

# Mississippi Fred McDowell, Going Down The River

I'm Going Down The River 4:17 Trk 1  
Mississippi Fred McDowell  
Fred McDowell - vocal and guitar  
w/Fanny Davis - comb, Miles Pratcher - guitar  
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I'm goin' down that river  
I'm goin-a take that right hand road  
I'm goin' down the river  
I'm goin-a take that right hand road  
Lord, I ain't gon' stop walkin'  
'Till I get in sweet mama's arms

Lord, the girl I'm lovin'  
She got that great long curly hair  
Lord, the girl I'm lovin'  
Got the great long curly hair  
Lord, her mama an her papa, Lord  
Sure don't allow me there

Lord, allow me  
Sure don't allow me  
Sure don't allow me  
Sure don't allow me  
Sure don't allow  
Allow me there  
Lord, Lord  
Sho' don't allow  
'llow me there

(guitar & amp; comb)

Sun rose this mornin', baby  
Lord, I was layin' down on my flo'  
Lord, the sun rose this mornin'  
I was layin' down on my flo'  
Lord, no woman to love me  
Baby, even no place to go

Lord, nobody  
Love me, baby  
Lord, no place  
Place to go  
Lord  
Even no, place to go  
Lordy, Lordy, Lord, Lord

(guitar)

Lord, I'm goin' away, baby  
Don't you wanna go?  
I'm goin' away, baby  
Mama, don't you wanna go?  
Lord, I'm goin' somewhere  
I ain't never been before

Oh, Lord, I  
Lord, I'm goin'  
Goin' somewhere  
I ain't never

Been befo'  
Lord, Lord.

(a person claps)

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