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Reflection: Q: What is your only comfort in life and death? A: That I belong – body and soul – not to myself but to my faithful Saviour, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil...that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head.

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