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Unless the LORD Builds Up the House

1. ¹Un - less the LORD builds up the house,
 2. ²In vain you rise be - fore the dawn,
 3. ³Lo, chil - dren are a her - i - tage,
 4. ⁴The man whose qui - ver's full of them

the wear - y buil - ders toil in vain;
 and late your night - ly vig - ils keep;
 a gift from God in ver - y truth.
 is blessed by God; his name is great.

un - less he keeps the cit - y safe,
 while you eat bread of anx - ious toil,
 'Like ar - rows in a war - rior's hand
 He shall not fear his en - e - mies

the guards a use - less watch main - tain.
 God gives to his be - lov - ed sleep.
 are all the chil - dren of one's youth.
 when he speaks with them in the gate.