

God is our hope and strength

The Bible, Psalm 46
verses 1,2,3, and 5

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Musical score for the first system, featuring eight vocal parts: Treble Decani, Treble Cantoris, Counter-tenor Decani, Counter-tenor Cantoris, Tenor Decani, Tenor Cantoris, Bass Decani, and Bass Cantoris. The music is in G major and common time. The lyrics are: "God is our hope and strength a ve-ry pre-sent help in trou-ble. God is our hope and strength a ve-ry pre-sent help in trou-ble." The Treble Decani part has a melodic line with a long note on "in". The Tenor Decani part has a long note on "God".

Musical score for the second system, featuring eight vocal parts: Soprano (S.), Alto (A.), Tenor (T.), and Bass (B.). The music is in G major and common time. The lyrics are: "God is our hope and strength a ve-ry pre-sent help in trou-ble, a ve-ry pre-sent help in trou-ble, a ve-ry pre-sent help in trou-ble. God is our hope and strength a ve-ry pre-sent help in trou-ble, a ve-ry pre-sent help in trou-ble." The Soprano part has a long note on "God". The Alto part has a long note on "a". The Tenor part has a long note on "God".

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S. God is our hope and strength, and

S. help in trou - ble. God is our hope and

A. ve - - ry pre-sent help in trou - ble.

A. hope and strength a ve - ry pre-sent help in trou - ble. God

T. God is our hope and strength, a ve - ry pre-sent

T. is our hope and strength, a ve - ry pre-sent help in trou - ble. God

B. ve - ry pre-sent help in trou - ble.

B. pre - sent help in trou - ble, in trou - ble



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S. strength, God is our hope and strength,

S. strength, a ve - ry pre-sent help in trou - ble,

A. God is our hope and strength, a ve - ry pre-sent

A. is our hope and strength, a ve - ry pre-sent help in trou - ble,

T. help in trou - ble. God is our hope and

T. is our hope and strength, a ve - ry pre-sent help in trou -

B. God is our hope and strength, a ve - ry pre-sent help,

B. God is our

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S. a ve - ry pre - - sent help in trou - ble.

S. a ve - ry pre - - sent help in trou - ble.

A. help in trou - - ble, in trou - - ble.

A. a ve - ry pre - sent help in trou - ble, in trou - ble.

T. strength, a ve - ry pre - sent help in trou - ble.

T. ble, a ve - ry pre - sent help in trou - ble.

B. a ve - ry pre - sent help in trou - ble.

B. hope and strength, a ve - ry pre - sent help in trou - ble.



17 Verse

S. There - fore will we not fear that the earth be mo - ved.

S. There - fore will we not fear that the earth be mo - ved.

A. There - fore will we not fear that the earth be mo - ved.

A. There - fore will we not fear that the earth be mo - ved.

T. and though the hills be car - ri -

T. and though the hills be car -

B. and though the hills be car -

B. and though the hills be car -

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S. *Though the wa-ters there - of rage and swell, rage_*

S. *Though the wa-ters there-of _____ rage and*

A. *Though the wa-ters there-of rage, rage and*

A. *ed in to the midst of the sea.*

T. *ri - ed in to the midst of the sea.*

T. *ri - ed in to the midst of the sea.*

B. *ri - ed in to the midst of the sea.*

B. *ri - ed in to the midst of the sea.*



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S. *and swell, _____ Though*

S. *swell, _____*

A. *swell, _____*

A. *swell, _____*

A. *Though the wa - ters there - of _____ rage, _____ rage and*

T. *Though the wa - ters there-of _____ rage, _____ rage and*

T. *Though the wa - ters there-of _____ rage, _____ rage and*

B. *Though the wa - ters there-of _____ rage, _____ rage and*

B. *Though the wa - ters there-of _____ rage, _____ rage and*

Chorus

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S. the wa - ters there-of rage, rage and swell,

S. Though the wa - ters there - of rage, and swell,

A. Though the wa - ters there - of rage, rage and swell,

A. swell,

T. swell, and though the

T. swell, and though the

B. swell, and though the

B. swell, and though the



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S. and though the moun - tains shake at the tem-pest of the same,

S. and though the moun - tains shake at the

A. and though the moun - tains shake at the tem - pest, and

A. and though the moun - tains shake at the tem - pest of the

T. moun - tains shake at the tem - pest of

T. and though the moun - tains shake at the tem -

B. and though the moun - tains shake at the tem - pest

B. moun - tains shake at the tem - pest of the same,

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S. at the tem - pest of the same, at the tem -

S. tem - pest of the same, and though the moun - tains shake at the

A. though the moun - tains shake at the tem - pest of the same, at the

A. same, and though the moun - tains shake at the

T. the same, and though the moun - tains shake at the tem -

T. pest of the same, and though the moun - tains shake at the tem - pest

B. of the same, and though the moun - tains shake at the

B. at the tem - pest of the same, at the



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S. - pest of the same. God is in the midst of her, God

S. tem-pest of the same. God is in the midst of

A. tem-pest of the same. God is in the midst of her,

A. tem-pest of the same. God is in the midst, is in the midst of her,

T. pest of the same. God is in the midst of

T. of the same. God is in the midst of her,

B. tem-pest of the same. God is in the midst of her,

B. tem-pest of the same. God is in the midst of

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S. — is in the midst of her, is in the midst of her, God

S. her, God is in the midst of her,

A. God is in the midst of her, God

A. God is in the midst of

T. her, God is in the midst of her, is

T. God is in the midst of her, God is in the midst of

B. God is in the midst of her, is in the

B. her, God is in the midst of her, in the

44

S. — is in the midst of her, God is in the midst,

S. God is in the midst of her, is in the

A. — is in the midst of her, God is in the

A. her, God is in the midst, is in the midst of her,

T. in the midst of her, God

T. her, is in the midst of her, of her, God is

B. midst, God is in the midst of her,

B. midst of her,

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S. is in the midst of her, in the midst of her.

S. midst of her, God is in the midst, in the midst of her. There

A. midst, is in the midst, is in the midst of her.

A. God is in the midst, is in the midst of her.

T. is in the midst of her, is in the midst, the midst of her.

T. in the midst of her, is in the midst of her, of her.

B. God is in the midst of her, is in the midst of her. There

B. God is in the midst of her, is in the midst of her.



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S. There - fore shall she not be re -

S. - fore shall she not, shall she not be re - mo - ved,

A. There - fore shall she not be re - mo - ved, shall

A. There - fore shall

T. There -

T. There - fore shall she not be re - mo - ved,

B. - fore shall she not be re - mo - ved, there -

B. There - fore shall she not be re -

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S. mo - ved, There - fore shall she not be___
 S. there - fore___ shall she not
 A. she not be re - mo - ved, there - fore shall she not
 A. she not be re - mo - ved, there - fore shall she_ not
 T. - fore shall she not be___ re - mo - ved,___
 T. there - fore___ shall she not be
 B. - fore shall she not be___ re - mo - ved, there - fore
 B. mo - ved,___ there - fore shall she___ not___ be___ re - mo - ved,___



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S. ___ re - mo - ved, shall she not be re - mov'd. God___ shall help
 S. be re - mo - ved, shall she not be___ re - mo - ved. God___ shall help
 A. be re - mo - ved, shall she not be___ re - mo - ved,
 A. be___ re - mo - ved... God___ shall help
 T. there - fore___ shall she not be re - mo - ved,
 T. re - vo - ved, shall she___ not___ be___ re - mo - ved,
 B. shall she___ not___ be___ re - mo - ved,
 B. there - fore shall she___ not___ be___ re - mo - ved,___

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S. her. God shall help her,

S. her, God shall help her, there -

A. there-fore shall she not be re - mo - ved. God shall help her,

A. her, God shall help her, there-fore shall

T. there-fore shall she not be re - mo - ved,

T. there-fore shall she not be re - mo - ved, there - fore

B. there-fore shall she not be re - mo - ved, there -

B. there -



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S. there - fore shall she not be re - vo -

S. fore shall she, there - fore shall she not be re -

A. there - fore shall she not be re - mo - ved, shall

A. she, there - fore shall she not be re -

T. there - fore shall she not be re - mo - ved,

T. shall she not be re - mo - ved, there - fore shall she

B. fore shall she not be re - mo - - - ved,

B. fore shall she not be re - - - mo - -

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S. ved, re - mo - - ved.

S. vo - - ved, re - mo - - ved.

A. she not be re - mo - - ved.

A. mo - ved, re - mo - - ved.

T. shall she not be re - mo - - ved.

T. not be re - mo - ved.

B. shall she not be re - mo - - ved.

B. ved, re - mo - - ved.