A River for Him

Emmylou Harris

I crossed on the river

There'll be no returning

I crossed all the bridges

I watched them all burningAnd now I'm a stranger

To a strange land I'm driven

Where all is forgotten

And nothing's forgivenBut I cried a river

A river for him

That's deeper and wider

Than I'll ever swimThe heart it will harden

The sorrow will dim

But I cried a river

A river for himI think of him now

On the road I am taking

And wonder how long

His heart will be breakingBut he'll never hear when

The teardrops are falling

Or the sound of my voice

And the name I'm callingBut I cried a river

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Than I'll ever swimThe heart it will harden

The sorrow will dim

But I cried a river

A river for himSo weep for the sons

And the dear darling daughters

For the passing of time

And the parting of watersFor all who have passed through

This world long before me

To a far distant shoreline

Where no one waits for meBut I cried a river

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