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# A Mighty Fortress Is Our God

SATB and Organ,  
with opt. Congregation, Children's Choir, Brass, and Timpani

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## Introduction: SATB (Choir), Brass, and Organ

*ff* (- Congr.)

Soprano  
Alto

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Ja - cob is our

Tenor  
Bass

*ff*  
(Organ)

5

strong - hold.

(Organ)

*ff*

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Instrumental Parts (2 Trumpets in B $\flat$  or C; 2 Trombones; with opt. Trumpet 3; Trombone 3; Tuba;

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Organist should play from Full Score when performed with Brass.

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**Stanza 1:** Unison Voices (Choir and Congregation), Brass, and Organ

9 *Unison (+ Congr.)*

Soprano  
Alto

1. A might - y for - tress is — our God, A sword and

Tenor  
Bass

*Unison*

Organ

12

shield vic - to - rious; He breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's

29

with us; the God of Ja - cob is our strong - hold.

**Stanza 2:** SATB (Choir), Congregation (Unison), Brass, and Organ

33 *(Congr. Men)*

Congr. 2. No strength of ours can match\_\_\_\_\_ his might! We would be

Soprano Alto

Tenor Bass *Unison*

2. No strength of ours can match\_\_\_\_\_ his might! We would be

Organ + Rd. 8' *simile*

36

(Congr. Women/Youth)

lost, re - ject - ed. But now a cham - pion comes \_\_\_\_\_ to

Unison

(2.) But now a cham - pion comes \_\_\_\_\_ to

lost, re - ject - ed.

39

fight, Whom God him - self e - lect - ed.

fight, Whom God him - self e - lect - ed. Ask who \_\_\_\_\_ this \_\_\_\_\_ may

60

3. Though hordes of dev - ils fill the land

hordes of dev - ils fill the land All

II: Fl. 8', 4'

64

All threat-'ning to de - vour us,

threat-'ning to de - vour us,

II

III } Str., Fl.

69

We trem - ble not, — un - moved — we stand;

I } II

74

trem - ble not, — un - moved — we stand; They

They can - not o - ver - pow'r — us.

II I II

90

He is doomed to fail, doomed to fail, doomed to  
 gage. He is doomed to fail, doomed to fail, doomed to fail;

II } I } II } I } II }

95

fail;  
 God's judgment must prevail!

I } III

111

one lit - tle word sub - dues

one lit - tle word sub - dues him,

one lit - tle word sub - dues him, one, one lit - tle

II: Fl. 4', 2' I II

116

him, one lit - tle word, one, one

one lit - tle word, one, one lit - tle

one lit - tle word, one, one lit - tle

I II I II I II I

122

\*(spoken)

## Interlude: SATB (Choir) and Organ

lit - tle word.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of

*Div. ff*

*ff*

II

128

Ja - cob is our strong - hold.

*rit.*

*rit.*

*ff*

*rit.*

\*Spoken at a high pitch.

**Stanza 4:** Unison Voices (Choir and Congr.), Soprano Descant, Brass, and Organ

132 **Broadly**  
(Descant)

Soprano

4. God's Word for - ev - er shall \_\_\_\_\_ a - bide, No thanks to

**Broadly**  
(Melody) *Unison (+ Congr.)*

Soprano  
Alto  
Congr.

4. God's Word for - ev - er shall \_\_\_\_\_ a - bide, No thanks to

Tenor  
Bass

*Unison*

**Broadly**  
*fff*

Organ

135

foes, who fear \_\_\_\_\_ it; For God him - self fights by \_\_\_\_\_ our

foes, who fear \_\_\_\_\_ it; For God him - self fights by \_\_\_\_\_ our

144

*a tempo*

spouse, Our life wrench a - way, They can - not win the

spouse, Our life wrench a - way, They can - not win the

*a tempo*

*a tempo*

148

day. The King - dom's ours for - ev - er. The King - dom's

day. The King - dom's ours for - ev - er. The King - dom's

*Div.*

*Div.*

151

*(end Descant)*

ours for - ev - er.

*(- Congr.)*

our for - ev - er. The Lord of hosts is with us; the

*fff*

*ffz*

155

God of Ja - cob is our strong - hold.

*ffz*

*ffz*