

Mia Doi Todd

"The River And The Ocean"

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I am a river in the ocean
Particles spread far and thin
But I can still remember what I was then
Now I am something greater, though less of what I was
The day that I discovered I was a river in the ocean

I am a bird whistling in the dark
Stuck in this cavernous mine
When silence falls, you know it's time to start running
I am a bird that's never seen much light
Stuck in this cavernous ark
Soon they'll send me out to look for land
And I'll bring back a little bark

I am a stroller in the park
Wrapped 'round this beautiful babe
I and the dark skinned woman pushing me are its
slaves
I am a stroller in the park
Walking my flypaper skin through the balmy august air
Which sucks my body's waters from within

I am a river in the ocean
Particles spread far and thin
But I can still remember what I was then
Now I am something greater, though less of what I was
The day that I discovered I was a river in the ocean
Just a river in the ocean
Just a river in the ocean

But I'm waiting for the rainstorm
To take me back upstream
And I'm waiting for the brainstorn
To fill me back to the brim
So bring on the lightning
This midnight orange sky grows frightening
Break the water for me

Cause I'm waiting for the rainstorm
To take me back upstream
And I'm waiting for the brainstorn
To fill me back to the brim

So bring on the lightning
This midnight orange sky grows frightening
Break the water for me

Row, row, row your boat
Gently down the stream
Merrily, merrily, merrily, merrily
Life is but a dream

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Merrily, merrily, merrily, merrily
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And what's the difference between nothing and
everything
And what's the difference between noone and
everyone
And what's the difference between nowhere and
everywhere
Everything, everyone and everywhere
Everything, everyone and everywhere
But what's the difference

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