

# TAKE ME TO THE RIVER

Words and Music by  
AL GREEN and MABON HODGES

Moderately ♩ = 130

A

E7

A

E7

*mf*

E

A/E

E7

A/E

E7

1.

2.

D

A

§ §

Verse:

E7

1. 3. I don't know why I  
2. I don't know why you

love you like I do,\_\_\_\_  
treat-ed me so bad.\_\_\_\_

af - ter all these chang - es that  
Look at all these things\_\_\_\_ that

you put me through.\_\_\_\_  
we could have had.\_\_\_\_

# TAKE ME TO THE RIVER

Words and Music by  
AL GREEN and MABON HODGES

Moderately ♩ = 130

A

E7

A

E7

E

A/E

E7

A/E

E7

1.

2.

D

A

§ §

Verse:

E7

1. 3. I don't know why I  
2. I don't know why you

D

A

E7

D

A

love you like I do, —  
treat-ed me so bad. —

af - ter all these chang - es that  
Look at all these things — that

you put me through. —  
we could have had. —

E7 D A E7

You stole my mon-ey and my cig - a - rettes, and I have-n't seen hide nor  
 Love is a no-tion that I won't for - get, my sweet six-teen, now I

D A C G D

hair of you yet. } I wan-na know, won't you tell me, am I  
 nev - er re - gret. }

A7

— in love — to stay? (Take me, take me.) Take me to the

§ Chorus:

E7 D A E7

riv - er, and wash me down.

D A E7 D A  
 Won't you cleanse my soul, get my feet on the

E7 To Coda 1. D A 2. To Next Strain 3. D.S.S. al Coda D A  
 ground.

Bridge: C#m A7 C#m  
 Hold me, love me, squeeze me,

A7 G/D B7  
 tease me till I die, till I die.

*D.S.  $\text{S}$*

Take me ba-by, take me to the

*Coda*

Yeah, yeah,

*D A*

*E7*

yeah, yeah, yeah.

*D A E7*

*D A E7*

Dip me in the wa-ter,

*D A*

dip me in the

*E7*

wa-ter, ba-by.

*1. 2.*

*D A*

Dip me in the

*3.*

*D A E7*

*rit.*