

# The River

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Down by the river  
That's where I broke down and cried  
Down by the river  
That's where I lay down and died

Going down to the river  
For as long as I can stand  
Mama told me "Son,"  
as she took a hold of my hand

"Water runs so deep,  
Deep as all my pain,"  
Down by the river, honey  
Lord, can I be saved?

I said down by the river  
That's where I broke down and cried  
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I said down by the river  
Heartaches soaked in wine  
I'm just lookin' for redemption  
For that wanderin' soul of mine

Pull me to my knees  
As I drown in the pouring rain  
Down by the river, honey  
I still see your face

Sometimes around midnight  
They'd come knocking at my door  
I said sometimes around midnight,  
Hell hounds found what they're looking for

Well those flashing lights told me  
Didn't have to say a word  
Someone took my baby  
Someone took away my world

All they found was a letter  
I should never have let her go  
The river's the only witness  
The only one who knows

And the wind whispers her name  
And all the lonesome years  
Water turns to whiskey  
I drown in my own tears

Down by the river  
I see my life in flames  
Down by the river honey  
I call out your name

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