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1 Corinthians 13:1-13

Winston Churchill was prime minister of England during some of the darkest hours of World War II. During the summer and autumn of 1940, Germany initiated the Battle of Britain when their air force mercilessly bombed Portsmouth, London, and other cities. It was the first major campaign fought entirely by air forces. The battle received its name from a speech Churchill delivered in the House of Commons, in which he said, "The Battle of France is over. I expect the Battle of Britain is about to begin."

A reporter once asked Churchill his country's greatest weapon had been against the Nazi regime. He replied, "It was what England's greatest weapon has always been?hope." In the midst of the battle, though, the people of England occasionally grew discouraged. They wondered if the bombing would ever stop. Repeatedly, Churchill rallied the military and the populace by instilling hope.

You may be tempted to quit too when your enemy attacks relentlessly. But never stop hoping. God's love flowing deep within you will prompt you to discover that, as Paul said, "Love . . . always hopes."

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