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Jacksoul "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.

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].

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