

# The River (Live in New York City)

## Bruce Springsteen

I come from down in the valley  
Where mister when you're young  
They bring you up to do like your daddy done  
Me and Mary we met in high school  
When she was just seventeen  
We'd ride out of this valley down to where the fields were green  
We'd go down to the river  
And into the river we'd dive  
Oh down to the river we'd ride Then I got Mary pregnant  
And man that was all she wrote  
And for my nineteenth birthday I got a union card and a wedding coat  
We went down to the courthouse  
And the judge put it all to rest  
No wedding day smiles no walk down the aisle  
No flowers no wedding dress That night we went down to the river  
And into the river we'd dive  
Oh down to the river we did ride I got a job working construction for the Johnstown Company  
But lately there ain't been much work on account of the economy  
Now all them things that seemed so important  
Well mister they vanished right into the air  
Now I just act like I don't remember  
Mary acts like she don't care

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