

Down Down The Deep River
Okkervil River

[Intro]

C G D D x2

[Verse]

C G D
Spit into the center of your hometown, there s leaves in the street,
Dsus4 D C G D Dsus4
D
and there are friends around you now. All the days of your life in a line.
C G D Dsus4 D
or the way they seemed by 89...
C G D Dsus4 D
But it s not all right. It s not even close to all right.

[Chorus]

C G
Down a hall in your house, down a road in December
D Dsus4 D
Down, down, down the deep river, down, down, down the deep river
C G
Down a hall in your house, down a road in December
D Dsus4 D
Down, down, down the deep river, down, down, down the deep river

[Verse]

C G
We lie awake at night in a tent and I say,
D Dsus4 D C
Tell me about your uncle and his friend because they seem like very bad men.
G D Dsus4
Well we want to keep away from them.
D C G D Dsus4 D
Bend in the road back there, we saw the place they go.

C G D
Tell me about the greatest show or the greatest movie you know
Dsus4 D C
or the greatest song that you taped from off the radio.
G D Dsus4
Play it again and again it cuts off at the ending though.

D C G
Tell me I m always gonna be your best friend.
D
Now you said it one time, why don t you say it again?
Dsus4 D C G
All the way down the line to where the telephone ends

D Dsus4 D

come on and shout it on down the wire.

C G D Dsus4 D
And it s not all right. It s not even close to all right.

[Chorus]

C G
Down a hall in your house, down a road in December
D Dsus4 D
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[Verse]

C G
And as the rescue party, the volunteer team,
D
they re just kids of eighteen, and it s the worst thing
Dsus4 D C
they ve seen they re standing all around that tree,
G D Dsus4 D
and I m so sorry that I can t stop crying.

[Interlude]

C G D Dsus4 D x2

[Verse]

{Sparse Strumming}

C G
Shivering from the late fall cold,
D
I felt like a solid ghost.
C
I ran and then I couldn t slow.
G D
My father found me though, my father took me home.
Dsus4 D C G
He said, oh, son, I saw you get knocked down,
D
and I ran out I bet your head was spinning.
C
With that bright pain you stunned, {resume strumming}
G D Dsus4
when you ve only just begun to be only just beginning.

[Verse]

D C G
Tossed in the viper pit, all those feelings and fears,
D Dsus4 D
and all that difficult shit in all those tender years.

C **G**
There was something in the air; something gathered in the air.

D
Something singing in the wind.

Dsus4 D C G
I ll be your fighter and you ll be my mirror.

D
And you ll be all right because I ll be right here.

Dsus4 D C
Oh kid, now I m not going anywhere.

G D Dsus4 D
I swear I ll try to not be going anywhere.

C G D
Though it s not all right. It is still far from all right.

D C
We ll make it into a choice somehow.

G D Dsus4 D
I don t know, but you ll have a choice somehow.

[Chorus]

C G
Down a hall in your house, down a road in December

D Dsus4 D
Down, down, down the deep river, down, down, down the deep river

C G
We can never go back; we can only remember

D Dsus4 D
Down, down, down the deep river, down, down, down the deep river

[Interlude]

C G D Dsus4 D x2

[Verse]

C G
Maybe they told you bout the summer sky,

D
maybe they said there s a great gold spirit in the summer sky

C G
or all your friends, all your best, best friends

D
are gonna gather around your bed at night.

C G D Dsus4
D C

Well that ll make it all right because it is still so far from all right.

G D Dsus4 D
Oh, kid, I know.

[Chorus]

C G
Down a hall in your house, down a road in December

D **Dsus4** **D**
 Down, down, down the deep river, down, down, down the deep river
C **G** **D**
 Up the stairs four flights, son; can you feel my heart shiver?
D **Dsus4** **D**
 Down, down, down the deep river, down, down, down the deep river
C **G** **D**
 Waking in the dawn with that dream getting dimmer and dimmer.
C
 I said, are we going down, are we going down are we going down the deep river?
G **D**
 Oh down the deep river?
C **G** **D**
 Down, down, down down down the deep river, down down the deep river
C **G**
 Why don t you, why don t you, oh, say you still see it son, say you remember?
D **C** **G**
 O-----h, are we going down, are we going down, are we going down, are we going
 down
D
 Are we going down, hey, hey, hey
C **G**
 Are we going down, are we going down, are we going down, are we going down
D **C**
 Are we going down the deep river? Because I know it s scary, baby.

[Outro]

C G D Dsus4 D
C G D Dsus4 D
C G D Dsus4 D
C G D