

# Like a River

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In sweet dreams, I kid myself  
Have your love for good  
I really had hoped you'd stay  
But like the river, you just come and go  
And these things, they comfort me  
When my mind's on you  
And I feel you comfort me  
But like the river, it just comes and goes

I used to think that you was Superman when I was younger (Yeah)  
Findin' comfort in your voice when I was down and under  
Put you on a pedestal and now I kinda wonder if that made sense  
'Cause I'm convinced you showed a lot of colors (Yeah)  
All them nights I was alone, I hid inside the covers  
Used to argue with my moms whenever I was stubborn (Facts)  
I never warmed up to the idea of a step-dad because he wasn't you  
And you and him ain't even like each other (Word)  
Used to bring me 'round your girlfriends as I recall  
I thought one or two was cool, but I ain't like 'em all  
'Cause all you ever did was argue 'bout who's right or wrong  
And you ain't have no job, so you would sit at home and light a bong (Yeah)  
Used to crave for your attention, but I never got it  
And everything you said we'd do is just another promise  
You had dreams of bein' famous and I never doubted  
But I started rhymin' to impress you, if we bein' honest (Facts)  
But we can have some bondin' time and maybe pow-wow  
A father/son relationship that we can smile 'bout  
At time's you got abusive and I had to bow down  
Or keep on makin' music to try and compete with Bow Wow  
Your father died when you was young, I think that made a scar  
I started thinkin' maybe that's why you the way you are (Nah)  
End of the day, no excuse for how you played your part  
Told myself when I became a father, I'ma raise the bar (Word)  
We had a lot of fallin' outs and didn't talk for years  
And all them birthdays and holidays got awfully weird  
You throw me in a foster home and I was brought to tears  
Livin' with some strangers, feelin' anxious, I was lost and scared (Yeah)

And now I'm starin' at the river tryna get across  
And all I see is apparitions of what never was  
And everything I used to wish for is dead and lost  
And if I never see your ass again, I'll be better off  
I'll be better off (Yeah)

You are so negative (Uh)  
And you say you know  
But you know a goddamn thing  
Like the river, you just run and go  
You say you could do good  
And better you know  
But you tried no goddamn thing  
Like the river, I'ma run from you

I told myself I wouldn't write a song, but fuck it, I did  
Oftentimes, I sit and wonder if it's somethin' I did  
Or maybe I was immature, but is it somethin' I said?  
I can't help but feel the feelin' that there's somethin' I missed

I told you somethin' happened to me and you ain't protect me (Yeah)  
You tried to say you ain't believe me as you disrespect me (Facts)  
And plus, you never had my back, in fact, you may resent me in a way  
'Cause everythin' I say, you try to use against me (Word)  
And I never knew your other kids, but I knew of 'em (True)  
I'm not really sure if I like 'em, but I do love 'em (Do)  
Shit, I don't even think you knew but just a few of 'em  
'Cause all your baby mothers stayed away to keep you from 'em (Word)  
You probably out fillin' they heads with shit that's not the truth  
You probably told 'em that I switched up when I got some loot (Uh)  
You probably told 'em that I'm greedy and I'm not so cool  
That I worship the devil and I sold my soul to cop a pool (Yeah)  
I worked my ass off to get rich, let's not confuse  
I sacrificed my whole twenties just so I can move (True)  
While everybody else was chillin', hangin' out with crews  
I was writin' a plan to finally win while tryin' not to lose (True)  
I still remember signin' my deal and you got hella funny  
And at that time, you probably figured I had hella money (Yeah)  
But I only got a small advance, so I ain't even get a chance to hold you down  
'Cause then you started gettin' jealous of me  
But I'm worth a couple million now, I turned out fine (Yeah)  
I copped my moms a big crib and went and got mine  
An indoor pool with a house made and I'm not lyin' (Nope)  
A happy son who loves his dad, it's about time (Yeah)

But I'm still starin' at the river tryna get across  
And all I see is apparitions of what never was  
And everything I used to wish for is dead and lost  
And if I never see your ass again, then I'll be better off  
I think I'll be better off

Karma comes back and it's co-co-comin' (Co-co-comin')  
Treatin' me bad and I'm ru-ru-runnin' (Ru-ru-runnin')  
Karma comes back and it's co-co-comin' (Co-co-comin')  
Treatin' me bad, I'm ru-ru-runnin' (Ru-ru-runnin')

And congratulations, nigga, you won  
And all the love you never gave me, I can give to my son  
Eternal love to my child, we'll forever be one  
Thanks to you, I know the man that I would never become  
Never become