

What profit all the labor here

Gospel — General

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1. What profit all the labor here? There's nothing new for you and
me! Re - mem - ber not the form - er things, They're all van - i -
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 musical score is written for a single melodic line in E-flat major, 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff contains measures 1-3, the second staff measures 4-6, the third staff measures 7-9, and the fourth staff measures 10-12. Chords are indicated 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, Gm, Cm, Ab, Bb7, Eb, Ab/Eb, Eb. A box labeled 'Chorus' is placed above the third measure of the third staff. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables across measures.

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!