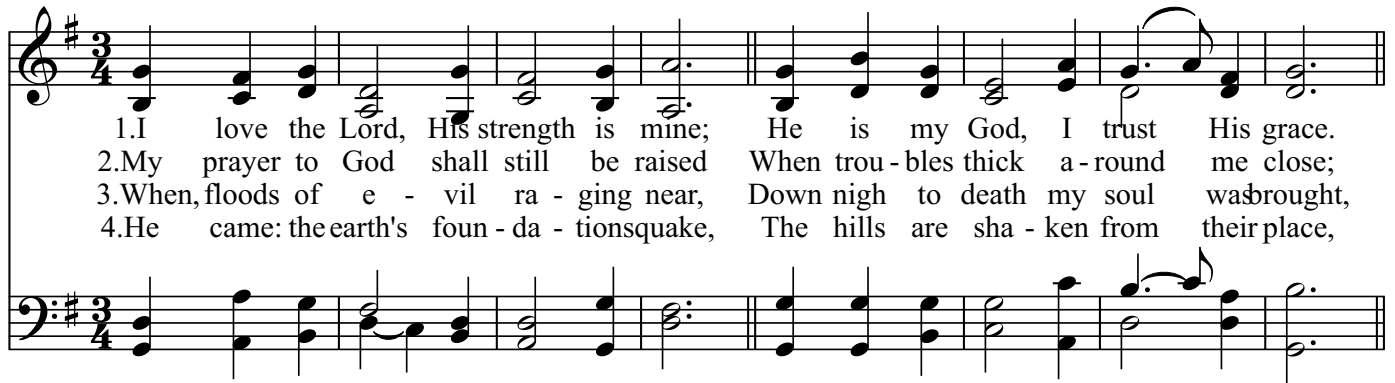


34. God's Strength Our Protection



1. I love the Lord, His strength is mine; He is my God, I trust His grace.
2. My prayer to God shall still be raised When troubles thick a-round me close;
3. When, floods of evil raging near, Down nigh to death my soul was brought,
4. He came: the earth's foundations quake, The hills are shaken from their place,



My for-tress high, my shield di-vine, My Sa-viour and my hi-ding-place.
The Lord, most wort-hy to be praised, Will re-scue me from all my foes.
I cried to God in all my fear; He heard and great de-li-verance wrought.
Thick smoke and fire de-vour-ing break In an-ger dread be-fore His face.

5. Descending through the bending skies,
With gloom and darkness under Him,
Forth through the storm Jehovah flies
As on the wings of cherubim.

8. The raging torrents overflow,
And sweep the world's foundations bare,
Because Thy blasts of anger blow,
O Lord of earth and sea and air.

6. Thick darkness hides Him from the view,
And swelling clouds His presence veil,
Until His glorious light breaks through
In lightning flash and glistening hail.

9. He took me from the whelming waves
Of bitter hate and sore distress;
The Lord, my stay and helper, saves,
Though mighty foes around me press.

7. Jehovah's thunders fill the heaven,
The dreadful voice of God Most High;
With shafts of light the clouds are riven,
His foes, dismayed, in terror fly.

10. From direful straits He set me free,
He saved the man of His delight;
For good the Lord rewarded me,
Because I kept His ways aright.