

INSIGHTS ON ROMANS: THE CHRISTIAN'S CONSTITUTION

WAKE UP AND GET DRESSED!

ROMANS 13:11-14



The Heart of the Matter

As we have already learned, it is easy to allow the world around us to squeeze us into its own mold (Romans 12:2). The great temptation all of us face is to drift through life, flowing with the tide of popular opinion, allowing a yawning sense of complacency to characterize our existence. We're told to not make waves, we're warned against being alarmists, and we're urged most of all to "be tolerant" of everything and everyone. Look around and witness the evidence of such passivity; it's everywhere! But when we turn to the pages of Scripture, we hear a different message; we discover how important it is to become people of zeal and passion, fervently and diligently serving our Lord (12:11). We realize how quickly time passes and how essential it is that we make the most of every day. Urgency is the theme of these four closing verses of Romans 13. In no uncertain terms, this letter by Paul shakes us awake as it underscores the importance of our redeeming the time.



Discovering the Way

1. A Fervent Call for Urgency

God desires that His people be awake, aware, and alive. Now is the time to pay attention to what is going on around you.

2. A Strong Appeal for Purity (Romans 13:11-14)

Paul exhorted us to hear the alarm, awaken from our sleep, check the time carefully, change our clothes, live appropriately, and finish well.

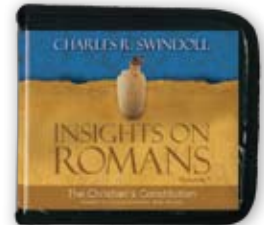


Starting Your Journey

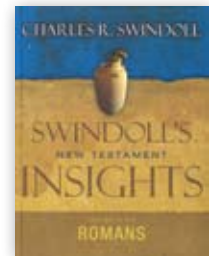
The essential reminder for victory is to stay away from anything that weakens your moral fiber and stay involved in everything that strengthens your walk with Christ.



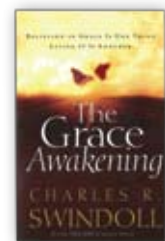
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