How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord
Assurance and Joy of Salvation — A Firm Foundation

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

2. “Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismayed,
   For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
   I’ll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand,
   Upheld by My righteous, omnipotent hand.”

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

4. “When through fiery trials thy pathway 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.”

5. “E’en down to old age all My people shall prove
   My sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;
   And then, when grey hairs shall their temples adorn,
   Like lambs they shall still in My bosom be borne.”

6. “The soul that on Jesus hath leaned for repose,
   I will not, I will not desert to his foes;
   That soul, though all hell should endeavor to shake,
   I’ll never, no, never, no, never forsake!”

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