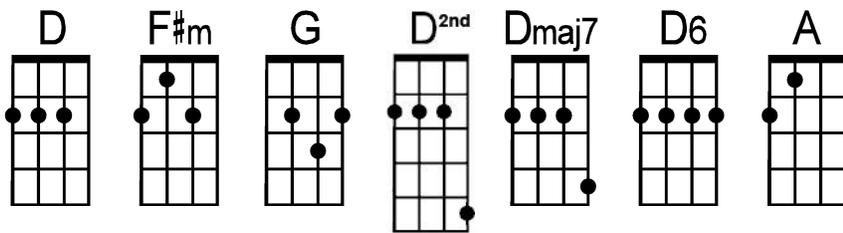


# The Weight

by Robbie Robertson (1968)



**Intro:** D \ F#m \ Bm \ D \ | G \ \ G \ --- \ G \ \ | D . . . |

D . F#m . | G . D . |  
I pulled into Nazareth I was feelin' 'bout half-past dead

. . F#m . | G . D . |  
I just need some place where I can lay my he-ead—

. . F#m . | G . D . |  
“Hey, Mister, can you tell me where a man might find a bed?”

. . F#m . | G . D . |  
He just grinned and shook my hand “No” was all he said—

**Chorus:** D F#m G . | D F#m G . |  
Take a load off Fannie Take a load for free

D F#m G . | G \ \ --- --- ---  
Take a load off Fannie Aaaa—Aaaa—And

| --- --- --- | D2 \ Dmaj7 \ D6 \ A \ | G . . . |  
You put the load— right on me—  
(You put the load)

D . F#m . | G . D . |  
I picked up my bag I went lookin' for a place to hide

. . F#m . | G . D . |  
When I saw Carmen and the devil walkin' side by si-ide

. . F#m . | G . D . |  
I said "Hey, Carmen come on let's go down-town"

. . F#m . | G . D . |  
She said "I got to go but my friend can stick a—round"

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**D** . **F#m** . | **G** . **D** . |  
 Go down Miss Moses there's nothin' you can say  
 . **F#m** . | **G** . **D** . |  
 It's just old Luke and— Luke's waitin' on the judgment day  
 . **F#m** . | **G** . **D** . |  
 "Well Luke my friend what a-bout young Anna Lee?"  
 . **F#m** . | **G** . **D** . |  
 He said "Do me a favor son won't you stay and keep Anna Lee company"

**Chorus:** **D** **F#m** **G** . | **D** **F#m** **G** . |  
 Take a load off Fannie Take a load for free  
**D** **F#m** **G** . | **G** \ \ --- --- ---  
 Take a load off Fannie Aaaa—Aaaa—And  
 | --- --- --- | **D2** \ **D** **Maj7** \ **D6** \ **A** \ | **G** . . . |  
 You put the load— right on me—  
 (*You put the load*)

**D** . **F#m** . | **G** . **D** . |  
 Crazy Chester followed me and he caught me in the fog  
 . **F#m** . | **G** . **D** . |  
 He said, "I will fix you right if you'll take Jack my dog"  
 . **F#m** . | **G** . **D** . |  
 I said "Wait a minute, Chester you know I'm a peaceful man"  
 . **F#m** . | **G** . **D** . |  
 He said "That's o-kay, boy. Won't you feed him when you can?"

**Chorus:** **D** **F#m** **G** . | **D** **F#m** **G** . |  
 Take a load off Fannie Take a load for free  
**D** **F#m** **G** . | **G** \ \ --- --- ---  
 Take a load off Fannie Aaaa—Aaaa—And  
 | --- --- --- | **D2** \ **D** **Maj7** \ **D6** \ **A** \ | **G** . . . |  
 You put the load— right on me—  
 (*You put the load*)

**D** . **F#m** . | **G** . **D** . |  
 Gonna catch the Canonball to take me down the line  
 . **F#m** . | **G** . **D** . |  
 My bag is sinkin' low and I do be-lieve it's ti-ime  
 . **F#m** . | **G** . **D** . |  
 To get back to Miss Fannie. You know she's the only one  
 . **F#m** . | **G** . **D** . |  
 Who sent me here with her re-gards for every-one

