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## The Day is at Hand

### Opening Remarks:

### Hearing from the Text:

Romans 13:11-14 ESV Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. (12) The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. (13) Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. (14) But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

### Foundational Observations:

- Observation 1: The exhortation found in our text is...Consummate
- Observation 2: The exhortation found in our text is...Corporate
- Observation 3: The exhortation found in our text is...Christological
- Observation 4: The exhortation found in our text is...Compelling

### Laying Out the Text:

#### I. A Summarizing Requirement - v.11a

- Point 1: Stating the Action
- Point 2: Seeing the Context
- Point 3: Summarizing the Requirement

#### II. A Sobering Rationale - vs.11b-12a

Rationale Is Set Forth in Three Phrases Consisting of a "Principle" and a "Subordinate" Point:

- Phrase 1: *(PP) the hour has come (SP) for you to wake from sleep*
- Phrase 2: *(PP) salvation is nearer to us now (SP) than when we first believed*
- Phrase 3: *(SP) The night is far gone; (PP) the day is at hand*

#### III. A Specific Response - vs.12b-14

The Response Called for Is Three-fold:

Part 1: A Response of Counter-Culturalism

Part 2: A Response of Radical Redirection

Part 3: A Response of Exclusive Exchange