

10. By the Strength of Our Hand

from "I Will Trust in Thee Forever" - 2026 Revisions with Percussion

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1 Nephi 18, 2 Nephi 20

Jacob, Joseph, Dan, Aviva, Eliana, Ruth, Nephi, Laman,
Lemuel, Dinah, Miriam, Adi, Chaviva, Abner, Caleb

With Wonder ♩ = 60

FINGER CYMBAL

The musical score is arranged in five systems. The first system features a Percussion part with a finger cymbal and a Piano accompaniment. The Piano part has a treble and bass staff, with a mezzo-piano (mp) dynamic marking. The second system continues the Piano accompaniment. The third system introduces a Children's voice part in the treble staff, with a vocal line in the bass staff. The fourth system continues the Children's voice part, with lyrics: "To Him that by wis - dom made the hea - vens". The fifth system continues the Piano accompaniment and the Children's voice part.

Percussion

Piano

Pno.

Children

Nephi

His

To Him that by wis - dom made the hea - vens

Perc.

Pno.

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mer - cy en - dur - eth for - ev - er. His

To Him that stretched out the earth and wa - ters

Perc.

Pno.

9

Joseph *Dan* *Aviva*

mer - cy en - dur - eth for - ev - er. Bro - ther Ne - phi, how much long - er till We reach the pro - mised land? We've

Perc.

Pno.

12

Eliana *Ruth* *Nephi*

gone six months. My mo - ther's sick. And Grand - ma and Grand - pa can't stand. We

Pno.

The musical score is written for a vocal ensemble and piano/percussion. It consists of three systems of music. The first system (measures 7-8) features a vocal line with lyrics 'mer - cy en - dur - eth for - ev - er. His' and a piano accompaniment. The second system (measures 9-11) features a vocal line with lyrics 'To Him that stretched out the earth and wa - ters' and a piano accompaniment. The third system (measures 12-14) features a vocal line with lyrics 'mer - cy en - dur - eth for - ev - er. Bro - ther Ne - phi, how much long - er till We reach the pro - mised land? We've' and a piano accompaniment. The piano part includes a percussive element in the right hand and a melodic line in the left hand. The vocal parts are written for a soprano, alto, and tenor/bass.

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fol-low the com-pass and God will guide by the strength of His hand.

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18 $\text{♩} = 88$ *Laman*

Oh Ja - cob! Lit - tle bro - ther! An - xious bro - ther! What are you wor - ried and stressed a - bout to -

Perc.

Pno.

23 *Jacob*

Oh, La - man, I'm wor - ried Of o - ceans and dark - ness.

Laman

night? I was

Perc.

Pno.

Lemuel

27

wor-ried once all a-bout a man. _____ He who owned this sword was a migh-ty man. _____ But he

Pno.

31

rit. Ominous ♩ = 60

now is slain, cause we took a stand. We have come thus far by the strength of our hand.

Perc.

Pno.

36

By the strength of our hand we have done it all. By our wis-dom we've done all these

Perc.

Pno.

Lemuel, Abner, Caleb

40 *Abner* *Caleb*

things. Slain a vill - ain, crossed a de-sert, Built a boat fit for kings! By the

Pno.

45

strength of our hand we will ga-ther in All the rich - es of our fu - ture land. And if

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49 *Jacob*

But Ne - phi says

you weren't so wor - ried, then you could thrive By the strength _____ of your hand.

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54 *Miriam* *Dinah*

trust in God, for His mer - cy en - dur - eth for - ev - er. And trust in God you can. While you

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Chaviva

59

Adi

strength-en the arm of man! All is well, _____ dear Ja-cob. We all pros - per-eth, all is

TAMBOURINE

Perc.

Pno.

64

Miriam

Dinah

S1 - Dinah, Miriam

S2 - Chaviva

A - Adi

well! The com-pass will guide us a - cross the sea. In our pro - mised land we'll be free! All is

Lemuel, Abner, Caleb

By the

Perc.

Pno.

69

well _____ dear Ja - cob. We all pros - per - eth, we shall stand. And if

strength of our hand we will ga - ther in All the rich - es of our fu - ture land. And if

Perc.

Pno.

73

Jacob

But bro - thers, I

you weren't so weak, you could do it all By the strength _____ of your hand.

you weren't so wor - ried, then you could thrive By the strength _____ of your hand.

Perc.

Pno.

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Laman

78

do not have your strength or your skill with the sword. Then let's have a fight! Show me now to-night

Perc.

Pno.

[Laman thrusts a sword into Jacob's hand, while he holds the sword of Laban. Jacob hesitates then tries feeble, unskilled thrusts.]

84

— You can trust in your arm E-ven more than you trust in the Lord!

rit.

Perc.

Pno.

89 *a tempo*

Ha! Ja-cob! Stand and fight like a man! No! You're pa-the-tic! No! Ja-cob!

Perc.

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127

94

Duck more quick - ly! You're a ner - vous wreck! Come and fight! Ja cob!

Dinah, Miriam, Chaviva, Adi, Lemuel, Abner, Caleb All is well dear

By the strength of our hand we will

Perc.

Pno.

98

Stand and fight like a man! No! You're pa - the - tic! Par ry! Par ry!

Ja - cob. We all pros - per - eth, we shall stand. And if you weren't so weak, you could

ga - ther in All the rich - es of our fu - ture land. And if you weren't so wor - ried, then

Perc.

Pno.

102

Par ry! Thrust with the strength of your... AHHHHH!! My hand!

do it all By the strength of your *[Jacob accidentally hurts Laman's hand with his sword.]* I'm sor ry! It was an

you could thrive By the strength of your

Jacob Dinah

Perc.

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$\text{♩} = 88$

109

ac - ci - dent!

Lemuel

Laman

An ac - ci - dent, a like - ly chance, on pur - pose I sus pect! And so our strength will teach you it's

Perc.

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129

[On the beat after "respect," Laman and Lemuel begin beating Jacob, knocking him out.]

113 *Dinah*

Lemuel No! *Laman* *Lemuel* *Laman, Lemuel*

time you learned to show re - spect! We'll show you! We'll teach you, you worth-less, pa - the - tic ex - cuse of a

Perc.

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116 *Nephi* [The brothers stop beating their brother when they hear Nephi's voice offstage. Nephi enters.]

Bro - thers! *subito p*

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118 *Laman*

What has hap - pened to our bro - ther? He

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120 **Ominous** ♩. = 60 *f*

tripped and fell, fool - ish bro-ther! Cra-zy bro ther! We were

Perc.

Pno.

123 **Dinah**

No, La-man! *[holding up a hand for silence]*

spar-ring, and Ja-cob has woun-ded me. Such im - per - ti-nence I will not stand. Fa-ther's death is at hand; soon I'll

Perc.

Pno.

128

take com-mand. By the strength of my sword, fam-'ly must ac-cord. And for his lit-tle slice he will pay the price By the

Perc.

Pno.

133 $\text{♩} = 88$

strength of my hand! *Nephi* *mp* But which is more, the sword or He that

Perc.

Pno.

139 *Laman*

Stop, Ne-phi. Him who rules?

wields the sword? *FINGER CYMBAL* Or which is more, thy hand or Him who rules: the

Perc.

Pno.

144

You mean Ne-phi! Stop this in stant!

Lord? As if the staff should lift it-self as if it were no wood! No! And

Perc.

Pno.

149

Lemuel

now I fear your rude - ness here will bring us ill, not good. You don't want the Lord to rule!

Pno.

155

Laman *Laman, Lemuel* *Laman* *attacca*

You want your hand to rule With the sword you stole! But no! We'll con-trol By the strength

Pno.

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