

Sounds of Silence (Simon & Garfunkel)

Am G Am

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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 seed while I was sleeping
F C
and the vision that was planted in my brain
Am C G Am
Still remains . . . within the sounds of silence

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

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

Am G Am
"Fools", said I "you do not know, silence like a cancer grows,
C F C F C
Hear my words that I might teach you, take my arms that I might reach you"
F C
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 it's warning, in the words that it was forming
F C
And the sign said the words of the prophet are written on the subway walls
Am C G Am
And tenement halls . . . and whispered in the sounds of silence