

Behold the Sure Foundation Stone

Isaac Watts, 1719.

William Croft, 1708.

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Which God in Sion lays,

To build our heav'nly hopes upon,

And His eternal praise.

Chosen of God, to sinners dear,

And saints adore the name;

They trust their whole salvation here,

Nor shall they suffer shame.

The foolish builders, scribe and priest,

Reject it with disdain;

Yet on this rock the Church shall rest,

And envy rage in vain.

What though the gates of hell withstood,

Yet must this building rise;

'Tis Thy own work, almighty God,

And wondrous in our eyes.