

Hold Back the River

[Intro:]

G | ----- |
C | -1--3--5- | ----- | 5- | ----- | 5--5--3--1--0 | -3- |
E | -1--4--5- | -7--9--7- | 5- | -7--9--7- | 5--5--4--2--0 |
A | ----- | 5--7--5- | ----- | 5--7--5- | ----- |

[Verse 1:]

[Dm] Tried to **[F]** keep you **[Bb]** close to **[F]** me,

But **[Bb]** life got **[F]** in betwe- **[C]** -en

[Dm] Tried to **[F]** square not **[Bb]** being **[F]** there

But **[Bb]** think that **[F]** I should have be- **[C]** -en

[Chorus:]

[Bb] Hold back the river, let me look in your eyes

[Bb] Hold back the river so I

[F] Can stop for a minute and see where you hide

[F] Hold back the river, hold back

[Verse 2:]

[Dm] Once **[F]** upon a **[Bb]** different **[F]** life

We **[Bb]** rode our **[F]** bikes into the sky- **[C]** -y

But **[Dm]** now we **[F]** crawl a- **[Bb]** -gainst the **[F]** tide

Those **[Bb]** distant **[F]** days are flashing **[C]** by

[Chorus:]

[Bb] Hold back the river, let me look in your eyes

[Bb] Hold back the river so I

[F] Can stop for a minute and be by your side

[F] Hold back the river, **[C]** hold back {ooh}

[Bb] Hold back the river, let me look in your eyes

[Bb] Hold back the river so I

[F] Can stop for a minute and see where you hide

[F] Hold back the river, hold back

[Verse 3:]

[Dm] Ooh **[F]** oho, **[Bb]** oho, **[F]** oho,

[Bb] Oho, **[F]** oho, **[C]** ohooh

[Bridge:]

[F] Lonely water, lonely water won't you [Bb] let us wander

[Gm] Let us hold each other

[F] Lonely water, lonely water won't you [Bb] let us wander

[Gm] Let us hold each other

[Chorus:]

[Bb] Hold back the river, let me look in your eyes

[Bb] Hold back the river so I

[F] Can stop for a minute and be by your side

[F] Hold back the river, [C] hold back {ooh}

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[Outro]

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E	-1--4--5--7--9---7---5---7--9---7---5---5--4--
A	-5--7---5--- -5--7---5---