

What Time is It?

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I. Introduction.

- A. Text: Romans 13:8-14.
- B. We are living in a wonderful time. Jesus' return is closer.
- C. Jesus' return keeps us going and gives us responsibilities.

II. It is time to wake up.

- A. We need to be alert and sober in order to receive blessing.
- B. We must not misinterpret peace for spiritual lethargy.
- C. While Christians sleep, the enemy advances.

III. We need to clean up. We are to put aside the works of darkness and put on the works of light. (Colossians 3)

IV. It is time to dress up.

- A. We are to put on the armor of light.
- B. We are soldiers. The Christian life is not a play ground.
- C. We put on the armor for protection.

V. It is time to grow up.

- A. Our clothing changes as we grow.
- B. We put on Jesus Christ appropriating all that he has for us.
- C. We grow in order to receive all Jesus has for us.
- D. The way we respond to the Lord shows where we are at with him.
- E. Feed the Spirit.

Application questions:

1. What does it mean to be sober in the Christian life?

2. What are some of the things we receive in Jesus when we grow?

3. Why is it important to view the Christian life as a battleground? Explain.
