

# Sounds of Silence 2019-10-13

key: Am, artist:Paul Simon writer:Paul Simon

Simon and Garfunkel from Sounds of Silence album – 1/1966

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4fWyzwo1xg0> (But in Ebm)

Simon and Garfunkel at Madison Square Garden 10/2009

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L-JQ1q-13Ek> (But in Em)

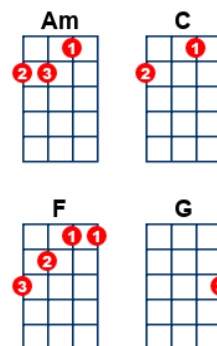
*first note A – 4/4 time – Intro:/ 1 2 3 4 / 1 /*

**[Am]** Hello darkness, my old **[G]** friend, I`ve come to talk to you **[Am]**  
again,

because a **[C]** vision softly **[F]** is cree**[C]**ping,

left its seeds while I **[F]** was slee**[C]**ping,

and the **[F]** vision that was planted in my **[C]** brain, still re**[Am]**mains,  
within the **[G]** sound of **[Am]** silence.



**[Am]** In restless dreams I walked **[G]** alone, narrow streets of cobble**[Am]**stone.

`Neath the **[C]** halo of **[F]** a street **[C]** lamp,

I turned my collar to the **[F]** cold and **[C]** damp,

when my **[F]** eyes were stabbed by the flash of a neon **[C]** light,

that split the **[Am]** night - and touched the **[G]** sound of **[Am]** silence.

**[Am]** And in the naked light I **[G]** saw, ten thousand people, maybe **[Am]** more,

people **[C]** talking wi**[F]**thout spea**[C]**king, people hearing wi**[F]**thout **[C]** listening,

people writing **[F]** songs that voices never **[C]** share,

and no-one **[Am]** dare - disturb the **[G]** sounds of **[Am]** silence.

**[Am]** Fools, said I, you do not **[G]** know, silence like a cancer **[Am]** grows,

hear my **[C]** words, that I **[F]** might teach **[C]** you,

take my arms that I **[F]** might reach **[C]** you,

But my **[F]** words like silent raindrops **[C]** fell - **[Am]**

and echoed in the **[G]** wells of **[Am]** silence.

**[Am]** And the people bowed and **[G]** prayed to the neon god they`d **[Am]** made.

And the **[C]** sign flashed out **[F]** its war**[C]**ning, in the words that it **[F]** was for**[C]**ming.

And the sign said, the **[F]** words of the prophets are written

in the subway **[C]** walls, and tenement **[Am]** halls,

and whispered in the **[G]** sounds - of **[Am]** silence