

God Made from One Blood

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1 God made from one blood all the fam - ilies of earth,
2 We turn to you, God, with our thanks and our tears
3 Through fam - ilies we've tast - ed the val - ue of trust
4 Help fam - ilies in all of their var - i - ous forms

the cir - cles of nur - ture that raise us from birth,
for all of the fam - ilies we've known through the years,
and felt what it means to be lov - ing and just,
to face with in - teg - ri - ty strug - gles and storms;

Com - pan - ions who join us to work through each stage
The in - ti - mate net - works on whom we de - pend
Yet fam - ilies have al - so be - trayed their best goals,
Grant peace to our homes that will nur - ture the bud

of child - hood and youth and a - dult - hood and age.
of par - ents and part - ners and chil - dren and friends.
mis - treat - ing their mem - bers and bruising their souls.
of peace for the fam - ilies you made from one blood.

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Tune: ST. DENIO 11.11.11.
Adapt. from a Welsh ballad in John Roberts' Caniadaeth y Cysegr, 1839

Here I Am, Lord

Unison

1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo-ple cry.
I who made the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.

2. I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo-ple's pain.
I will break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a- lone.

3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame,
Fin-est bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

1.

All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save.
Who will bear my light to them?
I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way.
I will speak my word to them.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
I will give my life to them.

2.

Refrain (Harmony)

Whom shall I send?
Whom shall I send? Here I am, Lord.
Whom shall I send?

Is it I, Lord? I have heard you call-ing in the

night. I will go, Lord, if you lead me.

I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.

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HERE I AM, LORD
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We Would Be Building

Matt. 7:24-27; Luke 6:47-49; 1 Esd. 5:56-7:15

Purd E. Deitz, 1935; alt.

1 We would be build - ing; tem - ples still un - done o'er crum - bling
 2 Teach us to build; up - on the sol - id rock we set the
 3 O keep us build - ing, Sav - ior; may our hands ne'er fal - ter

walls their cross - es scarce - ly lift, wait - ing till love can
 dream that hard - ens in - to deed, ribbed with fine steel, both
 when the dream is in our hearts, when to our ears there

raise the bro - ken stone, and hearts cre - a - tive
 time and change to mock, the un - fail - ing pur - pose
 come di - vine com - mands and all the pride of

bridge the hu - man rift. We would be build - ing,
 of our no - blest creed. Teach us to build; O
 sin - ful will de - parts. We build with you; O

Ar - chi - tect Di - vine, re - veal the shape of life in your de - sign.
 Mak - er, lend us sight to see the tow - ers gleam - ing in the light.
 grant en - dur - ing worth un - til your prom - ised realm shall come on earth.

Purd Deitz, pastor of Trinity Evangelical and Reformed Church in Philadelphia, wrote this hymn to express the youth conference theme, "Christian Youth Building a New World." Set to one of his favorite tunes, Finlandia, it became popular around the world.

Tune: FINLANDIA 10.10.10.10.10.
 Jean Sibelius, 1899
 Arr. for The Hymnal, 1933