

## **Take Me to the River**

by Al Green and Mabon Hodges

I'd like to dedicate this song to Little Junior Parker, a cousin of mine who's gone on but we'd like to kinda carry on in his name, by singing.

I don't know why I love like I do  
After all the changes that you put me through  
You stole my money and my cigarettes  
And I haven't seen hide nor hair of you yet

### **Chorus**

I wanna know  
Won't you tell me  
Am I in love to stay? Hey, hey

Take me to the river  
Wash me down  
Won't you cleanse my soul  
Put my feet on the ground

I don't know why she treated me so bad  
After all the things that we could have had  
Love is a notion that I can't forget  
My sweet sixteen I will never regret

### **Chorus**

Hold me, love me, please me, tease me  
'Til I can't, 'til I can't take anymore  
Take me to the river

I don't know why I love you like I do  
After all the things that you put me through  
There's sixteen candles that burn on my wall  
Turning me into the biggest fool of them all

### **Chorus**

I wanna know  
Take me to the river

I wanna know  
Won't you dip me in the water

I wanna know  
Won't you wash me in the water

Wash me in the water  
Wash me in the water

Won't you wash me in the water  
Feelin' good