

The Sound of Silence

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♩ = ca. 100

Intro

(Es) (Es) (Es)

Solo

S

A *p**

M *p**

Si-lence, si-lence, Si-lence, si-lence,

4 Es B9 B9 Cm9

si - lence, sounds, si - lence, si - lence.

whis - per of si - lence.

A Cm B9 B

1. Hel-lo, my old friend, I've come to talk with you a -
 "Fools" said I, do not know, 7 si-lence like a can-cer

1/4. Doo doo doo

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*) flüstern oder flüsternd singen

10 Cm9 Cm As Es

gain, be-cause a vi - sion soft - creep
grows, 7 hear my words that I ent - ch you

doo doo doo doo doo doo doo doo

doo doo, 1. be-cause a vi - sion soft - creep - ing, ooh,
4. 7 "hear my words that I ent - ch you, ooh,

doo doo doo doo doo

13 Cm As Esmaj7 Es

left its seeds while I was sleep - ing,
take my arms that I might reach you."

doo, 1. while I sleep - ing, ooh, and the
4. "that I might reach you." Ooh, but my

left its seeds while I was sleep - ing, ooh, and the
"take my arms that I might reach you." Ooh, but my

doo doo I was sleep - ing, and the
might reach you." Ooh, But my

16 As Es

in my brain
Rain - drops fell,

that was plant - ed in my brain still re -
word like si - lent rain - drops fell, rain - drops

si - lent that was plant - ed in my brain 7 7
words like si - lent rain - drops fell, like rain - drops fell

vi - sion, plant - ed in my, in my brain,
words, si - lent rain, like rain - drops fell,

19 Es/D Cm Es B Cm

still re - - - mains.
rain - drops - - - fell.

mains
fell, and ech-oed in the wells.

still re - mains the sound of si - lence
and ech - oed in the wells of si - lence.

still re - mains, - doo doo, - sound.
rain-drops fell - and ech-oed and.

B Cm *f* B B

S 2. In rest-less dreams I - lone nar - row
3. And in the nak-ed light ten thou-sand
5. And the peo-ple bowed and to the

A 2. Hm ba ba ja - da hm, ba -
3. Hm ba ba ja - da hm, ba -
5. Peo-ple bowed and prayed, to -

M 2. Dm t ge dm t ge dm ge, ge

Cm

2. of cob-ble-stones 'neath the ha - lo of a -
3. more. Peo-ple talk - ing with-out -
5. on g made. And the sign flashed out its -

2. do dap ba ba ja - da hm ba, of a -
2. do do, ba ba ja - da hm ba, with-out -
the he god, the god they made. Flashed out its -

dm t ge dm t ge dm t ge dm ge, ge dm t ge

28 As Es Cm

2. — street lamp, I turned my col-lar to the cold and
 3. — speak-ing, — peo-ple hear-ing with — list'n-ing
 5. — warn-ing, — in the words that it — is — sing-ing.

2. — street lamp, hm ba, — to the cold and damp.
 3. — speak-ing, — hm ba, — list'n - ing.
 5. — warn-ing, — hm ba, — it — ing.

dm t dm — t ge dm — dm t ge dm t dm — t ge

31 Cm Asmaj7 As

2. When my eyes — stab- — by the flash — of a ne-on light —
 3. Peo-ple writ - ing — , — gs that voic - es — nev - er share, —

2. When my eyes — stab- — stabbed by the
 3. Peo-ple writ - ing — song voic-es

2./3. dm. t ge dm. t ge dm ge ge dm t ge

34 Es Es/F Cm Es

— that split the night, split the night — and touched the
 — and no one dared, no one dared — dis - turb the

flash — of a light that split — the night, — touched the
 — share — and no one, no — one dared, dis-turb the

dm t ge dm t ge, 2. split the night, — doo doo,
 3. no one dared, — doo doo,

37 **B** 1. Cm 2. *D.S. (Strophen 4/5)*
al $\oplus - \oplus$

sound.

sound of si-lence... si-lence.

sound...

pp

40 **C** Cm7 *mf* Es Gm7 As

And the sign said, "The words of the prophets are writ-ten on the sub-way walls

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dm. And the sign said, "The words of the prophets are writ-ten on the sub-way walls."

mf

43 Es Es Cm Es As

...ent halls."

...halls."

And whis-pered— in the

mp

46 **B** *mp* Cm Cm *pp* Cm9

...s, si-lence,— hm hm.

sounds of si-lence,— si-lence, hm hm.

sounds, si-lence,— si-lence.

p *pp* (flüstern)