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but say, "What are the possibilities in this passage?" And as far as this

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passage is concerned, /alone without 17 clearly says the dead in Christ are going to come as a result of the command.

They are summoned, and the next verse would seem to say that we are going to hear the summons who are alive but as to whether any who are not summoned hear this particular summons or not it just seems to me that this particular passage doesn't say "yes" or "no"; it just doesn't go into it. (Student) I wouldn't say that it did happen at the same time. Let's say that the Lord gives the shout to us as He comes down and maybe nobody but the angels hear it, but at least there is the rising of the dead. Now, whether He gives a shout in the type of way that strikes to the ears of the people on this earth who are not attuned to it is a thing we are not told. Mr.---? (Student)

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(Student) The dead in Christ shall rise first. (Student) It is a time element unquestionably, but it may be a very brief time element. The dead in Christ come to life before they are raised to the air and before the living are raised to the air, but they both are raised to the air at the same time, but (Student) but the dead are raised (Student) the whole thing (student) Yes. And this-- yes? (Student) It means that the Lord when He comes to this earth brings with Him both the living and the dead, that He brings all the saints. That would seem to be the teaching of Revelation 19, that when He comes He brings all the saints with Him. Yes, Mr.---? I am not trying now to decide any question. I am trying to decide, "What does this particular passage teach and what does it leave us as possibilities for which an answer must come from other places?" As far as I know, this verse alone could have three different sounds, a shout, the voice of the archangel and the trump of God, or they may all three represent