

King Alfred's War Song

When the enemy comes in a-roaring like a flood
Coveting the kingdom and hungering for blood
The Lord will raise a standard up and lead His people on
The Lord of Hosts will go before defeating every foe;
defeating every foe
For the Lord is our defense, Jesu defend us;
for the Lord is our defense, Jesu defend.

Some men trust in chariots, some trust in the horse
But we will depend upon the Name of Christ our Lord
The Lord has made my hands to war and my fingers to fight
The Lord lays low our enemies but raises us upright;
He raises us upright
For the Lord is our defense, Jesu defend us;
for the Lord is our defense, Jesu defend.

A thousand fall on my left hand, ten thousand to the right,
And yet He will defend us from the arrow in the night
Protect us from the terrors of the teeth of the devourer
Imbue us with your Spirit, Lord, encompass us with power;
encompass us with power.
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