

The Sound Of Silence

(Der Raum des Schweigens)

Chorbearbeitung für dreistimmigen Frauenchor und Klavier von Bernd Stallmann
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Klavier

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1. Hel - lo dark-ness, my old friend,
1. Wenn die Dun - kel - heit be - ginnt

I've come to talk with you a -
γ und die Nachtspricht mit dem

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① Cm

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be-cause a vi - sion soft - ly_____ creep-ing,
γ Fan - ta - si - en ge - hen Hand in Hand

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A♭ **E♭**

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left its seeds while I was sleep-ing.
und die Zeit ist wie der fei - ne Sand,

And the vi - sion that was
der die Spu-ren uns-res

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Ab Eb

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plant-ed in my brain.
Le - bens fast ver - weht,

still re-mains von dir geht,
with-in the be-ginnt der

plant-ed in my brain.
Le - bens fast ver - weht,

still re-mains, in my brain still re-mains,
von dir geht, fast ver-weht, von dir geht,

Eb Eb Cm Eb

of si-lence.
des Schweigens.

2. In rest-less dreams, I walked a - lone,

si-lence.
-hweigens.

2. In rest-less dreams, I walked a - lone,

Bb

A musical score for a solo instrument, likely a recorder or flute, featuring three staves of music. The first two staves are in common time (indicated by a 'C') and the third staff is in 2/4 time (indicated by a '2'). The lyrics are written below the notes. The first two staves begin with a treble clef and the third staff begins with a bass clef. The music consists of eighth and sixteenth note patterns. The lyrics are as follows:

 collar to the cold and damp. When my eye
 collar to the cold and damp. When my eye
 A♭ E♭ A♭

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(2)

sound of si-lence.

the sound of si-lence.

3. And in the na-ked light I saw
3. Im nack-ten Ne-on-licht ver-eint,
I saw, I
ver-eint, ver-

(2)

B_b C_m B_b

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ten thousand peo-ple, may be, more.
zehn-tau-send Menschen, ei-ner weint.

Peo-ple talk-ing with - out
Al-le re-den, doch sie

saw, eint, may be more, may be more,
ei-ner weint, ei-ner weint, with - out
doch sie

C_m

42

hö - speak-ing,-
ren nie,-

peo-ple hear-ing with - out
vie - le hö - ren, doch sie re - listen-ing,-

with - out
doch sie re - listen-ing,-

Ab E_b

45

peo - ple writ - ing
Und wie Trä - nen songs
fall'n that die voic - es
nev - er share
in das Meer,

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Und wie Trä - nen songs
fall'n that die voic - es
nev - er share
in das Meer,

A^b

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no one dare,
kalt und leer,
no one dare,
kalt und leer,
dis - turb the
das ist der

51

sound Raum of si - lence.
des Schwei-gens.
the sound Raum of si - lence.
des Schwei-gens.

4. "Fools," said I, "you do not

Cm

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Hear my words that I might
do not know, do not know, cancer grows, cancer grows,
know, silence like a can-
cer grows.

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— teach you,— take my arms that I might reach you“..
teach you,— reach you“..
teach you,— reach you“..

61

But my words like si - lent rain-drops fell, raindrops fell, raindrops

raindrops fell, raindrops

65

fell, ech-oed the wells of si - lence.

fell, and ech-oed in the wells of si - lence.

Cm E♭ B♭ Cm

69 (3)

5. And the peo - ple bowed and prayed
5. Und in den Brun-nen fällt ein Stein,

to a ne-on god they made.
wann wird er je-mals un-ten sein.

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(3) B_b C_m

And the sign flashed out its warn-ing
 - ser Le - ben ist ein frem - des Tier,
 in the words that it was
 man-che fra - gen sich, was

out its warn-ing
 + ein frem - des Tier,
 in the words that it was
 man-che fra - gen sich, was

Ab Eb

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soll form-ing.
ich hier?
And the sign said,"The words
Denn das Glück of the proph-ets are
hat für

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ich hier?
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hat für

Ab Eb Ab

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writ-ten on the sub-way walls
viele we-nig Zeit,
and ten-e-ment halls,
und end - los weit,

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viele we-nig Zeit,
and ten-e-ment halls,
und end - los weit,

Eb Cm

rit.

molto rit.

whis-pered in the sound
das ist der Raum
of si-lence.
des Schweigens.

and whispered the sound, the sound
das ist der Raum, der Raum

rit. Eb Bb molto rit. Cm