

Spiritual

Down to the river to pray

Traditional

Arr. M. Noia

$\text{♩} = 65$

from the motion picture "O brother where art thou"

Soprano

Alto *mp*

Tenor

Bass

As I went down to the ri-ver to pray, stu-dy-ing a - bout that good ol' way and who shall

S

A

T

B

mp

wear the star - ry crown? Good Lord, show me the way. O sis - ters let's go down,

O sis - ters let's go down,

S

A

T

B

let's go down, come on _ down. O sis - ters let's go down, down to the ri-ver to

let's go down, come on _ down. O sis - ters let's go down, down to the ri-ver to

Down to the river to pray

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p

S pray. Down to the ri - ver to pray.

A pray. Down to the ri - ver to pray.

T Down to the ri - ver to pray.

B *mp*

As I went down to the ri-ver to pray stu-dy-ing a-bout the good ol' way and who shall

14

S Good Lord oo

A Good Lord oo

T *mp* Good Lord O bro-thers let's go down,

B wear the robe an' crown? Good Lord, show me the way. O bro-thers let's go down,

18

S oo

A oo

T let's go down, come on down. Come on bro-thers, let's go down, down to the ri-ver to

B let's go down, come on down. Come on bro-thers, let's go down, down to the ri-ver to

[Optional Interlude]

21 *mf* Poco meno

S — As I went down to the ri-ver to pray, stu - dy-ing a - bout the good ol' way and who shall

A — As I went down to pray, stu-dying a - bout good ol' way oh

T 8 pray. As I went down to pray, stu-dying a - bout good ol' way oh

B pray. As I went down to pray, stu-dying a - bout the good ol' way oh

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S wear the star - ry crown? Good Lord, show me the way. — O fa - thers let's go down,

A oh — Lord, show me the way. — O fa - thers let's go down,

T 8 oh — Lord, show me the way. — O fa - thers let's go down,

B oh — Lord, show me the way. — O fa - thers let's go down,

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S let's go down, come on down, O bro - thers let's go down, down to the ri-ver to

A let's go down, come on down. Oh

T 8 let's go down, come on down. Oh

B let's go down, come on down. Oh

Down to the river to pray

30 **Tempo 1**
mf

S pray. As I went down to the ri-ver to pray stu-dy-ing a-

A oh I went down to

T oh As I went down to the ri-ver to pray stu-dy-ing a-

B oh I went down to

33

S bout the good ol' way and who shall wear the star - ry crown? Good

A pray stu-dying the way and who shall wear the star - ry crown? Good

T 8 bout the good ol' way and who shall wear the star - ry crown? Good

B pray stu-dying the way who shall wear the star - ry crown? Good

35

S Lord, show me the way. O mo-thers let's go down, let's go down, come on down.

A Lord, show me the way. O mo-thers go down, let's go down, come on down.

T 8 Lord, show me the way. O mo-thers go down, let's go down, come on down.

B Lord, show me the way. O mo-thers go down, go down down, come on down.

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S
O mo - thers let's go down, down to the ri - ver to pray.

A
O mo - thers go down, down the ri - ver to pray.

T
8 O mo - thers go down, down the ri - ver to pray. As I went

B
O mo - thers go down, down the ri - ver to pray.

41

S
pp

A
pp

T
8 down to the ri - ver to pray, stu - dy - ing a - bout the good ol' way and who shall

B
pp

43

S
p **Più lento**
Show me the way. Lord, show me the way.

A
p
Show me the way. Lord, show me the way.

T
8 wear the robe an' crown? Good Lord, show me the way. Lord, show me the way.

B
p
Show me the way. Lord, show me the way.