

# THE SOUND OF SILENCE

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Moderately ♩=100

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Part 1

Hel-lo dark-ness my old friend, I've come to talk with you a-

Part 2

Hel-lo dark-ness my old friend, I've come to talk with you a-

5

1

gain. Be-cause a vi-sion soft-ly creep-ing,\_\_\_

2

gain. Be-cause a vi-sion soft-ly creep-ing,\_\_\_

8

1

left its seeds while I was\_\_\_ sleep-ing,\_\_\_ and the vi-sion\_\_\_ that was

2

left its seeds while I was\_\_\_ sleep-ing,\_\_\_ and the vi-sion\_\_\_ that was

12

1

plant-ed in my brain still re-mains with-in the

2

plant-ed in my brain still re-mains with-in the

16

1 *mp*  
 sound of si - lence.\_\_\_\_ In rest-less dreams I walked a -

2 *mp*  
 sound of si - lence.\_\_\_\_ In rest-less dreams I walked a -

19

1 lone, nar - row streets of cob - ble - stone,

2 lone, nar - row streets of cob - ble - stone,

22

1 'neath the ha - lo of a street lamp, I turned my col - lar to the

2 'neath the ha - lo of a street lamp, I turned my col - lar to the

25

1 cold and damp when my eyes were stabbed by the flash of a ne-on light

2 cold and damp when my eyes were stabbed by the flash of a ne-on light

29

1 — that split the night and touched the sound of

2 — that split the night and touched the sound of

33

1 si - lence. And in the na - ked light I saw

2 si - lence. And in the na - ked light I saw

*mf*

36

1 ten thou-sand peo-ple, may-be more. Peo-ple talk-ing with-out

2 ten thou-sand peo-ple, may-be more. Peo-ple talk-ing with-out

39

1 speak - ing, peo-ple hear-ing with-out list - 'ning. Peo-ple

2 speak - ing, peo-ple hear-ing with-out list - 'ning. Peo-ple

43

1  
wri - ting songs that voi - ces nev - er share\_ and no one dare

2  
wri - ting songs that voi - ces nev - er share\_ and no one dare

47

1  
dis - turn the sound of si - lence.\_\_\_\_ *f* "Fools!" said I, "You do not

2  
dis - turn the sound of si - lence.\_\_\_\_ *f* "Fools!" said I, "You do not

51

1  
know si - lence like a can - cer grows.

2  
know si - lence like a can - cer grows.

54

1  
Hear my words that I might teach you,\_\_\_\_ take my arms that I might

2  
Hear my words that I might teach you,\_\_\_\_ take my arms that I might

57

1 reach you."\_ But my words like si - lent rain-drops fell

2 reach you."\_ But my words like si - lent rain-drops fell

61

1 ech - oed\_ in the wells of

2 and ech - oed\_ in the wells of

*mp*

65 Descant

Desc. And the peo-ple bowed and

1 si - lence.\_\_\_\_ And the peo-ple bowed and prayed

2 sil - lence.\_\_\_\_ And the peo-ple bowed and prayed

*f*

68

Desc. prayed to the ne-on god they made. The sign flashed out its\_

1 to the ne-on god they made. And the sign flashed out its\_

2 to the ne-on god they made. And the sign flashed out its\_

71

Desc. — warn - ing, — in the words that it was form - ing. —

1 — warn - ing, — in the words that it was form - ing. —

2 — warn - ing, — in the words that it was form - ing. —

74

1 And the sign said, "The words of the proph-ets are writ-ten on the sub-way

2 And the sign said, "The words of the proph-ets are writ-ten on the sub-way

77

1 walls and ten - e - ment halls," And ech - oed \_\_\_\_\_ in the

2 walls and ten - e - ment halls," And ech - oed \_\_\_\_\_ in the

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*rit.* . . . . .

80

Desc. si - lence. \_\_\_\_\_

1 sound of si - lence. \_\_\_\_\_

2 sound of si - lence. \_\_\_\_\_

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