

## SERMON NOTES

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5. We welcome people \_\_\_\_\_.

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For that reason, we need to...

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(Matthew 12:36; 1 Corinthians 4:5; Hebrews 10:25)

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2. Reflect on Broadview's core values. How have you seen these manifest in our church? Do you see similar values in your life?
3. How do you balance understanding salvation as a gift of grace with the call to pursue holiness and righteous living?
4. In what areas of your life do you need to 'wake up' as Paul suggests, recognizing the "end of night" and the "dawn of a new day?"
5. How can you practically 'put on' the armor of light in your daily interactions and decisions? Discuss specific examples of how faith, hope, and love for Jesus can be actively demonstrated in your life.
6. What strategies can you employ to resist the 'deeds of darkness' and live as children of the light?
7. Share a personal experience where you had to employ both offensive and defensive strategies to overcome a spiritual challenge or besetting sin in your life.
8. In what ways can you avoid the three types of excess mentioned in the message? (Substances, sex, selfishness) Why do you think Paul mentions these and not others?
9. What does 'putting on Christ' look like in your daily life, and how does this help in making Jesus known to others?
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