

Jackson Waters

"The River"

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Looked out my window to the east this morning
To the east there was a big old cloud
This Hurricane had no name
But it was sure to tear house from the ground.
It would take children from their mammas
No this terror don't discriminate
But what's worse is the sickness it would leave behind
Mistrust confusion and hate.
[pre I]
We all look for salvation in the seconds before the rain
Why not say a little prayer on any old lovely day?
[chorus]
Take me as I am. Take me to the promised land.
Never let me go. Never leave me lonely.
Take me to the river. Accompany me to heaven.
Every one will know that you're my one and only.
Little man why you play so hard,
Like no brother ain never gon' do nothing good?
It's such a shame when you act reckless
Like no one never found love in no hood.
Lord knows there are snakes in the water
And I've always had to fight for what's mine.
But I would never tell my daughter
Being black means going and killing my own kind.
[pre II]
I'm all about keeping it real and death is a part of life...
But as long as we're here walking around why we
singing about trying to die?
[chorus]
(bridge)
It's gonna be alright
Just take my hand
We'll go together
No need to go far
What we've got right here
This is heaven
[pre II]; [chorus out]; [end].

