

1. GOD, my sup - port - er and my hope, My help for - ev - er near,

Thine arm of mer - cy

Thine arm of mer - cy held me up, Thine

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held me up, When sink - ing

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sink - ing in de - spair, When sink - ing in de - spair.

2. Thy counsels, Lord, shall guide my feet
Through this dark wilderness;
Thy hand conduct me near Thy seat,
To dwell before Thy face.

3. Were I in Heav'n without my God,
'Twould be no joy to me;
And whilst this earth is my abode,
I long for none but Thee.

4. What if the springs of life were broke,
And flesh and heart should faint,
God is my soul's eternal rock,
The strength of ev'ry saint.

5. Behold the sinners that remove
Far from Thy presence die;
Not all the idol gods they love
Can save them when they cry.

6. But to draw near to Thee, my GOD,
Shall be my sweet employ;
My tongue shall sound Thy works abroad,
And tell the world my joy.