

4 The poor as Jesus' bosom-friends

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1. The poor as Je - sus' bos - om friends, the poor he
 2. What - ev - er you to us en - trust, with your pe -
 3. Help us to make the poor our friends, by that which

makes his lat - est care, to all his
 cu - liar bless - ing blessed, O make us
 paves the way to hell, that when our

fol - low - ers com - mends, and wills us
 dil - i - gent and just, as stew - ards
 lov - ing la - bor ends, and dy - ing

on our hands to bear; the poor our
 faith - ful to the least, en - dowed with
 from this earth we fail, our friends may

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dear - est care we make, and love them for our Sav - ior's sake.
 wis - dom to pos - sess the mam - mon of un - right - eous - ness.
 greet us in the skies born to a life that nev - er dies.

Acts 20:35-6: I have showed you all things, how that so laboring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, it is more blessed to give than to receive. And when he had thus spoken, he kneeled down, and prayed with them all.

Luke 16:9: And I say unto you, Make to yourselves friends of the mammon of unrighteousness; that, when ye fail, they may receive you into everlasting habitations.

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| <p>1. The poor as Jesus' bosom friends,
 the poor he makes his latest care,
 to all his followers commends,
 and wills us on our hands to bear;
 the poor our dearest care we make,
 and love them for our Savior's sake.</p> | <p>2. Whatever you to us entrust,
 with your peculiar blessing blessed,
 O make us diligent and just,
 as stewards faithful to the least,
 endowed with wisdom to possess
 the mammon of unrighteousness.</p> |
| <p>3. Help us to make the poor our friends,
 by that which paves the way to hell,
 that when our loving labor ends,
 and dying from this earth we fail,
 our friends may greet us in the skies
 born to a life that never dies.</p> | |