

# River Cross

Pearl Jam

I always thought I'd cross that river  
The other side, distant now  
As I got close, it turned and widened  
Horizon now fading out

Drifting off in the undertow  
Can't spot a figure on dry land  
And afterthoughts of safety  
When in truth, none to be had  
None to be had

I used to tell time by my shadow  
'Til the thunderclouds, they took the stage  
These days will end as do the light's rays  
Another read of the same page

Wide awake through this deepest night  
Still waiting on the sun  
As the hours seem to multiply  
Find a star to soldier on  
Living beneath a lion's paw  
Knowing nothing can be tamed  
Can be tamed

I want this dream to last forever  
A wish denied to lengthen our time  
I wish this moment was never ending  
Let it be a lie that all futures die  
While the government thrives on discontent  
And there's no such thing as clear  
Proselytizing and profitizing  
As our will all but disappears  
Folded over, forced in a choke hold  
Outnumbered and held down  
And all these talk of rapture  
Look around at the promise now

Here and now  
Here and now  
Can't hold me down  
Can't hold me down

Won't hold us down  
Won't hold us down

Live it out  
Let it out  
Get it out  
Shout it out  
Won't hold us down  
Won't hold us down

Share the light  
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