Hymn: “We Would Be Building”
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Verse 1
We would be building; temples still undone
O’er crumbling walls their crosses scarcely lift;
Waiting till love can raise the broken stone,
And hearts creative bridge the human rift;
We would be building,
Architect Divine,
Reveal the shape of life in your design.

Verse 2
Teach us to build; upon the solid rock
We set the dream that hardens into deed,
Ribbed with fine steel both time and change to mock
The unfailing purpose of our noblest creed;
Teach us to build;
O Maker, lend us sight
To see the towers gleaming in the light.

Verse 3
O keep us building, Savior; may our hands
Ne’er falter when the dream is in our hearts,
When to our ears there come divine commands
And all the pride of sinful will departs;
We build with you,
O grant enduring worth
Until your promised realm shall come on earth.