Message



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1 Thessalonians 5:4-6

But you, brethren, are not in darkness, that the day would overtake you like a thief; for you are all sons of light and sons of day. We are not of night nor of darkness; so then let us not sleep as others (literally; the remaining ones) do, but let us be alert and sober.



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Verse 4: As Children of Light, we do not live in darkness, nor are we are of the darkness.

Verse 5: Christians do not simply live in the light; they are characterized by light.

Verse 6: Children of Light, we are not be spiritually insensitive; We are to "watch" / "be alert" and "sober".

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1 Thessalonians 5:14

We urge you, brethren, admonish the unruly, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with everyone.



Admonish or Warn the Unruly — Undisciplined

■ Matthew 23:1-39

Acts 5:17-40

Jesus

Peter

Acts 7:51-60Stephen

Acts 13:16-41Paul

Galatians 6:1-5

- Are we the spiritual person to help?
- Are we the spiritual person to restore?
- Do we know how to restore with gentleness?

Encourage The Fainthearted

II Corinthians 1:3-4

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction so that we will be able to comfort those who are in any (every)affliction with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

Help the Weak

Romans 14:1

Receive or accept those "weak in the faith"; Fellowship should not be based on agreement on disputable questions.

Romans 15:1

Weaknesses borne are not sins; matters under discussions are those issues that do not have clear scripture guidance.

Be Patient With Everyone

■ Matthew 7:1-5

Don't judge hypocritically or self-righteously.

Evaluate carefully between good and bad people and things.

Examine everything and make sure it is in alignment / agreement with God and His Word.

Conduct Of The Children of Light Application to Life

Do we simply live in the light or are we characterized by light?

Are we spiritually sensitive enough to know the difference between living in the light and being characterized by the light?

