

Paul Kelly And The Messengers "Everything's Turning To White"

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Paul Kelly (Mushroom Music)

Late on a Friday my husband went up to the mountains
with three friends

They took provisions and bottles of bourbon to last
them all through the weekend

One hundred miles they drove just to fish in a stream
And there's so much water so close to home

When they arrived it was cold and dark; they set up
their camp quickly

Warmed up with whisky they walked to the river where
the water flowed past

darkly

In the moonlight they saw the body of a young girl
floating face down

And there's so much water so close to home

When he hold me now I'm pretending

I feel like I'm frozen inside

And behind my eyes, my daily disguise

Everything's turning to white

It was too hard to tell how long she'd been dead, the
river was that close

to freezing

But one thing for sure, the girl hadn't died very well to
judge from the

bruising

They stood there above her all thinking the same
thoughts at the same time

There's so much water so close to home

They carried her downstream from their fishing;

between two rocks they

gently wedged her

After all they'd come so far, it was late

And the girl would keep; she was going nowhere

They stayed up there fishing for two days

They reported it on Sunday when they came back down

There's so much water so close to home

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The newspapers said that the girl had been strangled
to death and also molested

On the day of the funeral the radio reported that a
young man had been arrested
I went to the service a stranger; I drove past the lake
out of town
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