Refrain: The Lord has chosen Zion for himself.

1 The Lord has chosen Zion for himself.
   His foundation is on the holy mountains.

2 The Lord loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

3 Glorious things are spoken of you, Zion, city of our God.
   I record Egypt and Babylon as those who know me;
   behold Philistia, Tyre and Ethiopia:
   in Zion were they born.

4 And of Zion it shall be said, Each one was born in her,
   and the Most High himself has established her.

5 The Lord will record as he writes up the peoples,
   This one also was born there.

6 And as they dance they shall sing,
   All my fresh springs are in you.

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Lord, as you call us to your city
   founded on the rock of ages,
   let the springs of living water
   rise within us to eternal life;
   in Jesus Christ our Lord.