

Awake, You Who Sleep!

(Ephesians 5:14)

- Introduction:
1. Just as some may fall asleep physically, we need to be aware that it is possible to fall asleep spiritually as well.
 2. The Bible makes several references to “spiritual slumber.”
 - a. (1 Corinthians 15:34).
 - b. (Romans 13:11).
 - c. (Ephesians 5:14).
 3. Spiritually speaking, are you wide awake, nodding off, or sound asleep?

I. How To Awaken From Spiritual Slumber

- A. (Romans 13:11-14).
1. Let us cast off the works of darkness.
 2. Let us put on the armor of light.
 3. Let us walk properly.
 4. Put on Jesus Christ.
 5. Make no provision for the flesh.

II. What Happens When We Put On Christ?

- A. We become like him.
B. (Galatians 2:20).
C. (Colossians 1:27).
D. (Romans 8:29).

III. How Putting On Christ Will Affect You

- A. (Matthew 8).
1. Jesus **Cared** for People (8:1-3).
 - a. (John 11:35).
 - b. (Matthew 14:14).
 2. Jesus **Complimented** People (8:5-10).
 - a. (Romans 14:19).
 - b. (Proverbs 3:27).
 3. Jesus **Changed** People (8:28-34).
 - a. (2 Corinthians 5:17).
 - b. (John 5:24).

- Conclusion:
1. I want to challenge you this morning. If you find yourself nodding off spiritually, wake up!
 2. Put on Christ and begin making a contribution to your family.
 3. In so doing, not only will you save yourself, but in all probability, you’ll save others as well.