

Lay Earth's Burden Down (Women's Chorus)

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Clapping

Soprano 1

Soprano 2

Alto

Piano

Freely, playing chords in response to each spoken phrase

*After sustaining life for a billion years... **p** our Earth is tired... on the brink of collapse. The burden is heavy... and Earth's children must lay it down. Here's the deal:*

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7 $\text{♩} = 125$

S 1

f On the day when we lay this burd-en down, when we lay this burd-en down, _____ gon-na

S 2

f On the day when we lay this burd-en down, when we lay this burd-en down, _____ gon-na

A

f On the day when we lay this burd-en down, when we lay this burd-en down, _____ gon-na

Pno.

f *mf*

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S 1
pick up, pick up a gold - en crown when we lay this burd - en down, down, down. Child-ren,

S 2
pick up, pick up a gold - en crown when we lay this burd - en down, down, down. Child-ren,

A
pick up, pick up a gold - en crown when we lay this burd - en down, down, down. Child-ren

Pno.

16

S 1
lay this burd-en down. The earth, she car - ries a hea - vy burd - en. We got-ta lay it down.

S 2
lay this burd-en down. The earth, she car - ries a hea - vy burd - en. We got-ta lay it down.

A
lay this burd-en down. The earth, she car - ries a hea - vy burd - en. We got-ta lay it down.

Pno.

21

S 1
— The word of warn - ing we — have heard and now it's time duh heal the sac -

S 2
— The word of warn - ing we — have heard and now it's time duh heal the sac -

A
The word of warn - ing we — have heard and now it's time duh heal the sac -

Pno.

25

S 1
- red ground. Child-ren, lay this burd-en down. — We can't ex - pect the earth duh re - store

S 2
- red ground. Child-ren, lay this burd-en down. — We can't ex - pect the earth duh re - store

A
- red ground. Lay this burd-en down. — We can't ex - pect the earth duh re - store

Pno.

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29

S 1
— us — un - til some - bo - dy lays it down. — Child - ren, now the miss - ion's been put be - fore us.

S 2
— us — un - til some - bo - dy lays it down. — Child - ren, now the miss - ion's been put be - fore us.

A
— us — un - til some - bo - dy lays it down. — Child - ren, now the miss - ion's been put be - fore us.

Pno.

34

S 1
We got - ta get up! Ya can't ig - nore us! Child - ren, lay the burd - en down.

S 2
We got - ta get up! Ya can't ig - nore us! Child - ren, lay the burd - en down.

A
We got - ta get up! Ya can't ig - nore us! We got - ta

Pno.

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6

47

S 1
down. Tir - ed, high - er,

S 2
down. Tir - ed, high - er,

A
While the earth grows in - creas - ing - ly tir - ed, the fev - ered pitch goes high - er and high - er. By

Pno.

51

S 1
put the burd - en down. Child -

S 2
put the burd - en down. Child -

A
des - per - a - tion we're in - spir - ed to put the burd - en down. Child -

Pno.

55

S 1
- ren, child - ren, take the burd-'n. Put ____ it down. Child -

S 2
- ren, child - ren, take the burd-'n. Put ____ it down. Child -

A
- ren, child - ren, take the burd-'n. Put ____ it down. Child -

Pno.

59

S 1
- ren, child - ren, take it th'ow it on the ground. ____ Child -

S 2
- ren, child - ren, take it th'ow it on the ground. ____ Child -

A
- ren, child - ren, take it th'ow it on the ground. ____ Child -

Pno.

70 *a tempo*

Clapping

S 1

S 2

A

Pno.

bur - den... Glo-ry, glo-ry, hal-le - lu - jah! Glo-ry, glo-ry, - hal-le - lu - jah! Glo-ry, glo-ry,

bur - den... Glo-ry, glo-ry, hal-le - lu - jah! Glo-ry, glo-ry, hal-le - lu - jah! Glo-ry, glo-ry,

bur - den... Glo-ry, glo-ry, hal-le - lu - jah! Glo-ry, glo-ry, hal-le - lu - jah! Glo-ry, glo-ry,

a tempo

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Clapping

S 1

S 2

A

Pno.

hal - le - lu - jah! when we lay this burd-en down. Glo-ry, glo-ry,

hal - le - lu - jah! when we lay this burd-en down. Glo-ry, glo-ry,

hal - le - lu - jah! when we lay this burd-en down. Glo-ry, glo-ry,

a tempo

