

Hello darkness, my old <u>friend</u>	[Verse]	A	A
I've come to talk with you <u>again</u>		Bm	Bm
Because a vision softly <u>creeping</u>		G-D	D
Left its seeds while I was <u>sleeping</u>		G-D	(D <sup>1/2</sup> )
And the <u>vision</u> that was <u>planted</u>		G	G
<u>in my brain</u> - Still <u>remains</u>		D	D
Within the <u>sound</u> of <u>silence</u>		(D <sup>1/2</sup> )	
		A	Bm

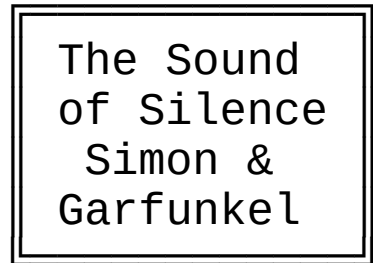
In restless dreams, I walked <u>alone</u>			Bm-X
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Narrow streets of cobble <u>stone</u>			
'Neath the halo of a <u>street lamp</u>			[Intro]
I turned my collar to the <u>cold</u> and damp			Bm Bm

When my eyes were stabbed by the flash  
of a neon light - That split the night  
And touched the sound of silence

			[Verse]
			(D) (...)

And in the naked light I saw  
Ten thousand people, maybe more  
People talking without speaking  
People hearing without listening  
People writing songs that voices  
    never shared - And no one dared  
Disturb the sound of silence



Fools, said I, you do not <u>know</u>			[Verse]
Silence, like a cancer, <u>grows</u>			(...) (D)

Hear my words that I might teach you  
Take my arms that I might reach you  
But my words, like silent raindrops, fell  
And echoed - In the wells of silence

And the people bowed and <u>prayed</u>			[Verse]
To the neon god they <u>made</u>			(D) (D)

And the sign flashed out its warning  
In the words that it was forming  
And the sign said, the words of the prophets are  
    written on the subway walls - And tenement halls  
And whispered - In the sound of silence