

# What profit all the labor here

Gospel — General

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Musical score for the hymn "What profit all the labor here". The score is written in G-flat major (two flats) and common time (C). It consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of two flats. The melody is simple and repetitive. The lyrics are: "1. What profit all the labor here? There's nothing new for you and me! Remember not the former things, They're all vanity - ty! (C) Van - i - ty! Van - i - ty! Van - i - ty! Van - i - ty! 'Tis chas - ing the wind, It's all van - i - ty!" The score includes chord symbols above the notes: Eb, Ab/Eb, Eb, Cm, Fm, Bb7, Eb, Bb7/F, Eb/G, Ab, Gm, Cm, Ab, Bb7, Eb, Ab/Eb, Eb, Bb7, Eb, Cm, Ab, Bb7, Eb, Bb7/F, Eb/G, Ab, Gm, Cm, Ab, Bb7, Eb, Ab/Eb, Eb. A box labeled "Chorus" is placed above the third staff, starting at the first measure of the chorus line.

2. Man's life is full of grief and pain:

Much wisdom bringeth misery!  
Increasing knowledge addeth woe!  
It's all vanity!

3. What good our pleasure and our wealth?

Though joys we have and family,  
We'll have our worries just the same!  
It's all vanity!

4. Days of toil to gain and restless nights:

Though gained without calamity,  
When death comes, it is gone for aye!  
It's all vanity!

5. Remember God in days of youth!

Fear Him, and such will be your gain!  
With Him you will be satisfied,  
For He is not vain!

Christ without, all is vain!

Christ within, all is gain!

All things are vain,

Christ only is gain!