

“What Time Is It?”
Allegiance – Part 4
Romans 13:11-14
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❖ **It's Time For Every Christian In America To . . .**

1. WAKE UP FROM SPIRITUAL APATHY.

“And do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep . . .” Romans 13:11a (NKJV)

“Watch therefore, for you do not know when the Master of the house is coming—in the evening, at midnight, at the crowing of the rooster, or in the morning—lest, coming suddenly, He find you sleeping.” Mark 13:35-36 (NKJV)

2. WISE UP TO THE SECOND COMING.

“. . . for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand.” Romans 13:11b, 12a (NKJV)

“But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day.” 2 Peter 3:8 (NIV1984)

❖ **Your salvation is nearer than ever before.**

“. . . being confident of this, that He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.” Philippians 1:6 (NIV)

❖ **Your faithfulness is needed more than ever.**

“So then, men ought to regard us as servants of Christ and as those entrusted with the secret things of God. Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful.” 1 Corinthians 4:1-2 (NIV1984)

3. CLEAN UP FROM SINFUL LIVING.

“Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness. . . Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy.” Romans 13:12b-13 (NKJV)

➤ **This includes social sins.** “. . . revelry and drunkenness. . .”

➤ **This includes sexual sins.** “. . . lewdness and lust. . .”

➤ **This includes spiritual sins.** “. . . strife and envy. . .”

4. DRESS UP IN THE SAVIOR'S ARMOR.

“. . . and let us put on the armor of light. . . But put on the Lord Jesus Christ. . .” Romans 13:12b, 14a (NKJV)

“Lord” – He has the plan.

“Jesus” – He is the pattern.

“For God called you to do good, even if it means suffering, just as Christ suffered for you. He is your example, and you must follow in His steps.” 1 Peter 2:21 (NLT)

“Christ” – He is the power.