

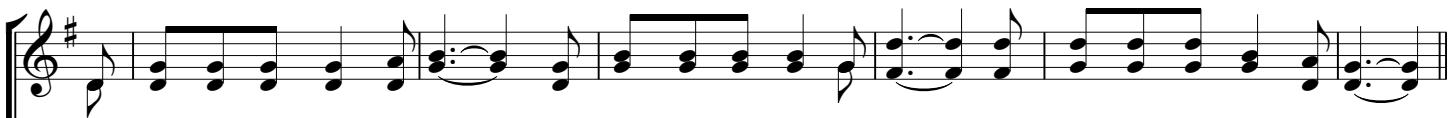
Biblical Trace of the Church

...The church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth. 1 Tim. 3:15

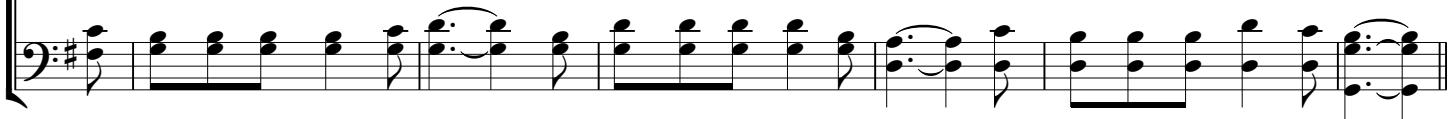
Upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. Mt. 16:18; Rev. 11:2,9; 12:6



1. The church of the morn-ing bright, Like crys-tal so clear her light, Tri - um-phant, she knew no fears;
2. The sun went down ere his time, The moon al-so ceased to shine, Left Zi - on in bit - ter tears;
3. A ris - ing the sun of day, Dis -pers-es the night a - way, While pop - er - y quakes with fears;
4. We wel-come the eve-ning light; The gos-pel so clear and bright Breaks forth as in days of yore;



In fin - est white lin - en dressed, Pure ho - li - ness she pos-sessed Two hun-dred and sev'n - ty years.
No star then ap-peared in sight, Oh, long drear-y pa - pal night! Twelve hun-dred and six - ty years.
Shone dim - ly the gos - pel ray, There fol-lowed a cloud-y day— Three hun-dred and fif - ty years.
The mists are all cleared a - way, All hail the su - per-nal day! The sun shall go down no more.



Refrain



Hell nev - er can de - stroy the church,Built by the Sav - ior's hands; Up - on the Rock, the



sol - id Rock, Christ Je - sus, still she stands; In spite of per - se - cu - tion's flood,



And gates of hell for - sooth; She's still the king-dom of the Lord, The pil - lar of the truth.

