

HYMN 61

Formerly Hymn 48

If You But Let the Father Guide You

Wer nur den lieben Gott

Georg Neumark, 1657

1. If you but let the Fa-ther guide you,
re-ly-ing on His faith-ful-ness,
He will be ev-er-more be-side you
in all your sor-row and dis-tress.
He who on God Most High de-pends
builds not his house on shift-ing sands.

The musical score is written on a grand staff with a treble clef and a bass clef. The key signature has two flats (B-flat and E-flat), and the time signature is 3/4. The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are written below the notes, with some words hyphenated across lines. The score ends with a double bar line.

2. Will anxious care or bitter sighing
at any time give true relief?
And what avails us our decrying
each morning's evil, trouble, grief?
We only add to grief and stress
by discontent and bitterness.
3. Be still! What God in His good pleasure
to you in wisdom may impart
is given you in perfect measure;
thus be content within your heart.
To Him who chose us for His own
our needs and wants are surely known.

4. With song and prayer, in faith progressing,
in all you do God's will obey.
Expect from Him alone your blessing:
He will renew it every day,
for God will never those disown
who put their trust in Him alone.