LORD FAITH FAMILY

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So be careful how you live, not as fools but as those who are wise. Make the most of every opportunity for doing good in these evil days. Don't act thoughtlessly, but try to understand what the Lord wants you to do. Ephesians 5:15-17 (NLT)

1. It's time for me to spiritually _____.

...until we come to such unity in our faith and knowledge of God's Son that we will be mature and full grown in the Lord, measuring up to the full stature of Christ. Then we will no longer be like children, forever changing our minds about what we believe because someone has told us something different or because someone has cleverly lied to us and made the lie sound like the truth. Instead, we will hold to the truth in love, becoming more and more in every way like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church. Ephesians 4:13-15 (NLT)

- I'll be part of my faith _____.
- I'll _____ my Bible.

All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It straightens us out and teaches us to do what is right. 2 Timothy 3:16 (NLT)

- |'|| _____.
- I'll live and give _____.

Wherever your treasure is, there your heart and thoughts will also be. Matthew 6:21

- |'||_____.
- 2. It's time for me to ______.

"Awake, O sleeper, rise up from the dead, and Christ will give you light." Ephesians 5:14 (NLT)

Instead, there must be a spiritual renewal of your thoughts and attitudes. You must display a new nature because you are a new person, created in God's likeness - righteous, holy, and true. Ephesians 4:23-24 (NLT)

3. It's time for me to open my _____ and _____ like Jesus.

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1. It's time for me to spiritually <u>GROW UP</u>.

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- I'll be part of my faith **FAMILY**.
- I'll <u>ENGAGE</u> my Bible.

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- |'|| <u>PRAY</u>.
- I'll live and give GENEROUSLY.

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• |'|| <u>SERVE</u>.

2. It's time for me to WAKE UP.

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3. It's time for me to open my EYES and RESPOND like Jesus.

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS LIVE IT OUT | May 28, 2023

[CONNECT]

When has been the most significant time of growth in your life? What happened during that time to bring about growth?

[ENGAGE]

What impacted you the most personally from the message?

[GROW]

What does it mean to you that you've been "chosen by God"?

Read Ephesians 5:15-17.

- What does it mean to be "careful" how we live? What would the opposite look like to be "careless" in how we live?
- How can we make the "most of every opportunity for doing good"? What would the opposite look like for us to "miss" those opportunities?
- How do we know and understand what the Lord wants us to do?

In the message, Pastor talked about the things we do to grow up and gain understanding. How do these things play out in your life...

- Being part of a faith family
- Engaging the Bible
- Praying
- Living and giving generously
- Serving Others

Read Ephesians 5:14. What does it mean for us to "wake up" spiritually?

[LEAD (YOURSELF)]

Go back through this study and let the Lord lead you to one thing that you can begin to put in place to grow spiritually. Write that one thing here.