

The Iron Rod

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for SATB Choir and Piano
dedicated to the BYU Concert Choir
Rosalind Hall, conductor

William Clayson
arr. Christopher J. Madsen

Constant $\text{♩} = 80$

Piano *p*

SA

TB

To Ne-phi, seer of ol-den time, A vi-sion came from

God, Where - in the ho - ly word sub - lime Was shown an i - ron rod.

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SA *mp* Hold to the rod, the i - ron rod; 'Tis strong, and bright, and true. The i - ron rod is the

TB

mp

20

SA word of God; 'Twill safe - ly — guide us through.

TB

mf

26

SA

TB *mp* While on our jour - ney here be - low, Be - neath temp - ta - tion's

mp *p*

33

SA

TB

mp And

pow'r, Through mists of dark-ness we must go, In per-il ev-'ry hour.

39

SA

TB

when tempta-tion's pow'r is nigh, Our path-way clou-ded o'er, U-

39

p

43

SA

TB

pon the rod we can re-ly And hea-ven's aid im-plore.

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SA *mf* Hold to the rod, the i - ron rod; 'Tis strong and bright and

TB

50

SA true. The i - ron rod is the word of God; 'Twill

TB

53

SA safe - ly guide us through. *mf* And, hand o'er hand, the rod a - long, Through

TB

57

SA
each suc-ceed-ing day, With ear-nest prayer and hope-ful song, We'll still pur-sue our way.

TB

63

SA
p A - far we see the gol - den

TB

63

subito p *8va*

67

SA
rest To which the rod will guide,

TB
Rest

67

8va *8va*

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71

SA *mp* Where with the an - gels bright and blest *mf* For -

TB Guide Blest

75

SA ev - er we'll a - bide. *f* Hold to the rod, the i - ron rod; 'Tis

TB Hold to the rod; Hold to the rod;

80

SA strong, and bright, and true. The i - ron rod is the word of God; 'Twill safe - ly guide us through.

TB

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86

SA

TB

f The i - ron rod will guide us through: Our Christ: the

92

SA

TB

rit. Word of *ff* God! *a tempo* *rit.*

92

ff

8^{va} - - - - -

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