

O Christ the Great Foundation

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1. O Christ the great founda - tion on which your peo - ple stand
2. Bap - tized in one con - fes - sion, one Church in all the earth,
3. Where ty - rants' hold is tight - ened, where strong de - vour the weak,
4. This is the mo - ment glo - rious when he who once was dead,

1. to preach your true sal - va - tion in ev - 'ry age and land:
2. we bear our Lord's im - pres - sion, the sign of sec - ond birth:
3. where in - no - cents are fright - ened the right - eous fear to speak,
4. shall lead his Church vic - to - rious, their cham - pion and their head.

1. pour out your Ho - ly Spir - it to make us strong and pure,
2. one ho - ly peo - ple gath - ered in love be - yond our own,
3. there let your Church a - wak - ing at - tack the pow'rs of sin
4. The Lord of all cre - a - tion his heav'n - ly king - dom brings

1. to keep the faith un - bro - ken as long as worlds en - dure.
2. by grace we were in - vit - ed, by grace we make you known.
3. and, all their ram - parts break - ing, with you the vic - t'ry win.
4. the fi - nal con - sum - ma - tion, the glo - ry of all things.

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