

5. The Furnace of Affliction

1 Nephi 16:33-36;
20:10, 18; 21:14-15

from "I Will Trust in Thee Forever" - 2026 Revision with Cello
Naomi, Deborah, Dinah, Miriam, Jochebed, Hannah, Ishmael

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Sorrowfully ♩ = 76

[Interlude marks the passing of time. Lights up on a deathbed scene in a tent with Ishmael's family gathered around Ishmael.]

Piano

mp

con pedale

5

Dinah

mf Fa - ther, you have come so far!

9

Ishmael

Ish - mael, you can live for more!

Ishmael

Three years since that bro - ken bow! Na - o - mi, I must go. "If

12

in the wil-der-ness I shall die, There will I be bur - ied." I said those words four years a - go, when

Pno.

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all our fam-ily came to know God com-man-ded us to go, Go in-to the wil-der-ness, Take Le-hi's—

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Miriam and Hannah

f You can-not

sons in marr- iage, Raise up seed un- to the Lord In the land of pro- mise.

25

Pno.

Deborah and Jochebed

leave us! We need you, Fa- ther!

Ishmael

mp Who can find such vir- tu- ous wo- men, All ex-

Dying Away ♩ = 40

8^{va}

30

Pno.

p

am- ples of hu- mil- i-ty? Who can find such vir- tu- ous wo- men? I will love you _____ for e-

8^{va}

36

Grave ♩ = 72

ter - ni-ty... _____

Vc.

Pno.

mf

mf

41

Faster ♩ = 104

Vc.

Pno.

mp

p

45

Miriam

Dinah

mf Dead, our fa-ther's dead, and we have wan-dered, And we have wan-dered in the de - sert _____

Pno.

50 *Deborah*

— And suf-fered much af-flic-tion. Thirst,

Vc.

mf 3

Pno.

54 *Jochebed*

fa-tigue and hun-ger — we have suf-fered. And af-ter all this — we must per-ish —

Pno.

58 *Jochebed*

— Be-cause of our af-flic-tion! The Lord hath for-sa-ken me!

Vc.

3

Pno.

62 *Deborah* *Hannah*

— The Lord hath for - got - ten me! *mp* No He will show that He hath not. Through I - sai - ah, the

Vc.

Pno. *subito p*

67

Lord has said: _____ "I have re - fined thee, _____ I have cho - sen thee

Pno.

72

— in the fur - nace of af - flic - tion, _____ The fur - nace of af - flic - tion, _____

Pno.

77

I have re-fined thee, — I have cho-sen thee — In the fur-nace of af-flic - tion,

Pno.

82

Deborah

— The fur-nace of af - flic - tion. — *mf* Toil'd,

Vc.

mf

Pno.

86

Miriam

We all have toil ed, big with child, — And we've borne chil - dren in the de - sert —

Vc.

Pno.

90 *Jochebed*

Oh, my child! _____

Deborah

And lost some in af - flic - tion. _____ Oh,

Vc.

Pno.

94 *Dinah*

if we could all go back to Is - rael. With our poss - ess - ions we'd be hap - py _____

Vc.

Pno.

98 *Miriam*

And free of our af - flic - tion! Le - hi is a fool - ish man! _____

Vc.

Pno.

102

Dinah *Hannah*

Ne - phi is a fool - ish man! No God will show that they are not.

Vc.

Pno.

subito p

106

Please re - mem - ber the Lord has said: *mf* "I have re - fined thee, —

Dinah and Miriam

mf But Han - nah, we have toil'd,

Vc.

Pno.

mf

110

I have cho-sen thee ____ In the fur-nace of af-flic - tion,
We all have toil - ed, big with child, ____ And we've borne chil - dren in the de - sert ____

Vc.

Pno.

114

The fur-nace of af - flic - tion. ____ I have re-fined thee, ____
And lost some in af - flic - tion. ____ We've lost some chil - dren, oh! ____

Vc.

Pno.

118

I have cho-sen thee In the fur-nace of af-flic - tion,
 If we could all go back to Is - rael. With our poss - ess - ions we'd be hap - py

Vc.

Pno.

122

The fur-nace of af - flic - tion." Han - nah, how can you
 And free of our af - flic - tion! Oh,

Vc.

Pno.

Different accidental

Jochebed and Deborah

126 *Deborah* *Jochebed*
Top: Deborah
Bottom: Jochebed

have such faith? Our fa - ther's dead! My child is dead! And you are bar - ren! No suck - ing

Vc.

Pno.

131 *Hannah*

child! *mp* Can a wo - man for - get her suck - ing child? Can a wo - man lose com -

Vc.

Pno.

136

pass - ion for her child? Yea, she may for - get, But God will not for -

Vc.

Pno.

141

Dinah

f But Han - nah! _____ I _____

Deborah and Hannah

get The daugh - ters of Zi - on! _____ **f** He has re-fined me, _____

Miriam and Jochebed

f But Han - nah, Fa - ther's dead!

Vc.

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f *CJ - Play Melody*

145

_____ do not know Why _____ We

_____ He has cho-sen me _____ In the fur-nace of af-flic - tion,

Our fa-ther's dead, and we have wan - dered, And we have wan-dered in the de - sert _____

Vc.

Pno.

149

have all this af-flic-tion! Tell me why Why?

The fur-nace of af-flic-tion! He has re-fined me, —

— And suf-fered much af-flic-tion, — And Han-nah, we all thirst,

Vc.

Pno.

8va

153

Why? Why this fur-nace of af-flic-tion?

He has cho-sen me In the fur-nace of af-flic-tion,

Fa-tigue and hun-ger we have suf-fered, And af-ter all this we must per-ish

Vc.

Pno.

8va

157

Deborah

mp The fur-nace of af-flic-tion! Your faith is like the

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Be - cuase of our af-flic - tion!

Vc.

Pno.

mp

162

Dinah *Hannah*

sea. Your peace is as a ri - ver. When you cov - e - nant with the Lord,

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rit.

He car-ries you through the fur-nace of af - flic - tion.

Vc.

pp

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