What a Friend We Have In Jesus

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What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear! What a privilege to carry, Everything to God in prayer! Oh, what peace we often forfeit, Oh, 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.



God Promises

How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! *1 John 3:1 NIV*

God's Invitation

Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when He appears, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. Everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure.1 John 3:2-3 NIV

Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth. By this we shall know that we are of the truth and reassure our heart before Him; for whenever our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and He knows everything. Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God. *1 John 3:18-21 ESV*

This is His commandment, that we believe in the name of His Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as He has commanded us. *1 John 3:23 ESV*

God's Love

Those who obey His commands live in Him, and He in them. And this is how we know that He lives in us: We know it by the Spirit He gave us. *1 John 3:24 NIV*

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the Father loves whoever has been born of Him. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey His commandments.

Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God? *1 John 5:1-2, 5 ESV*

Prayer

Dear Lord, thank You for choosing us to be Your children. You know everything in our hearts. Purify us so that we can be pleasing in Your sight. Help us to love You and each other with words, actions, and truth. Give us true faith in Jesus Christ. Bless and keep us for His name sake, Amen.