

House Built on a Rock

Traditional Song

Hand Motions Suggested by Lori S Odhner

1. A wise man built his house u-pon a rock, a wise man built his house u-pon a rock,
2. A foolish man built his house u-pon the sand, a foolish man built his house u-pon the sand,

1. a wise man built his house u-pon a rock, and the rains came a-tum-ble-ing down!
2. a foolish man built his house u-pon the sand, and the rains came a-tum-ble-ing down!

1. the rains came down and the floods came up, the rains came down and the floods came up,
2. the rains came down and the floods came up, the rains came down and the floods came up,

1. the rains came down and the floods came up, and the house on the rock stood firm.
2. the rains came down and the floods came up, and the house on the sand went smash!!! (shouted)

HAND MOTIONS -

"Wise man built his" — put one fist on top of the other 4 times
(foolish)

"house" — put fingertips together to form a roof

"rock" — 2 fists together

"sand" — wave hands horizontally

"rains" — wiggle fingers and lower them

"floods came up" — push hands upward as if lifting

"stood firm" — fold hands together

"went smash" — throw up arms in the air