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1. If life's pleasures charm thee, Give them not thy heart, Lest the gift ensnare thee From thy God to part; His fa-vor seek, his prais-es speak, Fix here thy hope's foundation;

2. If dis-tress be-fall thee, Painful tho' it be, Let not grief appall thee—To thy Savior flee; He ev-er near, Thy pray'r will hear, And calm thy per-tur-ba-tion,

3. When earth's prospects fail thee, Let it not distress: Better comforts wait thee—Christ will freely bless; To Jesus flee— thy prop he'll be, Thy heav'nly con-so-la-tion;

4. Dangers may approach thee—Let them not alarm; Christ will ever watch thee, and protect from harm; He near thee stands with mighty hands, To ward off each temptation,

Serve him and he will ev-er be The Rock of thy sal-va-tion.

The waves of woe shall ne'er o'erflow The Rock of thy sal-va-tion.

For grief be-low can-not o'er-flow The Rock of thy sal-va-tion.

To Je-sus fly, he's ev-er nigh, The Rock of thy sal-va-tion.