

# If God Make Not the House to Stand

*Wo Gott nicht selbst das Haus auffricht*

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Psalm 127, tr. Burkard Waldis († c. 1556)

Johannes Heugel (c. 1500–1585)

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Soprano

1 If God make not the house, the house to stand Nor with all  
4 As heirs we have from God, from God the Lord The chil-dren  
7 To Christ, who this for us, for us hath won, Let us give

Alto

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Tenor

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that He send - eth; To whom He will He doth, He doth a -  
ad - o - ra - tion— True God and Man, God's Son, God's ver - y

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 Son, Who died for man's sal - va - tion; And thank -

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 — hun - ger stilled, From ver - y grace and  
 — church, may we His praise ring out for - - -

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 — mer - - - cy. By Him are thirst and  
 — ev - - - er! With - in His ho - ly

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Voice

2 If God keep not the cit - y sure Nor build both wall and tow - er,  
3 So take ye note and well dis - cern, Who live all un - be - liev - ing:  
5 As ar - rows in the war - rior's pow'r When he to bat - tle go - eth,  
6 So let us trust up - on His Word And to His hands be look - ing:

2 No coin shall help, nor is a cure Found in man's wit and pow - er.  
3 Who ear - ly rise your bread to earn: He will not thus be giv - ing!  
5 And where he aims, he makes them shower, What time and place he know - eth,  
6 He will re - main our sav - ing Lord, Nor shall our shame be brook - ing,

2 If God re - fuse to watch the lot, All guards and watch - ing  
3 It falls to them that Him do fear, In sleep, with - out all  
5 So are all men, both young and old, With - in God's pow'r to  
6 But will our lar - der well sup - ply Then shall we have the

2 are for naught, All cun - ning arts must fal - - - - ter.  
3 toil - ing drear, His grace a - lone a - wait - - - - ing.  
5 have and hold, - For all He well pro - vid - - - - eth.  
6 vic - to - ry, Much to our foes' dis - pleas - - - - ure.