

(From the Film "THE ROSE")

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Slowly $\text{♩} = 66$

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The musical score consists of four staves of music. The top staff is for the right hand of the piano, indicated by a treble clef. The second staff is for the left hand of the piano, indicated by a bass clef, with dynamics like *mp* and *L.H.*. The third staff is for the vocal part, with lyrics written below the notes. The fourth staff is for the bassoon or cello part, indicated by a bass clef. The music is in common time (indicated by a '4'). The vocal part starts with a piano introduction, followed by a verse, a chorus, and a bridge. The piano accompaniment includes chords in C, G7, F, G, Em7, Am7, and F. The vocal part uses a mix of eighth and sixteenth-note patterns. The lyrics describe love as both a river and a razor, and later as a hunger and a flower.

Some say

mp

love it is a riv - er that drowns____ the ten - der____ reed. Some say—
love it is a ra - zor that leaves____ your soul to—

mf

— bleed. Some say— love____ it is a hun - ger____ an end - less ach - ing

G7sus poco rit. G7 C a tempo G F

need. I say— love it is a flow - er____ and you its on - ly
a tempo

C G

seed. It's the heart a - fraid of break - ing that
night has been too lone - ly and the

poco cresc.

mf-f

F G C

nev - er learns to dance. It's the dream a - fraid of
road has been too long, and you think that love is

G F G C

wak - ing that nev - er takes the chance. It's the
on - ly for the luck - y and the strong, just re -

Em/B Am7 Am7/G F

one who won't be tak - en who can - not seem to
mem - ber in the win - ter far be -neath the bit - ter

f

G poco rit. C a tempo G

give, snows,
and the soul
a - afraid of dy - in'
that with the sun's love in the

poco rit. mf

^{1.} F G C

nev-er learns to live. When the

cresc.

^{2.} F rit. G C a tempo

spring be - comes the rose.

mf rit. a tempo

Play 3 times