

The Rose/The Love Of God chords by Bette
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[Verse 1]

Some say love, it is a river,
That drowns the tender reed
Some say love, it is a razor,
That leaves your soul to bleed
Some say love, it is a hunger,
An endless aching need
I say love, it is a flower and
You its only seed

[Verse 1]

The love of God is greater far
Than tongue or pen can ever tell;
It goes beyond the highest star,
And reaches to the lowest hell;

F C
 The guilty pair, bowed down with care,
 G F C
 God gave His Son to win;
 F C
 His erring child He reconciled,
 G C
 And pardoned from his sin.

[Chorus]

Oh, love of God, how rich and pure!
How measureless and strong!
It shall forevermore endure—
The saints' and angels' song.

[Verse 2]

C
G
 It's the heart afraid of breaking
F
G
C
 That never learns to dance
C
G
 It's the dream afraid of waking
F
G
C
 That never takes the chance

Em **Am** **Am7**
It's the one who won't be taken
 F **Dm7** **G**
Who cannot seem to give
 C **G**
And the soul afraid of dying
 F **G** **C**
That never learns to live

[Verse 2]

C
Could we with ink the ocean fill,
 G **C**
And were the skies of parchment made,
 C
Were every stalk on earth a quill,
 G **C**
And every man a scribe by trade;
 F **C**
To write the love of God above
 G **F** **C**
Would drain the ocean dry;
 F **C**
Nor could the scroll contain the whole,
 G **C**
Though stretched from sky to sky.

[Chorus]

F **C**
Oh, love of God, how rich and pure!

G **C**
How measureless and strong!
F **C**
It shall forevermore endure—
G **C**
The saints' and angels' song.

[Verse 3]

C **G**
When the night has been too lonely
F **G** **C**
And the road has been too long
C **G**
And you think that love is only
F **G** **C**
For the lucky and the strong
Em **Am**
Just remember in the winter
F **G**
Far beneath the bitter snow
C **G**
Lies the seed that with the sun's love,
F **G** **C**
In the spring becomes the rose