

Hold Back the River - James Bay

[Dm7] Ooh [F] oho [Bb] oho [F] oho, [Bb] Oho, [F] oho, [C] ohoooh [Csus4] [C]

(Quietly) [Dm7] Tried to [F] keep you [Bb] close to [F] me

But [Bb] life got [F] in bet[C]ween [Csus4] [C]

[Dm7] Tried to [F] square not [Bb] being [F] there

But [Bb] think I [F] should have [C] been [Csus4] [C]

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

[Bb] Hold back the river so I, can [F] stop for a minute and see where you hide

[F] Hold back the river, hold back

(Louder) [Dm7] Once [F] upon a [Bb] different [F] life

We [Bb] rode our [F] bikes to the [C] sky [Csus4] [C]

But [Dm7] now we [F] crawl [Bb] against the [F] tide

Those [Bb] distant [F] days flashing [C] by [Csus4] [C]

CHORUS

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

[Bb] Hold back the river so I, can [F] stop for a minute and be by your side

[F] Hold back the river, [C] ooh *(Louder)*

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

Can [F] stop for a minute and be by your side [F] Hold back the river, [C] ooh

Instrumental verse x2:

[Dm7] Ooh [F] oho, [Bb] oho, [F] oho, [Bb] Oho, [F] oho, [C] ohoooh [Csus4] [C]

(Quietly)

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

[Gm] Let us hold each other

(Louder) [F] Lonely water... [F] lonely water won't you [Bb] let us wander

[Gm] Let us hold each other

Repeat Chorus

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

[Gm] Let us hold each other

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

[Gm] Let us hold each other

[Dm7] Ooh [F] oho [Bb] oho [F] oho [Bb] Oho [F] oho [C] ohoooh [Csus4] [C]

(Quietly and slowing down)

[Dm7] Ooh [F] oho [Bb] oho [F] oho [Bb] Oho [F] oho [C] ohoooh [Csus4] [C]

