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## **“GOD WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU”**

*Civilla D. Martin, 1869 - 1948*

***“Cast your care on the Lord and He will sustain you; He will never let the righteous fall.” (Psalm 55:22)***

**Do we as Christians trust God for salvation and eternal life, yet at times doubt that He will tenderly care for us in our daily lives? We all seem to need reassurance of God’s concern for us in troublesome times.** That’s why this hymn has brought comfort and encouragement to so many Christians—it reminds us that the Lord cares deeply for His children. We need not worry no matter how great the task, how difficult the test, how fierce the danger, or how great the need. We can just “lean upon His breast” and be covered by “His wings of love.”

**Civilla Martin wrote this hymn when she herself needed to learn the lesson of resting in God’s care.** Her husband, the Reverend W. Stillman Martin, was a well-known Baptist evangelist. One Sunday in 1904, Mrs. Martin became ill suddenly and was unable to accompany her husband to his preaching assignment some distance away. As Mr. Martin considered cancelling his trip, their young son exclaimed, **“Father, don’t you think that if God wants you to preach today, He will take care of Mother while you’re away?”** Returning that evening after seeing several people profess Christ as Savior, Reverend Martin found his wife greatly improved and busily writing this text, which had been suggested by her son’s words. That same evening, Stillman Martin composed the music, providing God’s people with another endearing hymn that has ministered to hurting hearts.

- ❖ Be not dismayed whate’er betide, God will take care of you; beneath His wings of love abide; God will take care of you.
- ❖ Thru days of toil when heart doth fail. God will take care of you; when dangers fierce your path assail, God will take care of you.
- ❖ All you may need He will provide; God will take care of you; nothing you ask will be denied; God will take care of you.
- ❖ No matter what may be the test; God will take care of you, thru ev’ry day, o’er all the way; He will take care of you; God will take care of you.

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*“And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.” Matthew 28:18 –*

