

LIVING IN THE LIGHT

HOW TO LIVE IN LIGHT OF JESUS' RETURN (Romans 13:8-14)

Talk-it-Over Notes | September 19-20, 2026

REVIEW IT

Jesus said, "You also must be ready all the time, for the Son of Man will come when least expected." Matthew 24:44 NLT — So, how to make the most of whatever time we have left:

1. Pay up

- Let no debt of forgiveness go unpaid
- Let no debt of gratitude go unpaid
- Let no debt of service go unpaid

2. Wake up

Stop hitting the snooze button on the alarm clock of hope. Do what God's called you to do.

3. Gear up

Take up an armor of God's light, truth and strength for the darkness of the world.

4. Suit up

Clothe yourself with Christ. Live...

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| not in carousing and drunkenness, | - But have... Self control |
| not in sexual immorality and debauchery, | - But have... Moral purity |
| not in dissension and jealousy. | - But have... A life of harmony |

Spend some time in the Word: Read Romans 13:8-14

TALK ABOUT IT

1. What stood out to you in this message? Did you take any extra notes or have something hit you a certain way?
2. What would it look like to "practice playing second fiddle" in your life? Is there a program you just need to work? A leader you just need to follow? Some control you need to give up?
3. The passage emphasizes the ongoing debt to love one another. Why do you think Paul frames love as a "debt" that is never fully paid? How does this perspective challenge or encourage you in your relationships?
4. In light of the message to "wake up" and not procrastinate in our spiritual lives, what are some areas where you may have been spiritually "asleep" or putting things off? What first step could you take this week to become more spiritually alert and active?

ACT ON IT

Start each day by asking God to help you "put on the armor of light" and to take a concrete step forward in an area where you tend to procrastinate or struggle with self-control.

PRAY ABOUT IT

Take time to ask how you can pray for and support one another in prayer. Then, close in prayer.