

“WILL YOU BE FOUND FAITHFUL WHEN HE RETURNS?”

(Romans 13:11-14)

VII. GOD’S RIGHTEOUSNESS REVEALED THRU THE CHURCH (12:1-16:23)

A. The Christian’s Responsibility to Our Governing Authorities (13:1-7)

B. The Christian’s Responsibility to Love One Another (13:8-10)

C. The Christian’s Responsibility to Live in Light of the Lord’s Return (13:11-14)

1. As Christians we are to “_____” (Gk. *oida*) instinctively that the time for the Lord’s _____ is _____. (v. 11a)

2. Believers are called to “_____” because the _____ of our bodies is nearer now than when we first got saved. (v. 11b)

* Are we living in the “last days”?

* What should your attitude and perspective be as a believer in Christ?

3. The apostle considered the time of Christ’s return and the consummation of salvation for believers as the start of a new day (like a sunrise); in light of this we are instructed...

a. Negatively: “let us _____ *the works of darkness*” (v. 12a)

b. Positively: “let us _____ *the armor of light*” (v. 12b)

* Why do we need this armor? (Eph. 6:10-18)

4. Believers are called to walk “*properly*” (Gk. *euschemonos*) during the _____ while the unbelievers typically carouse at _____. (v. 13a, cf. 1 Thess. 5:1-9)

5. Paul then lists three couplets of sins that should not be named among Christians...

a. “_____ *in revelry and drunkenness*” (v. 13b)

b. “_____ *in lewdness and lust*” (v. 13c)

c. “_____ *in strife and envy*” (v. 13d)

6. You are called to “*put on the Lord Jesus*” and you do this by...

a. “*knowing*” (Rom. 6:3, 6, 9)

b. “*reckoning*” (Rom. 6:11)

c. “*yielding*” (Rom. 6:12-13, 16, 19)

* You can begin applying this truth today.