The Penalty

Beirut

Like an ancient day and I'm on trial Let them seize the way, this once was an island And I could not stay for I believed them Left for the lights, always in season

Impassable night in a crowd of homesick
Fully grown children, you'll leave the lights
Your family may not wait, sir, keep on believing
Our parents rue the day, they find us kneeling

Let them think what they may, for they've good reason Left for the lights, always in season