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
  - Based on faith which is the substance of things hoped for
  - 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:
- To trust
  - We hope in what God has promised because we trust in God who made the promise
- Relation 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

Our duty:
- To grow
- To protect
- To share
- To help others recover and grow in hope

Object:
1. Primarily: Eternal happiness
2. Secondary: The means needed to reach heaven
   1. Supernatural grace
   2. Gift of final perseverance for persons
   3. Temporal blessings for places