

**P**RAISE, everlasting praise, be paid  
To Him that earth's foundation laid;  
Praise to the God Whose strong decrees  
Sway all creation as He please.

- 2 Praise to the goodness of the Lord,  
Who rules His people by His Word;  
And has, as sure as His decrees,  
Set forth the kindest promises.
- 3 Firm are the words the Scriptures give,  
Sweet words on which God's children live:  
Here is the very voice of God  
Who spoke, and spread the skies abroad.
- 4 O, for a strong, a lasting faith,  
Believing all the Lord has said!  
Owning the message of His Son,  
Making the joys of Heaven our own.
- 5 Then, though the earth's foundations shake,  
And all the powers of nature break,  
Our steadfast souls shall fear no more  
Than solid rocks when billows roar.
- 6 Our everlasting hopes arise  
Above the present, changing skies,  
Where the eternal Builder reigns  
Who, risen souls, in joy, sustains.

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