

# God Is Our Hope and Strength

Composed in honor of The Right Rev. Dr. Nathan Baxter and his wife Mary Ellen, in  
Thanksgiving for his service as Bishop of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania

Text: Psalm 46, para.

Tune: *Baxter*, composed and arranged by Bruce Trinkley

**Maestoso** ♩ = 108  
*mp cresc.* *mf*

1. God is our hope and strength, In need his help is near;  
2. Streams from the throne of God Make glad his tem - ple grounds;  
3. Come, see what God has done: He makes all con - flict cease,

*mp cresc.* *mf*

7  
Though earth should shake and moun-tains break, We will not ev - er fear.  
God dwells in her to help her soon, She shall not be cast down.  
He breaks the bow, snaps spears, burns shields, And gives the na - tions peace.

*mp* *mf* *f*

14  
Though wa - ters rage and foam, Seas rise and moun - tains cow'r, The  
Though king-doms, na - tions quake, The earth melts at God's pow'r, The  
Know, then, that I am God, Ex - alt - ed in this hour; The

*mp* *mf* *f*

20  
*dim.* *mf*

Lord of hosts is with us still, And Ja-cob's God our tow'r.  
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*dim.* *mf*