

The Week The River Raged
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B **E**
The River ran through Howard County, it was the life blood of the land
B **F#**
It made fields of green tobacco, aching backs and callused hands
B **E**
Mama talked of a coming battle that the womenfolk had to fight
F# **E** **F#**
B
Cause the good Lord owned the daytime, but the Devil seemed to own the night

B **E**
Well it came up out of nowhere, from a dark and bitter seed
B **F#**
It was the roughest kind of roadhouse and a most unwanted weed
B **E**
It drew the menfolk like a magnet, the women knew what they had to do
F# **E** **F#** **B**
So they put it in the hands of Jesus, cause they knew that he d come through

B
And the rains came and the river swelled
F# **B**
And the more they prayed the more it fell
B **F#**
When the levies broke everybody saw the awesome power of God
B **F#** **B**
Then the clouds rolled back and the rainbow came to bring a brighter day

B **F#** **B**
Cause when the flood hit Howard County, all the sins were washed away

B **E**
Now the mothers tell the story, of the week that the river raged

B **F#**
It s a passing of the wisdom to the ears of a tender age

B **E**
Better walk the straight and narrow, better keep a watchful eye
F# **E**

F# **B**
Cause there s a symbol of the wrath of heaven in every dark cloud in
the sky

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Cause the rains came and the river swelled
F# **B**

And the more they prayed the more it fell
B **F#**

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B **F#** **B**
Then the clouds rolled back and the rainbow came to bring a brighter day

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Yes, when the flood hit Howard County, all the sins were washed away