

WHEN THE SAINTS GO MARCHING IN.

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INTRO.:

A. Read text: **1 Thess. 4:13-18.**

B. Regarding the text:

1. An old song: Yet, the message is clear.
 - 1) It speaks of the saints who are entering heaven.
 - 2) And a desire to be in that number.
2. The thought of heaven gives hope and comfort (**Hebrews 6:9**).
 - 1) Multitudes long for that day. We sing We're Marching To Zion...
 - 2) Do you ever wonder what it will be like?

DISCUSSION: IN THIS LESSON WE OBSERVE...

I. THE SAINTS WILL BE GATHERED.

A. A great crowd will be gathered.

1. **Revelation 7:9.**
2. **Romans 14:10.**
3. Not just 144,000 as some believe.

B. I have been to some large and exciting events - but none like this!

C. Oh, I want to be in that number, when the saints go marching in.

II. IT WILL BE A TIME OF VICTORY.

A. Those in that number will be victorious.

1. Victory over the grave (**1 Corinthians 15:50-58**).
2. Victory over pain and sorrow (**Revelation 21:4**).
3. Victory over sin (**Romans 6:22-23**).

B. O, I want to be in that number - BECAUSE I want the victory.

III. A DAY OF GREAT JOY.

A. Unspeakable joy.

1. **Psalms 16:11.**
2. **Matthew 25:23.**
3. **Jude 24.**

B. A Glad Reunion.

1. David spoke of this: **2 Samuel 12:23.**
2. Can you imagine the joy of that reunion?

C. Overcome the second death.

1. **Revelation 2:11.**
2. **Revelation 21:8.**

D. What a day of rejoicing that will be!!!

IV. CONCLUSION:

A. The saints will go marching IN - OTHERS will not.

1. **Matt. 7:21-23.**
2. In this life we must prepare to enter in with the saved.

B. Oh, I want to be in that number!

C. The question: Do you want to be in that number when the saints go marching in?

1. If so, we must obey the gospel.
2. We must maintain your salvation.

D. If Heaven's Not My Home... What Will I Do?