

Bottom of the River

Words & music:
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Arr.: Tijs Krammer

Powerful, like an work song, uneven sixteenths

Solo

Soprano 1

Soprano 2

Alto

Double bass

Percussion starts, heavy beats on one and three, like hitting something with a hammer, or like a heavy drum

A

mf

3

Hold my hand, ooh, ba - by, it's a long way down to the bot - tom of the riv - er.

5

Hold my hand, ooh, ba - by, it's a long way down, a long way down...

Optionally singers stamp with right foot on one and three

B

7

If you get sleep or if you get none...

f The cock's gon-na call in the morn-ing, ba - by.

f The cock's gon-na call in the morn-ing, ba - by...

f The cock's gon-na call in the morning, ba - by...

9

Check the cup-board for your dad-dy's gun... The

Red sun ris-es like an ear-ly warn-ing.

Red sun ris-es like an ear-ly warn-ing...

Red sun ris-es like an ear-ly warn-ing...

C

11

Lord's gon-na come for your first born son... So

His hair's on fire and his heart is burn-ing.

His hair's on fire and his heart is burn-ing...

His hair's on fire and his heart is burn-ing...

13

go to the riv-er where the wa-ter runs._ And

Wash him deep where the tides are turn - ing.

Wash him deep where the tides are turn - ing._

Wash him deep where the tides are turn - ing._

15

p if you___ fall, *mf* and if you___ fall,___

mf if you fall,

mf if you fall,

mf if you fall,

if you fall,