

# A Mighty Fortress

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INTRO:

A A Em7 Em7 (X4)

VERSE 1:

A E D A F#m7 D Esus E A  
A mighty fortress is our God, a stronghold never fail - ing;  
A E D A F#m7 D Esus E A  
Our helper He, amid the flood, of mortal ills pre - vail - ing.  
E/G# B E A E C#m7 F#m7  
For still our ancient foe doth seek to work us woe;  
F#m7 B7 E D C#7  
His craft and power are great, and, armed with cruel hate,  
F#m7 E Bm7 Bm7 E (A A Em7 Em7 X2)  
On earth is not his e - qual.

VERSE 2:

A E D A F#m7 D Esus E A  
Did we in our own strength confide, our striving would be lo - sing;  
A E D A F#m7 D Esus E A  
Were not the Right Man on our side, the Man of God's own choo - sing.  
E/G# B E A E C#m7 F#m7  
Dost ask who that may be? Christ Jesus, it is He;  
F#m7 B7 E D C#7  
The "Lord of Hosts" His name, from age to age the same,  
F#m7 E Bm7 Bm7 E (A hold)  
And He must win the bat - tle.

CHORUS:

(A) D E  
If You were not on our side,  
D/F# E  
If You had not bled and died for us  
Bm7 F#m7  
Jesus, what hope would there be for a wretch like me?  
D E  
If You were not on our side?

BREAKDOWN:

A A Em7 Em7 X2 A D A

## Psalm 46

*God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea, though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells. God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day. Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts. The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. Come and see the works of the LORD, the desolations he has brought on the earth. He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear, he burns the shields with fire. "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth." The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.*

VERSE 3:

A E D A F#m7 D Esus E A  
And though this world, with demons filled, should threaten to und - o us;  
A E D A F#m7 D Esus E A  
We will not fear, for God hath willed His Truth to triumph thr - ough us.  
E/G# B E A E C#m7 F#m7  
The prince of darkness grim, we tremble not for him,  
F#m7 B7 E D C#7  
His rage we can endure, for lo! his doom is sure,  
F#m7 E Bm7 Bm7 E **(A hold)**  
One little Word shall fe - ll him.

CHORUS:

D E  
If You were not on our side,  
D/F# E  
If You had not bled and died for us  
Bm7 F#m7  
Jesus, what hope would there be for a wretch like me?  
D E **(A hold)**  
If You were not on our side?

BRIDGE:

A D/F#  
And if God is for us, who can be against us?  
A/E D  
Who can stand against us, with You on our side? (REPEAT)

VERSE 4:

A E D A F#m7 D Esus E A  
That Word above all earthly powers, no thanks to them abi - deth;  
A E D A F#m7 D Esus E A  
The Spirit and the gifts are ours through Him who with us si - deth.  
E/G# B E A E C#m7 F#m7  
Let goods and kindred go, this mortal life also;  
F#m7 B7 E D C#7  
The body they may kill; God's Truth abideth still,  
F#m7 E Bm7 Bm7 E **(A hold)**  
His Kingdom is for e - ver.

REMAINING PATH:

**CHORUS**

**BRIDGE**