1. Listen to the first part of the song and fill the blanks with the words you hear:

brighten up, call, darkest, down, fall, helping, right, troubled, wherever

When you're ________ and ________
and you need a ________ hand
and nothing, oh nothing is going _______,
close your eyes and think of me
and soon I will be there
to ________ even your ________ night.

You just call out my name
and you know __________ I am
I’ll come running, oh yeah baby, to see you again.
Winter, spring, summer or ________,
all you got to do is ________
and I'll be there yeah yeah yeah
you've got a friend.

2. Before listening to the second part try to understand the meaning and match the following halves. Then, listen to it and check your answers:

| a. If the sky | 1. out loud now |
| b. should turn dark | 2. above you |
| c. and that old north wind | 3. should begin to blow, |
| d. keep your head | 4. together |
| e. and call my name | 5. upon your door. |
| f. soon I'll be knocking | 6. and full of clouds |
| g. You just call | 7. out my name |
| h. and you know | 8. wherever I am |
| i. I’ll come running, | 9. oh yes I will, to see you again. |

3. Translate the following part and listen to the whole song again:

Ain’t it good to know
that you’ve got a friend
people can be so cold
they'll hurt you and desert you
well they'll take your soul if you let them
oh yeah don't you let them.
4. Watch the first video and try to answer the following questions:
Where was James Taylor born?
Who wrote this song?
When was it a great hit?
Now compare the two videos; find as many similarities and differences as you can. You can compare everything: appearance, clothes, people, stage, etc.

You've got A Friend
A song written by Carole King and sung by James Taylor among others

When you're down and troubled
and you need a helping hand
and nothing, oh nothing is going right,
close your eyes and think of me
and soon I will be there
to brighten up even your darkest night.

You just call out my name
and you know wherever I am
I'll come running, oh yeah baby, to see you again.
Winter, spring, summer or fall,
all you got to do is call
and I'll be there yeah yeah yeah
you've got a friend.

If the sky above you
should turn dark and full of clouds
and that old north wind should begin to blow,
keep your head together
and call my name out loud now
soon I'll be knocking upon your door.
You just call out my name
and you know wherever I am
I'll come running, oh yes I will, to see you again.

Winter, spring, summer or fall,
all you got to do is call
and I'll be there yeah yeah yeah.

Ain't it good to know
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You just call out my name
and you know wherever I am
I'll come running to see you again
Oh baby don't you know now.
Winter, spring, summer or fall,
hey, now, all you gotta do is call
cos I'll be there yeah yeah yeah
you've got a friend, you've got a friend yeah,
ain't it good to know you've got a friend
ain't it good to know you've got a friend
Oh yeah yeah, you've got a friend.