

How Firm A Foundation

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Therefore everyone who hears these words of Mine and acts on them,
may be compared to a wise man who built his house on the rock. Matt 7:24

F **C7**
How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord,
F **C7** **F**
Is laid for your faith in His excellent Word!
Bb **F** **C7**
What more can He say than to you He hath said,
F **C7** **F**
To you who for refuge to Jesus have fled?

F **C7**
"Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
F **C7** **F**
For I am thy God and will still give thee aid;
Bb **F** **C7**
I'll strengthen and help thee, and cause thee to stand
F **C7** **F**
Upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go,
The rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless,
And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathways shall lie,
My grace, all sufficient, shall be thy supply;
The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that on Jesus still leans for repose,
I will not, I will not desert to it's foes;
That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
I'll never, no never, no never forsake."

"Even down to old age all my people shall prove
My sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;
And when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,
Like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne."

In every condition, in sickness, in health;
In poverty's vale, or abounding in wealth;
At home and abroad, on the land, on the sea,
As thy days may demand, shall thy strength every be.