Down to the River to Pray*

Traditional American, 19th century



As I went down to the riv- er to pray, Stu-dy-ing a - bout that good old



way, And who shall wear the star-ry crown? Good Lord, show me the way.



Oh, fa - thers, let's go down, Let's go down, Come on down.
mo-thers,
sin - ners,



sis - ters

bro - thers,

Oh, fa - thers, let's go down, Down to the ri - ver to pray.

mo - thers,

sin - ners,

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^{*} Also traditionally sung as "Down to the Valley to Pray"