

Why Not Me?

Music: Michael Gore
Lyrics: Dean Pitchford

♩ = 86

mf

Poco rit.

If I can

Faster (♩ = 96)

CARRIE:

make it down— the stairs,— if I can make it to the door, if I can o-pen it and say,— “Oh, Tom-my!

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Hi! — may-be he won't ev - en no - tice that I'm star - ing at — the floor. But if

o - ther girls — can do this, why can't I? If I can keep my knees — from buck - ling, if I can

keep my pulse in check, — then I will nev - er give the world — a chance to see that un - der -

- neath the smile — I'm smil - ing I'm so to - tal - ly — a wreck. But if o - ther girls get through this, why not

me? Why not me? Why not

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me? Oh, I an - ti-ci-pate the snick - ers, and I ex-

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mp

- pect that kids will stare. But they won't rat-tle me, no mat - ter what they do. I know

I may not be wel - come, but at least I will be there. And if o - ther girls be-long, then I do,

mf

too! Why not me? Why not

p

me? I know it's on - ly a

mf

dance. And I know it's on - ly one night. But this

might be the start of my jour - - - ney out of the sha - dows and

in - to the light.

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CARRIE:

Why not me?

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I'm gon-na talk a-bove_ a whis-per. I'm gon-na

mf

walk in three-inch heels.— I'm gon-na fight the urge to turn— a-round and flee. And then

I will feel— the ma - gic I'm told a-ny-one— can feel when the stars a-lign—and life is filled with

pos - si - bil - i - ty.— And if ev - 'ry - bo - dy feels that way, then why,

— why not me?