

DOWN TO THE RIVER TO PRAY

for 8-part mixed chorus

Words and Music
Traditional

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Intro *easy swing*

Tenor Lead

Women

Bari Bass

Tenor Lead

Men

Bari Bass

Verse 1

Tenor Lead

Women

Men

Bari Bass

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Down to the River to Pray

10 11 12 13

oo oo oo how

down to the riv - er to pray, stud - y - in' a - bout that good old way, how

down to the riv - er to pray, stud - y - in' a - bout that good old way, how

oo oo oo

14 15 16 17

oo Good Lord, show me the way.

you sup - ply e - ter - nal life, Good Lord, show me the way.

you sup - ply e - ter - nal life, Good Lord, show me the way.

you

Chorus 1

18 19 20 21

Oh Broth - ers, let's go — down, let's go — down, come on down.

Oh Broth - ers, let's go — down, let's go — down, come on down.

Verse 2

22 23 24 25 pray, to 26 pray.

Oh Sis-ters, let's go—down, down to the riv-er to pray. When I went
 pray, to pray.

8 Oh Sis-ters, let's go—down, down to the riv-er to pray.
 pray, to pray.

27 28 29 30

down to the riv-er to pray, stud-y - in' a-bout that hap-py day—
 down, way down to the riv - er, oo ah oo that

8 down, wan-na go way down to the riv - er, oo ah oo that

31 32 33 34 35

— when you shall wear a star-ry—crown, Good Lord, show me the way. Oh
 hap-py day—when you, you wear a

8 hap-py day—when you, you wear a star-ry crown, Good Lord, show me the way. Oh

36 Lord, show me the way. 37 38 39 Take me a - way! 40 Now,

8 Lord, show me the way. way. Take me a - way! Now,

way, show me the way.

Chorus 2

41 Oh Fath-ers, let's go down, let's go down, come on down. Oh Moth-ers,

8 Oh Fath-ers, let's go down, let's go down, come on down. Oh Moth-ers,

Oh— Fath-ers, let's go, let's go down, go down, won't you come on down. Oh— Moth-ers,

46 let's go down, down to the riv-er to pray. pray, to pray. Down to the riv-er to

8 let's go down, down to the riv-er to pray. pray, to pray. Down to the riv-er to

let's go, let's go—

Coda

51 Oh Broth-ers, pray 52 now, 53 Oh Fath-ers, pray 54 now, 55 Oh, Child-ren,

(clap on off-beats to m.59)

pray. Oh Sis - ters now, pray Oh Moth - ers now, pray

Tag

56 pray, 57 now, 58 Oh let's go down, 59 now Oh, Broth - ers!

Oh Child - ren now, pray to the riv-er now, Oh! Oh, Sis - ters!

61 rit. 62 slowly 63 A - men! I pray! 64 65 66

Let's go down to pray! Down to the riv-er to pray! A - men! I pray!

Let's go down to pray! Down to the riv-er to A - men! I pray!