



Hold Back The River

Choir version created for Rock Choir by Rock Choir Leader Josie Black 2020 (2)

Verse 1
(L.Alto/Bass) Tried.. to keep.. ~ you close.. to me.. ~
but life.. got in-between. ~
(All) Tried.. to square.. ~ not be-ing there.. ~
but think.. that I.. should have been. ~

Chorus 1
(All) Hold back the ri-ver, let me look in your eyes. ~
Hold back the ri-ver so I... can stop for a min-ute and see where you hide. ~
Hold back the ri-ver, ~ hold back. ~

Verse 2
(All) Once.. up-on.. ~ a diff-'rent life.. ~
we rode.. our bikes.. into the sky.. ~
(Bass) But now... we crawl.. ~ (Altos/Sop) Now we crawl... ~
(All) a-against the tide.. ~ Those dis-tant days.. are flash-ing by.. ~

Chorus 2
(All) Hold back the ri-ver, let me look in your eyes. ~
Hold back the ri-ver so I... can stop for a min-ute and be by your side. ~
Hold back the ri-ver, ~ (Altos) hold.... (Bass/Sop) hold back... ~
(Bass/Sop) Hold (All) back the ri-ver, let me look in your eyes. ~
Hold back the ri-ver so I... can stop for a min-ute and be by your side. ~
Hold back the ri-ver, ~ hold back. ~

(All) Oh... oh, oh..., ~ oh, oh... oh, oh..., ~
oh, oh... oh, oh..., oh..., oh... ~

Bridge 1
(All) Lone-ly (Bass/L.Alto) wa-ter, ~ (U.Alto/Sop) Lone-ly wa-ter ~
(Bass/L.Alto) Lone-ly wa-ter, (All) won't you let us (Bass/L.Alto) wan-der. ~
(All) Let us hold each oth-er.
Lone-ly wa-ter, ~ lone-ly wa-ter won't you let us wan-der. ~
Let us hold each oth-er. ~

Chorus 3
(All) Hold back the ri-ver, let me look in your eyes. ~
Hold back the ri-ver so I... can stop for a min-ute and be by your side. ~
Hold back the ri-ver, ~ (Altos) hold.... (Bass/Sop) hold back... ~
(Bass/Sop) Hold (All) back the ri-ver, let me look in your eyes. ~
Hold back the ri-ver so I... can stop for a min-ute and be by your side. ~
Hold back the ri-ver, ~ hold back. ~

Finale
(Bass/Altos) Lone-ly wa-ter, ~ (Sop) Lone-ly wa-ter ~ won't you ~
(Bass/Altos) lone-ly wa-ter won't you
(All) let us wan-der. ~
Let us hold each oth-er ~

(Bass/LAlto/L.Sop)

Back the ri-ver, ~
hold.. back the ri-ver ~
hold.. back the ri-ver, ~
hold back the ri-ver.. hold back the
ri-ver ~ hold back the river ~

(U.Alto) Lone-ly wa-ter, ~
(U.Sop) Lone-ly wa-ter won't you ~
(U.Alto) lone-ly wa-ter won't you
(U.Alto/U.Sop) let us wan-der

(All) Let us hold each other.... ~
(All) Oh... oh, oh..., ~ oh, oh..., oh, oh..., ~
oh, oh... oh, oh..... ~