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I am walking down a city street at sunset. I look down on the ground and find a copper penny. I lift it up and read the inscription "In God we trust." I continue my walk as it gets darker around me, and I see lying on the pathway a pair of copper earrings. One of these is broken but I can read on both of them the same inscription found on the penny: "In God we trust."

The approaching night speaks of darkness or of the time when things are not clearly seen. Sometimes it speaks of not seeing at all. The inscription "In God we trust" is repeated three times. That is to reveal its importance as a truth (in the mouth of two or three witnesses...). The copper of the penny and earrings signifies bondage and hardness. The earrings also symbolize our hearing. Their being copper and one's being broken speak of our often being hard and defective of hearing to understand or remember such truths as to simply trust in God.

When darkness comes to us and heaven appears as bronze or copper this is the time to trust. Trust in God is needed when we see no possible answer or way out. Trust deals more with our assurance in God's character than the matter for which we trust. If we trust God's character and promises, faith and hope come more easily. When our enemy causes us to doubt God's love or promises our trust will be weakened. Trust and faith in God's character must be the foundation on which we stand, or Satan will have a good chance of causing us to fall. Trust may not understand the problem or delay, but it can and must rely on the good character of God. Trust can wait with assurance and hope for God to open our eyes or, even as we are in the darkness, for God to grant us peace---knowing He knows best and soon will let the darkness pass into light.