The Sound of Silence

Simon & Garfunkel

Dmi  C
1. Hello darkness my old friend
   Dmi
   I've come to talk with you again
   F  B  F
because a vision softly creeping
   B  F
left it seeds while I was sleeping
   B  F
and the vision that was planted in my brain
   Dmi  F  C  Dmi
still remains within the sound of silence.

Dmi  C
2. In restless dreams I walked alone
   Dmi
narrow streets of cobble-stone
   F  B  F
neath the halo of a street lamp
   B  F
I turned my collar to the cold and damp
   B  F
when my eyes were stabbed by the flash of a neon light
   Dmi  F  C  Dmi
that spilt the night and touched the sound of silence.

Dmi  C
3. And in the naked light I saw
   Dmi
ten thousand people maybe more
   F  B  F
people talking without speaking
   B  F
people hearing without listening
   B  F
people writing songs that voices never share
   Dmi  F  C  Dmi
and no one dare disturb the sound of silence.

Dmi  C
4. "Fools!" said I "you do not know
   Dmi
silence like a cancer grows
   F  B  F
hear my words that I might teach you
   B  F
take my armsthat I might reach you."
   B  F
But my words like silent raindrops fell
   Dmi  F  C  Dmi
and echoed in the wells of silence.

Dmi  C
5. And the people bowed and prayed
   Dmi
to the neon god they made
   F  B  F
and the sign flashed out its warning

\[ B \ F \]

in the words that it was forming and the sign said:

\[ B \ F \]

"The words of the prophets are written on the subway walls

\[ Dm \ F \ C \ Dm \]

and tenement halls" and whisper'd in the sound of silence.