WHAT A FRIEND WE HAVE IN JESUS

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Key: G **Start Note:** D **Time:**4/4 **Strum:** d_d_ dudu

Intro: G / / / G / / /

G C G D
1. What a friend we have in Jesus, All our sins and griefs to bear,
G C G D G
What a privilege to car-ry, Every-thing to God in prayer!
Am G C G D
Oh, what peace we often for-feit, Oh, what needless pain we bear,
G C G D G
All because we do not car-ry, Every-thing to God in prayer!

D G D
2. Have we trials and temptations? Is there trouble any-where?
G C G D G
We should never be dis-couraged – Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Am G C G D
Can we find a friend so faith-ful, Who will all our sorrows share?
G C G D G
Jesus knows our every weak-ness, Take it to the Lord in prayer.

G C G D
3. Are we weak and heavy-laden, Cumbered with a load of care?
G C G D G
Precious Savior, still our re-fuge – Take it to the Lord in prayer.
Am G C G D
Do thy friends despise, forsake thee? Take it to the Lord in prayer!
G C G D G
In His arms He'll take and shield thee, Thou wilt find a solace there.

G C G D
4. Blessed Savior, Thou has prom-ised, Thou wilt all our burdens bear;
G C G D G
May we ever, Lord, be bring-ing – All to Thee in earnest prayer.
Am G C G D
Soon in glory bright, unclouded, There will be no need for prayer –
G C G D G G (arp)
Rapture, praise, and endless worship, Will be our sweet portion there.
(S…L…O…W)