

# Rock Bottom Riser

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I love my mother  
I love my father  
I love my sisters too

I bought this guitar  
To pledge my love  
To pledge my love to you

I am a rock  
Bottom riser  
And I owe it all to you

I saw a gold ring  
At the bottom of the river  
Glinting  
At my foolish heart  
Oh my foolish heart  
Had to go diving  
Diving diving  
Into the murk

And from the bottom of the river  
I looked up for the sun  
Which had shattered in the water  
And the pieces were raining down  
Like gold rings  
That passed through my hands  
As I thrashed and grabbed  
I started rising rising

I left my mother  
I left my father  
Left my sisters too  
Left them standing on the banks  
And they pulled me out  
Of this mighty mighty river  
I am a rock  
Bottom riser  
And I owe it all to you