

Gently We Row
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Intro:

C G Am C
F C Gsus4 G

C G Am C
When my soul crashed into my body
F C G5 G5
Falling into consciousness
F C Dm C
That s when my mind began this illusion
F C G5 G5
Of taking it step after step

Am G F C
I looked into mother s eyes
Am7 F G5 G5
I said tell me what I should believe
F C Dm7 C
She drew me a room with a light
F G C C
said just turn it off when you leave

Chorus:

C G Am C
Slow, slow, this river is slow
F C G G
We re all out here on our own
Am G C F F F F
Row, row, gently we row
F G C C
One day we ll find our way home

C G Am C
Step after step they drew me a town
F C G5 G5
they drew me a fear and a need
F C Dm C
They drew me a god, and they drew me some money
F C G5 G5
hiding the truth far from me

Am G F C
I asked the cool fire light
Am7 F G5 G5
Tell me, what I should believe, they
F C Dm7 C

gave me a song and they gave me a dance, and said

F **G** **C** **C**
sleep now your pain will relieve

---Chorus---

Am **Em7** **F** **C**
I ve stumbled and crawled I ve begged to know why
Am **Em7** **F** **G**
and I ve been a-shamed when I ve chosen to lie
Am **Em7** **F** **C**
In all of this darkness I have searched for a light
Dm **Dm Dm Dm**
to come and find me
G **Gsus4 G G**
And when I found me

C **G** **Am** **C**
I wrapped my arms round my own daughter
F **C** **Gsus4 G**
as she fell into her place and time
F **C** **Dm** **C**
and as her mind creates her illusions
F **C** **Gsus4 G**
I won t complicate hers with mine

Am **G** **F** **C**
She looked into her mother s eyes
Am7 **F** **Gsus4 G**
she said tell me what I should believe
F **C** **Dm7** **C**
And I drew her a door and I drew her a key
F **C** **Dm7** **C**
and I said when you re ready you ll come and find me
F **C** **Dm7** **C**
and we ll walk out of here and tomorrow will be a new
G Gsus4 F F
dayyyyyyyyyyyy

C **G** **Am** **C**
Slow, slow, this river is slow
F **C** **Gsus4 G**
And you re never out here on our own
Am G C **F F F F**
Row, row, gently we row
F **G**
And together we ll find our way.

C **G** **Am** **C**
Slow, slow, this river is slow

F **C** **Gsus4** **G**

Life is not what it seems

Am **G** **C** **F** **F** **F**

Row, row, gently we row

F

The truth is

G **C**

It s only a dream