Women Cross the River

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Oh the women 'cross the river carry water from the well at brea k of day And they talk to one another; God only knows what they might sa У You might get an education after years of dedication You might finally get a glimpse of what is right and what is wr onq But the women 'cross the river; well they knew that all along Oh the women 'cross the river work with tools that are ancient and hand-made And they plow their fields in perfect rows and then they rest b eneath the shade Now we have learned to build, out of concrete, out of steel And our buildings stand a thousand years but then even they are bound to fall But the women 'cross the river never learned to build a wall Oh the women 'cross the river are as gentle as the dew upon the ground How I love to hear them laughing in the rain when it makes that perfect sound Now a soldier with a gun and a battle to be won Might kill you with a bullet and you never even know the reason why But the women 'cross the river; they can kill you with their ey es Oh the women 'cross the river; they can kill you with their eye

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