

# There is Power in a Union

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[C] [G] [D] [Dsus4] [D]  
[C] [G] [D] [G]

There is [G] power in a factory, [C] power in the land  
[G] Power in the hand of the [D] worker [Dsus4] [D]  
But it [G] all amounts to nothing if to [C] gether we don't stand  
[G] There is power in a [D] Unio[G] n

Now the [G] lessons of the past were all [C] learned with workers blood  
The [G] mistakes of the bosses we must [D] pay for [Dsus4] [D]  
From the [G] cities and the farmlands to [C] trenches full of mud  
[G] War has always been the bosses [D] way, [G] sir

The [G] Union forever defending our rights  
[G] Down with the blackleg, all workers [D] unite  
[G] With our brothers and our sisters from [C] many far-off lands  
[G] There is power in a [D] Unio[G] n

[G] Now I long for the morning that [C] they realize  
[G] Brutality and unjust laws cannot defeat [D] us [Dsus4] [D]  
[G] But who'll defend the workers who [C] cannot organize?  
[G] When the bosses send their lackeys out to [D] cheat [G] us?

[G] Money speaks for money, the Devil for his own  
[G] Who comes to speak for the skin and the [D] bone?  
[G] What a comfort to the widow, a [C] light to the child  
[G] There is power in a [D] Unio[G] n

[SOLO] – over Chorus Chords

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[G] Down with the blackleg, all workers [D] unite  
[G] With our brothers and our sisters to [C] gether we will stand  
[G] There is power in a [D] Unio[G] n