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A Mighty Fortress Is Our God



**All:** 1. A might - y for - tress is — our God,  
**Men:** 2. No strength of ours can match — his might!  
**Choir:** 3. *Though hordes of dev - ils fill — the land*  
**All:** 4. God's Word for - ev - er shall — a - bide,



A sword and shield vic - to - rious;  
We would be lost, re - ject - ed.  
*All threat - 'ning to de - vour — us,*  
No thanks to foes, who fear — it;



He breaks the cruel op - pres - sor's rod  
**Women:** But now a cham - pion comes — to fight,  
*We trem - ble not, un - moved — we stand;*  
For God him - self fights by — our side



And wins sal - va - tion glo - rious.  
Whom God him - self e - lect - ed.  
*They can - not o - ver - pow'r — us.*  
With weap - ons of the Spir - it.

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The old e - vil foe,  
*Choir:* Ask who this may be:  
 This world's prince may rage,  
 If they take our house,



Sworn to work us woe,  
*All:* Lord of hosts is he!  
 In fierce war en - gage.  
 Goods, fame, child, or spouse,



With dread craft and might  
 Christ Je - sus, our Lord,  
 He is doomed to fail;  
 Our life wrench a - way,



He arms him - self to fight.  
 God's on - ly Son, a - dored.  
 God's judg - ment must pre - vail!  
 They can - not win the day.



On earth he has no e - qual. (Interlude)  
 He holds the field vic - to - rious. (Interlude)  
 One lit - tle word sub - dues him. (Interlude)  
 The King - dom's ours for - ev - er. The



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