

The Sound Of Silence

[Verse 1]

Gm F
Hello darkness, my old friend,
Gm
I've come to talk with you again,
Eb Bb
Because a vision softly creeping,
Eb Bb
Left its seeds while I was sleeping,
Eb Bb
And the vision that was planted in my brain
Bb Gm
Still remains
Bb F Gm
Within the sound of silence.

[Verse 2]

F
In restless dreams I walked alone
Gm
Narrow streets of cobblestone,
Eb Bb
'neath the halo of a street lamp,
Eb Bb
I turned my collar to the cold and damp
Eb Bb
When my eyes were stabbed by the flash of a
neon light
Bb Gm
That split the night
Bb F Gm
And touched the sound of silence.

[Verse 3]

F
And in the naked light I saw
Gm
Ten thousand people, maybe more.
Eb Bb
People talking without speaking,
Eb Bb
People hearing without listening,
Eb Bb
People writing songs that voices never share
Bb Gm
And no one dare
Bb F Gm
Disturb the sound of silence.

[Verse 4]

F
Fools said I, you do not know
Gm
Silence like a cancer grows.
Eb Bb
Hear my words that I might teach you,
Eb Bb
Take my arms that I might reach you.
Eb Bb Gm
But my words like silent raindrops fell,
Bb
And echoed
F Gm
In the wells of silence

[Verse 5]

F
And the people bowed and prayed
Gm
To the neon God they made.
Eb Bb
And the sign flashed out its warning,
Eb Bb
In the words that it was forming.
Eb
And the sign said, the words of the prophets
Bb
Are written on the subway walls
Bb Gm
And tenement halls.
Bb F Gm
And whisper'd in the sounds of silence.

