## WHEN THE TRUMPET OF THE LORD SHALL SOUND

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One of my favorite hymns is "When The Roll Is Called Up Yonder". Many good thoughts are contained in this hymn. Let us examine some of them.

"When the trumpet of the Lord shall sound and time shall be no more". "For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God And the dead in Christ will rise first. " { 1 Thessalonians 4:16} Yes, time, as we understand it, will come to an end on that final day. This will begin eternity. Endless—either with God or the devil and his angels.

"When the saved on earth shall gathered over on the other shore". "But I saw no temple in it, for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are its temple. The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine in it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is its light. And the nations of those who are saved shall walk in its light, and the kings of the earth bring their glory and honor into it. "{Revelation 21:22-24} This will be a wonderful reunion of all the saved who lived upon the earth. The "best people" to spend all of eternity with!

"... When the dead in Christ shall rise, And the glory of His resurrection shared;" "In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality. So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: 'Death is swallowed up in victory '. "{1 Corinthians 15:52-54} We shall overcome the grave!

"Let us labor for the Master from the dawn till setting sun". "I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work. "{John 9:4} "Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you; unless you believed in vain. "{I Corinthians 15:1.2}

"Blessed are those servants whom the master, when he comes will find watching. Assuredly, I say to you that he will gird himself and have them sit down to eat, and will come and serve them. "{Luke 12:37} God's children must be busy workers in His kingdom.

"Let us talk of all His wondrous love and care". "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. " {Romans 5:8}

"In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. " {I John 4:10,11} Unworthy of such consideration, but He did love us and gave His life for us. He continues to care for us while we live on this earth. A wonderful story of supreme love!

"When the roll is called up yonder I'll be there". "For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad" {2 Corinthians 5:10} "So then each of us shall give account of himself toGod." {Romans 14:12}

This "roll call" nobody will miss! Every person who has ever lived on this earth will be called to give an accounting of the way we conducted our lives here on earth. Our record compared with the divine standard of God's word. What will the "roll" say? \*\*\*