

# The Church's One Foundation

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The Church's one foundation, Is Jesus Christ her Lord,  
She is His new creation, By water and the Word.  
From heaven He came and sought her, To be His holy bride,  
With His own blood He bought her, and for her life He died.

Elect from every nation, Yet one over all the earth;  
Her charter of salvation; One Lord, one faith, one birth.  
One holy name she blesses, Partakes one holy food,  
And to one hope she presses, With every grace endued.

Mid toil and tribulation, And tumult of her war  
She waits the consummation, Of peace forevermore  
Till with the vision glorious, Her longing eyes are blest,  
And the great Church victorious, Shall be the church at rest.

The Church shall never perish! Her Dear Lord to defend,  
To guide, sustain, and cherish, Is with her to the end.  
Though there be those that hate her, False sons with in her pale,  
Against both foe and traitor She ever shall prevail.

**Bible Verse:** Built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone. Ephesians 2:20 ESV