**Not So Silent**

Capo 1

G D C

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 G G/F#

For the sisters who are stolen

 C G

And the missing person files

 G G/F#

The stories unreported

 C G

That never go to trial

 G G/F#

For the names that are ignored

 C G

By a country in denial

 Em

We are louder

 C D G

We are louder than them

For the daughters who have disappeared

When they stood to disobey

When a life that’s lived in freedom

Is a threat to some old way

Sentences cut short

When there is so much more to say

We are louder

We are louder than them

 C G

We will not be silent

 C G

We will not be shamed

 G G/F# G/E C

We will not sit still and bend our will

 D

All in honour’s name

 C G

We don’t come for permission

 C G

There are no warning shots

 Em C

We are the voices that call out

 G

For those who cannot

Neighbours warn don’t walk alone

Down streets we thought we knew

Suddenly we’re reckless

And the consequences due

To the men who “just can’t help themselves”

And the courts who wave them through

We are louder

We are louder than them

To the officer who looked at her

And said she was to blame

The woman charged in self defence

When the judge denied her claim

The history that haunts us

And fear that never goes away

We are louder

We are louder than them

 Em

These are not isolated incidents

 C

We are not isolated innocents

 C D

It’s more than just coincidence

 G

And we are louder

 Em

It's urgency that drives us

C

Mercy that survives us

 C D

It’s her and him and I and us

 G

And we are louder

 C G

We are louder than them

 Em

We are louder

 C D G

We are louder than them

So let’s choose change to counter danger

Love the company we keep

Rise to those who challenge us

Who dare to call us weak

When “equality” has fallen from

The language that they speak

We are louder

We are louder than them