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Exceeding great and precious Promises, 2 Pet. i. 4.

HOW firm a foundation ye saints of the Lord,
 'H Is laid for your faith in his excellent word!
 'What more can he say than to you he hath said,
 'You who unto Jesus for refuge have fled?

2

In every condition,—in sickness, in health,
 In poverty's vale, or abounding in wealth;
 At home and abroad, on the land, on the sea,
 'As thy days may demand, shall thy strength
 ' ever be.

3

' Fear not, I am with thee, O be not dismay'd!
 ' I, I am thy God, and will still give thee aid;
 ' I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee
 ' to stand,
 ' Upheld by my righteous omnipotent hand.

4

' When thro' the deep waters I call thee to go,
 ' The rivers of woe shall not thee overflow;
 ' For I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless;
 ' And sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

5

' When thro' fiery trials thy pathway shall lie,
 ' My grace all-sufficient shall be thy supply;
 ' The flame shall not hurt thee; I only design
 ' Thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

6

' E'en down to old age, all my people shall prove
 ' My sovereign, eternal, unchangeable love;
 ' And when hoary hairs shall their temples adorn,
 ' Like lambs they shall still in my bosom be borne,

7

' The soul that on Jesus hath lean'd for repose,
 ' I will not, I will not, desert to his foes;
 ' That soul, tho' all hell should endeavour to
 ' shake,

' I'll never, no never, no never forsake !*

* Agreeable to Dr. Doddridge's Translation of Heb.
 xiii. 5.

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