

Son Of A Preacher Man

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♩ = 90

E

The first system of music features a treble clef staff with a whole rest, indicating a vocal entry. The piano accompaniment consists of a treble and bass staff. The treble staff has a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes, while the bass staff provides a steady eighth-note accompaniment. The key signature is E major (three sharps) and the time signature is common time (C).

E

1. Bil - ly Ray was a preach - er's son_ and when his
(Verse 2 see block lyric)

The second system continues the piano accompaniment. The treble staff has a whole rest followed by a melodic line. The bass staff continues with eighth-note accompaniment. A double bar line with repeat dots is present. The key signature and time signature remain the same.

A

E

dad - dy was preach - ing he'd come_ a - long;

when they ga - thered round and start - ed talk - ing

The third system features a treble clef staff with a melodic line and a piano accompaniment with treble and bass staves. The treble staff has a melodic line with eighth and sixteenth notes. The bass staff provides eighth-note accompaniment. A double bar line with repeat dots is present. The key signature and time signature remain the same.

B

cou - sin Bil - ly would take_ me walk - ing, through the back yard we'd go walk - ing.

not 2°

then he'd look in - to_ my eyes, Lord knows to my_ sur - prise, the

E A E

on - ly one_ who could ev - er reach_ me was the son of a preach - er man. The

A E

on - ly boy_ who could ev - er teach_ me was the son of a preach - er man, yes he

B B^b B

Tak - ing time to make_ time, tell - ing me that he's all_ mine,

E⁷

learn - ing from each oth - er's know - ing, look - ing to see how much_ we've grown_ and the

A D A

on - ly one_ who could ev - er reach_ me was the son of a preach - er man. The

D A

on - ly boy_ who could ev - er teach_ me was the son of a preach - er man, yes he

E D7

was, he was, oh yes he was. The

A D A

on - ly one_ who could ev - er {reach_ / move_} me was the son of a preach - er man. The

D A Repeat to fade

on - ly boy_ who could ev - er {teach_ / move_} me was the son of a preach - er man. The

Verse 2:
 Being good isn't always easy
 No matter how hard I try.
 When he started sweet talking to me,
 He'd come and tell me everything is all right,
 He'd kiss and tell me everything is all right,
 Can't get away again tonight.