

Hymns...HELP, HOPE AND HEALING

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

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VERSE

C C/E C G Em Am D G Am Em F C Am



1. A might - y for - tress is _____ our God, a bul - wark nev - er
2. Did we in our _____ own strength _____ con - fide, our striv - ing would be
3. And tho' this world, _____ with dev - ils filled, should threat - en to un -
4. That word a - bove _____ all earth - ly powers, no thanks to them, a -

4 Dm G C C/E C G Em Am D G Am Em F C Am



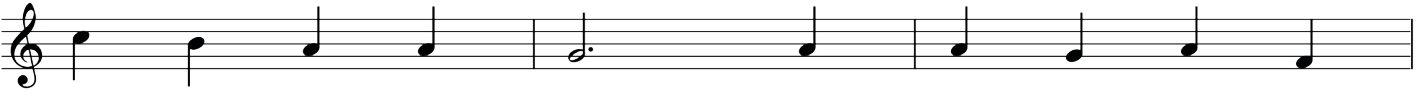
fail - ing; Our help - er He _____ a - mid _____ the flood of mor - tal ills pre -
los - ing, were not the right _____ man on _____ our side, the man of God's own
-do _____ us, we will not fear, _____ for God _____ hath willed His truth to tri - umph
-bid - eth; The Spir - it and _____ the gifts _____ are ours through Him who with us

8 Dm G C Am G/B D G C G/B C F G⁷/D Am E/G[#]



-vail - ing. For still our an - cient foe doth seek to work us woe - His
choos - ing. Dost ask who that may be? Christ Je - sus, it is He - Lord
thru _____ us. The prince of dark - ness grim, we trem - ble not for him - His
sid - eth. Let goods and kin - dred go, this mor - tal life al - so. The

13 Am E/B Am/C D G F F/A C A/C[#] Dm



craft and pow'r are great, and armed with cru - el
Sab - a - oth His name, from age to age the
rage we can en - dure, for lo, his doom is
bod - y they may kill; God's truth a - bid - eth

16 E Am Em F C Am Dm G C



hate, on earth is not his e - qual.
same, and He must win the bat - tle.
sure: One lit - tle word shall fell _____ him.
still. His king - dom is for - ev - er.



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A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

Psalm 46



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**A mighty fortress is our God, a bulwark never failing;
our helper He, amid the flood of mortal ills prevailing.**

- Martin Luther

Because He Is Our Fortress...

1. We will not be _____ when trouble comes our way

Psalms 46:1-3, *God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.*

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

Selah

2. We will not be _____ because His power is within us

Psalms 46:4-7, *There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells.*

God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.

Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts.

The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Selah

3. We will not be _____ because we are still and He is God

Psalms 46:8-10, *Come and see what the Lord has done, the desolations he has brought on the earth.*

He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth.

He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

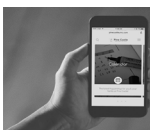
Selah

4. We will not be defeated because God is on our _____

Psalms 46:11, *The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.*

Selah

In case you missed them...Answers: 1. Fearful 2. Moved 3. Anxious 4. Side



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[Story Behind The Hymn]

READ BETWEEN THE LINES

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

We think of Martin Luther as a great reformer, Bible translator, politic leader, fiery preacher, and theologian. But he was also a musician, having been born in an area of Germany known for its music.

In a forward of a book, Luther once wrote: "Next to the Word of God, the noble art of music is the greatest treasure in the world. It controls our thoughts, minds, hearts, and spirits..."

Luther's most famous hymn is "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" based on Psalm 46.

SOURCE

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Thomas Nelson, 2011. p. 15

[Weekly Devotion Questions]

HMMM...

How does this hymn speak directly to your fears?

How does the truth of who God is change how you regard what you are afraid of?

Reflect on what the Lord has done for you.

Take some time to worship Him for His faithfulness.