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The Curfew Tolls The Knell of Parting Day

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The cur - few tolls the knell of par - ting day,  
winds slow - ly o'er the lea. The plough - man home - ward plods his wea - ry  
way, And leaves the world, and leaves the world, and leaves the  
world and leaves the world to dark - ness and to me.

Now fades the glimm' - ring land - scape on the sight,  
a so - lem - ness holds; Save where the beet - le  
wheels his dro - ning flight, And drow - sy tink - lings, drow - sy  
tink - lings, drow - sy tink - lings, drow - sy tink - lings

lull the dis - - tant folds. Be - neath those rug - ged  
elms, that yew tree's shade, Where heaves the turf in ma - ny a mould' - ring  
heap, Each in his nar - row cell for e - ver laid, The  
rude fore - fa - thers, rude fore - fa - thers, rude  
fore - fa - thers, the rude fore - fa - thers of the

69 ham - let sleep. 70 **D** 71 Far from the mad - ding crowd's ig - nob - le  
 74 strife 75 76 77 ne - ver learned to stray; A - long the  
 80 cool se - quest' red vale of life. They kept the noise - less,  
 85 kept the noise - less, 86 87 kept the noise - less, 88 89 kept the noise - less, 90  
 91 te - nor 92 of \_\_\_\_\_ their way.  
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