Paul’s Letter to the Romans: Pursuing Righteousness from God

“It’s Time to Wake Up!”

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Romans 13:11-14

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A. Sleep is not only something that we can experience on the _______ level, it is also something that can happen to us __________.

B. In today’s section from Romans 13, Paul will employ many helpful illustrations regarding: __________, ___________ and ___________.

C. Do you see how Paul cleverly plays on the notion of “______” that he introduced in 13:7 to create a transition back to the topic of _________?

D. Some people have taken Paul’s words out of context and suggest that Christians should never __________ ___________ (Proverbs 22:7).

E. Does God ever give us permission to say, “I’ve loved that person _________, so I’m going to ______ loving them now?” No, God does not.

F. Paul encourages us with the truth that _______ is the fulfillment of the ________.

G. Love is what everyone ___________ and it is the _____________ we need for knowing how to treat others and how to obey God.

H. When we truly love someone, we don’t want to do anything that will _____ them.

I. In the last verses of chapter 13, Paul emphasizes the need for immediate action because the time is ________, and illustrates the process of transformation with the simple process of changing one’s _________.

J. Why is it time to wake up? Because ______ is ______ soon.

K. Paul skillfully employs the imagery of _______ and _________ to describe spiritual realities.

L. Paul likens Christ’s return as the _________ of ________.

M. Because the night is almost over and the day is almost here, it’s time to ________ ____ and get ___________.

N. Nighttime clothes are the _________ of ___________ and daytime clothes are the _______ of __________ .

O. Paul lists ______ deeds of darkness and suggests they go in _________.

P. The first pair is ____________ and _______________.

1. Other translations of the first word are ______________ and ___________.

Q. The second pair is ____________ and _______________.

1. The NKJV translates these words as __________ and ________________.

R. The third pair is ______________ and _______________.

1. Other translations render the words as __________ and ____________.

S. What do well-dressed Christians wear? The wear the _______ ________ ___.

T. The negative counterpart to putting on Christ is not making plans to ______ the desires of the _________.