Lou Reed, Teach The Gifted Children

Teach the gifted children
teach them to have mercy
Teach them about sunsets
teach them about moonrise
Teach them about anger
the sin that comes with dawning
Teach them about flowers
the beauty of forgetfulness
Then take me to the river (take me to the river)
and put me in the water (and put me in the water)
Bless them and forgive them (take me to the river)
father cause they just don't know (take me to the river)
All the gifted children

Teach the gifted children the way of men and animals Teach them about cities the history of the mysteries Their vice and their virtues about branches that blow in the wind On the wages of their sins teach them of forgiveness teach them about mercy Teach them about music and the cool and cleansing waters What do they say, take me to the river (take me to the river) take me to the river (take me to the river) Put me in the water (take me to the river) and teach the gifted children (take me to the river) All the gifted children (take me to the river) (Take me to the river) (Take me to the river)