

# What a Friend We Have in Jesus

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1. 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.

2. 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.

3. 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 thy friends despise, forsake thee?

Take it to the Lord in prayer!

In his arms he'll take and shield thee;  
thou wilt find a solace there.

## Luke 11:1-13

<sup>1</sup> It happened that while Jesus was praying in a certain place, after He had finished, one of His disciples said to Him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John also taught his disciples." <sup>2</sup> And He said to them, "When you pray, say: `Father, hallowed be Your name. Your kingdom come. <sup>3</sup> `Give us each day our daily bread. <sup>4</sup> `And forgive us our sins, For we ourselves also forgive everyone who is indebted to us. And lead us not into temptation.'" <sup>5</sup> Then He said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and goes to him at midnight and says to him, `Friend, lend me three loaves; <sup>6</sup> for a friend of mine has come to me from a journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; <sup>7</sup> and from inside he answers and says, `Do not bother me; the door has already been shut and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' <sup>8</sup> "I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, yet because of his persistence he will get up and give him as much as he needs. <sup>9</sup> "So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. <sup>10</sup> "For everyone who asks, receives; and he who seeks, finds; and to him who knocks, it will be opened. <sup>11</sup> "Now suppose one of you fathers is asked by his son for a fish; he will not give him a snake instead of a fish, will he? <sup>12</sup> "Or if he is asked for an egg, he will not give him a scorpion, will he? <sup>13</sup> "If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?"

# Sweet Hour of Prayer

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Sweet hour of prayer, Sweet hour of prayer,  
That calls me from a world of care and bids me at my Father's throne  
Make all my wants and wishes known.

In seasons of distress and grief my soul has often found relief,  
And oft escaped the tempter's snare, by Thy return sweet hour of  
prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, Sweet hour of prayer.

The joys I feel, the bliss I share.

Of those whose anxious spirits burn with strong desires for Thy return.  
With such I hasten to the place where God, my Savior, shows His face.  
And gladly take my station there, and wait for Thee, sweet hour of  
prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, Sweet hour of prayer,

Thy wings shall my petition bear To Him whose truth and faithfulness  
Engage the waiting soul to bless;

And since He bids me seek His face, Believe His word, and trust His  
grace,

I'll cast on Him my ev'ry care. And wait for Thee, sweet hour of prayer.

Sweet hour of prayer, Sweet hour of prayer,

May I Thy consolation share, 'Til from Mount Pisgah's lofty height,  
I view my home and take my flight.

This robe of flesh I'll drop and rise To seize the everlasting prize,  
And shout while passing through the air, Farewell, farewell sweet hour  
of prayer.