How Firm a Foundation

1. "How_ firm a found - da - tion, ye saints of the Lord,
   is_ laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent word!
   What more can he say than to you he hath said,
   to_ you who for refuge to Jes - sus have fled?

2. "Fear_ not, I am with thee, O be not dis - mayed,
   I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
   I'll streng - then and help thee, and cause thee to stand
   u - pheld by my right - eous, om - ni - po - tent hand.

3. "When_ through the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
   the_ ri - vers of woe shall not thee o - ver - flow;
   the flame shall not hurt thee; I on - ly de - sign
   and_ sanc - ti - fy to thee thy deep - est dis - tress.

4. "When_ through fie - ry tri - als thy path - ways shall lie,
   my_ grace, all suf - fi - cient, shall be thy sup - ply;
   that soul, though all hell should en - dea - vor to shake
   thy_ dross to con - sume, and thy gold to re - fine.

5. "The_ soul that on Je - sus still leans for re - pose,
   I_ will not, I will not de - desert to its foes;
   I'll_ ne - ver, no, ne - ver, no, ne - ver for - sake."

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Tune: Early USA melody; harm from Tabor, 1866

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