

THE SOUND OF SILENCE in Am

Am G Am
HELLO DARKNESS, MY OLD FRIEND, I'VE COME TO TALK WITH YOU AGAIN
Am F C F C
BECAUSE A VISION SOFTLY CREEPING LEFT ITS' SEEDS WHILE I WAS SLEEPING
F C Am
AND THE VISION THAT WAS PLANTED IN MY BRAIN STILL REMAINS
C G Am
WITHIN THE SOUND OF SILENCE.

Am G Am
IN RESTLESS DREAMS I WALKED ALONE NARROW STREETS OF COBBLE STONE
C F C
'NEATH THE HALO OF A STREET LAMP,
C F C
I TURNED MY COLLAR TO THE COLD AND DAMP
F
WHEN MY EYES WERE STABBED BY THE
F C Am
FLASH OF A NEON LIGHT THAT SPLIT THE NIGHT
C G Am
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 WITHOUT SPEAKING, PEOPLE HEARING WITHOUT LISTENING
F C Am
PEOPLE WRITING SONGS THAT VOICES NEVER SHARE AND NO ONE DARE
C G Am
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 MIGHT TEACH YOU,
F C
TAKE MY ARMS THAT I MIGHT REACH YOU
F C Am
BUT MY WORDS LIKE SILENT RAINDROPS FELL,
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
AND THE SIGN FLASHED OUT ITS' WARNING
F C
IN THE WORDS THAT IT WAS FORMING
C F
AND THE SIGNS SAID, "THE WORDS OF THE PROPHETS ARE
F C Am
WRITTEN ON THE SUBWAY WALLS AND TENEMENT HALLS,
C G Am
AND WHISPERED IN THE SOUNDS OF SILENCE."