Nick Cave & The Bad Seed "Grief Came Riding"

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A grief came riding on the wind Up the sun on river Thames I was sittin' on the bank with my mouth open When I felt it entering

I began thinkin' about our wedding day And how love was a vow And I was thinkin' about the chamber door Only we can enter now

I began thinkin' about our ancient friends And of kissin' them goodbye And then the wind blew under Battersea bridge And a tear broke from my eye

I started thinkin' about London And nothing good ever came from this town And if the Thames weren't so filthy I would jump in the river and drown

Don't be afraid Come on down I'm just sittin' here And thinkin' aloud

A grief came riding on the wind Up the river where the bridges crouch Blowin' people back and forth From the marital bed to the psychiatric couch

Blowin' people far apart Blowin' others so they collide Blowin' some poor bastard right out of the water Blowin' another one over the side

Hear the ancient iron bridge
And listen to it groan
With the weight of a thousand people
Leavin' or returnin' home

To their failures, to their boredoms To their husbands and their wives Who are carving 'em up for dinner Before they even arrive

Don't be afraid, babe Come on down I'm just sittin' here And thinkin' aloud

Now look there just below the water See the savior of the human race With the fishes and the frogs Has found his final restin' place

Don't be afraid Come on down I'm just sittin' here Thinkin' aloud

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