As I went down to the river to pray, studying about that good old way and who shall wear the starry crown—Good Lord, show me the way! O *sisters, let’s go down._ Let’s go down, come on down._ O *sisters, let’s go down._ down to the river to pray.

*brothers, fathers, mothers, sinners

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