



Open Heavens HYMN 58: MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING ELSE

Description

This is **hymn 58 of the Open Heavens** daily devotion written by Pastor E. A. Adeboye, General Overseer of the Redeemed Christian Church of God (RCCG).

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1. My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness;
I dare not trust the sweetest frame,
But wholly lean on Jesus' name.

Refrain:

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand;
All other ground is sinking sand,
All other ground is sinking sand.

2. When darkness seems to veil His face,
I rest on His unchanging grace;
In every high and stormy gale,
My anchor holds within the veil. [Refrain]

3. His oath, His covenant, and blood,
Support me in the whelming flood;
When all around my soul gives way,
He then is all my hope and stay. [Refrain]

4. When He shall come with trumpet sound,
Oh, may I then in Him be found;
Dressed in His righteousness alone,
Faultless to stand before the throne. [Refrain]



MY HOPE IS BUILT ON NOTHING ELSE HYMN COMMENTARY

Beloved in Christ, in an unstable world that offers countless shifting foundations for hope, this powerful hymn directs us to the only secure and eternal foundation: the person and work of Jesus Christ. â??My

Hope Is Built on Nothing Less is a robust declaration of faith and a sturdy refuge for the soul. It systematically rejects every other basis for confidence and anchors us entirely in the finished work of our Savior, from the trials of this life to the final judgment.

Why Sing This Hymn

We sing this hymn to fortify our faith against doubt, to declare the exclusivity of Christ for our salvation and security, and to find unwavering comfort in His unchanging grace amidst life's storms. It is a theological anchor and a personal confession for times of testing and uncertainty.

1. It is a Hymn of Exclusive Foundation (Verse 1)

The hymn begins with a clear negation and a powerful affirmation. Our hope is built on **nothing less** than the dual pillars of our redemption: **Jesus' blood and righteousness**. His blood atones for our sin; His righteousness is credited to our account. We consciously reject (I dare not trust) even the **sweetest frame**—the most appealing of human efforts, religious feelings, or personal virtues. Our total dependence is on His name and merit alone. This exclusive trust is the only safe ground.

2. It is a Hymn of Steadfast Grace in Darkness (Verse 2)

Faith is tested not in the sunlight, but in the storm. When feelings change and God's face seems hidden by the **veil** of circumstances, our hope cannot rest on emotion. It must rest on the objective, **unchanging grace** promised in His Word. In the **high and stormy gale** of crisis, our **anchor holds within the veil**. This beautiful allusion (Hebrews 6:19) means our security is fixed in the very presence of God behind the heavenly curtain, where Christ has entered on our behalf. Our anchor is not in the boat of our circumstances, but in the bedrock of heaven itself.

3. It is a Hymn of Covenant Security in Collapse (Verse 3)

When trials intensify into a **whelming flood** and everything in life **gives way**—health, plans, support systems—our hope is upheld by a triune cord: **His oath, His covenant, and His blood**. God's sworn promise, His binding covenantal commitment, and the ratified seal of Christ's sacrifice together support us. When all else is stripped away, He alone remains as **all my hope and stay**. The hymn affirms that the most secure hope is often realized when we have nothing else to cling to.

4. It is a Hymn of Eschatological Confidence (Verse 4)

The hymn lifts our eyes to the final day, the ultimate test of our hope. The prayer for Christ's return is coupled with the only permissible plea: **may I then in Him be found**. Our confidence for that moment of divine scrutiny is not in our own record, but in being **dressed in His righteousness alone**. Clothed in the garments He provides, we can stand **faultless before the throne**. Our hope from start to finish is an alien righteousness—Christ's own.

The Refrain: The Unchanging Chorus

The triumphant refrain is the hymn's foundational truth and recurring conclusion. **On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand** is an active posture of faith. The contrasting image is definitive: **All other ground is sinking sand**. Every alternative—self-righteousness, worldly philosophy, religious ritual—is inherently unstable and will fail in the final storm. The repeated line drives the point home with irrevocable force.

A Word for Your Spirit Today

Is your hope feeling shaky? Are you trusting in a "sweet frame" of your own goodness, your financial security, or the approval of others? Are you in a storm where God's face seems veiled?

This hymn calls you to a deliberate transfer of trust. Move your feet off the sinking sand of human merit and plant them firmly on the solid Rock of Christ's blood and righteousness. When darkness falls, recite His promises—His oath, His covenant. Remember that your anchor is secured in heaven itself.

Look toward eternity and make your plea today: to be found in Him, clothed in His righteousness alone. For on this Rock, you cannot be moved.

On Christ, the solid Rock, I stand.

In the name of Jesus, our cornerstone and sure foundation, Amen.