

# How Firm a Foundation

1 How firm a foundation, you saints of the Lord,  
 2 "Fear not, I am with you, O be not dismayed,  
 3 "When through the deep waters I call you to go,  
 4 "When through fiery trials your pathway shall lie,  
 5 "The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose,

is laid for your faith in his excellent Word!  
 for I am your God and will still give you aid;  
 the rivers of sorrow shall not overflow;  
 my grace, all sufficient shall be your supply;  
 I will not, I will not desert to its foes;

What more can he say than to you he has said,  
 I'll strengthen you, help you, and cause you to stand,  
 for I will be with you, your troubles to bless,  
 the flame shall not hurt you, I on-ly de-sign shake,  
 that soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,

to you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?  
 upheld by my right-eous, omni-potent hand.  
 and sanctify to you your deep-est distress.  
 your dross to consume, and your gold to refine.  
 I'll never, no ne-ver, no ne-ver for-sake!"

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 Tune: Funk's *Genuine Church Music*, 1832



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