

A Mighty Fortress is our God

A Closer Look

Some interesting facts

Composed by Martin Luther in 1528

Originally written in German

There are over 70 English Translations

Translated into English first in 1539

The Version we use was translated in 1853

A closer look at Lyrics

A Mighty Fortress is our God
A bulwark never failing

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A closer LOOK at Lyrics

Our helper He amid the flood
Of mortal ills prevailing.

He is our helper in the middle of the flood.
A flood of human troubles.
He is prevailing, HE IS WINNING!

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For still our ancient foe
Doth seek to work us woe

Our old nemesis Satan,
still wants to make life hard for us

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His power and craft are great
and armed with cruel hate
on earth is not his equal

Satan has a lot of power in this world

Satan has a big bag of tricks

Satan has more power than anything
on earth

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Did we in our strength confide
Our striving would be losing

If we try to fight Satan in our own power,
We would lose the fight...

A closer look at Lynns

Were not the right man on our side,
The man of God's own choosing

We will lose the fight unless
We have God's choice of champion
fighting for us.

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Dost ask who that may be?

Christ Jesus it is He.

Lord Sabbath his name,
From age to age the same,
And He must win the battle.

What was that word:

Dost- old English way of saying “do you”

Sabbaoth- military term meaning armies of
great number of people or angels

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And though this world with devils filled
Should threaten to undo us.

We will not fear for God hath willed,
His truth to triumph us through us.

This world is filled with devils looking to tear us
No need to worry, God has already decided,
His truth will triumph and we are a part of the plan

What was that word:

Hath- Old English way of saying has

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That word above all earthly powers
Not thanks to them, abideth.
The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Through him who with us sideth.
Let goods and kindred go,
This mortal life also.
The body they may kill
God's truth abideth still
His Kingdom is forever!

What was that word:

Abideth- Old English way of saying abide
which means to endure, withstand or sustain
without yielding or submitting

Sideth- Old English way of saying to be on
one's side or corner

Kindred-Family

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That word above all earthly powers
Not thanks to them, abideth.

The name of Jesus remains and is unyielding
regardless what the earthly powers try or do

A CLOSER LOOK at Ephesians

The Spirit and the gifts are ours
Through him who with us sideth.

We have the Holy Spirit and the gifts
of the Holy Spirit through God
who is on our side!

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Let goods and kindred go,
This mortal life also.

Leave your stuff, your family
even your physical life if need be.

The body they may kill
God's truth abideth still
His Kingdom is forever!

They can take all that away from you
God's Truth remains and is unchanging.
HIS KINGDOM IS FOREVER!