

As I Went Down in the River to Pray

for men's voices a cappella

traditional
arranged by David E. Poole

rhythmically ♩ = 60
solo: *f*

Baritone

As I went down in the ri ver to pray, stud y in' a bout that good ol'

5

B1

way an' who shall wear the star ry crown, good Lord, show me the way.

9

B1

O bro thers, let's go down, let's go down, come on down,

13

B1

O bro thers, let's go down, down in the ri ver to pray. As I went

tutti: f

B 2

As I went

17

B1

down in the ri ver to pray, stud y in' a bout that good ol' way, and who shall

B 2

down in the ri ver to pray, stud y in' a bout that good ol' way, and who shall

21 *mf*

B1
wear the star ry crown, good Lord, show me the way. O

B2
wear the star ry crown, good Lord, show me the way. O sis ters, let's go

25

B1
sis ters, come down, come on down, down. O my sis ters, Come

B2
down, let's go down, come on down. O sis ters, let's go down,

30 *solo: f*

B1
down to pray. As I went down in the ri ver to pray, stud y in' a

B2
down in the ri ver to pray.

34 *mp*

T2
Who shall wear the starry crown?

B1
bout that good ol' way, and who shall wear the star ry crown, good Lord, show me the way.

39 *tutti: f*

T 2
8
O chil dren, let's go down, let's go down, come down, down,

B1
f
O chil dren, let's go down, let's go down, come on down.

43

T 2
8
O chil dren, let's go down down in the ri ver to pray.

B1
O chil dren, let's go down, down to pray.

B 2

As I went

47 *mf*

T 1
8
Down to pray, that good ol'

T 2
8
mf
that good ol'

B1

B 2

down in the ri ver to pray, stud y in' a bout that good ol' way, and who shall

51

T 1 *f*
 way, Lord, show me the way. O sin ner, let's go

T 2 *f*
 way, Lord, show me the way. O sin ner, let's go

B 1 *f*
 O sin ner, let's go

B 2 *f*
 wear the starry crown, good Lord, show me the way. O sin ner, let's go

55

T 1
 down, let's go down, come on down.

T 2
 down, let's go down, come on down. O sin ner, let's go down,

B 1
 down, let's go down, come on down, down. O sin ner, let's go down,

B 2
 down, let's go down, come on down. O sin ner, let's go down,

ff

59

T 1
down in the ri ver to pray. As I went down in the ri ver to

T 2
down in the ri ver to pray.

B 1
down to pray. *f* in the

B 2
in the ri ver to pray.

62

T 1
pray, stud y in' a bout that good ol' way, an' who shall

T 2

B 1
ri ver, down, down to pray,

B 2
f Down in the ri ver, down, down, down, down to pray,

65

T 1
wear the star ry crown, good Lord, show me the way.

T 2
Who shall wear the star ry

B 1
Who shall wear the star ry, star ry

B 2
who shall wear the star ry crown?

68 *ff*

T 1 Let's go down, come on down.

T 2 *ff* O peo ple, let's go down, let's go down, come on down.

B 1 *ff* crown? Peo ple, let's go down, let's go down, come on down,

B 2 *ff* O peo ple, let's go down, let's go down, come on down.

72 *mf*

T 1 Let's go down to pray.

T 2 *mf* O peo ple, let's godown, down in the ri ver to pray.

B 1 *mf* *mp* O peo ple, let's godown, down in the ri ver to pray. As I went

B 2 *mf* O peo ple, let's godown, down to pray.

76

T 1

T 2

B 1

B 2

mp

As I went down, down

down in the ri ver to pray,

mp

As As went down in the ri ver to pray,

81

T 1

T 2

B 1

B 2

mp

rit.

Down in the ri ver, in the ri ver to pray.

rit.

in the ri ver to pray.

rit.

Good Lord, show me the way.

rit.

Good Lord, show me the way.