

## ROCK OF AGES

Rock of Ages, cleft for me  
Let me hide myself in thee

Two men went out one day to build themselves a house  
The wise man dug deep and firm foundations  
On a mountain rock far away from the river's rolling tides  
But the fool knew that sand was so much better  
For the endless labour of his hands could not fulfil the work's demands  
Tears and toil have never made life easy  
But wisdom knows the path to life is always on a steeper climb  
So in his blind and desperate faith he cried

*Rock of Ages, cleft for me  
Let me build my life on thee  
Though the water's ever rise  
And rain bleed from the skies  
Give me strength to guard my soul  
Thou must save and thou alone*

Two men went out to pray beneath the burning sun  
The proud man stood tall among the people  
And with brazen words and empty sighs  
He raised self-righteous hands  
Said 'Lord I know you see in me no evil  
For I fast and pray ten times a day  
No lie is in a word I say  
And I stay away from all who would disdain you'  
But with broken heart and burning eyes  
A sinner wept beneath the skies  
And in his blind and desperate faith he cried

*Rock of Ages, cleft for me  
Let me hide myself in thee  
Though the darkness clouds my mind  
And the years have scarred my sight  
Give me strength to guard my soul  
Thou must save and thou alone*

Nothing in my hand I bring  
Simply to your cross I cling  
Though I'm lost I'm not alone  
In your grace you lead me home  
Rock of ages, cleft for me  
Let me build my life on thee

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Let me hide myself in thee

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