

# How Firm a Foundation



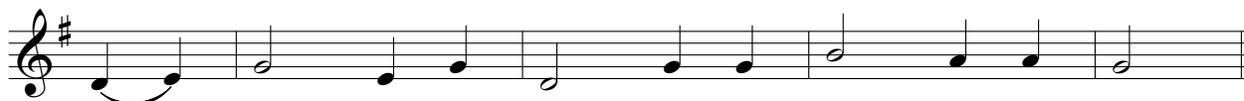
1 How firm a foun - da - tion, you saints of the Lord,  
 2 "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dis - mayed,  
 3 "When through the deep wa - ters I call you to go,  
 4 "When through fi - ery tri - als your path - way shall lie,  
 5 "The soul that on Je - sus has leaned for re - pose



is laid for your faith in his ex - cel - lent Word!  
 for I am your God and will still give you aid;  
 ▶ the riv - ers of sor - row shall not o - ver - flow,  
 my grace all - suf - fi - cient shall be your sup - ply;  
 I will not, I will not de - sert to its foes;



What more can he say than to you he has said,  
 I'll strength - en you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
 ▶ for I will be with you in trou - ble to bless,  
 the flame shall not hurt you; I on - ly de - sign  
 that soul, though all hell should en - deav - or to shake,



to you who for ref - uge to Je - sus have fled?  
 up - held by my right - eous, om - nip - o - tent hand.  
 ▶ and sanc - ti - fy to you your deep - est dis - tress.  
 your dross to con - sume and your gold to re - fine.  
 I'll nev - er, no nev - er, no nev - er for - sake!"

Text: J. Rippon's *Selection of Hymns*, 1787, alt.;  
 based on Isaiah 43:1-5

Tune: J. Funk's *A Compilation of Genuine  
 Church Music*, 1832

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