

O God, the Rock of Ages (capo V)

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G Am7 G/B C G  
O God, the Rock of Ages  
C D  
who evermore has been;  
G Am7 G/B C G  
What time the tempest rages,  
C D G  
our dwelling place serene.  
G C G  
Before Thy first creations  
C D  
O Lord the same as now;  
G Am7 G/B C D  
To endless generations,  
C D Em  
the everlasting Thou,  
C D G D C G D C G D C G  
the everlasting Thou.

Our years are like the shadows on sunny hills that lie,  
or grasses in the meadow that blossom but to die.  
A sleep, a dream, a story by strangers quickly told;  
an unremaining glory of things that soon are old,  
of things that soon are old.

O Thou who canst not slumber whose light grows never pale,  
teach us aright to number our years before they fail;  
On us Thy mercy lighten, on us Thy goodness rest,  
and let Thy Spirit brighten the hearts thyself has blessed,  
the hearts thyself has blessed.

Lord, crown our faith's endeavor with beauty and with grace,  
Till clothed in light forever we see Thee face to face.  
A joy no language measures, a fountain brimming o'er  
an endless flow of pleasures, an ocean without shore,  
an ocean without shore.