

# Across The Lines

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**F#m**

Across the lines

**E**

Who could dare to go

**Bm**

Under the bridge

**D**

Over the tracks

**G**

**A Aadd9 A**

That separates whites from blacks

Choose sides

Or run for your life

Tonight the riots behind

On back streets of America

They kill the dream of America

Little black girl gets assaulted

Ain't no reason why

Newspaper prints the story

And racist tempers fly

Next day it starts a riot

Knives and guns are drawn

Two black boys get killed

One white boy goes blind

Little black girl gets assaulted

Don't no one know her name

Lots of people hurt and angry

She's the one to blame