

Rivers of Babylon (Dowe/McNaughton)

C— C— G7— C—  
 (Mm mm mm) mm, mm mm mm mm, mm mm mm mm, mm mm mm mm.

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 (Ah ah ah) ah, ah ah ah ah, ah ah ah ah, ah ah ah ah.

**Ch** (By the rivers of) Babylon, there we sat down, ye - ah, we wept,  
 When we remembered Zion. By the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down.  
 Yeah, we wept, when we remembered Zion. (There the wicked)

**1** Carried us away in cap - ti - vity, re - quired from us a song; now how shall we sing  
 the Lord's song in a stra - a - a - nge land? (There the wicked)  
 Carried us away in cap - ti - vity, re - quiring from us a song; now how shall we sing  
 the Lord's song in a stra - a - a - nge land?

C / / / G7 / C  
 Mm mm mm mm, mm mm mm mm, mm mm mm mm, mm mm mm mm.  
 C /  
 Yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah, yeah

**2** Let the words of our mouth and the medi - tation of our heart be ac - ceptable in thy  
 sight here tonight. Let the words of our mouth and the medi - tation of our hearts  
 Be ac - ceptable in thy sight here tonight. **[Chorus]**

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 Ah ah ah ah, ah ah ah ah, ah ah ah ah, ah ah ah ah.

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 When we remembered Zion. By the rivers of Babylon, there we sat down.  
 Yeah, we wept, when we remembered Zion. (repeat **Ch** then ↑ )

Originally a Rastafari song released by The Melodians in 1970, the most popular version was by Boney M's 1978 cover version, which became one of the all-time top sellers in the UK charts. When it started falling down the charts, DJs played the B-side, Brown Girl in the Ring, which became a hit on its own.

