

# Down in the River to Pray

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**Voices:** SATB with solos for  
Soprano, Alto, and Tenor  
A cappella



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♩ = 116

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Solo Soprano

Solo Alto

Solo Tenor *mf*

1. As I went down in the riv - er to pray, stud - y - in' a - bout that

SOPRANO

ALTO *mp*

TENOR *mp*

BASS *mp*

Down, down, down,

Down, down, down,

Down, down, down,

Solo T. 5 6 7 8 9

good ol' way and who shall wear the star - ry crown, O Lord, show me the way.

S. *mp*

show the

A.

O Lord, show me the way.

T.

O Lord, show me the way.

B.

O Lord, O Lord, show the

**A**

Solo T. 8 O sis - ters, let's go down, 11 let's go down, 12 come on down. 13 O sis - ters, 14

S. way. oh

A. oh

T. oh

B. way. oh

**B** *mf* 15 16 17 19

Solo A. 2. As I went down in the riv-er to

Solo T. 8 let's go down, down in the riv-er to pray.

S. *mp* down to pray. da da da

A. *mp* down to pray. da da da

T. 8 down, down in the riv-er to pray.

B. down to pray.

Solo A. <sup>20</sup> pray, <sup>21</sup> stud-y - in' a-bout that good ol' way and <sup>22</sup> who shall wear <sup>23</sup> the robe and crown, O <sup>24</sup>

Solo T. *mf* and who shall wear the robe and crown, O

S. — da da da da da — oo —

A. — da da da da da — oo —

Solo S. <sup>25</sup> <sup>26</sup> **C** *f* <sup>28</sup> <sup>29</sup> O broth-ers, let's go down, let's go down,

Solo A. *f* Lord, show me the way. O broth-ers, let's go down, let's go down,

Solo T. *f* Lord, show me the way. O broth-ers, let's go down, let's go down,

S. oh —

A. oh —

T. *mp* — *mf* Show the way down, way down. — Go down, go

B. *mp* — *mf* Show — the — way down, way down. — Go down,

Solo S. 30 31 32 33 34  
 come on down. O broth-ers, let's go down, down in the riv-er to pray.

Solo A.  
 come on down. O broth-ers, let's go down, down in the riv-er to pray.

Solo T.  
 come on down. O broth-ers, let's go down, down in the riv-er to pray.

S.  
 - - - - -

A.  
 - - - - -

T.  
 down, down in the riv-er to pray.

B.  
 come on down. Let's go down in the riv-er to pray.

**D** *mp* 35 37 38  
 doo doo

*mp*  
 doo doo

*mp*  
 doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

*mf*  
 3. As I went down in the riv-er to pray, stud-y - in' a - bout that

39 40 41 *mf* 42 43

S. doo doo doo doo O Lord, show me the way.

A. doo oh show the

T. *mf* doo And who shall wear the star-ry crown, oh show the

B. *mp* good ol' way. oo *mf* oh show the way.

**E** *mf* 45 46 47 48

Solo A. O fa-thers, let's go down, let's go down, come on down. O fa-thers,

Solo T. *mf* O fa-thers, let's go down, let's go down, come on down. O fa-thers,

S. *p* way. dm dm dm dm dm

A. *p* way. dm dm dm dm dm

T. *p* way. dm dm dm

B.

**F**

Solo A. *let's go down, down in the riv-er to pray.*

Solo T. *let's go down, down in the riv-er to pray.*

S. *dm dm dm dm*

A. *dm dm dm dm* *mp* *Down in the riv-er to*

T. *mp* *Down in the riv-er to pray,*

B. *mp* *Down in the riv-er to pray,*

**G**

Solo T. *4. As I went down in the riv-er to*

S. *mp* *mf* *Down in the riv-er to pray.*

A. *mf* *pray.*

T. *mf* *f* *down in the riv-er to pray. 4. As I went down in the riv-er to*

B. *mf* *f* *down to pray. 4. As I went down in the riv-er to*

Solo T. 59 60 61 62 63

pray, stud-y - in' a-bout that good ol' way and who shall wear the robe and crown, O

S. *f* who shall wear, who shall wear? Show\_

A. *f* who shall wear, who shall wear? Show\_

T. pray, stud-y - in' a-bout that good ol' way, who shall wear, who shall wear? Show\_

B. pray, stud-y - in' a-bout that good ol' way, who shall wear, who shall wear? Show\_

Solo S. 64 65 67 68

**H** *f* O moth-ers, let's go down, let's go down,

Solo T. *f* Lord, show me the way. O moth-ers, let's go down, let's go down,

S. *mf* the way. Go down. oh

A. *mf* me the way. Moth-ers, go down. oh

T. *mf* me the way. Moth-ers, go down. oh

B. *mf* me the way. Moth-ers, go down. oh

I

Solo S. 69 70 71 72  
 come on down. O moth-ers, let's go down, down in the riv-er to pray.

Solo T. 8  
 come on down. O moth-ers, let's go down, down in the riv-er to pray.

S.  
 come on down. oh \_\_\_\_\_

A.  
 come on down. oh \_\_\_\_\_

T. 8  
 come on down. oh \_\_\_\_\_ *mp* Sin-ners, won't you come

B.  
 come on down. oh \_\_\_\_\_ *mp* Sin-ners, won't you come

Solo T. 8 74 75 *mf* 76 77 78  
 5. As I went down in the riv-er to pray, stud - y-in' a-bout that

S.  
 \_\_\_\_\_

A.  
 \_\_\_\_\_

T. 8  
 down, won't you come down? O sin-ners, won't you come down? Sin-ners, won't you come

B.  
 down? Sin-ners, won't you come down? \_\_\_\_\_ Sin-ners, won't you come

Solo T. <sup>79</sup> good ol' way <sup>80</sup> and who shall wear <sup>81</sup> the star - ry crown, <sup>82</sup> O Lord, show me the

S. *mf* Sin - ners, won't you come

A. *mf* Sin - ners, won't you come

T. *mf* down, won't you come down? O sin - ners, won't you come down? O

B. *mf* down? Sin - ners, won't you come down? Sin - ners, won't you come

Solo T. <sup>83</sup> way. <sup>84</sup> **J** *f* <sup>86</sup> O sin - ners, let's go down, —

S. *f* down? O sin - ners, let's go down,

A. *f* down, won't you come down? Sin - ners, let's go down,

T. *f* Sin - ners, won't you come down? Sin - ners, let's go down,

B. *f* down? Sin - ners, won't you come down? Let's go down,

Solo T. 87                      88                      89                      90

— let's\_ go down, come down. O sin - ners, let's\_ go down,

S. let's go down, come on down. O sin - ners, let's go down,

A. let's go down, come on down. O sin - ners, let's go down,

T. 8 let's go down, come on down. O sin - ners, let's go down,

B. let's go down, come on down. O sin - ners, let's go down,

Solo S. 91                      92                      **K** *mf*                      94                      95

O sin - ners, let's go down, let's go down,

Solo A. *mf* O sin - ners, let's go down, let's go down,

Solo T. 8 *mf* O sin - ners, let's go down, let's go down,

S. *p* down in the riv - er to pray. mm

A. *p* down in the riv - er to pray. mm

T. 8 *p* down in the riv - er to pray. mm

B. *p* down in the riv - er to pray. mm

96 97 98 99 100

Solo S. come on down. O sin - ners, let's go down, down in the riv - er to pray.

Solo A. come on down. O sin - ners, let's go down, down in the riv - er to pray,

Solo T. come on down. O sin - ners, let's go down, down in the riv - er to pray,

S.

A.

T.

B.

101 102 103 104 105 106

Solo A. down in the riv - er to pray. *rit.*

Solo T. down in the riv - er to pray, *mp* down in the riv - er to pray, *p* down to pray.

S. *p* pray.

A. *p* pray.

T. *p* down to pray.

B. *mp* down in the riv - er to pray.