

## GENTLE RIVER

Written by: Todd Rakestraw/Happy Valley Music BMI

Performed by: Alison Krauss(Too Late To Cry, Rounder Records)1987

(Intro chords: D A Bm D G A)

**D** **A** **Bm**  
I'VE LIVED A LIFE FULL OF SORROW  
**D** **G** **A**  
WITH NO WHERE TO RUN OR TO HIDE  
**D** **A** **Bm**  
HAPPINESS YOU'LL SEE IS BORROWED  
**G** **A** **D**  
ALL I WANT IS YOU BY MY SIDE

(Chorus)

**D** **G**  
GENTLE RIVER TAKE ME AWAY  
**A** **D**  
TO THE TIME OF HAPPIER DAYS  
**D** **Bm7** **D** **G**  
ALL I NEED IS LOVE AND COMPANY  
**D** **A** **D**  
GENTLE RIVER BRING HIM BACK TO ME

(repeat INTRO)

**D** **A** **Bm**  
YOU CAN SPEND ALL YOUR TIME A'CRYIN  
**D** **G** **A**  
LISTEN HERE I DON'T NEED YOUR SYMPATHY  
**D** **A** **Bm**  
CAUSE I'VE MADE MY LIFE TO LIVE IT  
**G** **A** **D**  
ALL I NEED IS YOU HERE WITH ME...

(repeat CHORUS)

**D** **A** **D**  
GENTLE RIVER BRING EM' BACK TO... ME

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