



*SYMBOLS OF THE LORD'S PROTECTION*



Every person and every spirit is under the Lord's protection, the evil equally as the good...(*Apocalypse Explained* 643:2).

The Lord has a constant concern for everyone (see *Arcana Coelestia* 5992:2).



You, O Lord, will bless the righteous;  
with favor You will surround him as with a shield (Psalm 5:12).

The Lord is our help and our shield (Psalm 33:20).

His truth shall be your shield and buckler (Psalm 91:4).





He shall cover you with His feathers, and under His wings you shall take refuge (Psalm 91:4).

I will trust in the shelter of Your wings (Psalm 61:4).

Putting one's "trust under His wings" stands for protection and trust that belong to faith (see *Arcana Coelestia* 8764).



The Lord by means of Divine truth protects His own,  
for He surrounds them with a sphere of light  
(see *Apocalypse Explained* 395:2).

People who are strong in truths are kept safe from harm  
wherever they go, even if they are in the midst of hell  
(*Arcana Coelestia* 6769).





“For I” says the Lord, “will be a wall of fire all around her, and I will be the glory in her midst” (Zechariah 2:5).

A wall of fire symbolizes protection by the Divine Love, for this the hells cannot approach; the glory in the midst of her is the Divine Truth in the light on every side (*Apocalypse Explained* 504:12).



Angels lead and protect people every instant.... Nothing gives the angels greater delight and happiness than to remove evils from people and lead them to heaven (see *Arcana Coelestia* 5992:1,2).