

The Day is Surely Drawing Near

END TIMES

Words: Bartholomäus Ringwaldt, 1565. Translated by Phillip A. Peter, 1872, alt.
 Music: 'Es ist Gewisslich an der Zeit' from Klug's Geistliche Lieder, Wittenberg, 1533.

Setting: "Evangelical Lutheran Hymn-Book", 1931.

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1. The day is sure - ly draw - ing near, When God's Son, the A - noint - ed,
 2. A trum - pet loud shall then re - sound, And all the earth be sha - ken;
 3. A book is o - pened then to all, A re - cord tru - ly tell - ing
 4. Then woe to those who scorned the Lord, And sought but car - nal plea - sures,
 5. O Je - sus, who my debt didst pay And for my sin wast smit - ten

Shall with great maj - es - ty ap - pear, As Judge of all ap - point - ed.
 Then all who in their graves are found Shall from their sleep a - wa - ken.
 What each hath done, both great and small, When he on earth was dwell - ing;
 Who here des - pised His prec - ious Word, And loved their earth - ly trea - sures!
 With - in the Book of Life, oh, may My name be al - so writ - ten!

All mirth and laugh - ter then shall cease When flames on flames will
 But all that live shall in that hour, By the Al - might - y's
 And ev - ery heart be clear - ly seen, And all be known as
 With shame and trem - bling they will stand, And at the Judg - e's
 I will not doubt; I trust in Thee, From Sa - tan Thou hast

still in - crease, As Scrip - ture tru - ly teach - - - eth.
 bound - less pow'r Be changed at His com - mand - - - ing.
 they have been, In thoughts and words and ac - - - tions.
 stern com - mand To Sa - tan be de - liv - - - ered.
 made me free And from all con - dem - na - - - tion.

6. Therefore, my Intercessor be, And for Thy blood and merit
 Declare my name from judgment free, With all who life inherit;
 That I may see Thee face to face
 With all thy saints in that blest place
 Which Thou for us hast purchased.

7. O Jesus Christ, do not delay, O hasten our salvation!
 We often tremble on our way In fear and tribulation.
 Then hear us when we cry to Thee;
 Come, mighty Judge, and make us free
 From every evil. Amen!