Tried to keep you close to me  
But life got in between  
Tried to square not being there  
But think that I should have been

Hold back the river, let me look in your eyes  
Hold back the river, so I  
Can stop for a minute and see where you hide  
Hold back the river, hold back

(Tiny piano instrumental)

Once upon a different life  
We rode our bikes **into the sky**  
But now we’re caught against the tide  
Those distant days **are flashing by**  
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Hold back the river, so I  
Can stop for a minute and be by your side  
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Oh oh oh oh ohhhhh etc

x2  
*Lonely water, lonely water, won’t you let us wander*  
Let us *hold each other*

x2  
Lonely water, lonely water, won’t you let us wander  
Let us hold each other

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