

The Man Comes Around

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1. There's a man goin' round takin' names
And he decides who to free and who to blame
Everybody won't be treated all the same
There'll be a golden ladder reaching down
When the Man comes around

The hairs on your arm will stand up
At the terror in his sip and in his sup
Will you partake of that last offered cup
Or disappear into the potters' ground
When the Man comes around

- R: Hear the trumpets, hear the pipers
One hundred million angels singing
Multitudes are marching to the big kettle drum
Voices calling voices crying
Some are born and some are dying
It's Alpha and Omega's kingdom come.
And the whirlwind is in the thorn tree
The virgins are all trimming their wicks
The whirlwind is in the thorn tree
It's hard for thee to kick against the pricks

2. Till Armageddon no shalam no shalom
Then the father hen will call his chickens home
The wise men will bow down before the throne
And at his feet they'll cast their golden crowns
When the man comes around

Whoever is unjust let him be unjust still
Whoever is righteous let him be righteous still
Whoever is filthy let him be filthy still
Listen to the words long written down
When the man comes around

- R: Hear the trumpets...

In measured hundred weight and penny pound
When the Man comes around.