## **River Man**

## **Nick Drake**

Betty came by on her way Said she had a word to say About things today and fallen leavesSaid she hadn't heard the news Hadn't had the time to choose A way to lose but she believesGonna see the river man Gonna tell him all I can About the plan for lilac timeIf he tells me all he knows About the way his river flows And all night shows in summertimeBetty said she prayed today For the sky to blow away Or maybe stay she wasn't sureFor when she thought of summer rain Calling for her mind again She lost the pain and stayed for moreGonna see the river man Gonna tell him all I can About the ban on feeling freeIf he tells me all he knows About the way his river flows I don't suppose it's meant for meOh, how they come and go Oh, how they come and go

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