

# Washing Of The Water

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**C**  
River, river, carry me on  
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Living river, carry me on  
**F/C** **C**  
River, river, carry me on  
**B/C** **C**  
To the place where I come from

**C F/D C/E F C**  
1. So deep, so wide, will you take me on your back for a ride  
**C G/B Am F C**  
If I should fall, would you swallow me deep inside  
**C F/D G/B C F C**  
River, show me how to float, I feel like I'm sinking down  
**Am/C C Em/B G/B F C**  
Thought that I could get along

**C Am/F D/Gb Fmaj7/G Dm/G C**  
R: But here in this water, my feet won't touch the ground  
**C Am/F D/Gb Fmaj7/G Dm/G C**  
I need something to turn myself around

2. Going away, away toward the sea  
River deep, can you lift up and carry me  
Oh roll on through the heartland  
'Til the sun has left the sky  
River, river, carry me high

R: But here in this water...

'Til the washing of the water, make it all alright  
Let your waters reach me, like she reached me tonight

**Am C/G Fmaj7**  
\*: Letting go, it's so hard, the way it's hurting now  
**D/Gb E/Ab Am**  
To get this love untied  
**C/G Fmaj7**  
So tough to stay with this thing, cos if I follow through  
**D/Gb E/Ab Am**  
I face what I denied

**C/G**  
I'll get those hooks out of me  
**Fmaj7 D/Gb E/Ab Am**  
And I'll take out the hooks that I sunk deep in your side  
**C/G Fmaj7 C**  
Kill that fear of emptiness, that loneliness I hide

R: But here in this water...

River, oh river, river running deep  
Bring me something that will let me get to sleep

In the washing of the water will you take it all away  
Bring me something to take this pain away

