE PROMISE
- TO CHARITY
 - WE HOPE IN GOD'S PROMISES BECAUSE WE LOVE HIM, AND WE ARE CONFIDENT HE WILL FULFILL HIS PROMISES BECAUSE HE LOVES US
 - WE HOPE TO ATTAIN HEAVEN BECAUSE WE WANT TO POSSESS GOD, FOR WHOM WE WERE MADE

TO OTHER PEOPLE

- WE HOPE FOR THE SALVATION OF OTHERS BECAUSE, AND IN SO FAR AS, WE LOVE THEM

OUR DUTY
① TO GROW

② TO PROTECT

③ TO SHARE

④ TO HELP OTHERS RECOVER AND GROW IN HOPE

OBJECT

- ① PRIMARILY: ETERNAL HAPPINESS
- ② SECONDARILY: THE MEANS NEEDED TO REACH HEAVEN
 - 1) SUPERNATURAL GRACE
 - ILLUMINATIONS FOR THE MIND
 - INSPIRATIONS FOR THE WILL
 - 2) GIFT OF FINAL PERSISTENCE
 - 3) TEMPORAL BLESSINGS
 - PERSONS
 - PLACES
 - THINGS