

THE MAN COMES AROUND

By: Johnny Cash

Spoken

AND I HEARD, AS IT WERE, THE NOISE OF THUNDER,
ONE OF THE FOUR BEASTS SAYING, "COME AND SEE", AND I SAW
AND BEHOLD, A WHITE HORSE.

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C
THERE'S A MAN, GOIN' ROUND, TAKING NAMES
C
AND HE DECIDES, WHO TO FREE, AND WHO TO BLAME
C
EVERYBODY WON'T BE TREATED ALL THE SAME
C **Am** **F**
THERE'LL BE A GOLDEN LADDER REACHING DOWN
F **G** **C**
WHEN THE MAN COMES AROUND

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C
THE HAIRS ON YOUR ARM WILL STAND UP
C
AT THE TERROR IN EACH SIP AND IN EACH SUP
C
WILL YOU PARTAKE OF THAT LAST OFFERED CUP
C **Am** **F**
Or disappear into the potters ground
F **g** **c**
When the man comes around

Chorus

C
HEAR THE TRUMPETS HEAR THE PIPERS
C
ONE HUNDRED MILLION ANGELS SINGING
C **F** **C** **G**
MULTITUDES ARE MARCHING TO THE BIG KETTLE DRUM
G
VOICES CALLIN', VOICES CRYIN'
G
SOME ARE BORN AND SOME ARE DYIN'
G **C**
IT'S ALPHA AND OMEGA'S KINGDOM COME
C **F** **C**
AND THE WIRLWIND IS IN THE THORN TREES
C
AND THE VIRGINS ARE ALL TRIMMING THEIR WICKS
C **F** **C**
THE WIRLWIND IS THE THORN TREES
C
IT'S HARD FOR THEE TO KICK AGAINST THE PRICKS

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C
TILL ARMAGEDDON, NO SHALAM, NO SHALOM

C
THEN THE FATHER HEN WILL CALL HIS CHICKENS HOME
C

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THE WISE MEN WILL BOWN DOWN BEFORE THE THRONE
C Am F
AND AT HIS FEET THEY'LL CAST THEY'RE GOLDEN CROWNS
F G C
WHEN THE MAN COMES AROUND

4
C
WHOEVER IS UNJUST, LET HIM BE UNJUST STILL
C
WHOEVER IS RIGHTEOUS, LET HIM BE RIGHTEOUS STILL
C
WHOEVER IS FILTHY, LET HIM BE FILTHY STILL
C Am F
LISTEN TO THE WORDS, LONG WRITTEN DOWN
F G C
WHEN THE MAN COMES AROUND

Chorus

C
HEAR THE TRUMPETS HEAR THE PIPERS
C
ONE HUNDRED MILLION ANGELS SINGING
C F C G
MULTITUDES ARE MARCHING TO THE BIG KETTLE DRUM
G
VOICES CALLING, VOICES CRYING
G
SOME ARE BORN AND SOME ARE DYING
G C
IT'S ALPHA AND OMEGA'S KINGDOM COME
C F C
AND THE WHIRLWIND IS IN THE THORN TREES
C
AND THE VIRGINS ARE ALL TRIMMING THEIR WICKS
C F C
THE WHIRLWIND IS IN THE THORN TREES
C
IT'S HARD FOR THEE TO KICK AGAINST THE PRICKS

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C Am F
IN MEASURED HUNDRED WEIGHT, AND PENNY POUND
F G C
WHEN THE MAN COMES AROUND

Spoken

AND I HEARD A VOICE IN THE MIDST OF THE FOUR BEASTS
AND I LOOKED, AND BEHOLD, A PALE HORSE
AND ITS NAME THAT SAID ON HIM WAS DEATH.
AND HELL FOLLOWED WITH HIM.