

The Weight

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Key of C

4/4

C Em Am G F F
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Verse 1:

C Em F C
I pulled into Nazareth, I was feeling 'bout half past dead,
C Em F C
I just need some place where I can lay my head,
C Em F C
"Hey, mister, can you tell me where a man might find a bed?"
C Em F C
He just grinned, shook my hand, and "No!" was all he said.

Chorus:

C Em F
Take a load off, Fanny,
C Em F
Take a load for free
C Em F F tacet
Take a load off, Fanny // and...(and)...(and)
C Em Am G F F
You put the load right on me // // // //
(You put the load right on me)

Verse 2:

C Em F C
I picked up my bag, I went looking for a place to hide,
C Em F C
When I saw Carmen and the Devil, walking side by side,
C Em F C
I said "Hey, Carmen...come on, let's go downtown."
C Em F C
She said, "I gotta go, but my friend can stick around."

Chorus:

Verse 3:

C Em F C
Go down, Miss Moses, there's nothing you can say,
C Em F C
It's just old Luke, and Luke's waiting on the Judgment Day,
C Em F C
"Well, Luke, my friend, what about young Anna Lee?"
C Em F C
He said, "Do me a favor, son, won't you stay and keep Anna Lee company?"

Chorus:

Verse 4:

C **Em** **F** **C**
Crazy Chester followed me, and he caught me in the fog,
C **Em** **F** **C**
He said, "I will fix your rack, if you'll take Jack, my dog."
C **Em** **F** **C**
I said, "Wait a minute, Chester...you know I'm a peaceful man."
C **Em** **F** **C**
He said, "That's okay, boy...won't you feed him when you can."

Chorus:

Verse 5:

C **Em** **F** **C**
Catch a Cannonball now to take me on down the line,
C **Em** **F** **C**
My bag is sinking low and I do believe it's time,
C **Em** **F** **C**
To get back to Miss Fanny, you know she's the only one,
C **Em** **F** **C**
Who sent me here with her regards for everyone.

Chorus:

End With:

C **Em** **Am** **G** **F** **C**
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