

Sound of Silence

(By Simon & Garfunkel)

Am **G** **Am**
Hello, darkness, my old friend... I've come to talk with you again.
C **F** **C** **F** **C**
Because a vision softly creeping... left its seeds while I was sleeping.
F **G** **C**
And the vision... that was planted in my brain...
Am **C** **G** **Am**
Still remains... within the sound... of silence.

Am **G** **Am**
In restless dreams, I walked alone; narrow streets of cobblestone.
C **F** **C**
Beneath the halo of a big street lamp,
C **F** **C**
I turned my collar to the cold and damp.
F **G** **F**
When my eyes were stabbed... by the flash of a neon light...
Am **C** **G** **Am**
That split the night... And touched the sound... of silence.

Am **G** **Am**
And in the naked light I saw... ten thousand people, maybe more.
C **F** **C** **F** **C**
People talking with-ouout speaking... people hearing with-ou-out listening.
F **G** **C**
People writing songs... that voices never share...
Am **C** **G** **Am**
And no one dares... disturb the sound... of silence.

Am **G** **Am**
"Fools," said I, "You do not know... silence like a cancer grows."
C **F** **C**
Hear my words that I mi-ight teach you.
C **F** **C**
Take my arms that I mi-ight reach you.
F **G** **C** **Am**
But my words... like silent raindrops fell...
Am **C** **G** **Am**
And echoed... in the wells... of silence.

Am **G** **Am**
And the people bowed and prayed... to the neon god they made.
C **F** **C** **F** **C**
And the sign flashed out its warning... in the words that it was forming.
C **C7** **F** **C**
And the signs said: "The words of the prophets
G **C** **Am**
Are written on the subway walls... and tenement halls."
C **G** **Am**
And whispered in the sound... of silence.