

How Firm a Foundation

1. How firm a foun - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
 2. "Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,
 3. "When through fier - y tri - als thy path - way shall lie,
 4. "When through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
 5. "Ev'n down to old age all My peo - ple shall prove
 6. "The soul that on Je - sus hath leaned for re - pose,

Is laid for your faith in His ex - cel - lent Word!
 For I am thy God and will still give thee aid.
 My grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;
 The riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow;
 My sov - 'reign, e - ter - nal, un - change - a - ble love;
 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;

What more can He say than to you He hath said,
 I'll strength - en thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
 The flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign
 For I will be with thee, thy trou - bles to bless,
 And when hoar - y hairs shall their tem - ples a - dorn,
 That soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,

To you who, for re - fuge, to Je - sus hath fled.
 Up - held by My right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.
 Thy dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.
 And sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.
 Like lambs they shall still in My bos - om be borne.
 I'll nev - er, no nev - er, no nev - er for - sake."