

# O God, Our Help in Ages Past

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The image shows a musical score for the hymn 'O God, Our Help in Ages Past'. It is written in 4/4 time and consists of three systems of music. Each system includes a vocal line with lyrics and a bass line with chords. The lyrics are arranged in four verses. The chords are indicated by letters above the notes.

**System 1:**

Chords: C, C, F, C/E, Am, Dm7, G, C

Lyrics:  
1. O God, our help in a - ges past,  
2. Un - der the shad - ow of Thy throne,  
3. Be - fore the hills in or - der stood,  
4. A thou - sand a - ges in Thy sight,

**System 2:**

Chords: Am, Em, Am/C, D, G, C, F, Dm, G

Lyrics:  
Our hope for years to come, Our shel - ter from the  
Still may we dwell se - cure; Suf - fi - cient is Thine  
Or earth re - ceived her frame, From ev - er - last - ing  
Are like an eve - ning gone; Short as the watch that

**System 3:**

Chords: C, F, E, C/E, F, C, Dm/F, G, C

Lyrics:  
storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home.  
arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.  
Thou art God, To end - less years the same.  
ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.