

# Unless Jehovah builds the house

Scriptures for Singing

1. Un - less Je - ho - vah builds the house, Those who  
build it la-bor in vain. Un - less Je - ho - vah keeps the ci - ty,  
The guard watches in vain. 2. It is  
vain for you to raise up ear - ly, To stay up late, to eat the  
bread of toil; All the same, He gives to  
His be - lov - ed While they sleep, while they sleep.

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The melody is simple and hymn-like. Chord symbols are placed above the staff at various points: G, Em, C, D, G, Em, C, D, G, Em, C, D. The lyrics are written below the staff, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes. The score is divided into two verses, with the second verse starting at measure 9. The piece concludes with a double bar line at the end of the final measure.