

## Sound of Silence

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

Em D Em  
In restless dreams I walked alone, narrow streets of cobble stone.  
G C G C G  
'Neath the halo of a street lamp, I turned my collar to the cold and damp,  
C G  
When my eyes were stabbed by the flash of a neon light  
Em G D Em  
That split the night and touched the sound of silence.

Em D Em  
And in the naked light I saw ten thousand people, maybe more.  
G C G C G  
People talking without speaking, people hearing without listening,  
C G  
People writing songs that voices never share,  
Em G D Em  
And no one dared disturb the sound of silence.

Em D Em  
"Fools!" said I, "you do not know, silence like a cancer grows.  
G C G C G  
Hear my words that I might teach you, take my arms that I might reach you."  
C G Em G D Em  
But my words like silent raindrops fell and echoed in the wells of silence.

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