Memphis

Clay Crosse

The Mississippi River, he's a friend of mine And the people livin' in this town, they can be so fine There's a big line runnin' straight down old Union Avenue

And it breaks that southern lady's heart in twoThere's an old black man sittin' out front of a shotgun house

And on the other side of town there's a rich man sittin' on a velvet couch

Nobody forgives what happened thirty years ago

But we gotta forgive the past and that's for sureWell, it should be so plain to see

That it comes down to you and meAnd if we all just come together

And if we all just take a stand

Oh, we could heal the hurtin' and the broken-hearted people

And everybody understand

Gotta all just come together, yeahRidin' down Beale Street, pop tunes on my radio

Well, I love this Delta mama, it's all I know

Well, you know I have a dream about black and white and a state of grace But it's gonna take more than a dream to fix this placeYou know it's hard as it can be

To turn the tide of historyBut if we all just come together

And if we all just take a stand

We could heal the hurtin' and the broken-hearted people

Everybody understandWell, if we all just come together

If we all just take a stand

We could heal the hurtin' and the broken-hearted people

And everybody understand, yeahWe all went to Sunday school and everybody learned the golden rule

I read about the writing on the wall

Learned how Joseph had a nice coat, Noah had a big boat

But then they said sweet Jesus loves us all

And I believeIf we all just come together

If we all just take a stand, yeah yeah yeah

Oh, we could heal the hurtin' and the broken-hearted people

And everybody understandWell, if we all just come together

Well, if we all just take a stand

We could heal the hurtin' and the broken-hearted people

All across this land

Gotta all just come together, yeahThe Mississippi River, he's a friend of mine And the people livin' in this town, they can be so fineReach out your hand to your brother

Reach out your hand to your sister

Reach out your hand to your brother

Reach out your hand to your sister, sister

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