

CHARACTER SIDES FOR "UNDERGROUND"

Ensemble

*(SLAVES gather on the field for supper. JEM, their overseer, eats a meal of privilege.)*

*(This is the singing portion, you can sing this song or a negro spiritual of your own choosing.)*

SLAVES

LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER ON OUR KNEES,  
LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER ON OUR KNEES.  
WHEN I FALL ON MY KNEES WITH MY FACE TO THE RISING SUN, O  
LORD, HAVE MERCY ON ME.

SLAVES

LET US DRINK THE CUP TOGETHER ON OUR KNEES,  
LET US TAKE THIS ONE MOMENT TO ENJOY THE BREEZE.  
BUT, WHEN MY SPIRIT STARTS TO SEIZE SWEATING IN THE BURNING  
SUN,  
O LORD HAVE MERCY ON ME.

SLAVES

LET US PRAISE GOD TOGETHER ON OUR KNEES,  
LET US PRAISE GOD FOR THE SHADOW OF THESE TREES.  
WHEN I FALL ON MY KNEES WITH MY FACE TO THE RISING SUN, O  
LORD HAVE MERCY ON ME.

SLAVES

LET US BREAK BREAD TOGETHER ON OUR KNEES,  
LET US DRINK THE CUP TOGETHER ON OUR KNEES.

SLAVES

WHEN I STAND ON MY FEET, I'LL FOLLOW GOD IN THE SETTING  
SUN,  
O LORD... SHINE YOUR MERCY ON ME.

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