

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord

Anon, 1787

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The musical score consists of four staves of music in common time, treble clef, and G major. The lyrics are integrated into the music, appearing below the notes.

Staff 1:

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 the deep wa - ters I call thee to go,
4. "When through fier - y tri - als thy path - way shall lie,
5. "The soul that to Je - sus hath fled for re - pose,

Staff 2:

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

Staff 3:

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

Staff 4:

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