

Sounds of Silence – Simon & Garfunkel

1

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

2

Am **G**
In restless dreams I walked alone,
Am
Narrow streets of cobble stone.
C F C
'Neath the halo of a street lamp,
F C
I turned my collar to the cold and damp,
F
When my eyes were stabbed by the
C Am
flash of a neon light That split the night
C G Am
ξ And touched the sounds of silence.

3

Am **G**
And in the naked light I saw
Am
Ten thousand people, maybe more.
C F C
People talking without speaking,
F C
People hearing without listening,
F C
People writing songs that voices never shared,
Am
No one dared
C G Am
ξ Disturb the sounds of silence.

4

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

5

Am **G**
And the people bowed and prayed
Am
To the neon gods they made.
C F C
And the sign flashed out its warning,
F C
In the words that it was forming, ,
F
and the sign said "The words of the prophets are
C Am
written on the subway walls And tenement halls
C G Am
and whispered in the sounds of silence.

Tab Outro

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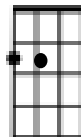
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