



December 10th & 17th, 2017: WAKE UP FROM YOUR SLUMBER

OPENING

- Are you a night owl or an early bird? Have you always been that way?

DISCUSSION

[Read Romans 13:11-14](#)

- Why would Paul call the present time night? What is the “sleep” that Paul says we need to wake from? What does he mean when he says that it’s time to wake up?
- What are some things that we do during the night that we don’t during the day? What are the ramifications of having both an active nightlife and having responsibilities in the morning? What parallel would Paul want us to draw with regards to our spiritual lives?
- In verse 13 Paul notes three pairs of activities Christians should avoid. How are bad temper and jealousy just as destructive in a Christian community as drunkenness and sexual immorality?
- Paul’s solution to avoiding the activities of the night is to “put on the Lord Jesus” (v. 14). How are we to do this? What is the relationship between already being saved and putting on Jesus?
- Why must one not “think” about how to gratify the desires of the sinful nature?

FINAL APPLICATION

What are some excuses that a Christian may give for not stepping out in faith? What are some excuses that you have been giving? Is there a step that you sense that God wants you to take?

THE LONG NIGHT IS PAST

- What was your favorite part of The Long Night Is Past?
- What questions or insights did you get from The Long Night Is Past?