

# 122 - O God, Our Help in Ages Past

ISAAC WATTS

Key: B $\flat$  major (w/ opt. modulation to C major)  
Meter: 4/4

WILLIAM CROFT  
*Last stanza setting and choral ending  
by Dave Williamson*

INTRO     **B $\flat$**    | **Cm7**   **F**   **B $\flat$**        | **Cm**                **F**   | **B $\flat$**

VERSE 1                    **B $\flat$**                                     **Cm7**   **F**   **B $\flat$**   
O   | God, our help in | a-                ges past,  
  
                                 **Gm**                                    **C**   **F**  
Our | hope for years to | come,  
  
                                 **B $\flat$**      **Cm**                    **B $\flat$**      **D**  
Our | shelter from the | stormy blast,  
  
**B $\flat$**      **Cm**   **F**                                    **B $\flat$**   
And | our eternal                | home!

TURN-  
AROUND     **B $\flat$**    | **Cm**   **F**   **B $\flat$**        | **Cm**                **F**   | **B $\flat$**

VERSE 2     Under the shadow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt secure;  
Sufficient is Thine arm alone, And our defense is sure.

VERSE 3     Before the hills in order stood, Or earth received her frame,  
From everlasting Thou art God, To endless years the same.

VERSE 4     A thousand ages in Thy sight Are like an evening gone;  
Short as the watch that ends the night Before the rising sun.

VERSE 5     Time, like an everrolling stream, Bears all its sons away;  
They fly, forgotten, as a dream Dies at the op'ning day.

VERSE 6     O God, our help in ages past, Our hope for years to come,  
Be Thou our guard while life shall last, And our eternal home!

OPT.  
MOD.**F | F G**

VERSE 6

**C** **F A<sup>b</sup>dim7 Am**  
 O | God, our help in | a- ges past,

**C D G Gsus G**  
 Our | hope for years to | come,

**C Cm G C F Em7**  
 Be | Thou our guard while | life shall last,

**F Dm7 G C**  
 And | our eter- nal | home!

OPT.  
CHORAL  
ENDING

**F/C C F6 G7 C**  
 And | our e- | ter- nal | home,

**B<sup>b</sup>2 C**  
 | Our eternal | home!

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 Capo 3: G major (w/ opt. modulation to A major)  
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INTRO     **G** | **Am7** **D** **G** | **Am**             **D** | **G**

VERSE 1             **G**                             **Am7** **D** **G**  
 O | God, our help in | a-             ges past,  
                          **Em**                     **A** **D**  
 Our | hope for years to | come,  
                          **G**     **Am**             **G**     **B**  
 Our | shelter from the | stormy blast,  
                          **G**     **Am** **D**             **G**  
 And | our eternal             | home!

TURN-AROUND     **G** | **Am** **D** **G** | **Am**             **D** | **G**

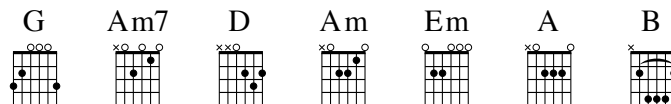
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MOD.

**D | D E**

VERSE 6

**A** **D Fdim7 F#m**  
O | God, our help in | a- ges past,

**A B E Esus E**  
Our | hope for years to | come,

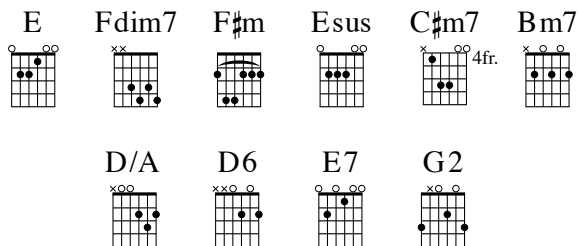
**A Am E A D C#m7**  
Be | Thou our guard while | life shall last,

**D Bm7 E A**  
And | our eter- nal | home!

OPT.  
CHORAL  
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**D/A A D6 E7 A**  
And | our e- | ter- nal | home,

**G2 A**  
| Our eternal | home!



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CHORAL  
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