

# The Rose by Bette Midler (Capo 2<sup>nd</sup>)

## [Verse 1]

**C** **C**  
**C** **G** **F** **G** **C**  
Some say love, it is a river, that drowns the tender reed  
**C** **G** **F** **G** **C**  
Some say love, it is a razor, that leaves your soul to bleed  
**Em** **Am** **F** **Dm7** **G**  
Some say love, it is a hunger, an endless aching need  
**C** **G** **F** **G** **C**  
I say love, it is a flower and you its only seed

## [Verse 2] C for 1 measure...

**C** **G** **F** **G** **C**  
It's the heart afraid of breaking, that never learns to dance  
**C** **G** **F** **G** **C**  
It's the dream afraid of waking, that never takes the chance  
**Em** **Am** **F** **Dm7** **G**  
It's the one who won't be taken, who cannot seem to give  
**C** **G** **F** **G** **C**  
And the soul afraid of dying, that never learns to live

## [Verse 3] C for 1 measure...

**C** **G** **F** **G** **C**  
When the night has been too lonely, and the road has been too long  
**C** **G** **F** **G** **C**  
And you think that love is only, for the lucky and the strong  
**Em** **Am** **F** **Dm7** **G**  
Just remember in the winter, far beneath the bitter snow  
**C** **G** **F** **G** **C**  
Lies the seed that with the sun's love, in the spring becomes the rose