

If GOD Does Not Build Up the House

Based on Psalm 127

Guitar chords for unison singing only

Capo 3: E Am E Am F

1. If GOD does not build up the house, The build-ers la - bor
2. The LORD re - stores His folk with sleep. 3God gives us chil - dren

4 G C F C F C
but in vain. If God the LORD does not stand guard, Your
to make sure That god - ly par - ents shall be spared 5When

7 Dm F E A
cit - y watch - men can - not save. 2Ear - ly to work and
ad - ver - sar - ies crowd the door. 4Strong sons and daugh - ters

10 D A A7 D A E A
late to rest Will pro - fit you but wea - ri - ness.
raised in faith Be - come like ar - rows from the LORD.

Detailed description: This is a musical score for a unison singing piece. It consists of four systems of music, each with a vocal line and a guitar accompaniment line. The key signature is one flat (B-flat major or D minor) and the time signature is 4/4. The guitar part is written for a capo on the 3rd fret. The lyrics are in two parts: a first part and a second part. The first part starts with '1. If GOD does not build up the house...' and the second part starts with '2. The LORD re - stores His folk with sleep...'. The score includes various guitar chords (E, Am, F, G, C, Dm, A, A7) and musical notations such as stems, beams, and rests. The lyrics are written below the vocal line, with some words hyphenated across lines.

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