

# What a Friend we have in Jesus

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The image shows a piano accompaniment score for the hymn 'What a Friend we have in Jesus'. The score is written in 3/4 time and consists of four systems of music. Each system has a treble and bass clef staff. The key signature is three flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat). The first system starts with a treble clef and a bass clef, with a '5' above the first measure. The second system starts with a '10' above the first measure and a '15' above the fifth measure. The third system starts with a '20' above the first measure and a '25' above the fifth measure. The fourth system starts with a '30' above the first measure. The music is primarily chordal and features a steady bass line.

**What a Friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear,  
All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer.**

**Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged; take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Can we find a friend so faithful who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness; take it to the Lord in prayer.**

**Are we weak and heavy laden, cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge, take it to the Lord in prayer.  
Do your friends despise, forsake you? Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In His arms He'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.**

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