

The River Bruce Springsteen

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[Em7] [G] [D] [C] [Em7] [G] [C]

[Em7] I come from down in the [G] valley where [D] mister when you're [C] young
They [Em7] bring you up to [G] do [C] like your daddy [G] done
Me and [C] Mary we met in high school when [G] she was just [Gmaj7] seven[Em7]teen
We'd [Am] ride out of this valley down to [G] where the fields were [C] green

We'd go [Em7] down to the [C] river and [D7] into the river we'd [G] dive
Oh [Em7] down to the [C] river we'd [D7] ride [C]

Then [Em7] I got Mary [G] pregnant and [D] man that was all she [C] wrote
And [Em7] for my nineteenth [G] birthday I got a union [C] card and a wedding [G] coat
We [C] went down to the courthouse and the [G] judge put it [Gmaj7] all to [Em7] rest
No [Am] wedding day smiles no walk down the aisle no [G] flowers no wedding [C] dress
That night we went

[Em7] Down to the [C] river and [D7] into the river we'd [G] dive
Oh [Em7] down to the [C] river we did [D7] ride [C]

[Em7] I got a job working con[G]struction for the [D] Johnstown Compa[C]ny
But [Em7] lately there ain't been [G] much work on a[C]ccount of the econo[G]my
Now [C] all them things that seemed so important
Well mister they [G] vanished [Gmaj7] right into the [Em7] air
Now I just [Am] act like I don't remember Mary [G] acts like she don't [C] care

But I re[Em7]member us riding in my [G] brother's car
Her body [D] tan and wet down at the [C] reservoir
At [Em7] night on them banks I'd [G] lie awake
And pull her [C] close just to feel each [G] breath she'd take
Now those [C] memories come back to haunt me
They [G] haunt me [Gmaj7] like a [Em7] curse
Is a [Am] dream a lie if it don't come true
Or [D] is it something [C] worse that sends me

[Em7] Down to the [C] river though I [D7] know the river is [C] dry
That sends me [Em7] down to the [C] river to[D7]night [C]
[Em7] Down to the [C] river my [D7] baby and [C] I
Oh [Em7] down to the [C] river we [D7] ride [C] [G]

