

**Ephesians 5:14~ Wherefore he<sup>1</sup> says; Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and the Christ will shine upon you.**

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**1· Wherefore the spirit says; Awake O sleeper and arise from the dead, and the Christ will shine upon you. When we sleep, we do so in the darkness. Men who have lived within the spiritual darkness of this wicked system of things, run by Satan the Devil have been spiritually asleep for millenniums. Therefore awake from this sleep, and let the glorious light of the Christ shine upon you!**

**[Question]** When do most men sleep, and under what conditions?

**[Question]** Where have men been living for millenniums, and what is their spiritual condition today?

**[Question]** So what does Paul now counsel them?

**2· Your dead ones will live. A corpse of mine, they will rise up. Awake and cry out joyfully, you residents in the dust! For your dew is as the dew of mallows, and the earth itself will let even those impotent in death drop in birth. (Isaiah 26:19)**

**[Question]** How did Isaiah express faith in the resurrection of the dead?

**3· Do this, too, because you people know the season, that it is already the hour for you to awake from sleep, for now our salvation is nearer, than at the time when we became believers. (Romans 13:11)**

**[Question]** What time is it today, for what is nearer than ever before, to men of faith?

**4· Made us alive together with the Christ, even when we were dead in trespasses, by undeserved kindness you have been saved. (Ephesians 2:5)**

**[Question]** How do anointed Christians come to life through Christ, for what was their status before God, before that?

**5· Furthermore, though you were dead in your trespasses and in the uncircumcised state of your flesh, God made you alive together with him. He kindly forgave us all our**

trespasses. (**Colossians 2:13**)

**[Question]** What was the state of anointed Christians before becoming Christians, and how did God bring them to life?

- 6· Therefore Jesus spoke again to them, saying; I am the light of the world. He that follows me **will** by no means walk in darkness, but **will** possess the light of life. (**John 8:12**)

**[Question]** What did Jesus say about himself, and what he was?

**[Question]** Where would anyone following him walk?

- 7· But now it has been made clearly evident through the manifestation of our Savior, **Christ** Jesus, who has abolished death, but has shed light upon life and incorruption, through the Good News. (**2 Timothy 1:10**)

**[Question]** What does the Christ abolish, and what does he shed spiritual light upon, and how?

- 8· And to you who are in fear of my name, the Sun of righteousness **will** certainly **shine** forth, with healing in its wings. You **will** actually go forth and paw the ground like fattened calves. (**Malachi 4:2**)

**[Question]** Who will gain spiritual enlightenment from God, and how will they respond to it?

- 9· That is why many among you are weak and sickly, and quite a few are sleeping in death. (**1 Corinthians 11:30**)

**[Question]** Why were many among the **First Century** congregation of God sickly?

- 10· Wake up to soberness in a righteous way, and do not practice sin, for some are without knowledge of God. I am speaking to move you to shame. (**1 Corinthians 15:34**)

**[Question]** What should Christians awake to, and what must the practice no more?

- 11· So, then, let us not sleep on as the rest do, but let us stay awake and keep our senses. (**1 Thessalonians 5:6**)

**[Question]** Since we have received this spiritual awakening from God, what should we not do any longer?

- 12· For those who sleep are accustomed to sleep at night, and those who get drunk are usually drunk at night. (1 Thessalonians 5:7)**

**[Question]** When do people who sleep and get drunk, usually do those things?

- 13· Therefore, continue mindful of how you have received and how you heard, and go on keeping it, and repent. Certainly unless you wake up, I shall come as a thief, and you will not know at all at what hour I shall come upon you. (Revelation 3:3)**

**[Question]** What should Christians keep mindful of always?

**[Question]** How will the coming of Christ come upon them, if they fall asleep spiritually?

- 14· I advise you to buy from me gold refined by fire, that you may become rich, and white outer garments that you may become dressed, and that the shame of your nakedness may not become manifested, and eyesalve to rub in your eyes, that you may see. (Revelation 3:18)**

**[Question]** What were some anointed Christians in need of in their spiritual lives?